Machine Learning from Data – IDC – 2023

HW5 - Theory + SVM

1. Kernels and mapping functions (30 pts)

- a. (10 pts) Consider two kernels K_1 and K_2 , with the mappings φ_1 and φ_2 respectively. Show that $K = 5K_1 + 4K_2$ is also a kernel and find its corresponding φ .
- b. (10 pts) Consider a kernel K_1 and its corresponding mapping φ_1 that maps from the lower space R^n to a higher space R^m (m > n). We know that the data in the higher space R^m , is separable by a linear classifier with the weights vector w.

Given a different kernel K_2 and its corresponding mapping φ_2 , we create a kernel $K = 5K_1 + 4K_2$ as in section a above. Can you find a linear classifier in the higher space to which φ , the mapping corresponding to the kernel K, is mapping?

If YES, find the linear classifier weight vector.

If NO, prove why not.

c. (10 pts) Consider the space $S = \{1, 2, ..., N\}$ for some finite N (each instance in the space is a 1-dimension vector and the possible values are 1, 2, ..., N) and the function $K(x, y) = 9 \cdot f(x, y)$ for every $x, y \in S$.

Prove that K is a valid kernel by finding a mapping φ such that:

$$\varphi(x) \cdot \varphi(y) = 9 \min(x, y) = K(x, y)$$

For example, if the instances are x = 4, y = 8, for some $N \ge 8$, then:

$$\varphi(x) \cdot \varphi(y) = \varphi(4) \cdot \varphi(8) = 9 \cdot \min(4.8) = 36$$

2. Lagrange multipliers (20 pts)

Suppose you are running a factory, producing some sort of widget that requires steel as a raw material. Your costs are predominantly human labor, which is \$20 per hour for your workers, and the steel itself, which runs for \$170 per ton.

Suppose your revenue *R* is modeled by the following equation:

$$R(h,s) = 200 \cdot h^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot s^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

Where:

- *h* represents hours of labor
- s represents tons of steel

If your budget is \$20,000, what is the maximum possible revenue?

3. PAC Learning and VC dimension (30 pts)

Let
$$X = \mathbb{R}^2$$
. Let

$$C = H = \left\{ h(r_1, r_2) = \left\{ (x_1, x_2) \middle| \begin{array}{l} x_1^2 + x_2^2 \ge r_1 \\ x_1^2 + x_2^2 \le r_2 \end{array} \right\} \right\}, \text{ for } 0 \le r_1 \le r_2,$$

the set of all origin-centered rings.

- a. (8 pts) What is the VC(H)? Prove your answer.
- b. (14 pts) Describe a polynomial sample complexity algorithm *L* that learns *C* using *H*. State the time complexity and the sample complexity of your suggested algorithm. Prove all your steps.

In class we saw a bound on the sample complexity when H is finite.

$$m \ge \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left(\ln|H| + \ln \frac{1}{\delta} \right)$$

When |H| is infinite, we have a different bound:

$$m \ge \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left(4 \log_2 \frac{2}{\delta} + 8VC(H) \log_2 \frac{13}{\varepsilon} \right)$$

- c. (8 pts) You want to get with 95% confidence a hypothesis with at most 5% error. Calculate the sample complexity with the bound that you found in b and the above bound for infinite |H|. In which one did you get a smaller m? Explain.
- 4. VC dimension (20 pts)

Let $X = \mathbb{R}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Define "x-node decision tree" for any $x = 2^n - 1$ to be a full binary decision tree with x nodes (including the leaves).

Let H_m be the hypothesis space of all "x-node decision tree" with $n \le m$.

- a. (5 pts) What is the $VC(H_3)$? Prove your answer.
- b. (15 pts) What is the $VC(H_m)$? Prove your answer.