

Parallel Semiparametric Support Vector Machines¹

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Support Vector Machines

- Kernel methods have become very popular in the machine learning.
- Support Vector Machines (SVMs) are considered the "state-of-art" to solve classification problems:
 - Performance working with high dimensional data.
 - Ability to adjust the machine size once its hyperparameters are set.
 - Classifier size usually results very high – > Computational cost.
- Some methods propose to reduce the machine size growing up a semiparametric model.
 - The complexity is kept under control.
 - Good ratio of complexity and performance.



Parallelization

- In recent years the number of cores in computers has increased considerably.
- New programming interfaces, as OpenMP, have emerged that supports multiplatform shared memory multiprocessing programming.
- New research lines to adapt classical techniques of machine learning to a parallel scenario.
- In this work we derive a new method to train semiparametric SVMs based on SGMA and Iterated Re-Weighted Least Squares (IRWLS).



SGMA

- A kernel evaluation $k(x_i, .)$ can be approximated as a linear combination of other kernels $k(x_1, .), \dots, k(x_n, .)$ with n base elements.
- SGMA identifies the elements of the training set $\{x_1, \dots, x_m\}$ whose projections represent accurately the support vectors.
- The approximation error once the weights α_{ij} are chosen is then:
$$Err(\alpha) = trK - \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{i,j} K_{i,j}$$
- Adding a new base element c_{n+1} the new error can be expressed as a function of the previous error:²
$$Err(\alpha^{m,n+1}) = Err(\alpha^{m,n}) - \eta^{-1} \underline{\underline{||\mathbf{K}^{m,n}\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{k}_{Sm}||^2}}$$
- This algorithm choose iteratively a new base element comparing the error descendant of a group of candidates.

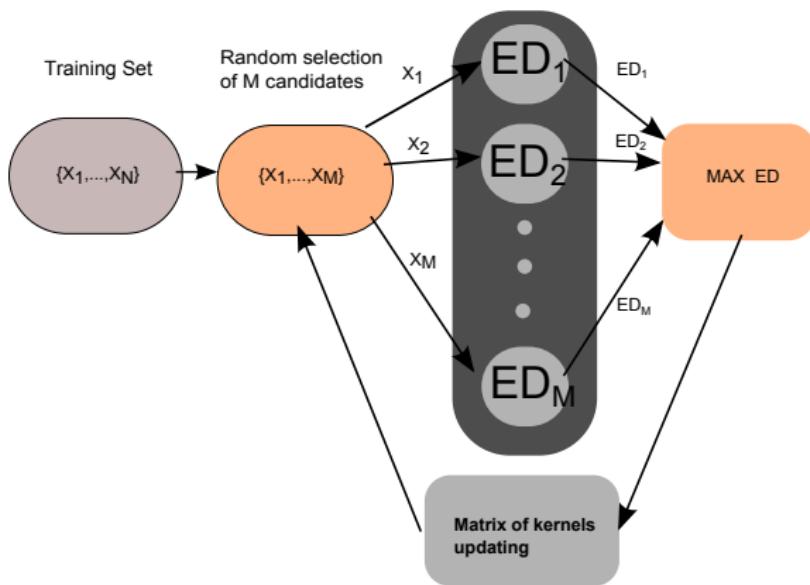
$$2\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{K}_C^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{k}_{mC} \text{ and } \eta = 1 - \mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{K}_{mC} \mathbf{z}$$

SGMA-Simulation

Boundary regions in function of the number of base elements.



SGMA - Parallelization



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- Products of matrices and vector, easily parallelizable distributing the rows of the matrix result among the number of cores.
- For the matrix updating \mathbf{K}_C^{-1} , the block matrix inversion is used:

$$\mathbf{K}_{C+1} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{K}_C & \mathbf{k}_{mC} \\ \mathbf{k}_{mC}^T & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{K}_{C+1}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{K}_C^{-1} + \mathbf{K}_C^{-1}\mathbf{k}_{mC}^T\mathbf{k}_{mC}\mathbf{K}_C^{-1} & -\frac{1}{k}\mathbf{K}_C^{-1}\mathbf{k}_{mC} \\ -\frac{1}{k}\mathbf{k}_{mC}^T\mathbf{K}_C^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$k = 1 - \mathbf{k}_{mC}^T\mathbf{K}_C^{-1}\mathbf{k}_{mC}$$



IRWLS-Algoritmo

- This algorithm calculate the optimal weights of the semiparametric SVM.
- It consists of formulating the SVM training problem as a Weighted Least Squares one and repeating iteratively until the convergence the weights updating and LS solving.
- We have P training data and R base elements selected using SGMA.
- Step 0: Initialization
 $a_i = 1, \forall i=1, \dots, P$
 $(\mathbf{K}_{SC})_{i,j} = k(x_i, c_j); i=1, \dots, P; j=1, \dots, R$
 $(\mathbf{K}_C)_{i,j} = k(c_i, c_j); i=1, \dots, R; j=1, \dots, R$
 $(\mathbf{D}_a)_i = a_i; i=1, \dots, P$
 $\mathbf{1} = [1, \dots, 1]^T$
 $\mathbf{y} = [y_1, \dots, y_p]^T$



IRWLS-Algoritmo

- Step 1: Obtain optimal weights and bias

$$\mathbf{K}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{SC}^T \mathbf{D}_a \mathbf{K}_{SC} + \mathbf{K}_C & \mathbf{K}_{SC}^T \mathbf{D}_a \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{D}_a \mathbf{K}_{SC} & \mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{D}_a \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{K}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{SC}^T \mathbf{D}_a \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{D}_a \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \beta \\ b \end{pmatrix} = (K_1^{-1} K_2)$$

- Step 2: Compute errors

$$\mathbf{o}(x_i) = \sum_{r=1}^R \beta_r k(x_i, c_r)$$

$$e_i = y_i - o(x_i)$$

IRWLS-Algoritmo

- Step 3: Update Weighting values

$$a_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{si } e_i y_i < 0 \\ M & \text{si } 0 < e_i y_i < \frac{C}{M}; M = 10^9 \\ \frac{c}{e_i y_i} & \text{si } e_i y_i > \frac{C}{M} \end{cases}$$

- Step 4: Evaluate convergence

$$\begin{cases} \|\beta(\mathbf{k} + 1) - \beta(\mathbf{k})\|_2 + \|\mathbf{b}(\mathbf{k} + 1) - \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{k})\|_2 & \leq 10^{-3} \quad \text{Stop} \\ \|\beta(\mathbf{k} + 1) - \beta(\mathbf{k})\|_2 + \|\mathbf{b}(\mathbf{k} + 1) - \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{k})\|_2 & > 10^{-3} \quad \text{Go to step 1} \end{cases}$$

IRWLS-Parallelization

- Step 1: This step has the highest computational cost $O(R^2P)$, $P \gg R$.
To obtain \mathbf{K}_1 and \mathbf{K}_2 the different rows to be obtained were divided among the cores.
The parallel inversion of \mathbf{K}_1 has been done with the block matrix pseudoinversion:

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} (A - BD^{-1}C)^{-1} & -A^{-1}B(D - CA^{-1}B)^{-1} \\ -D^{-1}C(A - BD^{-1}C)^{-1} & (D - CA^{-1}B)^{-1} \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

Computational cost of matrix inversion is R^3 , each subtask do 5 operations of cost $(R/2)^3$, that represents $5/8$ of the complete inversion. This efficiency loss has been partially solved using LU inversion and back substitution, it is possible to implement operations like $A^{-1}B$ with the same computational cost than A^{-1} .

- Steps 2 y 3: These steps have also been parallelized dividing the training data set among the cores to evaluate their errors and weighting values.



Experiments

- This algorithm has been implemented in C using the programming interface OpenMP to parallelize its execution.
- It has been evaluated against the unreduced machines obtained with the library LIBSVM 2.91.
- Both algorithms are executed on a Sun X4150 server with eight cores.
- To evaluate the parallelization quality two criteria have been used:

$$\text{Speedup} = \frac{\text{Serial Run Time}}{\text{Parallel Run Time}}$$

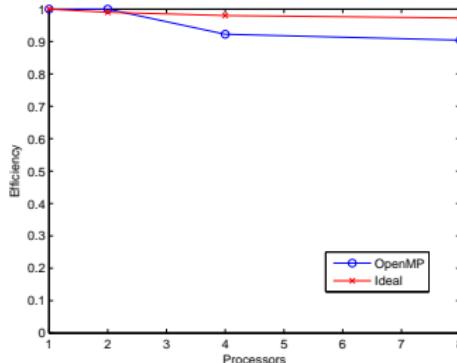
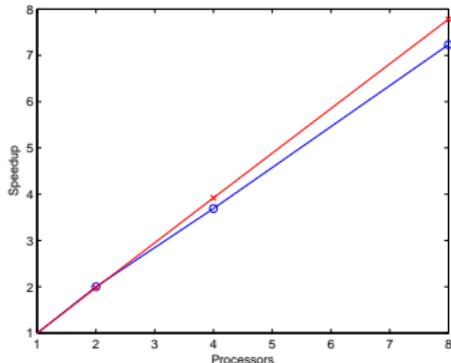
$$\text{Efficiency} = \frac{\text{Speedup}}{\text{Number of cores}}$$



Experiment 1

- UCI Adult data set: 32561 patterns with 123 binary attributes.
Gaussian kernel with $\gamma = 0,5$ and $C = 100$.

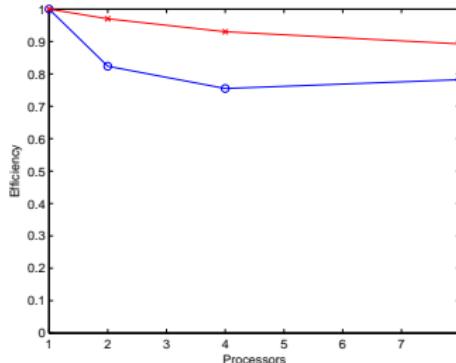
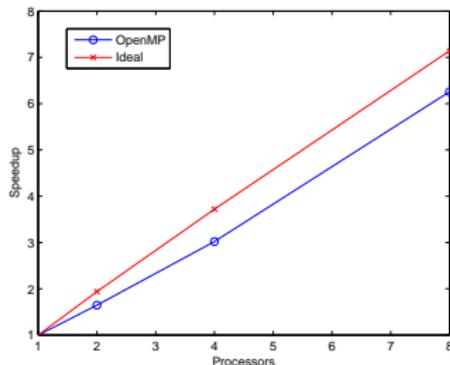
Algorithm	LibSVM	PSSVM 1 Core	PSSVM 2 Cores	PSSVM 4 Cores	PSSVM 8 Cores
SGMA(ms)		210048	105020	60158	31657
IRWLS(ms)		303768	151890	79100	40390
Run time(ms)	542564	513816	256910	139258	71047
Machine size	19059	126	126	126	126
Accuracy(%)	82,69	82,87	82,87	82,87	82,87



Experiment 2

- Web data set: 24692 patterns with 300 attributes. Gaussian kernel with $\gamma = 7,8125$ and $C = 64$.

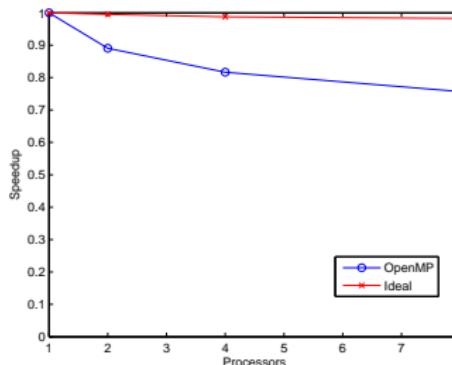
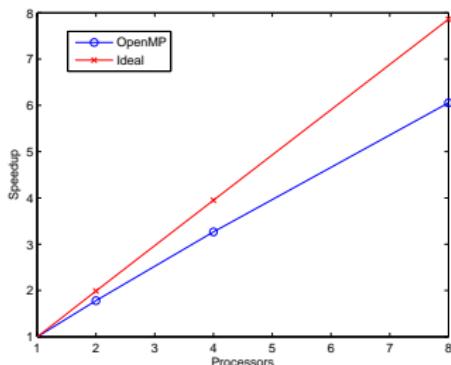
Algorithm	LibSVM	PSSVM 1 Core	PSSVM 2 Cores	PSSVM 4 Cores	PSSVM 8 Cores
SGMA(ms)		131186	69584	38828	21686
IRWLS(ms)		42307	22344	11637	6040
Run time(ms)	566994	173493	105334	57447	27726
Machine size	16781	85	85	85	85
Accuracy(%)	97.57	97.67	97.67	97.67	97.67



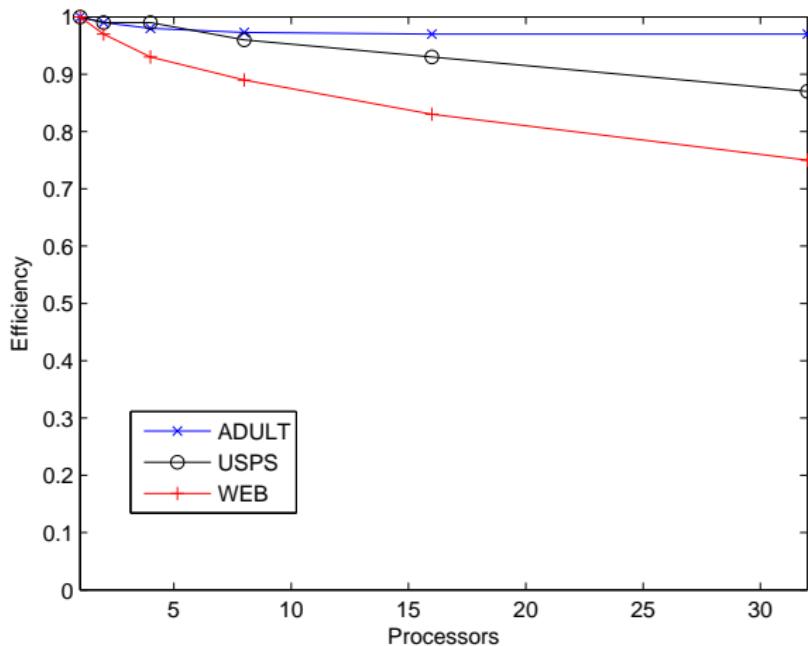
Experiment 3

- USPS data set: 7291 handwritten digits for training and 2007 for testing with 784 attributes(each digit is a 27x28 image). In this experiment we have classified odd digits vs even digits. Gaussian kernel with $\gamma = 1/256$ and $C = 10$.

Algorithm	LibSVM	PSSVM 1 Core	PSSVM 2 Cores	PSSVM 4 Cores	PSSVM 8 Cores
SGMA(ms)		20229	10517	5718	3706
IRWLS(ms)		84206	48114	26254	13541
Run time(ms)	9351	104436	58631	31972	17247
Machine size	684	200	200	200	200
Accuracy(%)	97,06	96,31	96,31	96,31	96,31



Ideal environment 1-32 processors



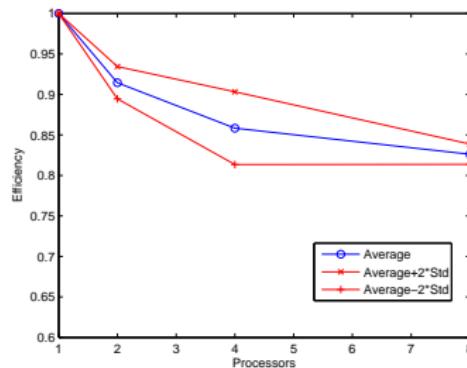
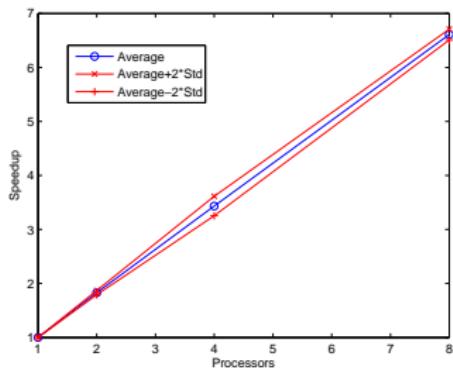
Experiment 4

- MNIST data set: 6000 patterns for training and 1000 for testing with 576 attributes. Gaussian kernel with $\gamma = 0.125$ and $C = 10$. Ten classifiers one-versus-all.

CLASS	LibSVM	PSSVM (1 Core)	PSSVM (2 Cores)	PSSVM (4 Cores)	PSSVM (8 Cores)
0	17551	10239	5637	2813	1553
1	8532	10234	5620	2958	1559
2	16820	10342	5641	2970	1565
3	16450	10244	5655	2978	1549
4	17398	10212	5648	2940	1566
5	17756	10346	5525	3031	1549
6	15760	10332	5595	3077	1554
7	16166	10242	5640	3070	1561
8	17121	10361	5687	3090	1558
9	17225	10361	5625	3068	1557
Average	16078	10291	5627	2999	1557

CLASS	LIBSVM Size	PSSVM Size	LIBSVM Accuracy(%)	PSSVM Accuracy(%)
0	40361	378	97.01	97.40
1	35282	378	99.74	99.49
2	40890	378	94.47	94.59
3	41818	378	96.20	96.55
4	41816	378	97.12	97.21
5	41292	378	96.04	94.29
6	40130	378	97.28	96.31
7	41236	378	97.98	97.54
8	42186	378	95.12	95.33
9	42672	378	97.80	95.82
Average	40768	378	96.88	96.46

Experiment 4



Conclusions

- A parallel training algorithm for semiparametric support vector machines (PSSVM) has been proposed. Using quadtrees for the parallelization of matrix inversion, dividing the tasks among different processors.
- The efficiency of using multiples cores on a machine because it allows a speedup close to the number of cores.
- Amdhal law says that the speedup is equal to $1/((1-P)+P/N)$, where P is the proportion of a program that can be made parallel and N the number of cores. This effect can be observed on the results, the slope of speedup decreases increasing the number of processors.
- As future research lines we propose to apply these parallelization techniques to other machine learning algorithms based on kernel such as Gaussian Processes, which represent a bigger scale challenge because they don't naturally lead to sparse solutions as SVMs.



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