

HW5 – Theory + SVM

1. PAC Learning and VC dimension (30 pts)

Let $X = \mathbb{R}^2$. Let

$$\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{H} = \left\{ h(r_1, r_2) = \left\{ (x_1, x_2) \mid \begin{array}{l} x_1^2 + x_2^2 \geq r_1 \\ x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq r_2 \end{array} \right\}, \text{ for } 0 \leq r_1 \leq r_2, \right.$$

the set of all origin-centered rings.

- a. (8 pts) What is the $VC(\mathcal{H})$? Prove your answer.
- b. (14 pts) Describe a polynomial sample complexity algorithm L that learns \mathcal{C} using \mathcal{H} . State the time complexity and the sample complexity of your suggested algorithm. Prove all your steps.

In class we saw a bound on the sample complexity when \mathcal{H} is finite.

$$m \geq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left(\ln |\mathcal{H}| + \ln \frac{1}{\delta} \right)$$

When $|\mathcal{H}|$ is infinite, we have a different bound:

$$m \geq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left(4 \log_2 \frac{2}{\delta} + 8VC(\mathcal{H}) \log_2 \frac{13}{\epsilon} \right)$$

- c. (8 pts) You want to get with 95% confidence a hypothesis with at most 5% error. Calculate the sample complexity with the bound that you found in b and the above bound for infinite $|\mathcal{H}|$. In which one did you get a smaller m ? Explain.

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2. VC dimension (20 pts)

Let $X = \mathbb{R}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Define “x-node decision tree” for any $x = 2^n - 1$ to be a full binary decision tree with x nodes (including the leaves).

Let H_m be the hypothesis space of all “x-node decision tree” with $n \leq m$.

- a. (5 pts) What is the $VC(H_3)$? Prove your answer.
- b. (15 pts) What is the $VC(H_m)$? Prove your answer.

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3. Kernels and mapping functions (25 pts)

- a. (20 pts) Let $K(x, y) = (x \cdot y + 1)^3$ be a function over $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2$ (i.e., $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^2$).

Find ψ for which K is a kernel. (It may help to first expand the above term on the right-hand side).

Answer:

$$\text{Let } X = (x_1, x_2) \text{ and } Y = (y_1, y_2) \Rightarrow X * Y = (x_1 * y_1 + x_2 * y_2)$$

We'll use the following binomial theorem formulas to expand Kernel function:

$$(a + b)^3 = a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3$$

$$(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} K(x, y) &= (x \cdot y + 1)^3 = ((x_1y_1 + x_2y_2) + 1)^3 \\ &= (x_1 * y_1 + x_2 * y_2)^3 + 3(x_1 * y_1 + x_2 * y_2)^2 \\ &\quad + 3(x_1 * y_1 + x_2 * y_2) + 1 \\ &= ((x_1^3y_1^3 + 3x_1^2y_1^2x_2y_2 + 3x_1y_1x_2^2y_2^2 + x_2^3y_2^3) \\ &\quad + 3(x_1^2y_1^2 + 2x_1y_1x_2 + x_2^2y_2^2) + 3x_1y_1 + 3x_2y_2 + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Each term in this expansion represents one element in the feature mapping $\psi(x)$, So K is a kernel of:

$$\psi(x) = (x_1^3, \sqrt{3}x_1^2x_2, \sqrt{3}x_1x_2^2, x_2^3, \sqrt{3}x_1^2, \sqrt{6}x_1x_2, \sqrt{3}x_2^2, \sqrt{3}x_1, \sqrt{3}x_2, 1)$$

- b. (2 pts) What did we call the function ψ in class if we remove all coefficients?

Answer:

If we remove all coefficients we will have:

$$\psi(x) = (x_1^3, x_1^2x_2, x_1x_2^2, x_2^3, x_1^2, x_1x_2, x_2^2, x_1, x_2, 1)$$

We called this a full rational variety of order 3

This is in an input space of dimension 2 is described by all 3-th degree monomials of the input variables in x .

The size of this group should be $\binom{r+n}{r}$ while here $r = 3$ and $n = 2$ so we have $\binom{3+2}{3} = \binom{5}{3} = 10$ items here.

- c. (3 pts) How many multiplication operations do we save by using $K(x, y)$ versus $\psi(x) \cdot \psi(y)$?

Answer:

Using K , we will have 2 multiplications for the dot product over $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2$

Using $\psi(x) \cdot \psi(y)$, we will have 10 multiplications for the dot product of 10 elements in the feature space.

Therefore, we will save $10 - 2 = 8$ multiplication operations by using the Kernel function.

4. Lagrange multipliers (15 pts)

Let $f(x, y) = 2x - y$. Find the minimum and the maximum points for f under the constraint $g(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{4} + y^2 = 1$.

Answer:

To find the minimum and maximum points using Lagrange multipliers, we define the Lagrangian function:

$$L(x, y, \lambda) = f(x, y) + \lambda(g(x, y) - 1)$$

$$f(x, y) = 2x - y \text{ and } g(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{4} + y^2.$$

$$L(x, y, \lambda) = 2x - y + \lambda\left(\frac{x^2}{4} + y^2 - 1\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = 2 + \lambda\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial y} = -1 + 2\lambda y = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{x^2}{4} + y^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\text{From } \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = 0:$$

$$2 + \lambda\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\lambda x = -4$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{4}{x}$$

$$\text{From } \frac{\partial L}{\partial y} = 0:$$

$$-1 + 2\lambda y = 0$$

$$\lambda y = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2\lambda}$$

$$\text{Substitute } \lambda = -\frac{4}{x} \text{ into } y = \frac{1}{2\lambda}:$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2\left(-\frac{4}{x}\right)}$$

$$y = -\frac{x}{8}$$

$$\text{Substitute } y = -\frac{x}{8} \text{ into the constraint } \frac{x^2}{4} + y^2 = 1:$$

$$\frac{x^2}{4} + \left(-\frac{x}{8}\right)^2 = 1$$

$$\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{x^2}{64} = 1$$

$$16x^2 + x^2 = 64$$

$$17x^2 = 64$$

$$x^2 = \frac{64}{17}$$

$$x = \pm \left(\frac{8}{\sqrt{17}}\right)$$

$$y = -\frac{x}{8} = \pm \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\right)$$

The critical points are:

$$\left(\frac{8}{\sqrt{17}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\right) \text{ and } \left(-\frac{8}{\sqrt{17}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\right)$$

Evaluate $f(x, y)$ at these points:

$$f\left(\frac{8}{\sqrt{17}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\right) = 2\left(\frac{8}{\sqrt{17}}\right) - \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\right) = \left(\frac{16}{\sqrt{17}}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\right) = \frac{17}{\sqrt{17}} = \sqrt{17}$$

$$f\left(-\frac{8}{\sqrt{17}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\right) = 2\left(-\frac{8}{\sqrt{17}}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\right) = \left(-\frac{16}{\sqrt{17}}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\right) = -\frac{17}{\sqrt{17}} = -\sqrt{17}$$

So, our final results are:

The maximum value of $f(x, y)$ is $\sqrt{17}$ at the point $\left(\frac{8}{\sqrt{17}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\right)$.

The minimum value of $f(x, y)$ is $-\sqrt{17}$ at the point $\left(-\frac{8}{\sqrt{17}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\right)$.

5. See notebook exercise (10 pts)

Answer in the attached Jupyter notebook