

DA-Final-4) Support Vector Machines (SVM)

1. SVM Introduction

1-1. SVM VS ANN

SVM

- Use “kernel trick” to learn nonlinear functions
- A few hyper-parameters to tune
- Learned in batch mode
(배치 학습)

ANN

- Use multi-layers to learn nonlinear functions
- Many hyper-parameters to tune
- Can be learned incrementally

1-2. Polynomial classifiers

- Linear function: consider weights of individual features

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = b + \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i$$

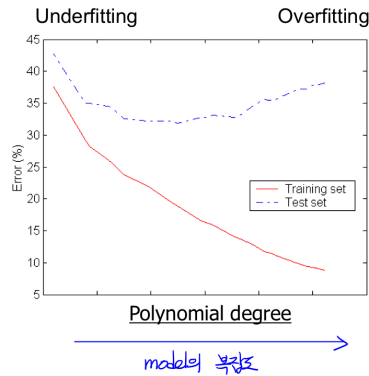
- Quadratic function: also consider weights of concatenations of two features

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = b + \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} x_i x_j$$

- Polynomial function: also consider weights of concatenations of multiple features (Degree p denotes the size of concatenations)

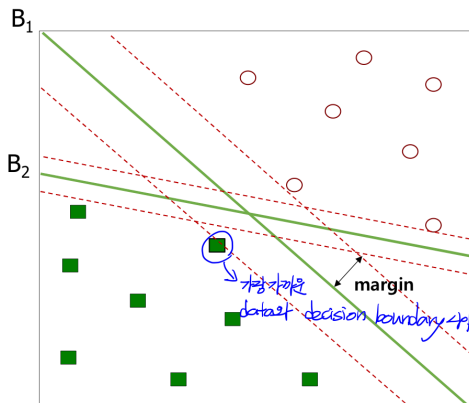
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- SVM learns a polynomial function with an arbitrary degree in linear time in terms of # of features using “kernel trick”.



2. Linear SVM

2-1. Linear SVM 개요

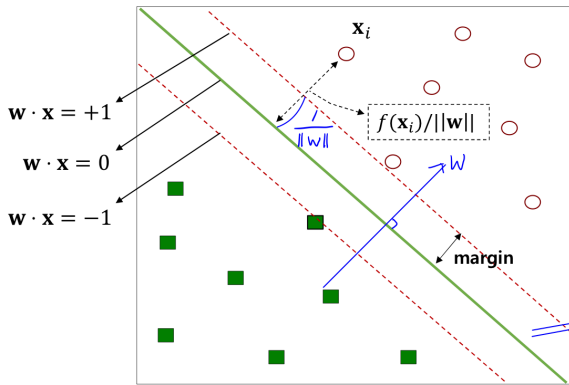


B_1, B_2 : Linear hyper-plane
(Decision boundary)

- Which of B_1 or B_2 is better? Generalization ↑을 고려 for Unseen data
 - How do you quantify the “goodness”?
- ⇒ The hyperplane that maximizes the margin
(Generalization의 최대의 척도)

- Given a labeled dataset $D = \{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_m, y_m)\}$ where \mathbf{x}_i is a data vector, and y_i is its class label (+1 or -1)
- D is “linearly separable”,
 - if there exists a linear function $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}$ that correctly classifies every data vector in D , that is,
 - if there exists \mathbf{w} that satisfies $(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i) y_i > 0$ for all $(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i) \in D$.
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- Then, there exist \mathbf{w}' that satisfies $(\mathbf{w}' \cdot \mathbf{x}_i) y_i \geq 1$ for all $(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i) \in D$?

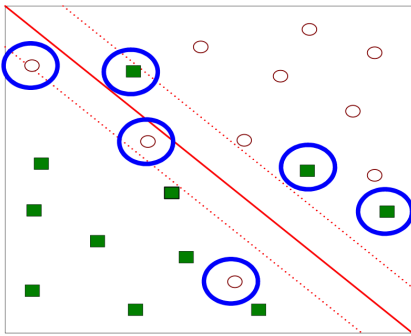
2-2. Linear SVM 정의



$\frac{w \cdot x}{\|w\|} \geq \frac{1}{\|w\|}$
 canonical
 $f(x) = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } w \cdot x \geq +1 \\ -1 & \text{if } w \cdot x \leq -1 \end{cases}$
 $\text{margin} = \frac{1}{\|w\|}$
 $(w \cdot x) y \geq 1$
 for all x, y
 즉 margin 이상의 data가 존재하지 않음

- We want to maximize: $\text{margin} = \frac{1}{\|w\|}$
- Instead, we minimize: $L(w) = \frac{\|w\|^2}{2}$
- But subject to the following constraints:
 $(w \cdot x_i) y_i \geq 1$ for all $(x_i, y_i) \in D$
- This is a constrained optimization problem.
- Numerical approaches to solve it (e.g. quadratic programming)

2-3. Linear SVM using Soft margin 정의



What if not linearly separable?

- Introduce slack variables ξ_i
- Minimize:

$$L(w) = \frac{\|w\|^2}{2} + C \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \xi_i \right)$$
- Subject to:
 $\forall (x_i, y_i) \in D: (w \cdot x_i) y_i \geq 1 - \xi_i \quad (\xi_i \geq 0)$

Dual form

Primal form

• Minimize:

$$L(w) = \frac{\|w\|^2}{2} + C \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \xi_i \right)$$

error term
↓

• Subject to:

$$\forall (x_i, y_i) \in D: (w \cdot x_i) y_i \geq 1 - \xi_i \quad (\xi_i \geq 0)$$

• Binary classification constraints

• Many of the α_i are zero, and w is a linear combination of a small number of data points (i.e. support vectors).

• x_i with non-zero α_i are called support vectors.

$$w = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i y_i x_i$$

• The decision boundary is determined only by the support vectors

• Prediction on a new data x :

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i y_i x_i \cdot x$$

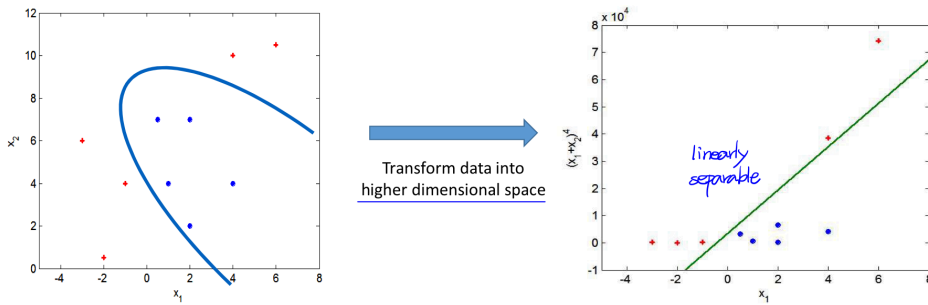
• SVM model: a list of support vectors and their coefficients α

• How C affects the model? $C \uparrow \dots$ difficult problem을 선택.

• Why transform to dual? Why not solving the primal?

3. Non-linear SVM

3-1. Non-linear SVM 개요



- Naive way → Inefficient.
 - Transform data into higher dimensional space.
 - Compute a linear function in the new feature space. (The linear boundary in the new space becomes a nonlinear in the original space.)
- SVM kernel trick
 - Does all of these without explicitly transforming data into higher dimensional space

3-2. Non-linear SVM using Kernel trick 정의

Dual form

• Maximize:

$$M(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j \mathbf{x}_i \cdot \mathbf{x}_j$$

• Subject to:

$$C \geq \alpha_i \geq 0, \quad \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i y_i = 0$$

• Prediction on a new data \mathbf{x} :

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i \cdot \mathbf{x}$$

$$K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}_j)$$

→ 차원 증가
계산
: kernel trick
ϕ: higher dimensional mapping.

dot product → cosine similarity
: scalar value

- Suppose $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and $\phi(\cdot)$ is given as follows ($\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^6$)

$$\phi\left(\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}\right) = (1, \sqrt{2}x_1, \sqrt{2}x_2, x_1^2, x_2^2, \sqrt{2}x_1x_2)$$

- A dot product in the feature space is:

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{y}) = (1 + x_1y_1 + x_2y_2)^2$$

- So, no need to transform by $\phi(\cdot)$ at all if we use the following kernel function (kernel trick):

$$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = (1 + \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y})^2$$

- It results in learning a quadratic function.

- A polynomial function with degree p will be learned if we use the following kernel function:

$$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = (1 + \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y})^p$$

- But linear time만 소모 없이 계산할 수 있는 p값은 1뿐.

- Maximize:

$$M(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$$

↑ 모든 pair를 계산하는 비용은 quadratic time 이다

- Subject to:

$$C \geq \alpha_i \geq 0, \quad \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i y_i = 0$$

- Prediction on a new data \mathbf{x} :

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i y_i K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x})$$

- No $\phi(\cdot)$ at all.
- $K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$, i.e. the dot product, is just kind of similarity measure: $K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$ returns higher value if \mathbf{x}_i and \mathbf{x}_j are similar to each other.
- Data appears only as $K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$ (a similarity function) => There is no restriction on the form of \mathbf{x} and it can be something beyond a vector (e.g. sequence, tree, graph).

3-3. Kernel functions

- Polynomial kernel:

$$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = (1 + \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y})^p \rightarrow p \text{-tuning 실패 } (p=1, 2, \dots \Rightarrow \text{error 증가})$$

- Radial basis function (RBF) kernel:

$$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = e^{-\gamma \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2} \rightarrow \gamma \text{ 조절을 통해 boundary 설정 가능}$$

- As γ moves, the boundary shape changes, and an unartful tuning of it could result in overfitting or underfitting. (시퀀스)
- Not all similarity measure can be used as kernel function.
 - Kernel function needs to satisfy Mercer function, i.e. the function must be "positive definite".
 - The m -by- m kernel matrix where the (i, j) -th entry is the $K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$, is always positive definite. (symmetric matrix)

4. SVM implementation

4-1. Hyper-parameter tuning

→ 가장 쉬운 linear time 학습 알고리즘 ... LibLinear

linear
SVM

- Soft margin parameter C :
 - SVM becomes "soft" as C approaches to zero.
 - SVM becomes "hard" as C goes up.
- Polynomial kernel parameter p in $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = (1 + \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y})^p$:
 - As p increases the boundary becomes more complex.
 - Start with $p = 1$ and increase p by 1.
 - The generalization performance will stop improving at some point.
- (Radial Basis Function)
 - RBF kernel parameter γ in $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \exp(-\gamma \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2)$:
 - No good heuristics.
 - Start with a small number like 2^{-6} and multiply by 2 at each iteration up to 2^6 .
 - Once you find a good range of γ you can tune it more finely within the range.

4-2. SVM 구현 예시

- LIBSVM
 - Highly optimized implementation
 - Provide interfaces to many other languages or tools.
 - Support various types of SVM such as multi-class classification, nu-SVM, one-class SVM, etc.
 - Support very fast linear SVM, i.e. LibLinear.
- SVM-light
 - One of the earliest implementations
 - Support ranking SVM.

5. Multi-class classification SVM

5-1. Multi-class classification SVM 개요

- A multiclass classification can be reduced into a set of binary classifications.
- Two representative ways:
 1. One-to-all
 2. Pairwise coupling (or one-to-one): more popularly used in SVM

One-to-all

- For k class classification, create k binary classifiers.
 - Each binary classifier is trained from one class as positive and the others as negative.
 - Classify new object by taking the majority vote of the classifiers.
- Less number of binary classifiers will be created.
- Size of training set for each classifier is larger.

Pairwise coupling (or one-to-one)

- Create a binary classifier for each pair from k classes.
 - $\binom{k}{2}$ binary classifiers will be created.
 - Each classifier is constructed from two classes of data – one as positive and the other as negative.
 - Classify new object by taking the majority vote of the classifiers.
- More number of binary classifiers will be created.
- Size of training set for each classifier is smaller.

일반적으로 SVM에서 one-to-one의 성능 ↑

↓ : smaller training
↑ : skewed data?

6. Ranking SVM

6-1. Ranking SVM 개요

- Notations: *ordering 순서 지정*
 - $(x_i \succ x_j)$: x_i is ranked higher than x_j according to some ordering.
 - $(x_i, x_j) \in R$: x_i is ranked higher than x_j according to an ordering R
 - $R' = \{(x_i \succ x_j)\}$ is a partial ordering of data given to user.
 - R^* is the desired global ordering of data which is unknown to user.
- Ranking model
 - Input: a set of partial orders R'
 - Output: $f(x)$ such that $f(x_i) > f(x_j)$ for all $(x_i, x_j) \in R'$ \Rightarrow *NDCG, recall measure*
- Linear function: $f(x) = w \cdot x$
 - $\forall (x_i, x_j) \in R' : f(x_i) > f(x_j) \Leftrightarrow w \cdot x_i > w \cdot x_j$
 - If there exists such w , then R' is linearly rankable.
- Objective/considering generalization
 - Input: a set of partial orders $R' (\subset R^*)$
 - Output: $f(x)$ such that $f(x_i) > f(x_j) \Leftrightarrow w \cdot x_i > w \cdot x_j$ for all $(x_i, x_j) \in R^*$ (not R')

"We want to train f (or compute w) from partial orders $R' (\subset R^*)$ such that f is concordant with R' and also generalize well beyond R' to order unseen data with respect to R^* "

6-2. Ranking SVM 정의

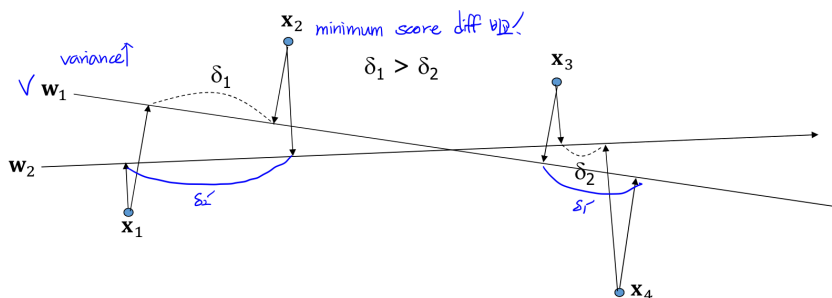
- Minimize:

$$L(w) = \frac{\|w\|^2}{2} + C \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \xi_i \right)$$

- Subject to:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall (x_i, x_j) \in R' : w \cdot x_i &\geq w \cdot x_j + 1 - \xi_{ij} \quad (\xi_{ij} \geq 0) \\ \text{i.e. } &\text{margin (ranking scores) 차이가 1 이상} + \xi \\ \forall (x_i, x_j) \in R' : w \cdot (x_i - x_j) &\geq 1 - \xi_{ij} \quad (\xi_{ij} \geq 0) \\ \forall (x_i, x_j) \in R' : w \cdot x_i - w \cdot x_j &\geq 1 - \xi_{ij} \quad (\xi_{ij} \geq 0) \end{aligned}$$

$$(x_1 \succ x_2 \succ x_3 \succ x_4) \in R'$$



Which of w_1 or w_2 is better for generalization? w_1

minimum ranking score difference 지정!

- Can we apply the kernel trick to learn nonlinear ranking functions?
- RankSVM implementation \Rightarrow SVM light