The Exercise of SVM

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1 Kernel

(a) Determine the mapping $\phi(x)$ such that the kernel

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = (c + \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{z})^2 = \phi(\mathbf{x}) \phi(\mathbf{z})$$

where $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2)^T$ and $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, z_2)^T$.

(b) Show, by a sketch, that an XOR is not linearly separable, but that after the mapping $\phi(x)$ with c=0 it is linearly separable.

2 Steepest Gradient Descendent of SVM

Show that if the SVM cost function is written as

$$C(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(\frac{\lambda}{2} \parallel \mathbf{w} \parallel^{2} + \max(0, 1 - y_{i} f(\mathbf{x}_{i})) \right)$$

where $f(\mathbf{x}_i) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i$, then using using steepest descent optimization, \mathbf{w}_{t+1} may be learnt from \mathbf{w}_t by cycling through the data with the following update rule,

$$\mathbf{w}_{t+1} \leftarrow (1 - \eta \lambda) \, \mathbf{w}_t + \eta y_i \mathbf{x}_i \ if \ y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i < 1$$
$$\leftarrow (1 - \eta \lambda) \, \mathbf{w}_t \quad otherwise$$

where η is the learning rate.