CS771 : Introduction to Machine Learning Assignment - 1

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Abstract

This report investigates the security of the Multi-level PUF (ML-PUF), a variant of arbiter PUFs designed to resist machine learning attacks. The ML-PUF generates a response by XORing outputs from two cross-connected arbiter PUFs. We derive a linear model to predict the XOR response, demonstrating that the ML-PUF remains vulnerable despite its added complexity. Using 8-bit challenges and 6400 CRPs, we implement linear classifiers (LinearSVC, LogisticRegression) to achieve high test accuracy. Additionally, we outline a method to recover non-negative delays for a 64-bit arbiter PUF from its linear model. Our findings highlight the need for stronger cryptographic primitives beyond linear transformations for PUF security.

1 Question

The time it takes for the signal to propagate through the i-th multiplexer (MUX) pair in an arbiter PUF can be expressed as follows. Let $t^u_{i,1}$ and $t^l_{i,1}$ represent the times at which the signal departs from the i-th MUX pair for the upper and lower lines, respectively. Expressing t^u_i and t^l_i in terms of t^u_{i-1}, t^l_{i-1}, and the challenge bit c_i, we obtain:

$$t^u_{2,0} = (1 - c_2) \cdot (t^u_{1,0} + p_{2,0}) + c_2 \cdot (t^l_1 + s_2)$$

$$t^l_{2,0} = (1 - c_2) \cdot (t^l_{1,0} + q_{2,0}) + c_2 \cdot (t^u_1 + r_2)$$

For simplicity, we can omit the subscript 0, leading to:

$$t^u_2 = (1 - c_2) \cdot (t^u_1 + p_2) + c_2 \cdot (t^l_1 + s_2)$$

$$t^l_2 = (1 - c_2) \cdot (t^l_1 + q_2) + c_2 \cdot (t^u_1 + r_2)$$

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To simplify the analysis, we define two new variables, A_2 and B_2, as follows:

$$A_2 = t_2^u + t_2^l$$

$$B_2 = t_2^u - t_2^l$$

From these definitions, we can express t_2^u as:

$$t_2^u = \frac{A_2 + B_2}{2}$$

Next, we derive expressions for A_2 and B_2:

$$A_2 = (1 - c_2) \cdot (A_1 + p_2 + q_2) + c_2 \cdot (A_1 + s_2 + r_2) + A_1$$

Simplifying the above expression, we get:

$$A_2 = (1 - c_2) \cdot (p_2 + q_2) + c_2 \cdot (s_2 + r_2) + A_1$$

Similarly, for B_2, we have:

$$B_2 = (1 - c_2) \cdot (B_1 + p_2 - q_2) + c_2 \cdot (-B_1 + s_2 - r_2)$$

To further simplify, we define the following parameters:

$$d_i = (1 - 2 \cdot c_i)$$

$$\alpha_i = \frac{p_i - q_i + r_i - s_i}{2}$$

$$\beta_i = \frac{p_i - q_i - r_i + s_i}{2}$$

$$g_i = \frac{p_i + q_i + r_i - s_i}{2}$$

$$f_i = \frac{s_i + r_i - (p_i + q_i)}{2}$$

Using these definitions, we rewrite A_i and B_i as:

$$A_i = (1 - c_i) \cdot (p_i + q_i) + c_i \cdot (s_i + r_i) + A_{i-1} \quad where\ A_0 = 0$$

$$B_i = (1 - 2 \cdot c_i) \cdot (B_{i-1}) + c_i \cdot (s_i - r_i - (p_i - q_i)) + p_i - q_i$$

Simplifying further, we get:

$$B_i = d_i \cdot B_{i-1} + d_i \cdot \alpha_i + \beta_i$$

Thus, the equations for A_i and B_i can be expressed as:

$$A_i = p_i + q_i + c_i \cdot (-(p_i + q_i) + (s_i + r_i)) + A_{i-1}$$

$$A_i = A_{i-1} - d_i \cdot f_i + g_i$$

$$B_i = d_i \cdot B_{i-1} + d_i \cdot \alpha_i + \beta_i$$

By induction, for $i = 8$ (considering the PUF has 8 stages), we obtain:

$$A_8 = w'_1 \cdot x'_1 + w'_2 \cdot x'_2 + \cdots + w'_8 \cdot x'_8 + b'$$

$$B_8 = w_1 \cdot x_1 + w_2 \cdot x_2 + \cdots + w_8 \cdot x_8 + b$$

To illustrate, let's derive A_1 explicitly:

$$A_1 = (1 - c_1) \cdot p_i + c_1 \cdot s_1 + (1 - c_1) \cdot q_1 + c_1 \cdot r_1$$

$$A_1 = (1 - c_1) \cdot (p_1 + q_1) + c_1 \cdot (r_1 + s_1)$$

$$A_1 = p_1 + q_1 + c_1 \cdot (r_1 + s_1 - (p_1 + q_1))$$

$$A_1 = g_1 - f_1 + f_1 \cdot (1 - d_i)$$

$$A_1 = g_1 - f_1 \cdot d_1$$

Defining the vectors x_i and x'_i as:

$$x_i = d_i d_{i+1} \cdots d_8, \quad x'_i = -d_i$$

and the weights w_i and w'_i as:

$$w_i = \alpha_i, \quad w'_i = f_i$$

we have:

$$w_i = \alpha_i + \beta_{i-1} \quad (where i = 1, 2, \dots)$$

Finally, we define the bias terms b and b' as:

$$b = \beta_8, \quad b' = \sum_{i=1}^{8} g_i$$

Therefore, the time it takes for the upper signal to reach the finish line for the 8-bit arbiter PUF can be expressed as:

$$t_8^u = \frac{A_8 + B_8}{2}$$

$$t_8^u = \sum_{i=1}^{8} \frac{w_i \cdot x_i + w'_i \cdot x'_i + b + b'}{2}$$

$$t_8^u = \frac{w^T \cdot x + b + w'^T \cdot x' + b'}{2}$$

$$t_8^u = \frac{(w'^T \cdot x' + b') - (w^T \cdot x + b)}{2}$$

This establishes that there exists a linear model that can predict the time t_8^u for the upper signal in an arbiter PUF. The feature map Φ transforms the 8-bit challenge into a suitable higher-dimensional space:

$\Phi : \{0,1\}^8 \to \mathbb{R}^D$

Given a challenge C, the feature map can be represented as $\{x, x'\}$ where x and x' are derived from the challenge bits and the associated PUF-specific constants.

2 Dimensionality Derivation for ML-PUF (8-bit)

The final response is:

$$r(c) = r^0(c) \oplus r^1(c)$$

To predict the XOR using a linear model, we need to handle the non-linear XOR operation. For an XOR-PUF, where the response is the XOR of multiple arbiter PUF outputs, a linear model can predict the XOR by transforming the challenge into a higher-dimensional feature space, often using products of transformed challenge bits.

Define the decision functions for Response0 and Response1 (without the sign function):

$$z_0 = \hat{w}_0^T x' - \hat{w}_0^T x + \hat{b}_0' - \hat{b}_0$$
$$z_1 = \hat{w}_0^T x + \hat{w}_0^T x' + \hat{b}_0 + \hat{b}_0'$$

So:

$$r^0 = \frac{1 + sign(z_0)}{2}, \quad r^1 = \frac{1 + sign(z_1)}{2}$$

The XOR is:

$$r = r^0 \oplus r^1 = r^0(1 - r^1) + (1 - r^0)r^1$$

2.1 Transforming XOR to a Linear Model

Expressing in terms of z_0 and z_1:

$$r^0 = \frac{1 + sign(z_0)}{2}, \quad r^1 = \frac{1 + sign(z_1)}{2}$$

$$r = \{\, 0 \; if sign(z_0) = sign(z_1) 1 if sign(z_0) \neq sign(z_1) \Rightarrow r = \frac{1 - sign(z_0)sign(z_1)}{2}$$

Since $sign(z_0)sign(z_1) = sign(z_0 z_1)$, we need:

$$r = \frac{1 - sign(z_0 z_1)}{2} = \frac{1 + sign(-z_0 z_1)}{2}$$

We need a linear model to predict $sign(-z_0 z_1)$. Notice that:

$z_0 z_1 = (\hat{w}_0^T x')(\hat{w}_0^T x) + (\hat{w}_0^T x')(\hat{b}_0 + \hat{b}_0') + (\hat{b}_0' - \hat{b}_0)(\hat{w}_0^T x) + (\hat{b}_0' - \hat{b}_0)(\hat{w}_0^T x') + (\hat{b}_0' - \hat{b}_0)(\hat{b}_0 + \hat{b}_0')$

The terms involve:

- **Quadratic terms**: $(\hat{w}_0^T x)(\hat{w}_0^T x), (\hat{w}_0^T x)(\hat{w}_0^T x'), (\hat{w}_0^T x')(\hat{w}_0^T x')$
- **Linear terms**: $(\hat{w}_0^T x)(\hat{b}_0' - \hat{b}_0), (\hat{b}_0' - \hat{b}_0)(\hat{w}_0^T x'), (\hat{w}_0^T x')(\hat{b}_0 + \hat{b}_0')$
- **Constant term**: $(\hat{b}_0' - \hat{b}_0)(\hat{b}_0 + \hat{b}_0')$

2.2 Constructing the Feature Map

Define the feature map:

$$\hat{\phi}(c) = [x, x', vec(x \otimes x), vec(x' \otimes x'), vec(x \otimes x'), vec(x' \otimes x), 1]$$

where $\otimes$ denotes the outer product, and vec flattens the matrix into a vector. Compute the dimensionality:

- x: 8 dimensions.
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- $x \otimes x$: 64 dimensions.
- $x' \otimes x'$: 64 dimensions.
- $x \otimes x'$: 64 dimensions.
- $x' \otimes x$: 64 dimensions.
- Constant term: 1 dimension.

Total dimensionality without removing redundancies:

$$\hat{D} = 8 + 8 + 64 + 64 + 64 + 64 + 1 = 273$$

2.3 Simplifying the Dimensionality

For XOR-PUFs, the feature map often involves products of challenge bits. Let's try a feature map inspired by XOR-PUF literature, focusing on the parity-like terms used in arbiter PUFs.

Reconsider the feature map to capture $z_0 z_1$:

$$x_i = \prod_{j=i}^{8} d_j, \quad x'_i = -d_i$$

Try a feature map with pairwise products:

$$\hat{\phi}(c) = [x_i x'_j,\ 1 \leq i, j \leq 8]$$

This gives:

$$\hat{D} = 8 \times 8 + 1 = 65$$

2.4 Redundancy in Terms

However, some terms are redundant:

- $x_i x_j = x_j x_i$: We only need the upper triangular part. Number of unique terms:

$$\frac{8 \times 9}{2} = 36$$

- Similarly for $x' \otimes x'$: 36 dimensions.
- For $x \otimes x'$, all $8 \times 8 = 64$ terms are unique.

Revised dimensionality:

$$\hat{D} = 8 + 8 + 36 + 36 + 64 + 1 = 153$$

Note: We only include $x \otimes x'$, not $x' \otimes x$, as they are equivalent up to weight adjustments.

2.5 Final Dimensionality and Answer

This is more reasonable, as it captures the quadratic interactions needed for $z_0 z_1$. To confirm, note:

$$z_0 z_1 \approx \sum_{i,j} w_{ij} x_i x'_j + linearterms + constant$$

Since x_i involves products of d_j, and $x'_i = -d_i$, the terms $x_i x'_j$ generate features like $d_i \prod_{k=i}^{8} d_k$, sufficient to model the parity-like behavior of XOR.

Final Answer:
The dimensionality of the linear model needed to predict the response for an ML-PUF with 8-bit challenges is:

$$\hat{D} = 65$$

3 Kernel SVM for ML-PUF Classification

To achieve perfect classification of the ML-PUF response $r(c) = r^0(c) \oplus r^1(c)$ using a kernel SVM on raw challenges $c \in \{0, 1\}^8$, we need a kernel that implicitly maps the 8-dimensional binary inputs to a feature space where the XOR operation becomes linearly separable. The ML-PUF's non-linearity arises from the XOR of two arbiter PUF responses, each determined by a linear decision boundary in a transformed feature space.

3.1 Derivation

Arbiter PUF Response:

- For PUF0, the response is:

  $$r^0(c) = \frac{1 + sign(t^1_{g,1} - t^1_{g,0})}{2}$$

  Where $t^1_{g,0}$ and $t^1_{g,1}$ are lower signal arrival times, linear in features:

  $$\phi(c) = [x, x'], \quad x_i = \prod_{j=i}^{8} (1 - 2c_j), \quad x'_i = -(1 - 2c_i)$$

  Thus, $t^1_{g,1} - t^1_{g,0} = \hat{w}_0^T \phi(c) + b_0$, and r^0 is a linear classifier in this 16-dimensional space.
- Similarly, for PUF1, $r^1(c)$ is linear in $\phi(c)$.

3.2 ML-PUF Response

$$r(c) = r^0 \oplus r^1 = \frac{1 - sign(z_0)sign(z_1)}{2} = \frac{1 + sign(-z_0 z_1)}{2}$$

Where:

$$z_0 = w_0^T \phi(c) + b_0, \quad z_1 = w_1^T \phi(c) + b_1$$

The term $-z_0 z_1$ is quadratic in $\phi(c)$:

$$z_0 z_1 = (w_0^T \phi(c) + b_0)(w_1^T \phi(c) + b_1)$$

Expanding:

$$z_0 z_1 = (w_0^T \phi(c))(w_1^T \phi(c)) + b_0 w_1^T \phi(c) + b_1 w_0^T \phi(c) + b_0 b_1$$

The dominant term $(w_0^T \phi(c))(w_1^T \phi(c))$ involves products $\phi_i(c)\phi_j(c)$, requiring a quadratic feature map.

3.3 Required Feature Map

From Part 2, the explicit feature map for ML-PUF is:

$$\hat{\phi}(c) = [x_i x'_j, fori, j = 1, \ldots, 8, 1], \quad \hat{D} = 64 + 1 = 65$$

Since $x_i = \prod_{j=i}^{8}(1 - 2c_j)$ and $x'_j = -(1 - 2c_j)$, each $x_i x'_j$ is a polynomial in c_k of degree up to 8 (for x_1) plus 1 (for x'_j). To avoid explicit feature transformation, the kernel must induce a feature space including these quadratic terms.

3.4 Kernel Choice

Polynomial Kernel:

- A polynomial kernel of degree 2 can capture quadratic interactions:
$$K(c, c') = (c^T c' + r)^d$$
- For $c \in \{0, 1\}^8$, set $d = 2$ to include terms like $c_i c_j$.
- The inner product $c^T c'$ counts matching 1s, and the constant r (coef0) shifts the kernel.
- Feature map includes:
$$\phi(c) = [c_i c_j, \sqrt{2r} c_i, r foralli, j]$$
- This covers pairwise products but may not directly match $x_i x'_j$.

Custom Kernel for $x_i x'_j$:

- The explicit feature map $x_i x'_j$ involves products of cumulative products and negated challenge bits.
- Define a custom kernel mimicking the inner product in this space:
$$K(c, c') = \sum_{i=1}^{8} \sum_{j=1}^{8} \left(x_i(c) x'_j(c') \right) + 1$$
Where:
$$x_i(c) = \prod_{k=i}^{8} (1 - 2c_k), \quad x'_j(c') = -(1 - 2c'_j)$$
- This kernel computes the dot product of $\hat{\phi}(c)$, ensuring linear separability.

3.5 RBF Kernel vs Polynomial

RBF Kernel:

- The RBF kernel:
$$K(c, c') = \exp(-\gamma \|c - c'\|_2^2)$$
maps to an infinite-dimensional space, capable of separating any finite dataset with appropriate γ.
- For $c \in \{0, 1\}^8$, the Euclidean distance $\|c - c'\|_2^2$ is the Hamming distance.
- With $\gamma = 0.1$, the RBF kernel can approximate the high-degree polynomial needed for $x_i x'_j$, achieving perfect classification.

Polynomial Kernel:

- Degree $d = 2$:
$$K(c, c') = (c^T c' + r)^2 = (c^T c')^2 + 2r(c^T c') + r^2$$
- For $c, c' \in \{0, 1\}^8$, $c^T c'$ counts mutual 1s.
- Example: $c = [1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]$, $c' = [1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0] \Rightarrow c^T c' = 2$
- Set $r = 1$ (coef0) to balance linear and quadratic terms.

3.6 Distance Simplification for RBF

$$\|c - c'\|2^2 = \sum i = 1^8 (c_i - c_i')^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{8} |c_i - c_i'|$$

Choose γ to ensure distinct challenges are well-separated:

$$\gamma \approx \frac{1}{8} = 0.125$$

3.7 Final Kernel Recommendation

Kernel Type: RBF kernel

- **Justification:** The RBF kernel can perfectly separate the $2^8 = 256$ challenges by mapping to a high-dimensional space, capturing the non-linear XOR without explicit feature engineering. Unlike a polynomial kernel, it doesn't require precise degree tuning and is robust to the complex interactions in $x_i x_j'$.
- **Parameters:**
  - Gamma: $\gamma = 0.1$ (slightly less than $1/8$ to avoid overfitting while ensuring separation).
  - C: Set $C = 1.0$ (default) for a balanced margin, as perfect classification is feasible.
- **Alternative:** Polynomial kernel with degree $d = 8$ (to cover highest-degree terms in x_1) and $r = 1$, but this is less practical due to computational cost and sensitivity.

Final Answer:
Use an RBF kernel with $\gamma = 0.1$, $C = 1.0$, ensuring perfect classification by mapping to a space where the XOR decision boundary is linearly separable.

4 Inverting an Arbiter PUF Linear Model to Recover Delays

Answer:

4.1 Arbiter PUF Model:

- A simple 8-bit arbiter PUF has 8 stages, with delays $p_i, q_i, r_i, s_i \geq 0$ for $i = 1, \ldots, 8$.
- Assume a 64-stage arbiter PUF (to produce a $64 + 1$-dimensional model).
- Challenge: $c \in \{0, 1\}^{64}$
- Feature map:

$$x_i = \prod_{j=i}^{64} (1 - 2c_j), \quad \mathbf{x} = [x_1, \ldots, x_{64}]$$

- Signal arrival times (upper and lower paths): $\mathrm{t}^u = \sum_{i=1}^{64} (p_i c_i + q_i(1 - c_i))$
  $t^l = \sum_{i=1}^{64} (r_i c_i + s_i(1 - c_i))$
- Response:

$$r(c) = \frac{1 + sign(t^l - t^u)}{2}$$

4.2 Time Difference Expansion

$\mathrm{t}^l - t^u = \sum_{i=1}^{64} [(r_i c_i + s_i(1 - c_i)) - (p_i c_i + q_i(1 - c_i))]$
$= \sum_{i=1}^{64} [(r_i - p_i)c_i + (s_i - q_i)(1 - c_i)]$

Rewrite $c_i = \frac{1 - d_i}{2}$, $1 - c_i = \frac{1 + d_i}{2}$ where $d_i = 1 - 2c_i$:

$$t^l - t^u = \sum_{i=1}^{64} \left[(r_i - p_i)\frac{1-d_i}{2} + (s_i - q_i)\frac{1+d_i}{2} \right]$$

Expanding:

$$t^l - t^u = \sum_{i=1}^{64} \left[\frac{(s_i - q_i) + (r_i - p_i)}{2} + \frac{(s_i - q_i) - (r_i - p_i)}{2} d_i \right]$$

Define:

$$\alpha_i = \frac{(s_i - q_i) + (r_i - p_i)}{2}, \quad \beta_i = \frac{(s_i - q_i) - (r_i - p_i)}{2}$$

Then:

$$t^l - t^u = \sum_{i=1}^{64} (\alpha_i + \beta_i d_i)$$

Express in terms of:

$$x_i = \prod_{j=i}^{64} d_j \Rightarrow t^l - t^u = \sum_{i=1}^{64} w_i x_i + b$$

4.3 System of Linear Equations

Linear model:

$$w_i = \alpha_i + \beta_{i-1} \quad for i = 1, \dots, 64, \quad (\beta_0 = 0)$$
$$Bias b accounts for constants$$

Total delays: 64 stages $\times 4$ delays = 256 delays.

Equations

- For $i = 1$:

$$w_1 = \alpha_1 = \frac{(s_1 - q_1) + (r_1 - p_1)}{2}$$

- For $i = 2, \dots, 64$:

$$w_i = \alpha_i + \beta_{i-1} = \frac{(s_i - q_i) + (r_i - p_i)}{2} + \frac{(s_{i-1} - q_{i-1}) - (r_{i-1} - p_{i-1})}{2}$$

System:

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{w}$$
$$\mathbf{d} = [p_1, q_1, r_1, s_1, \dots, p_{64}, q_{64}, r_{64}, s_{64}]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{256}$$
$$\mathbf{w} = [w_1, \dots, w_{64}, b]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{65}$$

Matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{65 \times 256}$, sparse, with entries from:

$$w_i = \frac{1}{2}(-p_i - q_i + r_i + s_i) + \frac{1}{2}(-p_{i-1} - q_{i-1} - r_{i-1} + s_{i-1})$$

(Adjust for $i = 1$ and set last row for b)

4.4 Inverting the System

Challenge: Underdetermined system (65 equations, 256 unknowns)

Method: Constrained optimization:

$$\min_{\mathbf{d}} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{w}\|_2^2 \quad subject to \mathbf{d} \geq 0$$

Steps:

1. **Construct $\mathbf{A}$**:
   - For $i = 1$:
   $$w_1 = \frac{-p_1 - q_1 + r_1 + s_1}{2}$$
   Row 1: $[-0.5, -0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 0, \ldots, 0]$
   - For $i = 2, \ldots, 64$:
   $$w_i = \frac{-p_i - q_i + r_i + s_i}{2} + \frac{-p_{i-1} - q_{i-1} - r_{i-1} + s_{i-1}}{2}$$
   Row i: Non-zero entries at columns for p_i, q_i, r_i, s_i as $(-0.5, -0.5, 0.5, 0.5)$ and $p_{i-1}, q_{i-1}, r_{i-1}, s_{i-1}$ as $(-0.5, -0.5, -0.5, 0.5)$
   - Row 65: Set to 0 or adjust for bias
2. **Optimization:**
   $$\mathbf{d}^* = \arg\min_{\mathbf{d}\geq 0} \|\mathbf{Ad} - \mathbf{w}\|_2^2$$
   Use NNLS (e.g., `scipy.optimize.nnls` or custom solver)
3. **Custom Solver:**
   - Initialize $\mathbf{d} = 0$
   - Iteratively solve each stage using sparse $\mathbf{A}$
   - For each w_i, assume $q_i = r_i = 0$ to reduce unknowns and solve:
   $$w_i = \frac{-p_i + s_i}{2} + \frac{-p_{i-1} + s_{i-1}}{2}$$
   - Set $p_i = 0$, then $s_i = \max(2w_i - s_{i-1}, 0)$
4. **Post-Processing:** If any $d_i < 0$, set to 0 and reoptimize

4.5 Verification

- $\mathbf{d}$ satisfies $\mathbf{Ad}^{\approx}\mathbf{w}$
- Delays generate the same model:
$$\alpha_i = \frac{s_i^* - q_i^* + r_i^* - p_i}{2}, \quad \beta_i = \frac{s_i^{-} q_i^* - (r_i^* - p_i^*)}{2} \Rightarrow w_i = \alpha_i + \beta_{i-1}$$

Final Answer: Represent the model as $\mathbf{Ad} = \mathbf{w}$ and solve using NNLS:
$$\min_{\mathbf{d}\geq 0} \|\mathbf{Ad} - \mathbf{w}\|_2^2$$
Use a custom iterative solver exploiting the sparse structure.

5 Solution for Part 5

*Zipped **Solution** to Assignment 1*

6 Solution for Part 6

*Zipped **Solution** to Assignment 1*

7 Experimental Outcomes with LinearSVC

Experimental Setup

- **Dataset:** Assumed to be `public_trn.txt` (training) and `public_tst.txt` (testing), with 8-bit challenges and binary responses for the ML-PUF.
- **Feature Map:** Used the 65-dimensional feature map from Part 2:
$$\hat{\phi}(c) = [x_i x_j' for i, j = 1, \ldots, 8, 1], \quad x_i = \prod_{j=i}^{8}(1 - 2c_j), \quad x_j' = -(1 - 2c_j)$$

Models

- `LinearSVC`: Linear support vector classifier.
- `LogisticRegression`: Logistic regression classifier.

Metrics

- **Training Time:** Time to fit the model (in seconds).
- **Test Accuracy:** Fraction of correct predictions on the test set.

Hyperparameters Tested

- **C:** Regularization strength (inverse of regularization parameter).
  - Values: Low (0.01), Medium (1.0), High (100.0)
- **tol:** Tolerance for stopping criteria.
  - Values: Low (10^{-4}), Medium (10^{-3}), High (10^{-2})

Environment

- Assumed standard Python setup with `scikit-learn`.