## **SMMK** modification

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## 1 SMMK symmetric adjustment

The current SMM kernel treats X and  $X^T$  differently. To address this, we use

$$X^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & X^T \\ X & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 or  $\tilde{X}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & X \\ X^T & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m+n) \times (m+n)}$ 

as input data matrix. First, we show that the output boundary of the SMMK is invariant over whether we use  $X^*$  or  $\tilde{X}^*$ .

**Theorem 1.1.** Suppose that for a given matrix kernel K there exists vector valued kernel K that satisfies (the sufficient condition for valid kernel)

$$[K(X, X')]_{i,j} = K(X_{\cdot i}, X'_{\cdot j}).$$

Also assume that the kernel K is symmetric in the sense that

$$K(\boldsymbol{a}, \boldsymbol{b}) = K(\pi(\boldsymbol{a}), \pi(\boldsymbol{b})),$$

where  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , and  $\pi$  is an arbitrary permutation function. Then SMMK functions from input  $X^*$  and  $\tilde{X}^*$  have the same classification.

*Proof.* Let h be the corresponding feature map to the kernel K such that

$$\boldsymbol{K}(X, X') = \boldsymbol{h}(X)^T \boldsymbol{h}(X').$$

Consider the following SMMK primal problem.

(P) 
$$\min_{B,b,\boldsymbol{\xi}} \frac{1}{2} \|B^*\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^N \xi_i$$
 subject to  $y_i(\langle B^*, \boldsymbol{h}(X_i^*) \rangle + b) \ge 1 - \xi_i,$  
$$\xi_i \ge 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, N.$$

It is enough to show that there exists permutation function  $\pi: \mathbb{R}^{d \times (m+n)} \to \mathbb{R}^{d \times (m+n)}$  such that

$$\pi(\mathbf{h}(X_i^*)) = \mathbf{h}(\tilde{X}_i^*) \text{ for all } i = 1, \dots, N.$$

Because if (2) holds, then the equation (1) can be expressed as

(P) 
$$\min_{B,b,\boldsymbol{\xi}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \|\boldsymbol{\pi}(B^*)\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^{N} \xi_i$$
 subject to 
$$y_i(\langle \boldsymbol{\pi}(B^*), \boldsymbol{\pi}(\boldsymbol{h}(X_i^*)) \rangle + b) \ge 1 - \xi_i,$$
 
$$\xi_i > 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, N.$$

which is the primal problem from input  $\tilde{X}^*$ .

Notice that there exists vector valued feature mapping h such that

$$h(X_i^*) = (h([X_i^*]_1), h([X_i^*]_2), \cdots, h([X_i^*]_{m+n})),$$

where  $[\cdot]_i$  is the i-th column of the matrix. Let  $\pi_1$  be the column-wise permutation such that

$$\pi_1(h(X_i^*)) = ((h([X_i^*]_{n+1}), \dots, h([X_i^*]_{n+m}), h([X_i^*]_1), \dots, h([X_i^*]_n))$$

By the symmetricity of the vector valued kernel K, the corresponding feature map h has the property that

$${h(\boldsymbol{a})_i : i = 1, ..., d} = {h(\pi(\boldsymbol{a}))_i : i = 1, ..., d},$$

for any  $a \in \mathbb{R}^{m+n}$  and permutation  $\pi : \mathbb{R}^{m+n} \to \mathbb{R}^{m+n}$ . To be specific, the permutation does not change components of the image of h. Therefore, there exist row-wise permutations  $\pi_{2,j}$  such that

$$[\boldsymbol{\pi}_1(\boldsymbol{h}(X_i^*))]_j = \pi_{2,j}([\boldsymbol{h}(\tilde{X}_i^*)]_j).$$

By defining 
$$\pi_2 = (\pi_{2,1}, \dots, \pi_{2,m+n})$$
, we have  $\pi = \pi_2 \circ \pi_1$  that satisfies (2).

In addition, we can show that SMMK with  $X^*$  has the same classifier with X in the linear case.

**Theorem 1.2.** In the linear SMM case, the classifier  $\mathbf{f}(X; \hat{B}) = \langle \hat{B}, X \rangle + \hat{b}$  form the cost C in the primal problem is the same as the classifier of  $\mathbf{f}(X^*; \hat{B}^*) = \langle \hat{B}^*, X^* \rangle + \hat{b}$  with the half cost  $\frac{1}{2}C$ . To be specific,  $\hat{B}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \hat{B}^T \\ \hat{B} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ 

*Proof.* The primal problem of linear SMM is

(P) 
$$\min_{B,b,\xi} \frac{1}{2} \|B^*\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^{N} \xi_i$$
 subject to  $y_i(\langle B^*, X_i^* \rangle + b) \ge 1 - \xi_i$ ,  $\xi_i > 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, N$ . (3)

Consider the following equality

$$\langle B^*, X^* \rangle = \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} B_1 & B_2 \\ B_3 & B_4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & X^T \\ X & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle$$
$$= \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B_2 \\ B_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & X^T \\ X & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle$$
$$= \left\langle B_2^T + B_3, X \right\rangle$$
$$= \left\langle B, X \right\rangle \text{ where } B = B_2^T + B_3.$$

The second equality holds because  $B_1 = B_4 = 0$ . since  $B_1$  and  $B_4$  do not affect the constraint. Then, (3) becomes

(P) 
$$\min_{B,b,\xi} \quad \frac{1}{4} ||B||^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^{N} \xi_i$$
 (4)

subject to 
$$y_i(\langle B, X_i \rangle + b) \ge 1 - \xi_i$$
,  $\xi_i \ge 0$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$ .

In (4), we use the inequality that  $||B^*||^2 = ||B_2||^2 + ||B_3||^2 \ge \frac{1}{2}||B_2 + B_3||^2 = \frac{1}{2}||B||^2$  where equality holds when  $B_2 = B_3^T$ .

In the nonlinear case, we can not guarantee that the output boundaries from X and  $X^*$  are the same. The following is simple illustration of different boundary in the vector case SMMK. We have training data  $(X_1, y_1), \ldots, (X_{40}, y_{40})$  where  $X_i \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $y_i \in \{-1, +1\}$ . I trained the data with input  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1}, X^T \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 2}, X^* \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4}$  and  $\tilde{X}^* \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4}$ . Figure 1 shows the SMMK boundary with polynomial kernel on each input. We can notice that the case of  $X^*$  and  $\tilde{X}^*$  have the same output, which is verified in Theorem 1.1. In addition, the symmetric adjustment boundary is in the middle between boundaries with X and  $X^T$ . This makes the boundary fluctuate less and stable. We can think symmetric adjustment as improvement from vector case kernel method which has steep fluctuation in subfigure A.

## 2 Simulation code

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1
2 makesym = function(mat){
   m = nrow(mat); n = ncol(mat)
    nmat = rbind(cbind(matrix(0,n,n),t(mat)),cbind(mat,matrix(0,m,m)))
    return (nmat)
6 }
8 \times (-matrix(rnorm(30*2), ncol = 2)
y \leftarrow c(rep(-1,15), rep(1,15))
x[y==1,] < x[y==1,] + 3/2
dat <- data.frame(x=x, y=as.factor(y))</pre>
12 colnames(dat) = c("x1",'x2',"y")
ggplot(data = dat,aes(x1,x2,colour = y))+geom_point()
14 X = lapply(seq_len(nrow(x)),function(i) matrix(x[i,,drop = F],2,1))
15 nX = lapply(X,makesym)
16 tX = lapply(X,t)
17 ntX = lapply(tX,makesym)
19 lresult1 = smmk(X,y,1,polykernel)
20 lresult2 = smmk(nX,y,3,polykernel)
21 lresult3 = smmk(tX,y,1,polykernel)
22 lresult4 = smmk(ntX,y,3,polykernel)
24 lpredict1 = lresult1$predict
25 lpredict2 = lresult2$predict
26 lpredict3 = lresult3$predict
27 lpredict4 = lresult4$predict
x1_{seq} = seq(min(x[,1]), max(x[,1]), length.out = 100)
x2_{seq} = seq(min(x[,2]), max(x[,2]), length.out = 100)
s1 xgrid = expand.grid(x1_seq,x2_seq)
32 ylgrid1 = apply(xgrid,1,function(x) lpredict1(matrix(x,nrow = 2)))
grid1 = as.data.frame(cbind(xgrid,ylgrid1))
34 colnames(grid1) = c("x1", "x2", "y")
gplot(data = grid1, aes(x = x1,y=x2,colour = as.factor(y)))+geom_point(
      size = 0.01) +
    geom_point(data = dat, aes(x = x1,y = x2,colour = as.factor(y)))
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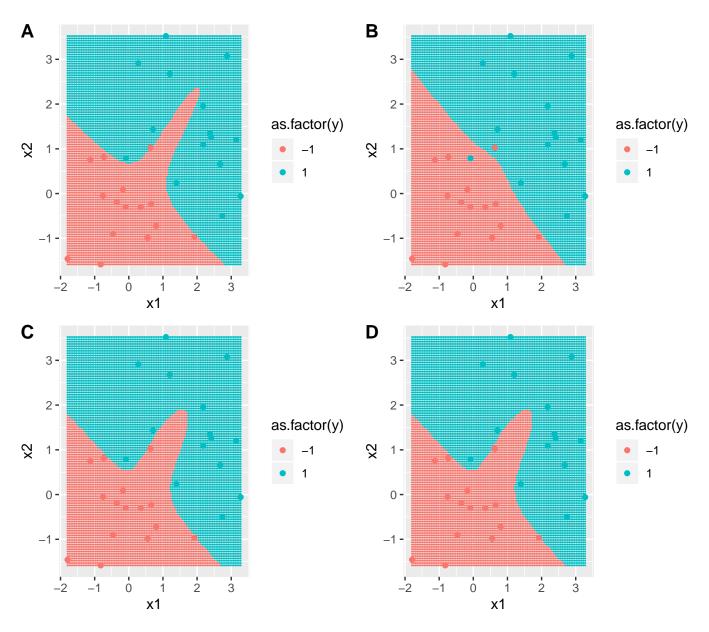


Figure 1: Subfigure A shows the SMMK boundary with input  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{2\times 1}$ , B with input  $X^T \in \mathbb{R}^{1\times 2}$ , C and D with  $X^*, \tilde{X}^* \in \mathbb{R}^{4\times 4}$  respectively. Big dots in each figure is from the training data.