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### **Sources**

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## 1 Approximate Retrieval

**Nearest-Neighbor** Find  $x^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{x \in X} d(x, y)$  given  $S, y \in S, X \subseteq S$ .

**Near-Duplicate detection** Find all  $x, x' \in X$  with  $d(x, x') \leq \epsilon$ .

### 1.1 $k$ -Shingling

Documents (or videos) as set of  $k$ -shingles (a. k. a.  $k$ -grams).  $k$ -shingle is consecutive appearance of  $k$  chars/words.

Binary shingle matrix  $M \in \{0, 1\}^{C \times N}$  where  $M_{i,j} = 1$  iff document  $j$  contains shingle  $i$ ,  $N$  documents,  $C$   $k$ -shingles.

### 1.2 Distance functions

**Def.**  $d: S \times S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is distance function iff pos. definite except  $d(x, x) = 0$  ( $d(x, x') > 0 \iff x \neq x'$ ), symmetric ( $d(x, x') = d(x', x)$ ) and triangle inequality holds ( $d(x, x'') \leq d(x, x') + d(x', x'')$ ).

**$L_r$ -norm**  $d_r(x, y) = \|x - y\|_r = (\sum_i |x_i - y_i|^r)^{1/r}$ .  $L_2$  is Euclidean.

**Cosine**  $\operatorname{Sim}_c(A, B) = \frac{A \cdot B}{\|A\| \cdot \|B\|}$ ,  $d_c(A, B) = \frac{\arccos(\operatorname{Sim}_c(A, B))}{\pi}$ .

**Jaccard sim., d.**  $\operatorname{Sim}_J(A, B) = \frac{|A \cap B|}{|A \cup B|}$ ,  $d_J(A, B) = 1 - \operatorname{Sim}_J(A, B)$ .

### 1.3 LSH – local sensitive hashing

**Key Idea:** Similar documents have similar hash.

**Note:** Trivial for exact duplicates (hash-collision  $\rightarrow$  candidate pair).

**Min-hash**  $h_\pi(C)$  Hash is the *min* (i.e. first) non-zero permuted row index:  $h_\pi(C) = \min_{i, C(i)=1} \pi(i)$ , bin. vec.  $C$ , rand. perm.  $\pi$ .

**Note:**  $\Pr_\pi[h_\pi(C_1) = h_\pi(C_2)] = \operatorname{Sim}_J(C_1, C_2)$  if  $\pi \in \text{u.a.r. } S_{|C|}$ .

**Min-hash signature matrix**  $M_S \in [N]^{n \times C}$  with  $M_S(i, c) = h_i(C_c)$  given  $n$  hash-fns  $h_i$  drawn randomly from a universal hash family.

**Pseudo permutation**  $h_\pi$  with  $\pi(i) = (a \cdot i + b) \bmod p \bmod N$ ,  $N$  number of shingles,  $p \geq N$  prime and  $a, b \in \text{u.a.r. } [p]$  with  $a \neq 0$ . Use as universal hash family. Only store  $a$  and  $b$ . Much more efficient.

**Compute Min-hash signature matrix**  $M_S$  For column  $c \in [C]$ , row  $r \in [N]$  with  $C_c(r) = 1$ ,  $M_S(i, c) \leftarrow \min\{h_i(C_c), M_S(i, c)\}$  for all  $h_i$ .

**$r$ -way AND**

**$b$ -way OR**

**Banding as boosting** Reduce FP/FN by  $b$ -way OR after  $r$ -way AND. Group signature matrix into  $b$  bands of  $r$  rows. Candidate pairs match in at least one band (check by hashing).

**Tradeoff FP/FN** Favor FP (work) over FN (wrong). Filter FP by checking signature matrix, shingles or even whole documents.

## 2 Supervised Learning

**Linear classifier**  $y_i = \operatorname{sgn}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)$  assuming  $\mathbf{w}$  goes through origin.

**Homogeneous transform**  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = [\mathbf{x}, 1]; \tilde{\mathbf{w}} = [\mathbf{w}, b]$ , now  $\mathbf{w}$  passes origin.

**Kernels**  $k: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an inner product in high-dim. lin. space, i.e.  $k(x, x') = \langle \phi(x), \phi(x') \rangle$ .

**Convex function**  $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is convex iff  $\forall x, x' \in S, \lambda \in [0, 1], \lambda f(x) + (1 - \lambda)f(x') \geq f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)x')$ , i. e. every segment lies above function. Equiv. bounded by linear fn. at every point.

**$H$ -strongly convex**  $f$   $H$ -strongly convex iff  $f(x') \geq f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T (x' - x) + \frac{H}{2} \|x' - x\|_2^2$ , i. e. bounded by quadratic fn (at every point).

### 2.1 Support vector machine (SVM)

**SVM primal**

**Quadratic**  $\min_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} + C \sum_i \xi_i$ , s. t.  $\forall i: \mathbf{y}_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i \geq 1 - \xi_i$ , slack  $C$ .

**Hinge loss**  $\min_{\mathbf{w}} \lambda \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} + \sum_i \max(0, 1 - \mathbf{y}_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)$  with  $\lambda = \frac{1}{C}$ .

**Norm-constrained**  $\min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_i \max(0, 1 - \mathbf{y}_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)$  s.t.  $\|\mathbf{w}\|_2 \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}}$ .

**Lagrangian dual**  $\max_{\alpha} \sum_i \alpha_i + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \alpha_i \alpha_j \mathbf{y}_i \mathbf{y}_j \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j$ ,  $\alpha_i \in [0, C]$ . Apply kernel trick:  $\max_{\alpha} \sum_i \alpha_i + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \alpha_i \alpha_j \mathbf{y}_i \mathbf{y}_j k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$ ,  $\alpha_i \in [0, C]$ , prediction becomes  $y = \operatorname{sgn}(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \mathbf{y}_i k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}))$ .

### 2.2 Convex Programming

**Convex program**  $\min_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x})$ , s. t.  $\mathbf{x} \in S$ ,  $f$  convex.

**Online convex program (OCP)**  $\min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{t=1}^T f_t(\mathbf{w})$ , s. t.  $\mathbf{w} \in S$ .

**General regularized form**  $\min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{i=1}^n l(\mathbf{w}; \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i) + \lambda R(\mathbf{w})$ , where  $l$  is a (convex) loss function and  $R$  is the (convex) regularizer.

**General norm-constrained form**  $\min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{i=1}^n l(\mathbf{w}; \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i)$ , s. t.  $\mathbf{w} \in S_\lambda$ ,  $l$  is loss and  $S_\lambda$  some (norm-)constraint. Note: This is an OCP.

**Solving OCP** Feasible set  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$  and start pt.  $\mathbf{w}_0 \in S$ , OCP (as above). Round  $t \in [T]$ : pick feasible pt.  $\mathbf{w}_t$ , get convex fn.  $f_t$ , incur  $l_t = f_t(\mathbf{w}_t)$ . Regret  $R_T = (\sum_{t=1}^T l_t) - \min_{\mathbf{w} \in S} \sum_{t=1}^T f_t(\mathbf{w})$ .

**Online SVM**  $\|\mathbf{w}\|_2 \leq \frac{1}{\lambda}$  (norm-constr.). For new pt.  $\mathbf{x}_t$  classify  $y_t = \operatorname{sgn}(\mathbf{w}_t^T \mathbf{x}_t)$ , incur  $l_t = \max(0, 1 - y_t \mathbf{w}_t^T \mathbf{x}_t)$ , update  $\mathbf{w}_t$  (see later). Best  $L^* = \min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{t=1}^T \max(0, 1 - y_t \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_t)$ , regret  $R_t = \sum_{t=1}^T l_t - L^*$ .

**Online proj. gradient descent (OPGD)** Update for online SVM:  $\mathbf{w}_{t+1} = \operatorname{Proj}_S(\mathbf{w}_t - \eta_t \nabla f_t(\mathbf{w}_t))$  with  $\operatorname{Proj}_S(\mathbf{w}) = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{w}' \in S} \|\mathbf{w}' - \mathbf{w}\|_2$ , gives regret bound  $\frac{R_T}{T} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} (\|\mathbf{w}_0 - \mathbf{w}^*\|_2^2 + \|\nabla f\|_2^2)$ .

For  $H$ -strongly convex fn set  $\eta_t = \frac{1}{Ht}$  gives  $R_t \leq \frac{\|\nabla f\|_2^2}{2H} (1 + \log T)$ .

**Stochastic PGD (SGD)** Online-to-batch. Compute  $\tilde{\mathbf{w}} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{w}_t$ . If data i. i. d.: exp. error (risk)  $\mathbb{E}[L(\tilde{\mathbf{w}})] \leq L(\mathbf{w}^*) + R_T/T$ ,  $L(\mathbf{w}^*)$  is best error (risk) possible.

**PEGASOS** OPGD w/ mini-batches on strongly convex SVM form.  $\min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{t=1}^T g_t(\mathbf{w})$ , s.t.  $\|\mathbf{w}\|_2 \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}$ ,  $g_t(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2 + f_t(\mathbf{w})$ .  $g_t$  is  $\lambda$ -strongly convex,  $\nabla g_t(\mathbf{w}) = \lambda \mathbf{w} + \nabla f_t(\mathbf{w})$ .

**Performance**  $\epsilon$ -accurate sol. with prob.  $\geq 1 - \delta$  in runtime  $O^*(\frac{d \cdot \log \frac{1}{\delta}}{\lambda \epsilon})$ .

**ADAGRAD** Adapt to geometry. Mahalanobis norm  $\|\mathbf{w}\|_G = \|\mathbf{G} \mathbf{w}\|_2$ .  $\mathbf{w}_{t+1} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{w} \in S} \|\mathbf{w} - (\mathbf{w}_t - \eta_t \mathbf{G}_t^{-1} \nabla f_t(\mathbf{w}))\|_{\mathbf{G}_t}$ . Min. regret with  $G_t = (\sum_{\tau=1}^t \nabla f_\tau(\mathbf{w}_\tau) \nabla f_\tau(\mathbf{w}_\tau)^T)^{1/2}$ . Easily inv'able matrix with  $G_t = \operatorname{diag}(\dots)$ .  $R_t \in O(\frac{\|\mathbf{w}^*\|_\infty}{\sqrt{T}} \sqrt{d})$ , even better for sparse data.

**ADAM** Add 'momentum' term:  $\mathbf{w}_{t+1} = \mathbf{w}_t - \mu \bar{g}_t$ ,  $g_t = \nabla f_t(\mathbf{w})$ ,  $\bar{g}_t = (1 - \beta)g_t + \beta \bar{g}_{t-1}$ ,  $\bar{g}_0 = 0$ . Helps for dense gradients.

**Parallel SGD (PSGD)** Randomly partition to  $k$  (indep.) machines. Comp.  $\mathbf{w} = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \mathbf{w}_i$ .  $\mathbb{E}[\text{err}] \in O(\epsilon(\frac{1}{k\sqrt{\lambda}} + 1))$  if  $T \in \Omega(\frac{\log \frac{k\lambda}{\epsilon}}{\epsilon\lambda})$ . Suitable for MapReduce cluster, multi. passes possible.

**Hogwild!** Shared mem., no sync., sparse data. [...]

**Implicit kernel trick** Map  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \phi(x) \in \mathbb{R}^D \rightarrow z(x) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $d \ll D, m \ll D$ . Where  $\phi(x)$  corresponds to a kernel  $k(x, x') = \phi(x)^T \phi(x')$ .

**Random fourier features** !TODO!

**Nyström features** !TODO!

### 3 Pool-based active Learning (semi-supervised)

**Uncertainty sampl.**  $U_t(x) = U(x|_{x_{1:t-1}, y_{1:t-1}})$ , request  $y_t$  for  $x_t = \operatorname{argmax}_x U_t(x)$ . **SVM:**  $x_t = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{x}_i} |\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i|$ , i.e.  $U_t(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{w}_t^T \mathbf{x}|}$ .

**Sub-linear time w/ LSH**  $|\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i|$  small if  $\angle \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}_i$  close to  $\pi$ . Hash hyperplane:  $h_{u,v}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) = [h_u(\mathbf{a}), h_v(\mathbf{b})] = [\operatorname{sgn}(\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{a}), \operatorname{sgn}(\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{b})]$ . LSH hash family:  $h_H(z) = h_{u,v}(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z})$  if  $z$  datapoint,  $h_H(z) = h_{u,v}(\mathbf{z}, -\mathbf{z})$  if  $z$  query hyperplane.  $\Pr[h_H(\mathbf{w}) = h_H(\mathbf{x})] = \Pr[h_u(\mathbf{w}) = h_u(\mathbf{x})] \Pr[h_v(-\mathbf{w}) = h_v(\mathbf{x})] = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{\pi^2} (\angle \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w} - \frac{\mathbf{p}_i}{2})^2$ . Hash all unlabeled. Loop: Hash  $\mathbf{w}$ , req. labels for hash-coll., update.

**Informativeness** Metric of "information" gainable;  $\neq$  uncertainty.

**Version Space**  $\mathcal{V}(D) = \{\mathbf{w} \mid \forall (x, y) \in D \operatorname{sgn}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}) = y\}$

**Relevant version space** given unlabeled pool  $U = \{x'_1, \dots, x'_n\}$ .  $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}(D; U) = \{h: U \rightarrow \{\pm 1\} \mid \exists \mathbf{w} \in \mathcal{V}(D) \forall x \in U \operatorname{sgn}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}) = h(x)\}$ .

**Generalized binary search** Init  $D \leftarrow \{\}$ . While  $|\tilde{\mathcal{V}}(D; U)| > 1$ , comp.  $v^\pm(x) = |\tilde{\mathcal{V}}(D \cup \{(x, \pm)\}; U)|$ , label of  $\operatorname{argmin}_x \max\{v^-(x), v^+(x)\}$ .

**Approx.**  $|\mathcal{V}|$  Margins of SVM  $m^\pm(x)$  for labels  $\{+, -\}$ ,  $\forall x$ .  $\max\{m^+(x), m^-(x)\}$  or  $\min\{m^+(x), m^-(x)\}$ .

### 4 Model-based clustering – Unsupervised learning

**k-means problem**  $\min_{\mu} L(\mu)$  with  $L(\mu) = \sum_{i=1}^N \min_j \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_j\|_2^2$  and cluster centers  $\mu = \mu_1, \dots, \mu_k$ . Non-convex! NP-hard in general!

**Lloyd's** Init  $\mu^{(0)}$  (somehow). Assign all  $\mathbf{x}_i$  to closest center  $z_i \leftarrow \operatorname{argmin}_{j \in [k]} \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_j^{(t-1)}\|_2^2$ , Update to mean:  $\mu_j^{(t)} \leftarrow \frac{1}{n_j} \sum_{i: z_i = j} \mathbf{x}_i$ . Always converge to *local minimum*.

**Online k-means** Init  $\mu$  somehow. For  $t \in [n]$  find  $z = \operatorname{argmin}_j \|\mu_j - \mathbf{x}_t\|_2$ , set  $\mu_c \leftarrow \mu_c + \eta_t(\mathbf{x}_t - \mu_c)$ . For local optimum:  $\sum_t \eta_t = \infty \wedge \sum_t \eta_t^2 < \infty$  suffices, e.g.  $\eta_t = \frac{c}{t}$ .

**Weighted rep.**  $C$   $L_k(\mu; C) = \sum_{(w, \mathbf{x}) \in C} w \cdot \min_j \|\mu_j - \mathbf{x}\|_2^2$ .

$(k, \epsilon)$ -coreset iff  $\forall \mu: (1 - \epsilon)L_k(\mu; D) \leq L_k(\mu; C) \leq (1 + \epsilon)L_k(\mu; D)$ .

$D^2$ -sampling Sample prob.  $p(x) = \frac{d(x, B)^2}{\sum_{x' \in X} d(x', B)^2}$ .

**Merge coresets** union of  $(k, \epsilon)$ -coreset is also  $(k, \epsilon)$ -coreset.

**Compress** a  $(k, \delta)$ -coreset of a  $(k, \epsilon)$ -coreset is a  $(k, \epsilon + \delta + \epsilon\delta)$ -coreset.

**Coresets on streams** Bin. tree of merge-compress. Error  $\propto$  height.

**Mapreduce k-means** Construct  $(k, \epsilon)$ -coreset  $C$ , solve k-means (w/ many restarts) on coreset. (Repeat.) Near-optimal solution.

## 5 Bandits

## 6 Submodularity