CSC411: Assignment 3

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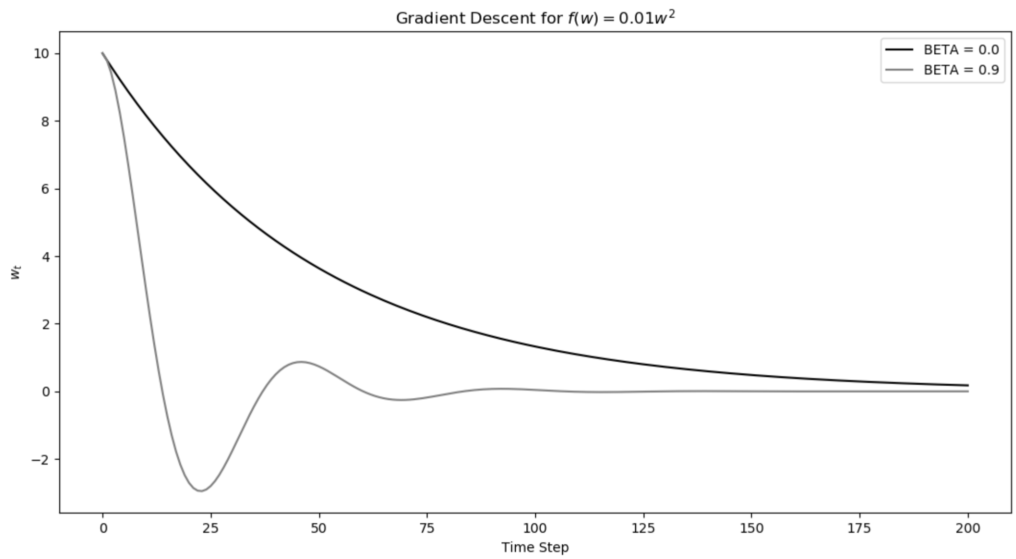
Plotting w_t for each time step t by applying the iterative stochastic gradient-descent on $f(w) = 0.01w^2$, we get the following graph (for $\beta = 0.1$ and $\beta = 0.9$ for upto 200 time-steps):



2.2 -Training SVM

2.3 - Apply 4-vs-9 Digits on MNIST

2.3.1 - Training Loss

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2.3.5 - Plot w as a 28 $\times$ 28 image

3 - Kernels

3.1 - Positive Semi definite and Quadratic Form

Prove that a symmetric matrix $K \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ is a positive semi definite iff for all vectors x we have $\mathbf{x}^T K \mathbf{x} \geq 0$.

Proof:

$$K\mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{x}$$

where λ is the eigenvalue and $\mathbf{x}$ is the eigenvector.

Suppose $\mathbf{x}$ is an eigenvector of K and replacing $K\mathbf{v}$ with $\lambda\mathbf{v}$ (from the definition of an eigenvector and eigenvalue above):

$$\mathbf{x}^T K \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} \lambda$$

$$\mathbf{x}^T K \mathbf{x} = |\mathbf{x}|^2 \lambda$$

Therefore, as $|\mathbf{x}|^2 \geq 0$, for the equation $\mathbf{x}^T K \mathbf{x} \geq 0$, the eigenvalue must be: $\lambda \geq 0$. Since it is a semi-definite matrix, where the eigenvalues ≥ 0, this holds true.

3.2 - Kernel Properties

3.2.1 - Prove Property $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \alpha$ is a kernel for $\alpha > 0$

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \sqrt{\alpha}$$

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \langle \phi(\mathbf{x}), \phi(\mathbf{y}) \rangle$$

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sqrt{\alpha}\sqrt{\alpha}$$

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \alpha$$

3.2.2 - Prove Property $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = f(\mathbf{x}) \cdot f(\mathbf{y})$ is a kernel for $f : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x})$$

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \langle \phi(\mathbf{x}), \phi(\mathbf{y}) \rangle$$

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = f(\mathbf{x}) \cdot f(\mathbf{y})$$

3.2.3 - Prove Property If $k_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ and $k_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ are kernels then $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = a \cdot k_1((\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + b \cdot k_2((\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ for $a, b > 0$ is a kernel

3.2.4 - Prove Property