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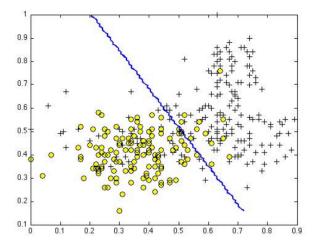
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1. Suppose you have trained an SVM classifier with a Gaussian kernel, and it learned the following decision boundary on the training set:

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You suspect that the SVM is underfitting your dataset. Should you try increasing or decreasing C? Increasing or decreasing σ^2 ?

- (a) It would be reasonable to try increasing C. It would also be reasonable to try decreasing σ^2 .
- It would be reasonable to try **decreasing** C. It would also be reasonable to try **decreasing** σ^2 .
- It would be reasonable to try **increasing** C. It would also be reasonable to try **increasing** σ^2 .
- It would be reasonable to try **decreasing** C. It would also be reasonable to try **increasing** σ^2 .



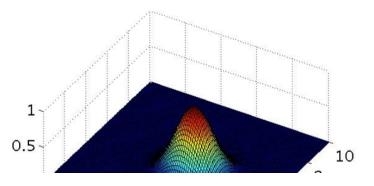
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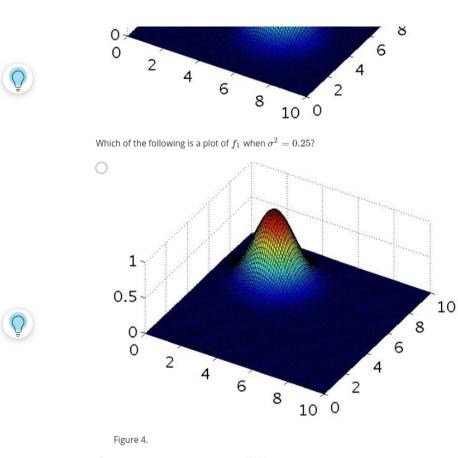
The figure shows a decision boundary that is underfit to the training set, so we'd like to lower the bias / increase the variance of the SVM. We can do so by either increasing the parameter ${\it C}$ or decreasing σ^2 .

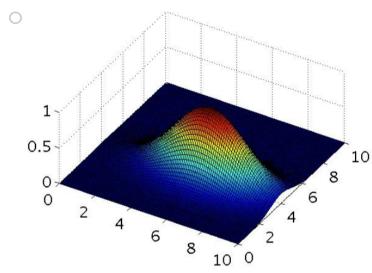


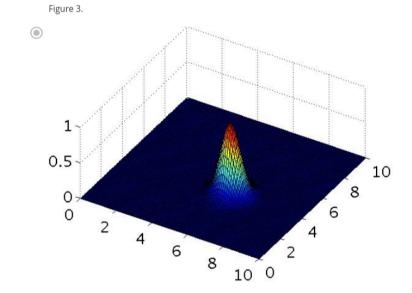
The formula for the Gaussian kernel is given by $\mathrm{similarity}(x,l^{(1)}) = \exp\left(-\frac{||x-l^{(1)}||^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$.

The figure below shows a plot of $f_1 = \text{similarity}(x, l^{(1)})$ when $\sigma^2 = 1$.











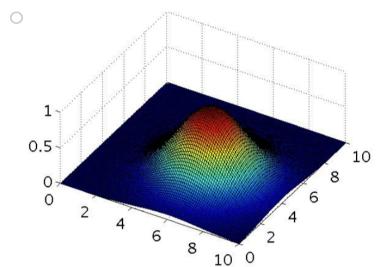




Figure 2.



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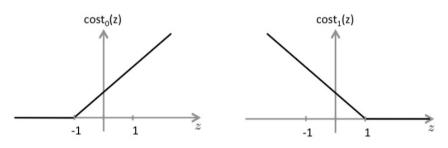
This figure shows a "narrower" Gaussian kernel centered at the same location which is the effect of decreasing σ^2 .

3. The SVM solves

 $\min_{\theta} \ C \sum_{i=1}^{m} y^{(i)} \mathrm{cost}_{1}(\theta^{T} x^{(i)}) + (1-y^{(i)}) \mathrm{cost}_{0}(\theta^{T} x^{(i)}) + \sum_{j=1}^{n} \theta_{j}^{2}$

where the functions $\cos t_0(z)$ and $\cos t_1(z)$ look like this:





The first term in the objective is:

$$C \sum_{i=1}^{m} y^{(i)} \mathrm{cost}_{1}(heta^{T} x^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \mathrm{cost}_{0}(heta^{T} x^{(i)}).$$

This first term will be zero if two of the following four conditions hold true. Which are the two conditions that would guarantee that this term equals zero?



igwedge For every example with $y^{(i)}=1$, we have that $heta^T x^{(i)} \geq 1$.



For examples with $y^{(i)}=1$, only the $\cot_1(heta^Tx^{(i)})$ term is present. As you can see in the graph, this will be zero for all inputs greater than or equal to 1.

- $oxed{ }$ For every example with $y^{(i)}=1$, we have that $heta^T x^{(i)} \geq 0$.
- igwedge For every example with $y^{(i)}=0$, we have that $heta^T x^{(i)} \leq -1$.

For examples with $y^{(i)}=0$, only the $\cot_0(heta^Tx^{(i)})$ term is present. As you can see in the graph, this will be zero for all inputs less than or equal to -1.



4. Su	ppose you have a dataset with n = 10 features and m = 5000 examples.
	er training your logistic regression classifier with gradient descent, you find that it has underfit the ining set and does not achieve the desired performance on the training or cross validation sets.
Wh	nich of the following might be promising steps to take? Check all that apply.
	Use an SVM with a linear kernel, without introducing new features.
~	Use an SVM with a Gaussian Kernel.
	 Correct By using a Gaussian kernel, your model will have greater complexity and can avoid underfitting the data.
~	Create / add new polynomial features.
	 Correct When you add more features, you increase the variance of your model, reducing the chances of underfitting.
	Increase the regularization parameter $\lambda.$
5. Wł	nich of the following statements are true? Check all that apply.
	If the data are linearly separable, an SVM using a linear kernel will
	return the same parameters $ heta$ regardless of the chosen value of
	C (i.e., the resulting value of $ heta$ does not depend on C).
	The maximum value of the Gaussian kernel (i.e., $sim(x, l^{(1)})$) is 1.
~	Suppose you are using SVMs to do multi-class classification and
	would like to use the one-vs-all approach. If you have K different
	classes, you will train K - 1 different SVMs.
	This should not be selected The one-vs-all method requires that we have a separate classifier for every class, so you will train K different SVMs.
✓	This should not be selected The one-vs-all method requires that we have a separate classifier for every class, so you will



the same range.