

Task_03

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0.1 Exercise 3: SVM

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[1]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn.datasets import make_circles, make_blobs
from cvxopt import matrix, solvers # Install cvxopt via "pip install cvxopt"

[2]: # =====
# 1. Complete SVM implementation
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#Note for correctors: I comment more than Van Rossum would prefer, comments
↳include links to websites.
#This first version is a bit inconsistent. I underestimated the workload a bit,
↳so yeah...
#There are several things wrong with the code and I will be really pleased to
↳see the solution...

class DualSVM:
    def __init__(self, C=1.0, kernel="linear", gamma=1.0):
        self.C = C # Regularization constant
        self.kernel = kernel # Kernel type: "linear" or "rbf"
        self.gamma = gamma # Kernel parameter ("bandwidth")
        self.alpha = None # Lagrange multipliers
        self.sv_X = None # Support vectors
        self.sv_y = None # Support vector labels
        self.w = None # Weights
        self.b = None # Bias

    def linear_kernel(self, X1, X2) -> np.array:
        #interestingly enough, I found all kinds of versions for the linear
        ↳kernel: transpose x1. no, x2... and others didn't even bother at all
        #this version was the one that worked first, after the 1 to 1
        ↳implementation of the instructions seemed to fail.
        return np.dot(X1,X2.T)

    def rbf_kernel(self, X1, X2):
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there are a few ways to compute the rbf kernel, notably different are
 ↳ the one for vectors and for matrixes :

"""was the version I found first, but it failed me in task 5
 return np.exp(-self.gamma * np.linalg.norm(X1 - X2)**2)"""

[https://github.com/xbeat/Machine-Learning/blob/main/
 ↳ The%20Mathematics%20of%20RBF%20Kernel%20in%20Python.md:](https://github.com/xbeat/Machine-Learning/blob/main/The%20Mathematics%20of%20RBF%20Kernel%20in%20Python.md)

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X1_sq = np.sum(X1**2, axis=1).reshape(-1, 1)
X2_sq = np.sum(X2**2, axis=1).reshape(1, -1)
dist_sq = X1_sq + X2_sq - 2 * np.dot(X1, X2.T)
return np.exp(-self.gamma * dist_sq)
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def compute_kernel(self, X1, X2):
    if self.kernel == "linear":
        return self.linear_kernel(X1, X2)
    elif self.kernel == "rbf":
        return self.rbf_kernel(X1, X2)
    else:
        raise ValueError("Unknown kernel type.")
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def fit(self, X, y):
    #in fit, we are refering back to the dual formulation we were given at
    ↳ the beginning (hence optimization objective & constraints)
    n_samples, n_features = X.shape
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# Compute kernel matrix K:  $K[i, j] = K(x_i, x_j)$ 
K = self.compute_kernel(X, X)
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"""
 The dual objective is:
 $\max \sum_i \alpha_i - 1/2 \sum_i \sum_j \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j K(x_i, x_j)$
 ↳ x_j)

subject to:
 $\sum_i \alpha_i y_i = 0$ and $0 \leq \alpha_i \leq C$ for all i .
 In QP formulation:
 $P = (y_i y_j K(x_i, x_j))_{\{i, j\}}$, $q = -1$ (vector),
 $A = y^T$, $b = 0$, and G, h implement $0 \leq \alpha_i \leq C$.
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#It seems to be recommended to reshape y for cvxopt into a 2D array
 ↳ column vector

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Y = y.reshape(-1, 1)
#To create the  $y_i * y_j$  matrix part of the formula, we are recommended
↳ to do
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    yiyj = np.outer(y,y)
    P = matrix(yiyj * K )
    q = matrix(-np.ones(n_samples))
    A = matrix(y.reshape(-1,1).astype("double"), (1, n_samples), "d") # Use
    ↪ "d" flag to make sure that the matrix is in double precision format (labels
    ↪ are integers)
    b = matrix(0.0)

    #after the inequality constraints in the enoncé, we require some
    ↪ prerequisites to do G and h
    I_minus = - np.eye(n_samples)
    I = np.eye(n_samples)

    G = matrix(np.vstack((I_minus, I)))

    zeros = np.zeros(n_samples)
    c_matrix = np.ones(n_samples) * self.C
    h = matrix(np.hstack((zeros, c_matrix)), tc="d")

    # Solve the QP problem using cvxopt
    solvers.options["show_progress"] = False
    solution = solvers.qp(P, q, G, h, A, b)
    alphas = np.ravel(solution["x"]) # Get optimal alphas

    # Get support vectors (i.e. data points with non-zero lagrange
    ↪ multipliers, that are on the margin)
    sv = alphas > 1e-5 # alpha > 1e-5 to account for numerical errors
    self.alpha = alphas[sv]
    self.sv_X = X[sv]
    self.sv_y = y[sv]

    # The bias corresponds to the average error over all support vectors:
    # Why does the bias corresponds to the average error over all support
    ↪ vectors?
    # The answer is that the bias is the average of the differences between
    ↪ the true labels and the predicted labels
    # for the support vectors. The predicted labels are computed by the
    ↪ decision function  $f(x) = \sum(\alpha_i y_i K(x, x_i)) + b$ .
    # The difference between the true labels and the predicted labels is
    ↪ the error for each support vector.
    # The bias is the average of these errors.
    self.b = np.mean(self.sv_y - np.sum(self.alpha * self.sv_y * K[sv][:,
    ↪ sv], axis=1))

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def predict(self, X):
    y_pred = []
    for x in X:
        s = 0
        for alpha_i, y_i, x_i in zip(self.alpha, self.sv_y, self.sv_X):
            s += alpha_i * y_i * self.compute_kernel(x, x_i)
        y_pred.append(s + self.b)
    return np.sign(y_pred)

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[3]: # =====
# 2. Apply linear SVM on blobs
# =====

# TODO: Generate blobs dataset
X_linear, y_linear = make_blobs(n_samples=100, centers=2, n_features=2,
                                random_state=0)

# Convert labels from {0,1} to {-1,1}
y_linear = 2 * (y_linear - 0.5)

#TODO: Train SVM with linear kernel
SVM_Linear = DualSVM()
SVM_Linear.fit(X_linear, y_linear)

#TODO: Plot decision boundary

# most of the following instructions are purely to make it prettier.
plt.figure(figsize=(6, 6))
plt.title("Blobs Dataset for Linear SVM")
plt.xlabel("Feature 1")
plt.ylabel("Feature 2")
plt.grid(True)
plt.axis("equal")

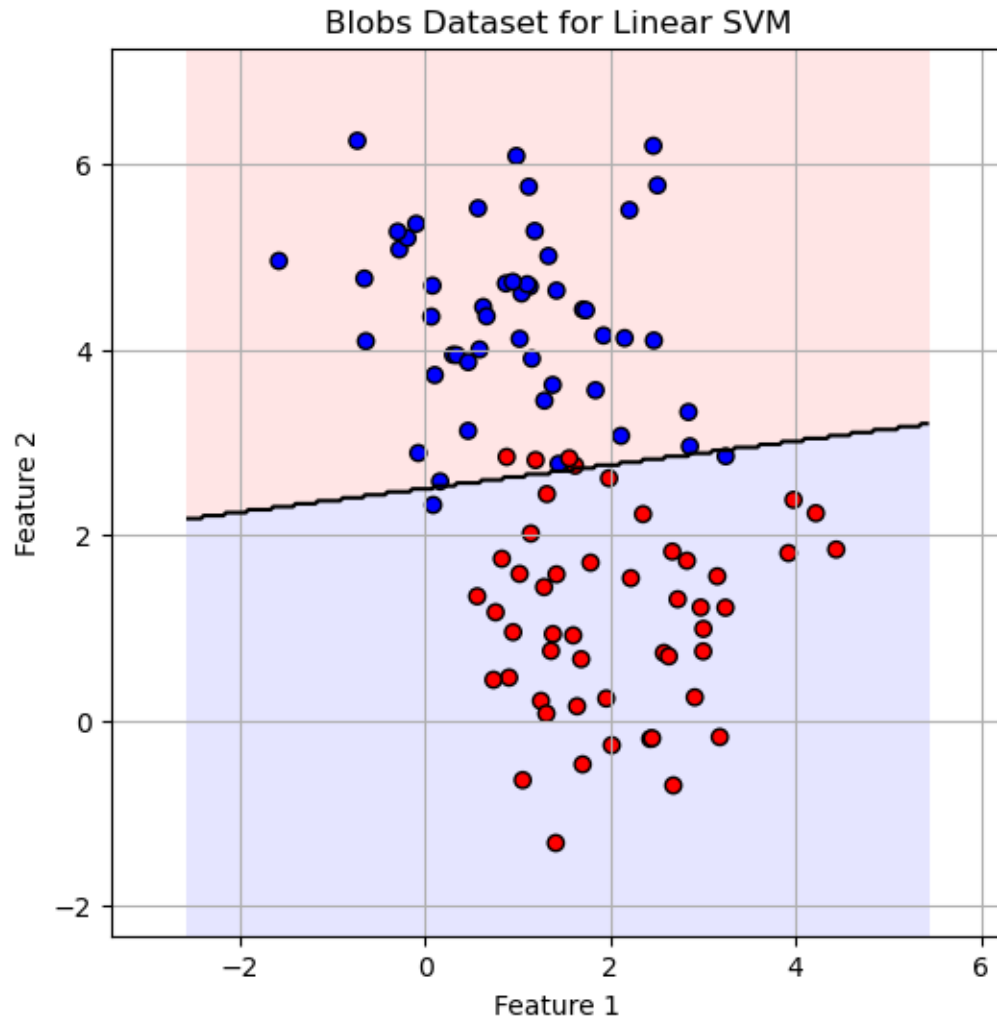
# Draw decision boundary and margin
# There are a few extra steps to making the decision boundary onto the graph:
#   ↳ create a meshgrid, contour it (and color it in case you want it a bit more
#   ↳ chique)
xx, yy = np.meshgrid(
    np.linspace(X_linear[:, 0].min() - 1, X_linear[:, 0].max() + 1, 300),
    np.linspace(X_linear[:, 1].min() - 1, X_linear[:, 1].max() + 1, 300)
)
grid = np.c_[xx.ravel(), yy.ravel()] # shape (300*300, 2)

# Compute predictions over the grid
Z = SVM_Linear.predict(grid).reshape(xx.shape)

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plt.contourf(xx, yy, Z, levels=[-1, 0, 1], colors=["#FFAAAA", "#AAAAFF"],
             alpha=0.3)
plt.contour(xx, yy, Z, levels=[0], colors='k', linewidths=1.5)

plt.scatter(X_linear[:, 0], X_linear[:, 1], c=y_linear, cmap="bwr",
            edgecolors="k")
plt.show()
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[4]: # =====
# 3. Apply linear SVM on circles
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# TODO: Generate blobs dataset
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X_circles, y_circles = make_circles(n_samples=100, noise=0.05, factor=0.5,
    ↪random_state=0)
y_circles = 2 * (y_circles - 0.5) # Convert labels from {0,1} to {-1,1}

# TODO: Train SVM with linear kernel
SVM_Linear_Circle = DualSVM()
SVM_Linear_Circle.fit(X_circles, y_circles)

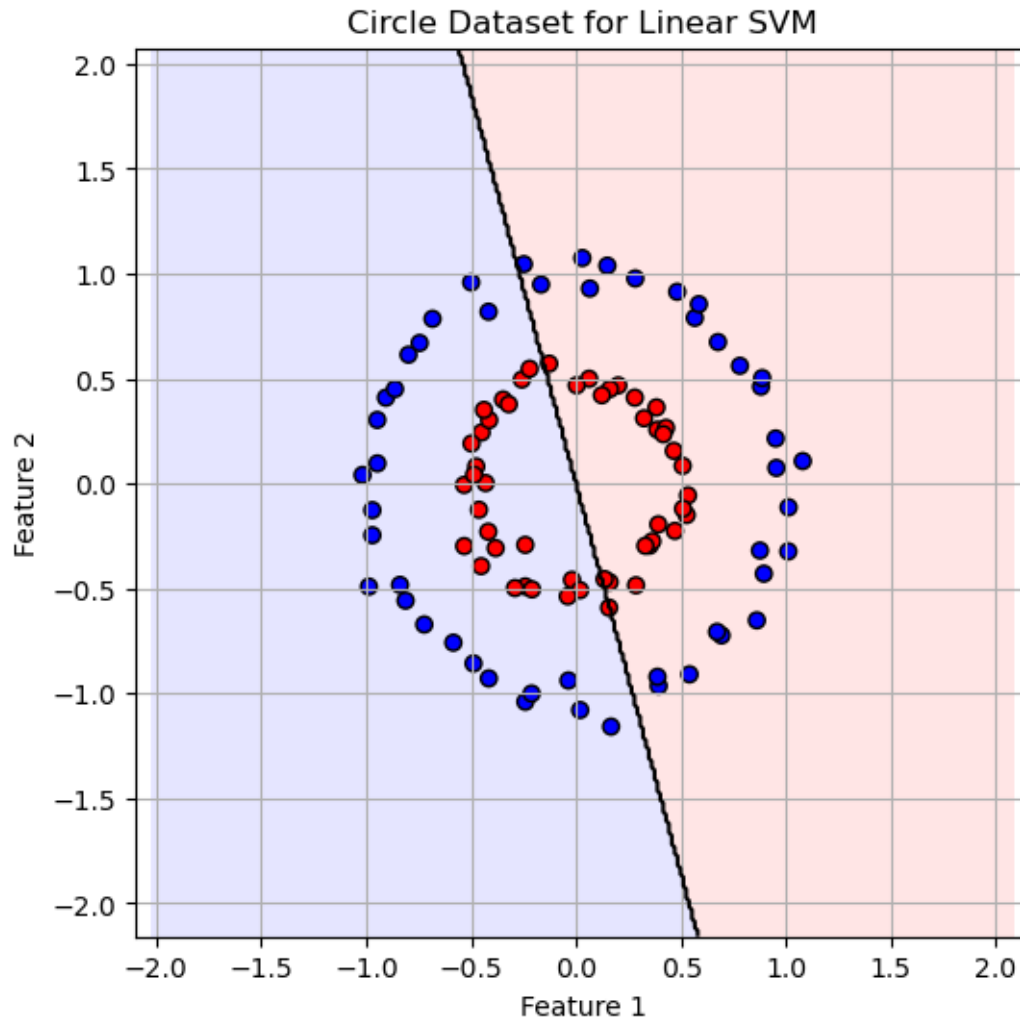
#TODO: Plot decision boundary

xx_2, yy_2 = np.meshgrid(
    np.linspace(X_circles[:, 0].min() - 1, X_circles[:, 0].max() + 1, 300),
    np.linspace(X_circles[:, 1].min() - 1, X_circles[:, 1].max() + 1, 300)
)
new_grid = np.c_[xx_2.ravel(), yy_2.ravel()]
Z_2 = SVM_Linear_Circle.predict(new_grid).reshape(xx_2.shape)

plt.figure(figsize=(6, 6))
plt.title("Circle Dataset for Linear SVM")
plt.xlabel("Feature 1")
plt.ylabel("Feature 2")
plt.grid(True)
plt.axis("equal")
plt.contourf(xx_2, yy_2, Z_2, levels=[-1, 0, 1], colors=["#FFAAAA", "#AAAAFF"],
    ↪alpha=0.3)
plt.contour(xx_2, yy_2, Z_2, levels=[0], colors='k', linewidths=1.5)

plt.scatter(X_circles[:, 0], X_circles[:, 1], c=y_circles, cmap="bwr",
    ↪edgecolors="k")
plt.show()

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[5]: # =====
# 4. Apply feature transformation
# =====
def transform_features(X):
    # TODO: compute feature transformation:  $f(x) = [x_1, x_2, x_1^2 + x_2^2]$ 
    x1, x2 = X_circles[:,0], X_circles[:,1]
    last = x1**2 + x2**2
    return np.column_stack([x1, x2, last])

#TODO: Train SVM with linear kernel on transformed features
SVM_Linear_Circle_tf = DualSVM()

SVM_Linear_Circle_tf.fit(transform_features(X_circles), y_circles)
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def plot_decision_boundary_transformed(X, y, model, title="SVM Decision Boundary (Transformed)":
    # TODO: Implement plotting function for decision boundary in the transformed feature space
    # Hint: You could do this by creating a 2D meshgrid which you transform using the feature mapping.
    # Then, after evaluating the model on it, you can plot the result as a contour plot (plt.contourf).

    xx, yy = np.meshgrid(
        np.linspace(X[:, 0].min() - 1, X[:, 0].max() + 1, 300),
        np.linspace(X[:, 1].min() - 1, X[:, 1].max() + 1, 300)
    )
    grid = np.c_[xx.ravel(), yy.ravel()]
    grid_transformed = transform_features(grid)
    Z = model.predict(grid_transformed).reshape(xx.shape) # it always fails here due to reshaping, can't seem to fix it.
    #I know the error has to do with the transformation, but I can't seem to find the right way to do it.

    plt.figure(figsize=(6, 6))
    plt.title("Circle Dataset for Linear SVM")
    plt.xlabel("Feature 1")
    plt.ylabel("Feature 2")
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.axis("equal")
    plt.contourf(xx, yy, Z, levels=[-1, 0, 1], colors=["#FFAAAA", "#AAAAFF"], alpha=0.3)
    plt.contour(xx, yy, Z, levels=[0], colors='k', linewidths=1.5)
    plt.scatter(X[:, 0], X[:, 1], c=y, cmap="bwr", edgecolors="k")
    plt.show()

#TODO: Plot decision boundary in the transformed feature space
plot_decision_boundary_transformed(X_circles, y_circles, SVM_Linear_Circle_tf, title="SVM Decision Boundary with Feature Transformation")

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ValueError

Traceback (most recent call last)

Cell In[5], line 42

39 plt.show()

41 #TODO: Plot decision boundary in the transformed feature space

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plot_decision_boundary_transformed(X_circles, y_circles, SVM_Linear_Circle_tf, title=

Cell In[5], line 27, in plot_decision_boundary_transformed(X, y, model, title)

25 grid = np.c_[xx.ravel(), yy.ravel()]


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26 grid_transformed = transform_features(grid)
---> 27 Z = model.predict(grid_transformed).reshape(xx.shape) # it always fails,
    ↪ here due to reshaping, can't seem to fix it.
28 #I know the error has to do with the transformation, but I can't seem to
    ↪ find the right way to do it.
30 plt.figure(figsize=(6, 6))

ValueError: cannot reshape array of size 100 into shape (300,300)

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[6]: # =====
# 5. SVM with RBF Kernel on Circular Data
# =====

#TODO: Train SVM with RBF kernel on circular data
SVM_RBF = DualSVM(1., "rbf")
SVM_RBF.fit(X_circles, y_circles)

#TODO: Plot decision boundary

xx_3, yy_3 = np.meshgrid(
    np.linspace(X_circles[:, 0].min() - 1, X_circles[:, 0].max() + 1, 300),
    np.linspace(X_circles[:, 1].min() - 1, X_circles[:, 1].max() + 1, 300)
)
new_grid_2 = np.c_[xx_3.ravel(), yy_3.ravel()]
Z_3 = SVM_RBF.predict(new_grid_2).reshape(xx_3.shape) #Isn't this nice? Failing
    ↪ at the same place twice, but for different reasons.
#In this case the error is a dimension error.
plt.figure(figsize=(6, 6))
plt.title("Circle Dataset for RBF SVM")
plt.xlabel("Feature 1")
plt.ylabel("Feature 2")
plt.grid(True)
plt.axis("equal")
plt.contourf(xx_3, yy_3, Z_3, levels=[-1, 0, 1], colors=["#FFAAAA", "#AAAAFF"],
    ↪ alpha=0.3)
plt.contour(xx_3, yy_3, Z_3, levels=[0], colors='k', linewidths=1.5)
plt.scatter(X_circles[:, 0], X_circles[:, 1], c=y_circles, cmap="bwr",
    ↪ edgecolors="k")
plt.show()

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AxisError

Traceback (most recent call last)

Cell In[6], line 19

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14 xx_3, yy_3 = np.meshgrid(
15     np.linspace(X_circles[:, 0].min() - 1, X_circles[:, 0].max() + 1,
↪300),
16     np.linspace(X_circles[:, 1].min() - 1, X_circles[:, 1].max() + 1,
↪300)
17 )
18 new_grid_2 = np.c_[xx_3.ravel(), yy_3.ravel()]
---> 19 Z_3 = SVM_RBF.predict(new_grid_2).reshape(xx_3.shape) #Isn't this nice?
↪Failing at the same place tiwce, but for different reasons.
20 #In this case the error is a dimension error.
21 plt.figure(figsize=(6, 6))

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Cell In[2], line 109, in DualSVM.predict(self, X)

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107     s = 0
108     for alpha_i, y_i, x_i in zip(self.alpha, self.sv_y, self.sv_X):
--> 109         s += alpha_i * y_i * self.compute_kernel(x, x_i)
110     y_pred.append(s + self.b)
111 return np.sign(y_pred)

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Cell In[2], line 43, in DualSVM.compute_kernel(self, X1, X2)

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41     return self.linear_kernel(X1, X2)
42 elif self.kernel == "rbf":
---> 43     return self.rbf_kernel(X1, X2)
44 else:
45     raise ValueError("Unknown kernel type.")

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Cell In[2], line 33, in DualSVM.rbf_kernel(self, X1, X2)

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29 """was the version I found first, but it failed me in task 5
30 return np.exp(-self.gamma * np.linalg.norm(X1 - X2)**2)"""
32 # https://github.com/xbeat/Machine-Learning/blob/main/
↪The%20Mathematics%20of%20RBF%20Kernel%20in%20Python.md:
---> 33 X1_sq = np.sum(X1**2, axis=1).reshape(-1, 1)
34 X2_sq = np.sum(X2**2, axis=1).reshape(1, -1)
35 dist_sq = X1_sq + X2_sq - 2 * np.dot(X1, X2.T)

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File /opt/homebrew/Caskroom/miniconda/base/envs/ml_homework/lib/python3.13/

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↪site-packages/numpy/_core/fromnumeric.py:2466, in sum(a, axis, dtype, out,
↪keepdims, initial, where)
2463         return out
2464     return res
-> 2466 return _wrapreduction(
2467     a, np.add,      , axis, dtype, out,
2468     keepdims=keepdims, initial=initial, where=where
2469 )

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File /opt/homebrew/Caskroom/miniconda/base/envs/ml_homework/lib/python3.13/

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↪site-packages/numpy/_core/fromnumeric.py:86, in _wrapreduction(obj, ufunc,
↪method, axis, dtype, out, **kwargs)

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83         else:
84             return reduction(axis=axis, out=out, **passkwargs)
---> 86 return ufunc.reduce(obj, axis, dtype, out, **passkwargs)
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AxisError: axis 1 is out of bounds for array of dimension 1
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TODO: Compare the decision boundaries from Tasks 3, 4, and 5. How does feature transformation differ from using an RBF kernel? When would one approach be preferable to the other?

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TODO: Besides the dual formulation, SVMs also have an equivalent primal formulation. The key factor in choosing which one to use as the optimization criterion is the dimensionality of the features. Explain why.