

Assignment 05

In this assignment, you implement SVM with the German Credit Card practice project described at <https://www.scriptedin.com/contests/view/20>, The data sets can be downloaded, and are provided on HuskyCT. A template notebook is provided to you, also posted at. <https://www.scriptedin.com/notebooks/view/196>. For simplicity, no modeling tuning is needed.

The primal QP optimization problem for a non-separable case

$$\min_w \frac{1}{2} w^T w + C \sum_{i=1}^N \theta^{(i)}$$

Subject to

$$y^{(i)}(w^T x^{(i)} + b) - 1 + \theta^{(i)} \geq 0 \quad \text{and } \theta_i \geq 0 \quad \forall i$$

And the corresponding dual optimization problem

$$\max_{\alpha} \left[\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_i \alpha_j y^{(i)} y^{(j)} x^{(i)T} x^{(j)} \right] =$$

Subject to

$$C \geq \alpha_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1 \dots N$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y^{(i)} = 0$$

C is set to a large number to penalize more to the points falling between the margins.

In the vectorized form:

$$\underset{\alpha}{\operatorname{argmax}} [\mathbf{1}^T * \alpha - 0.5 \alpha^T * \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{y}) * \mathbf{X} * \mathbf{X}^T * \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{y}) * \alpha]$$

Subject to

$$\mathbf{I} \alpha \geq \mathbf{0}$$

$$\alpha^T \mathbf{y} = 0$$

In which $\mathbf{1}$ is a column vector of all values 1, α is a column vector of α_i , \mathbf{y} is the column vector of the target variable in the training data set, and \mathbf{X} is the training data set with all the variables on its columns and observations on its rows. \mathbf{I} is the identity matrix.

The term

$$\mathbf{X} * \mathbf{X}^T$$

Can be denoted \mathbf{K} , which is the linear kernel, so linear kernel also means no kernel. The above becomes

$$\underset{\alpha}{\operatorname{argmax}} [\mathbf{1}^T * \alpha - 0.5 \alpha^T * \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{y}) * \mathbf{K} * \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{y}) * \alpha]$$

Subject to

$$\mathbf{I} \alpha \geq \mathbf{0}$$

$$\alpha^T \mathbf{y} = 0$$

Other kernels include a polynomial kernel

$$K(x^{(i)}, x^{(j)}) = (x^{(i)T} x^{(j)} + 1)^d$$

Or a Gaussian kernel

$$K(x^{(i)}, x^{(j)}) = \exp\left(\frac{-\|x - x_k\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

After getting α from the optimization function, only $\alpha_i > 0$ is kept. $x^{(i)}$ corresponding to nonzero α_i are called support vectors.

A new observation x can be classified as follows:

$$g(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_j y_j K(x, x^{(j)}) + b$$

b is calculated as follows. As any support vector satisfies $y_i g(x_i) = 1$, so

$$y_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_s} \alpha_j y_j K(x^{(i)}, x^{(j)}) + b \right) = 1$$

Knowing that $y_i^2 = 1$, multiply both sides with y_i

$$\sum_{j=1}^{N_s} \alpha_j y_j K(x^{(i)}, x^{(j)}) + b = y_i$$

$$b = y_i - \sum_{j=1}^{N_s} \alpha_j y_j K(x^{(i)}, x^{(j)})$$

A stable solution is to average b over all support vectors:

$$b = \frac{1}{N_s} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N_s} \left(y_i - \sum_{j=1}^{N_s} \alpha_i y_i K(x^{(i)}, x^{(j)}) \right) \right)$$

Note how to set up the quadratic programming function `solvers.qp` to solve the optimization problem (see the attached pdf for instructions & examples).

1. (3 points). Write a function namely “kernel”, which returns a linear, Gaussian, or polynomial kernel
2. (3 points). Write a function namely “intercept” to calculate the intercept b

Note that the average is by the number of support vectors N_s , not the number of instances N .

3. (2 points). Write a function namely “predict” to classify a vector x to the class of $y=-1$ or class of $y=1$ (y is the class label)

$$g(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_j y_j K(x, x^{(j)}) + b$$

where

$$b = \frac{1}{N_s} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N_s} \left(y_i - \sum_{j=1}^{N_s} \alpha_i y_i K(x^{(i)}, x^{(j)}) \right) \right)$$

The function computes the kernel (of which the type is up to your setting), then the sum for all the training instances, then b, then plugs them in $g(x)$. Assign $y = -1$ if $g(x) < 0$, and vice versa $y = 1$.

4. (2 points). Write additional code to compute and display the confusion matrix, precision, and recall.

Submission on Husky includes a zip file of:

- a. A notebook named as “group_xxx_assignment_yyy.ipynb”
- b. A Word document/article with detailed explanation
- c. All the other files

Also archive the notebook and the article (only after the deadline) to the project site.