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## **Kernel Methods**

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#### **Review: Linear Models**

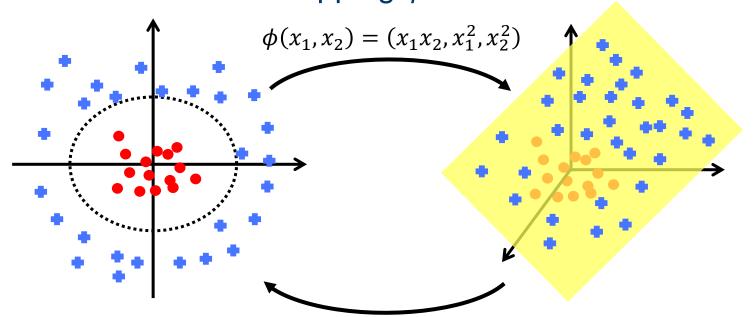
- Linear models:  $f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{\theta}$
- Regularized empirical risk minimization:

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{\theta}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ell(f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i), y_i) + \lambda \Omega(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

- Choice of loss & regularizer gives different methods
  - Perceptron, SVM, ridge regression, ...

- Models constained to hyperplane in feature space:  $H_{\mathbf{\theta}} = \{\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{\theta} = 0\}.$
- Use mapping  $\phi$  to embed instances  $\mathbf{x} \in X$  in higher-dimensional feature space.
- Find hyperplane in higher-dimensional space, corresponds to non-linear surface in feature space.
- Kernel trick: Feature space  $\phi(X)$  need not be represented explicitly, can be infinite-dimensional.

• All linear methods can be made non-linear by means of feature mapping  $\phi$ .



 Hyperplane in feature space corresponds to a nonlinear surface in original space.

Instances:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & \cdots & x_{nm} \end{pmatrix}$$

Feature Mapping:

$$\mathbf{\Phi} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi(\mathbf{x}_1)^{\mathrm{T}} \\ \vdots \\ \phi(\mathbf{x}_n)^{\mathrm{T}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi(\mathbf{x}_1)_1 & \cdots & \phi(\mathbf{x}_1)_{m'} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi(\mathbf{x}_n)_1 & \cdots & \phi(\mathbf{x}_n)_{m'} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Feature mapping  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$  can be high dimensional.
  - The size of estimated parameter vector  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  depends on the dimensionality of  $\phi$  could be infinite!
- Computation of  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$  can be expensive.
  - $\phi$  must be computed for each training point  $\mathbf{x}_i$  & for each prediction x.
- How can we adapt linear methods to efficiently incorporate high dimensional  $\phi$ ?

### Representer Theorem: Observation

Perceptron algorithm:

IF 
$$y_i f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i) \leq 0$$
  
THEN  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = \boldsymbol{\theta} + y_i \mathbf{x}_i$ 

- Resulting parameter vector is a linear combination of instances:  $\mathbf{\theta}^* = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i$
- Sufficient to determine coefficients  $\alpha_i$ , independent of dimensionality of feature space.
- Underlying general principle?

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## Representer Theorem

Theorem: If  $g(\circ)$  is strictly monotonically increasing, then the  $\theta^*$  that minimizes

$$L(\mathbf{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ell(\mathbf{\theta}^{T} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i}), y_{i}) + g(\|f_{\mathbf{\theta}}\|_{2})$$

has the form  $\mathbf{\theta}^* = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^* \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$ , with  $\alpha_i^* \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$f_{\mathbf{\theta}^*}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^* \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x})$$

Inner product is a measure for similarity between instances

Generally  $\theta^*$  is any vector in  $\Phi$ , but we show it must be in the span of the data.

# Representer Theorem: Proof (Sketch)

 $L(\mathbf{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ell(f_{\mathbf{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i), y_i) + g(\|f_{\mathbf{\theta}}\|_2)$ 

Orthogonal Decomposition:

• 
$$\mathbf{\theta}^* = \mathbf{\theta}_{\parallel} + \mathbf{\theta}_{\perp}$$
, with  $\mathbf{\theta}_{\parallel} \in \Theta_{\parallel} = \{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) | \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R} \}$   
and  $\mathbf{\theta}_{\perp} \in \Theta_{\perp} = \{\mathbf{\theta} \in \Theta | \mathbf{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{\theta}_{\parallel} = 0 \ \forall \ \mathbf{\theta}_{\parallel} \in \Theta_{\parallel} \}$ 

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- For any training point  $x_i$  it follows that

$$f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}^*}(\mathbf{x}_i) = \boldsymbol{\theta}_{\parallel}^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) + \boldsymbol{\theta}_{\perp}^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) = \boldsymbol{\theta}_{\parallel}^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

• Why is  $\mathbf{\theta}_{\perp}^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) = 0$ ?

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- $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \ell(f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i), y_i)$  is independent of  $\mathbf{\theta}_{\perp}$ .
- because  $\theta_{\perp}^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) = 0$
- Finally from  $g(\|\mathbf{\theta}^*\|_2) \ge g(\|\mathbf{\theta}_{\parallel}\|_2)$ , it follows  $\mathbf{\theta}_{\perp} = \mathbf{0}$ .

$$g(\|\mathbf{\theta}^*\|_2) = g\left(\|\mathbf{\theta}_{\parallel} + \mathbf{\theta}_{\perp}\|_2\right) = g\left(\sqrt{\|\mathbf{\theta}_{\parallel}\|_2^2 + \|\mathbf{\theta}_{\perp}\|_2^2}\right) \ge g\left(\|\mathbf{\theta}_{\parallel}\|_2\right)$$

Since  $\mathbf{\theta}_{\perp}^{T}\mathbf{\theta}_{\parallel} = 0$  (Pythagoras' Theorem)

Since g is strictly monotonically increasing.

## Representer Theorem

■ The hyperplane  $\theta^*$ , which minimizes

• 
$$L(\mathbf{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ell(\mathbf{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x}_i), y_i) + \Omega(\mathbf{\theta})$$

can be represented as

$$f_{\mathbf{\theta}^*}(\mathbf{x}) = {\mathbf{\theta}^*}^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x}) = f_{\mathbf{\alpha}^*}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^* \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x})$$

Primal decision function:

$$f_{\mathbf{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x})$$

Dual decision function:

$$f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x})$$

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Illustration:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)^{\mathrm{T}}$$

$$= (\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n) \begin{pmatrix} - & \phi(\mathbf{x}_1)^{\mathrm{T}} & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & \phi(\mathbf{x}_n)^{\mathrm{T}} & - \end{pmatrix} = \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\Phi}$$

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Duality between parameters:

$$\mathbf{\theta} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) = \mathbf{\Phi}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\alpha}$$

Illustration:

$$\mathbf{\theta} = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ \phi(\mathbf{x}_1) & \dots & \phi(\mathbf{x}_n) \\ | & | \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{\Phi}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\alpha}$$

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- Primal view:  $f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x})$ 
  - Model  $\theta$  has as many parameters as the dimensionality of  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$ .
  - Good if there are many examples with few attributes.
- Dual view:  $f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) = \alpha^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{\Phi} \phi(\mathbf{x})$ 
  - Model  $\alpha$  has as many parameters as there are examples.
  - Good if there are few examples with many attributes.
  - The representation  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$  can even be infinite dimensional, as long as the inner product can be computed efficiently.

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#### **Kernel Functions**

Dual view of the decision function:

$$f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{\mathrm{T}}\right) \phi(\mathbf{x})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} \left(\phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x})\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} k(\mathbf{x}_{i}, \mathbf{x})$$

• Where kernel function  $k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x})$  calculates the inner product  $\phi(\mathbf{x}_i)^T \phi(\mathbf{x})$ .

#### **Kernel Functions**

- Kernel functions can be understood as a measure of similarity between instances.
- Primal view on data: "what does x look like?"

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi(x)_1 \\ \vdots \\ \phi(x)_{m'} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{multiply by } \mathbf{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}.$$

Dual view on data: "how similar is x to each training instance?"

$$\boldsymbol{\Phi}\boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}) \\ \vdots \\ k(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{ multiply by } \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\mathrm{T}}.$$

#### **Kernel Functions**

- Kernel function can be defined for
  - Vectors (linear, polynomial, RBF, ...)
  - Strings
  - Images
  - Sequences, graphs
  - **...**
- Any kernel learning method can be applied to any type of data using a kernel for that type of data.

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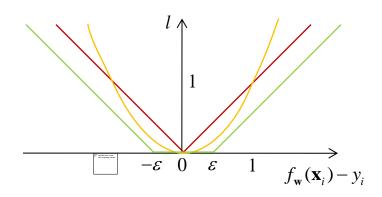
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Squared loss:

$$\ell_2(f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i), y_i) = (f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2$$

L2 regularization:

$$\Omega_2(\mathbf{\theta}) = \|\mathbf{\theta}\|_2^2$$



Minimize

$$L(\mathbf{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\mathbf{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x}) - y_i)^2 + \lambda \mathbf{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{\theta}$$

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$$= (\mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{\theta} - \mathbf{y})^{T} (\mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{\theta} - \mathbf{y}) + \lambda \mathbf{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{\theta}$$

Why?

$$(\mathbf{\Phi}\mathbf{\theta} - \mathbf{y}) = \begin{pmatrix} - & \phi(\mathbf{x}_1)^{\mathrm{T}} & - \\ \vdots & & \\ - & \phi(\mathbf{x}_n)^{\mathrm{T}} & - \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{\theta}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{\theta}_m \end{pmatrix} - \mathbf{y}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} \phi(\mathbf{x}_1)^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{\theta} - y_1 \\ \vdots \\ \phi(\mathbf{x}_n)^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{\theta} - y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Minimize

$$L(\mathbf{\theta}) = (\mathbf{\Phi}\mathbf{\theta} - \mathbf{y})^{\mathrm{T}}(\mathbf{\Phi}\mathbf{\theta} - \mathbf{y}) + \lambda\mathbf{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{\theta}$$

By the representer theorem:

$$\mathbf{\theta} = \mathbf{\Phi}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\alpha}$$

Dual regularized empirical risk:

$$L(\alpha) = (\Phi \Phi^{T} \alpha - \mathbf{y})^{T} (\Phi \Phi^{T} \alpha - \mathbf{y}) + \lambda \alpha^{T} \Phi \Phi^{T} \alpha$$

Dual regularized empirical risk:

$$L(\alpha) = (\Phi \Phi^{T} \alpha - y)^{T} (\Phi \Phi^{T} \alpha - y) + \lambda \alpha^{T} \Phi \Phi^{T} \alpha$$
$$= \alpha^{T} \Phi \Phi^{T} \Phi \Phi^{T} \alpha - 2\alpha^{T} \Phi \Phi^{T} y - y^{T} y$$
$$+ \lambda \alpha^{T} \Phi \Phi^{T} \alpha$$

- Define gram matrix (or kernel matrix) as  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{\Phi}\mathbf{\Phi}^{\mathrm{T}}$ .  $L(\alpha) = \alpha^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{K}\mathbf{K}\alpha - 2\alpha^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{K}\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{y} + \lambda\alpha^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{K}\alpha$
- Setting the derivative to zero

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{\alpha}} L(\mathbf{\alpha}) = \mathbf{0}$$

Gives the solution

$$\alpha = (\mathbf{K} + \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{y}$$

• Kernel (gram) matrix:  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{\Phi}\mathbf{\Phi}^{\mathrm{T}}$ 

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{pmatrix} - & \phi(\mathbf{x}_1)^{\mathrm{T}} & - \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ - & \phi(\mathbf{x}_n)^{\mathrm{T}} & - \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} | & \dots & | \\ \phi(\mathbf{x}_1) & \ddots & \phi(\mathbf{x}_n) \\ | & \dots & | \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_1) & \dots & k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_n) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ k(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_1) & \dots & k(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_n) \end{pmatrix}$$

 $\mathbf{K}_{ij} = k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$ 

- Regression method that uses kernel functions
- Works with any nonlinear embedding  $\phi$  as long as there is a kernel function that computes the inner product:  $k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}) = \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)^T \phi(\mathbf{x})$ .
- Kernel matrix  $\mathbf{K}$  of size  $n \times n$  has to be inverted, works only for modest sample sizes.
- Solution dependent on  $\mathbf{K}_{ij} = k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$ , but otherwise independent of  $\mathbf{\Phi}$ .
- For large sample size, use numeric optimization (e.g., stochastic gradient descent method).

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## **Kernel Perceptron**

Loss function:

$$\ell_p(f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i), y_i) = \max(0, -y_i f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i))$$

- No regularizer.
- Primal stochastic gradient:

$$\nabla L_{\mathbf{x}_i}(\mathbf{\theta}) = \begin{cases} -y_i \mathbf{x}_i & -y_i f_{\mathbf{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i) > \mathbf{0} \\ 0 & -y_i f_{\mathbf{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i) < 0 \end{cases}$$



Rosenblatt, 1960

## **Kernel Perceptron**

Stochastic gradient update step:

THEN 
$$y_i f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i) \leq 0$$
  
 $\theta' = \boldsymbol{\theta} + y_i \mathbf{x}_i$ 

$$\theta' = \theta + y_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha'_j \phi(\mathbf{x}_j) = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \phi(\mathbf{x}_j) + y_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

$$\Leftarrow \alpha'_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) = \alpha_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) + y_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i),$$

$$\forall j \neq i : \alpha'_j = \alpha_j$$

$$\Leftarrow \alpha'_i = \alpha_i + y_i$$

■ Dual stochastic gradient update step:  $y_i f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_i) \leq 0$ THEN  $\alpha_i = \alpha_i + y_i$ 

## **Kernel Perceptron Algorithm**

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Perceptron (Instances \{(\mathbf{x}_i,y_i)\})
   Set \mathbf{\alpha}=\mathbf{0}
   DO
   FOR i=1,...,n
   IF y_if_{\mathbf{\alpha}}(\mathbf{x}_i)\leq 0
   THEN \alpha_i=\alpha_i+y_i
   END
   WHILE \mathbf{\alpha} changes
   RETURN \mathbf{\alpha}
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#### Decision function:

$$f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) = \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\Phi} \phi(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} k(\mathbf{x}_{i}, \mathbf{x})$$

## **Kernel Perceptron**

- Perceptron loss, no regularizer
- Dual form of the decision function:

$$f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x})$$

- Dual form of the update rule:
  - If  $y_i f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_i) \leq 0$ , then  $\alpha_i = \alpha_i + y_i$
- Equivalent to the primal form of the perceptron
- Advantageous to use instead of the primal perceptron if there are few samples and  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$  is high dimensional.

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Primal: 
$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \max(0, 1 - y_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)^T \boldsymbol{\theta}) + \frac{1}{2\lambda} \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \boldsymbol{\theta} \right]$$

Equivalent optimization problem with side constraints:

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}} \left[ \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_i + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta} \right]$$
  
such that  
$$y_i \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i)^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta} \ge 1 - \xi_i \text{ and } \xi_i \ge 0$$

Goal: dual formulization of the optimization problem

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$$y_i \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i)^T \boldsymbol{\theta} \geq 1 - \xi_i \text{ and } \boldsymbol{\xi} \geq 0$$
Lagrange function:  $Z(\boldsymbol{\theta},\boldsymbol{\xi}) \geq 0$ 
Lagrange function:  $Z(\boldsymbol{\theta},\boldsymbol{\xi}) - \beta g(\boldsymbol{\theta},\boldsymbol{\xi})$ 

■ Lagrange function with Lagrange-Multipliers  $\beta \ge 0$  and  $\beta^0 \ge 0$  for the side constraints:

$$L(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}) = \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i} + \frac{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \boldsymbol{\theta}}{2} - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i} (y_{i} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{T} \boldsymbol{\theta} - 1 + \xi_{i}) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i}^{0} \xi_{i}$$

Optimization problem without side constraints:

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta},\boldsymbol{\xi}} \max_{\boldsymbol{\beta},\boldsymbol{\beta}^0} L(\boldsymbol{\theta},\boldsymbol{\xi},\boldsymbol{\beta},\boldsymbol{\beta}^0)$$

Lagrange function:

$$L(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}) = \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i} + \frac{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta}}{2} - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i} (y_{i} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta} - 1 + \xi_{i}) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i}^{0} \xi_{i}$$

■ Setting the derivative of L w.r.t.  $(\theta, \xi)$  to zero gives:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} L(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}) = \boldsymbol{0} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{\theta} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \underline{\beta_{i} y_{i}} \, \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_{i})$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_{i}} L(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lambda = \beta_{i} + \beta_{i}^{0}$$

Relation between primal and dual parameters... representer theorem.

$$\mathbf{\theta} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_i y_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$$
$$\lambda = \beta_i + \beta_i^0$$

$$L(\mathbf{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}) = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{\theta})^{\mathrm{T}} (\mathbf{\theta})$$

$$-\sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i} (y_{i} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{\theta} - 1 + \xi_{i}) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i}^{0} \xi_{i} + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i}$$

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$$L(\mathbf{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i} y_{i} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i}) \right)^{T} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j} y_{j} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{j}) \right)$$
$$- \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i} \left( y_{i} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{T} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j} y_{j} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{j}) - 1 + \xi_{i} \right) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i}^{0} \xi_{i} + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i}$$

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$$- \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i} \left( y_{i} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{T} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j} y_{j} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{j}) - 1 + \xi_{i} \right) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i}^{0} \xi_{i} + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \beta_{i} \beta_{j} y_{i} y_{j} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{T} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{j})$$

$$- \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \beta_{i} \beta_{j} y_{i} y_{j} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{T} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{j}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i} - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \underbrace{\left(\beta_{i} + \beta_{i}^{0}\right)}_{=\lambda} \xi_{i} + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i}$$

$$\mathbf{\theta} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_i y_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$$
$$\lambda = \beta_i + \beta_i^0$$

$$L(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i} y_{i} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i}) \right)^{T} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j} y_{j} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{j}) \right)$$

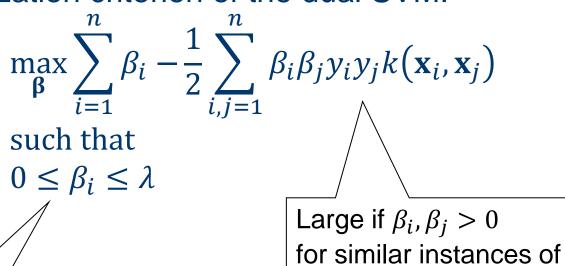
$$- \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i} \left( y_{i} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{T} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j} y_{j} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{j}) - 1 + \xi_{i} \right) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i}^{0} \xi_{i} + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \beta_{i} \beta_{j} y_{i} y_{j} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{T} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{j})$$

$$- \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \beta_{i} \beta_{j} y_{i} y_{j} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{T} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{j}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i} - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \underbrace{(\beta_{i} + \beta_{i}^{0})}_{=\lambda} \xi_{i} + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i}$$

$$= \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \beta_{i} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_{i} \beta_{j} y_{i} y_{j} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{T} \phi(\mathbf{x}_{j})$$

Optimization criterion of the dual SVM:



different classes.

L1-Regularizer of **β** (sparse)

Optimization criterion of the dual SVM:

$$\max_{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \beta_i \beta_j y_i y_j k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$$

- Optimization over parameters β.
- Solution found with QP-Solver in  $O(n^2)$ .
- Sparse solution.
- Samples only appear as pairwise inner products.

 Primal and dual optimization problem have the same solution.

$$\mathbf{\theta} = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_i \in SV} \beta_i y_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$$
 Support Vectors:  $\beta_i > 0$ 

Dual form of the decision function:

$$f_{\beta}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_i \in SV} \beta_i y_i k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x})$$

- Primal SVM:
  - Solution is a Vector  $\theta$  in the space of the attributes.
- Dual SVM:
  - The same solution is represented as weights  $\beta_i$  of the samples.

### **Constructing Kernels**

- Design embedding  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$ , then obtain resulting kernel function  $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \phi(\mathbf{x})^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x}')$ .
- Or: just define kernel function (any similarity measure)  $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$  directly, don't bother with embedding.
- For which functions k does there exist a mapping  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$ , so that k represents an inner product?

#### **Kernels**

Kernel matrices are symmetric:

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{K}^{\mathrm{T}}$$

- Kernel matrices  $\mathbf{K} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are positive semidefinite:  $\exists \mathbf{\Phi} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m} : \mathbf{K} = \mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{\Phi}^{\mathrm{T}}$
- Kernel function  $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$  is positive semidefinite if **K** is positive semidefinite for every data set.
- For every positive definite function k there is at least one mapping  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$  such that  $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \phi(\mathbf{x})^{\mathrm{T}}\phi(\mathbf{x}')$  for all  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{x}'$ .

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Eigenvalue decomposition: Every symmetric matrix
 K can be decomposed in terms of its eigenvectors
 u<sub>i</sub> and eigenvalues λ<sub>i</sub>:

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{U}\Lambda\mathbf{U}^{-1}, \text{ with } \Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \& \mathbf{U} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} & & \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{u}_1 & \cdots & \mathbf{u}_n \\ \mathbf{I} & & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}$$

- If **K** is positive semi-definite, then  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}^{0+}$
- The eigenvectors are orthonormal ( $\mathbf{u}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{u}_i = 1$  and  $\mathbf{u}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{u}_i = 0$ ) and  $\mathbf{U}$  is orthogonal:  $\mathbf{U}^{\mathrm{T}} = \mathbf{U}^{-1}$ .

Thus it holds:

Eigenvalue decomposition

 $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{U}\Lambda\mathbf{U}^{\mathrm{T}}$   $= (\mathbf{U}\Lambda^{1/2})(\Lambda^{1/2}\mathbf{U}^{\mathrm{T}})$   $= (\mathbf{U}\Lambda^{1/2})(\mathbf{U}\Lambda^{1/2})^{\mathrm{T}}$ 

Feature mapping for training data can be defined as

$$\begin{pmatrix} | & | \\ \phi(\mathbf{x}_1) & \cdots & \phi(\mathbf{x}_n) \\ | & | \end{pmatrix} = (\mathbf{U}\boldsymbol{\Lambda}^{1/2})^{\mathrm{T}}$$

 Feature mapping for used training data can then be defined as

$$\begin{pmatrix} | & | \\ \phi(\mathbf{x}_1) & \cdots & \phi(\mathbf{x}_n) \\ | & | \end{pmatrix} = (\mathbf{U}\boldsymbol{\Lambda}^{1/2})^{\mathrm{T}}$$

Kernel matrix between training and test data

$$\mathbf{K}_{test} = \Phi(\mathbf{X}_{train})^{\mathrm{T}} \Phi(\mathbf{X}_{test})$$
$$= (\mathbf{U}\Lambda^{1/2}) \Phi(\mathbf{X}_{test})$$

Equation results in a mapping of the test data:

$$\Phi(\mathbf{X}_{test}) = (\mathbf{U}\Lambda^{1/2})^{-1}\mathbf{K}_{test}$$

$$\Phi(\mathbf{X}_{test}) = \Lambda^{-1/2}\mathbf{U}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{K}_{test}$$

- Useful if a learning problem is given as a kernel function but learning should take place in the primal.
- For example if the kernel matrix will be too large (quadratic memory consumption!)

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### **Kernel Compositions**

Kernel functions can be composed:

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = ck_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$$

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = f(\mathbf{x})k_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')f(\mathbf{x}')$$

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = q(k_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}'))$$

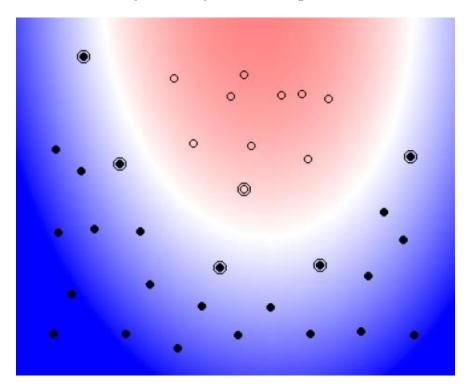
$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = e^{k_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')}$$

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = k_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') + k_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$$

#### **Kernel Functions**

- Polynomial kernels:  $k_{poly}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j + 1)^p$
- Radial basis functions:  $k_{RBF}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_i) = e^{-\gamma \|\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_j\|^2}$
- Sigmoid kernels,
- Dynamic time-warping kernels,
- String kernels,
- Graph kernels,

- Kernel function:  $k_{poly}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j + 1)^p$
- Which transformation  $\phi$  corresponds to this kernel?
- Example: 2-D input space, p = 2.



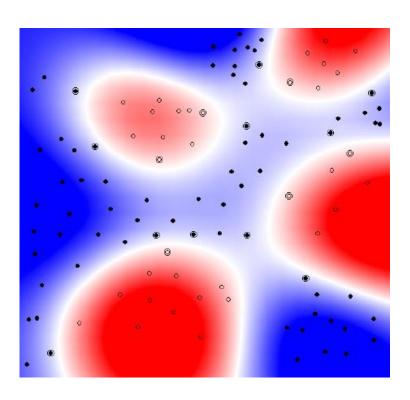
■ Kernel:  $k_{poly}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j + 1)^p$ , 2D-input, p = 2.  $k_{poly}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j + 1)^2$   $= ((\mathbf{x}_{i1} \ \mathbf{x}_{i2}) (\mathbf{x}_{j1}^{\mathbf{x}_{j1}}) + 1)^2 = (\mathbf{x}_{i1} \mathbf{x}_{j1} + \mathbf{x}_{i2} \mathbf{x}_{j2} + 1)^2$ 

Kernel:  $k_{poly}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_i) = (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i + 1)^p$ , 2D-input, p = 2.  $k_{polv}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_i) = (\mathbf{x}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x}_i + 1)^2$  $= \left( (\mathbf{x}_{i1} \ \mathbf{x}_{i2}) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_{j1} \\ \mathbf{x}_{j2} \end{pmatrix} + 1 \right)^2 = \left( \mathbf{x}_{i1} \mathbf{x}_{j1} + \mathbf{x}_{i2} \mathbf{x}_{j2} + 1 \right)^2$ =  $(\mathbf{x}_{i1}^2 \mathbf{x}_{i1}^2 + \mathbf{x}_{i2}^2 \mathbf{x}_{i2}^2 + 2\mathbf{x}_{i1} \mathbf{x}_{i1} \mathbf{x}_{i2} \mathbf{x}_{i2} + 2\mathbf{x}_{i1} \mathbf{x}_{i1} + 2\mathbf{x}_{i2} \mathbf{x}_{i2} + 1)$  $= \left(\mathbf{x}_{i1}^{2}\mathbf{x}_{j1}^{2} + \mathbf{x}_{i2}^{2}\mathbf{x}_{j2}^{2} + 2\mathbf{x}_{i1}\mathbf{x}_{j1}\mathbf{x}_{i2}^{2}\mathbf{x}_{j2}^{2}\right)$   $= \left(\mathbf{x}_{i1}^{2}\mathbf{x}_{i2}^{2}\sqrt{2}\mathbf{x}_{i1}\mathbf{x}_{i2}\right) \sqrt{2}\mathbf{x}_{i1} \sqrt{2}\mathbf{x}_{i2} \qquad 1$   $\phi(\mathbf{x}_{i})^{T}$ All monomials of degree  $\leq 2$  over input attributes  $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_{j1}^{2} \\ \mathbf{x}_{j2}^{2} \\ \sqrt{2}\mathbf{x}_{j1}\mathbf{x}_{j2} \\ \sqrt{2}\mathbf{x}_{j1} \\ \sqrt{2}\mathbf{x}_{j2} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 

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### **RBF Kernel**

- Kernel:  $k_{RBF}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = \exp(-\gamma ||\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_j||^2)$
- No finite-dimensional feature mapping  $\phi$ .



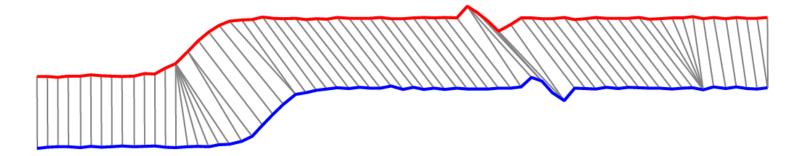
### **Time Series: DTW Kernel**

- Similarity of time series
- Idea: Find corresponding similar points in x, x'.
- Correspondence function

$$\pi_{\mathbf{x}}(k) \in [1, T_{\mathbf{x}}], \pi_{\mathbf{x}'}(l) \in [1, T_{\mathbf{x}'}]$$

DTW distance is squared distance between matched sequences:

$$k_{DTW}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = e^{-\left(\min \sum_{k=1}^{T} \left(\mathbf{x}_{\pi_{\mathbf{x}(k)}} - \mathbf{x}'_{\pi_{\mathbf{x}'(k)}}\right)^{2}\right)}$$



### **Time Series: DTW Kernel**

- Efficient calculation using dynamic programming
- Let  $\gamma(k, l)$  be the minimum squared distance of corresponding points up to time k and l.
- Recursive update:

$$\gamma(k, l) = (\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_l)^2 + \min\{\gamma(k-1, l-1), \gamma(k-1, l), \gamma(k, l-1)\}$$

Algorithm:

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DTW (Sequences \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{x}^{\epsilon})
   Let \gamma(0,0)=0; \gamma(k,0)=\infty; \gamma(0,l)=\infty
   FOR k=1...T_x
   FOR l=1...T_y
   \gamma(k,l)=(\mathbf{x}_k-\mathbf{x}_l)^2+\min\{\gamma(k-1,l-1),\gamma(k-1,l),\gamma(k,l-1)\}
   RETURN \gamma(T_x,T_y)
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## **Strings: Motivation**

- Strings are a common non-numeric type of data
  - Documents & email are strings

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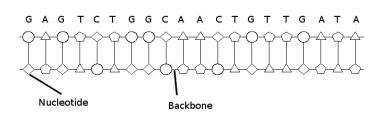
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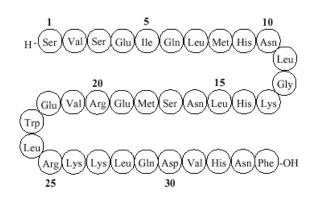
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DNA & Protein sequences are strings





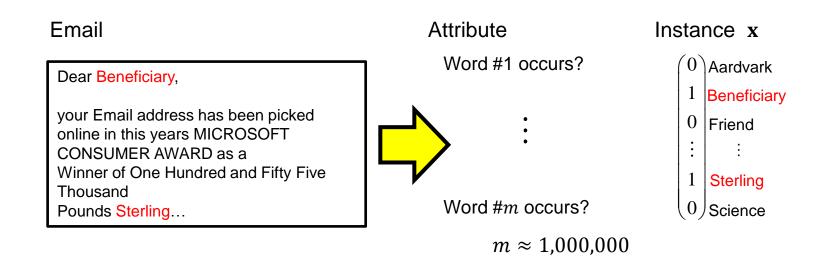
## **String Kernels**

- String a sequence of characters from alphabet  $\Sigma$  written as  $\mathbf{s} = s_1 s_2 \dots s_n$  with  $|\mathbf{s}| = n$ .
  - The set of all strings is  $\Sigma^* = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \Sigma^n$

  - Subsequence: for any  $i \in \{0,1\}^n$ , s[i] is the elements of s corresponding to elements of i that are 1
    - ★ Eg. If s="abcd" s[(1,0,0,1)]="ad"
- A string kernel is a real-valued function on  $\Sigma^* \times \Sigma^*$ .
  - We need positive definite kernels
  - We will design kernels by looking at a feature space of substrings / subsequences

### **Bag-of-Words Kernel**

 For textual data, a simple feature representation is indexed by the words contained in the string



Bag-of-Words Kernel computes the number of common words between 2 texts; efficient?

### **Spectrum Kernel**

- Consider feature space with features corresponding to every p length substring of alphabet  $\Sigma$ .
  - $\phi(\mathbf{s})_{\mathbf{u}}$  is # of times  $\mathbf{u} \in \Sigma^p$  is contained in string  $\mathbf{s}$
- The *p*-spectrum kernel is the result

$$\kappa_p(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{t}) = \sum_{\mathbf{u} \in \Sigma^p} \phi(\mathbf{s})_{\mathbf{u}}^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{t})_{\mathbf{u}}$$

φ	aa	ab	ba	bb
aaab	2	1	0	0
bbab	0	1	1	1
aaaa	3	0	0	0
baab	1	1	1	0

K	aaab	bbab	aaaa	baab
aaab	5	1	6	3
bbab	1	3	0	2
aaaa	6	0	9	3
baab	3	2	3	3

### **Spectrum Kernel – Computation**

Without explicitly computing this feature map, the p-spectrum kernel can be computed as

$$\kappa_p(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{t}) = \sum_{i=1}^{|\mathbf{s}| - p + 1} \sum_{j=1}^{|\mathbf{t}| - p + 1} \mathbb{I}[\![\mathbf{s}_{i:i+p-1} = \mathbf{t}_{j:j+p-1}]\!]$$

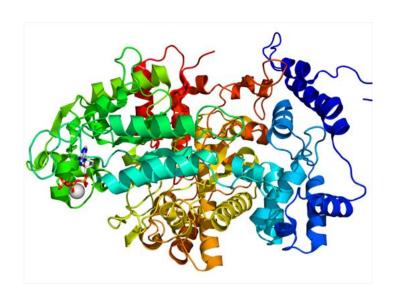
- This computation is  $O(p|\mathbf{s}||\mathbf{t}|)$ .
- Using trie data structures, this computation can be reduced to  $O(p \cdot max(|\mathbf{s}|, |\mathbf{t}|))$ .
- Naturally, we can also compute (weighted) sums of different length substrings

## **String Kernels**

- All-subsequences kernel determines the number of subsequences that appear in both strings
- Fixed-length subsequence kernels
- Gap-weighted subsequence kernels...

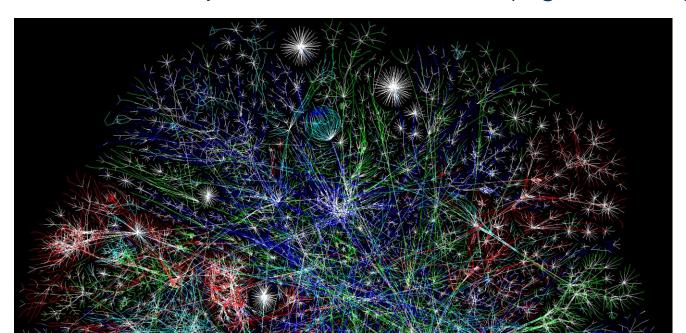
### **Graphs: Motivation**

- Graphs are often used to model objects and their relationship to one another:
  - Bioinformatics: Molecule relationships
  - Internet, social networks
  - **...**
- Central Question:
  - How similar are two Graphs?
  - How similar are two nodes within a Graph?



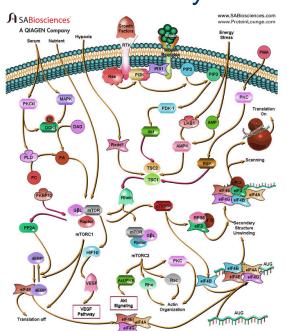
### **Graph Kernel: Example**

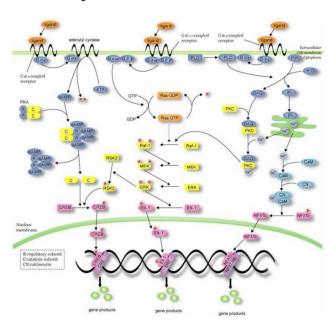
- Consider a dataset of websites with links constituting the edges in the graph
  - A kernel on the nodes of the graph would be useful for learning w.r.t. the web-pages
  - A kernel on graphs would be useful for comparing different components of the internet (e.g. domains)



### **Graph Kernel: Example**

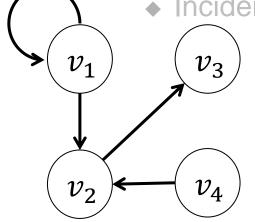
- Consider a set of chemical pathways (sequences of interactions among molecules); i.e. graphs
  - A node kernel would a useful way to measure similarity of different molecules' roles within these
  - A graph kernel would be a useful measure of similarity for different pathways





# **Graphs: Definition**

- A graph G = (V, E) is specified by
  - A set of nodes:  $v_1, ..., v_n \in V$
  - ♦ A set of edges:  $E \subseteq V \times V$
- Data structures for representing graphs:
  - Adjacency matrix:  $\mathbf{A} = (a_{ij})_{i,i=1}^n, \ a_{ij} = \mathbb{I}[[(v_i, v_j) \in E]]$
  - Adjacency list
  - Incidence matrix



$$G_{1} = (V_{1}, E_{1})$$

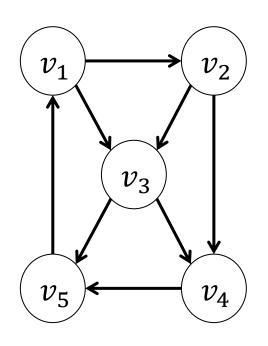
$$V_{1} = \{v_{1}, \dots, v_{4}\}$$

$$E_{1} = \begin{cases} (v_{1}, v_{1}), (v_{1}, v_{2}), \\ (v_{2}, v_{3}), (v_{4}, v_{2}) \end{cases}$$

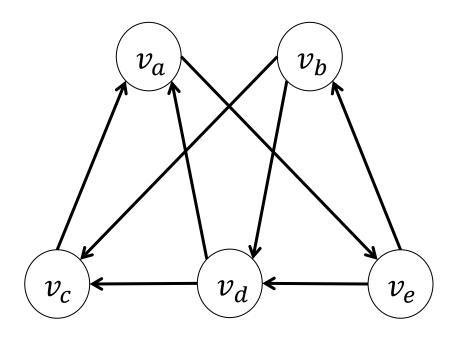
$$A_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad 0$$

- Central Question: How similar are two graphs?
- 1st Possibility: Number of isomorphisms between all (sub-) graphs.



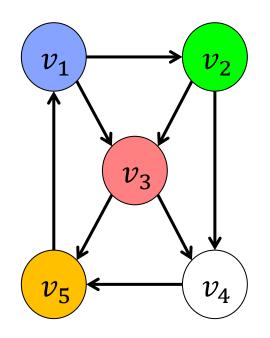
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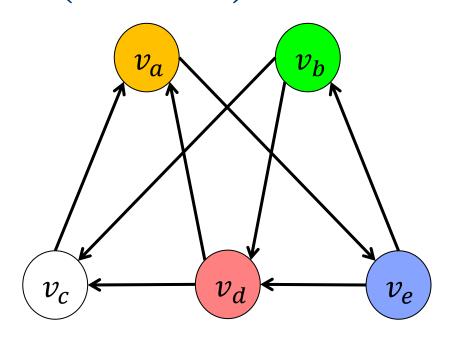
$$G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$$

#### **Isomorphisms of Graphs**

Isomorphism: Two Graphs  $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$  &  $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$  are isomorphic if there exists a bijective mapping  $f: V_1 \to V_2$  so that  $(v_i, v_j) \in E_1 \Rightarrow (f(v_i), f(v_j)) \in E_2$ 



$$G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$$

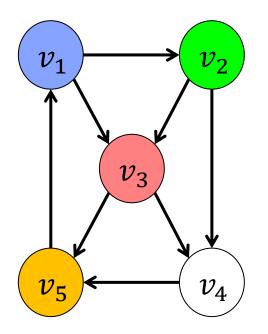


$$G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$$

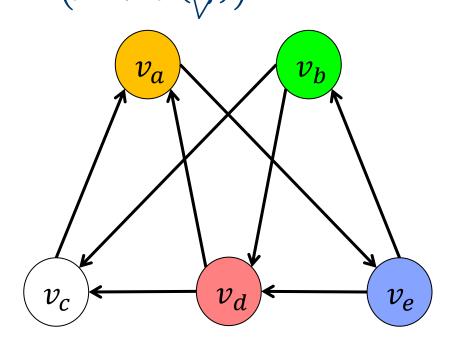
## **Isomorphisms of Graphs**

■ Isomorphism: Two Graphs  $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$  are isomorphism: Subgraph isomorphism: NP-hard! bijective mapping  $f: V_1 \to V_2/V_1$ 

$$(v_i, v_j) \in E_1 \Rightarrow (f(v_i), f(v_i), f(v_i))$$

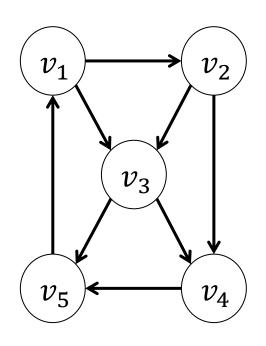


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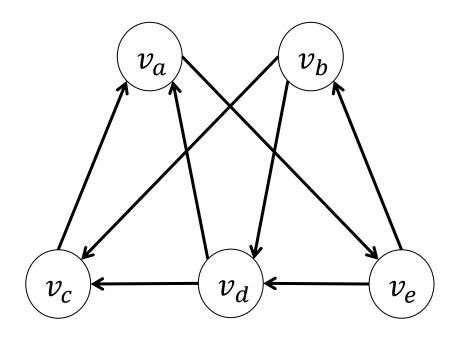


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- Central Question: How similar are two graphs?
- 2nd Possibility: Counting the number of "common" paths in the graph.

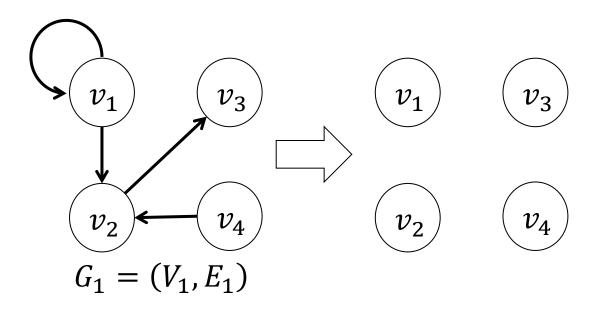


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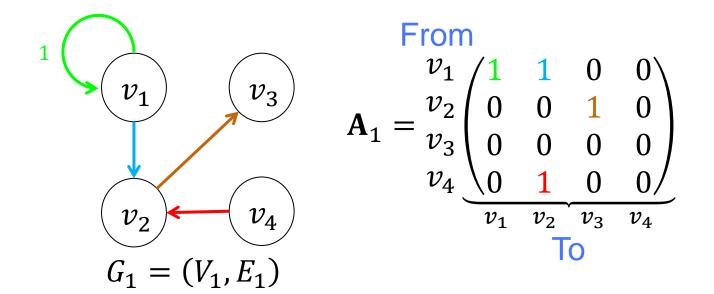


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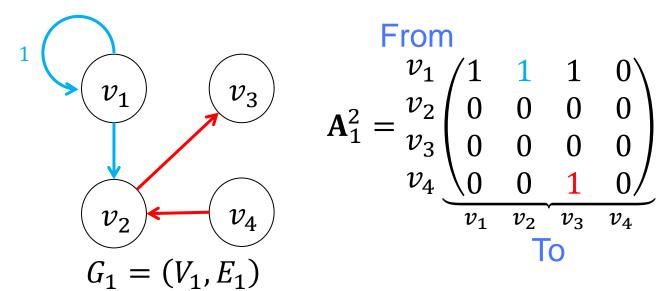
The number of paths of length 0 is just the number of nodes in the graph.



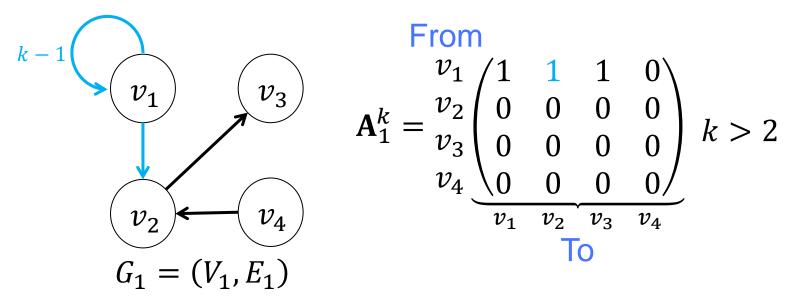
■ The number of paths of length 1 from one node to any other is given by the adjacency matrix.



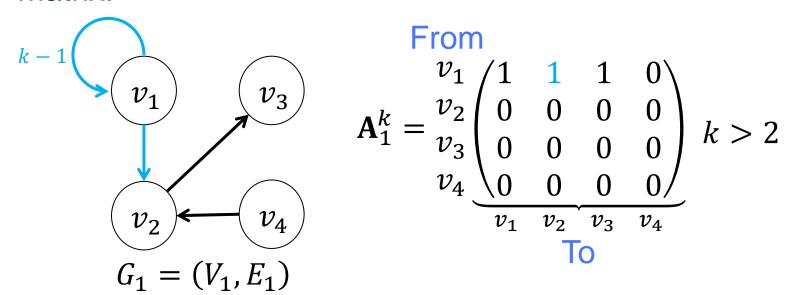
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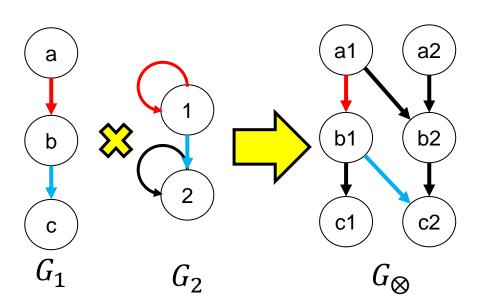


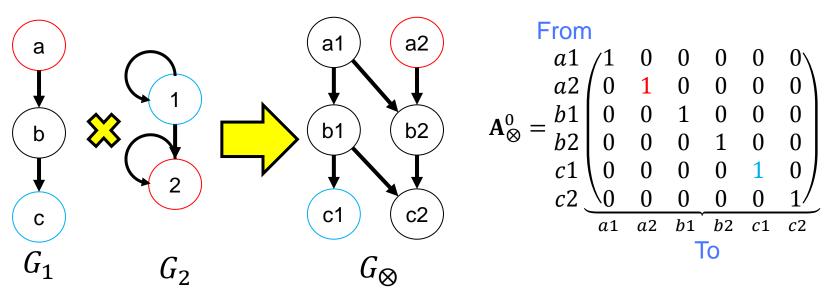
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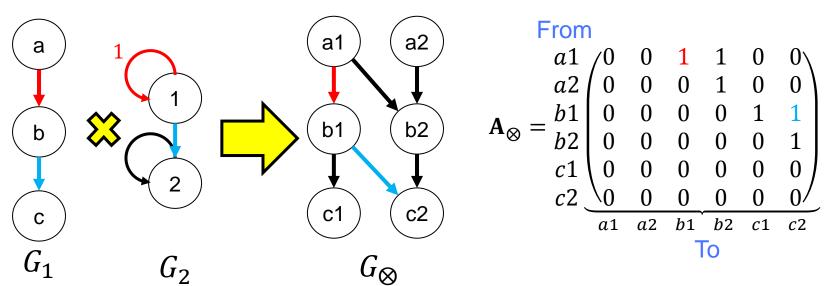
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- Common paths are given by product graphs  $G_{\otimes} = (V_{\otimes}, E_{\otimes})$ :
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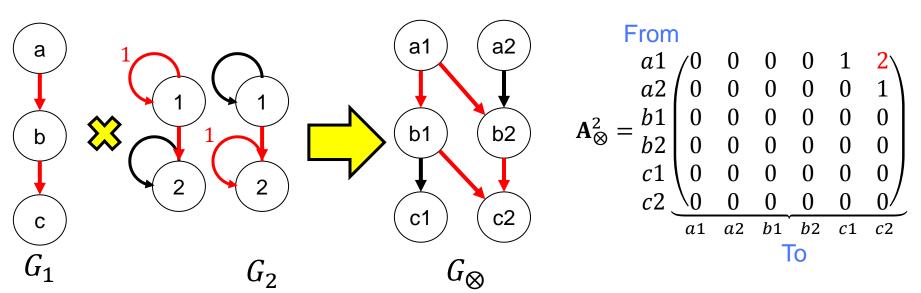




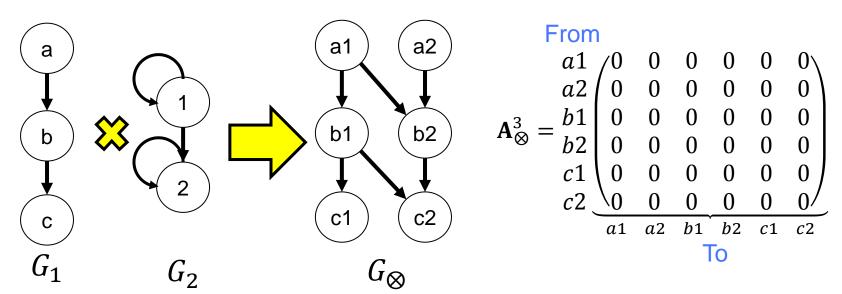
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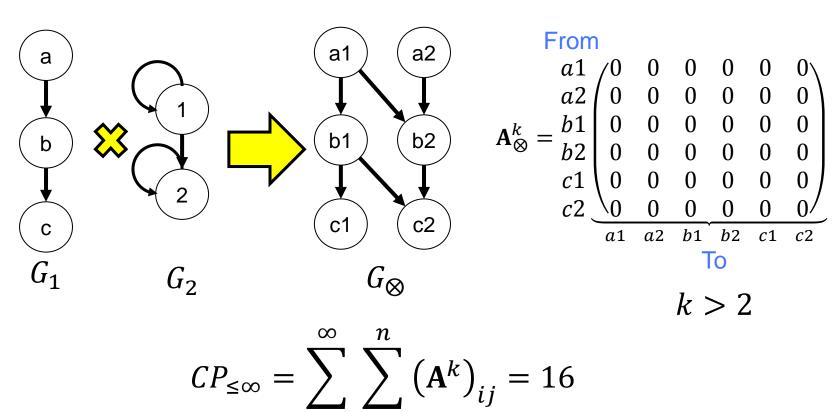
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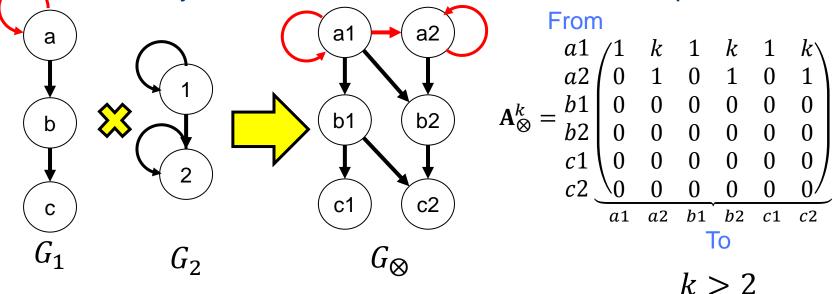
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$$CP_{\leq L} = \sum_{k=0}^{L} \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} (\mathbf{A}^k)_{ij} = \frac{3}{2}L^2 + \frac{15}{2}L + 6 \to \infty$$

- Similarity between graphs: number of "common" paths in their product graph.
  - With cycles, there can be an infinite number paths!
  - ⇒ We must downweight the influence of long paths.
- Random Walk Kernels:

$$k(G_1, G_2) = \frac{1}{|V_1||V_2|} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \lambda^k (\mathbf{A}_{\otimes}^k)_{ij} = \frac{\mathbf{1}^{\mathrm{T}} (\mathbf{I} - \lambda \mathbf{A}_{\otimes})^{-1} \mathbf{1}}{|V_1||V_2|}$$
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■ These kernels can be calculated by means of the Sylvester Equation in  $O(n^3)$ .

## Similarity between Nodes

- Similarity between graphs: number of "common" paths in their product graph.
- Assumption: Nodes are similar if they are connected by many paths.
- Random Walk Kernels:

$$k(v_i, v_j) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda^k (\mathbf{A}_{\otimes}^k)_{ij} = ((\mathbf{I} - \lambda \mathbf{A}_{\otimes})^{-1})_{ij}$$
$$k(v_i, v_j) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} (\mathbf{A}_{\otimes}^k)_{ij} = (\exp(\lambda \mathbf{A}_{\otimes}))_{ij}$$

#### **Additional Graph-Kernels**

- Shortest-Path Kernel
  - All shortest paths between pairs of nodes computed by Floyd-Warshall algorithm with run time  $O(|V|^3)$
  - Compare all pairs of shortest paths between 2 graphs  $O(|V_1|^2|V_2|^2)$
- Subtree-Kernel:
  - Idea: use tree structures as indexes in the feature space
  - Can be recursively computed for a fixed height tree
  - Trees are downweighted in their height

# **Summary**



- Kernel function  $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \phi(\mathbf{x})^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x}')$  computes the inner product of the feature mapping of instances.
- The kernel function can often be computed without an explicit representation  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$ .
  - E.g., polynomial kernel:  $k_{poly}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j + 1)^p$
- Infinite-dimensional feature mappings are possible
  - Eg., RBF kernel:  $k_{RBF}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = e^{-\gamma \|\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_j\|^2}$
- Kernel functions for time series, strings, graphs, ...
- For a given kernel matrix, the Mercer map provides a feature mapping.

## **Summary**



- Representer Theorem:  $f_{\theta^*}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^* \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)^{\mathrm{T}} \phi(\mathbf{x})$ 
  - Instances only interact through inner products
  - Great for few instances, many attributes
- Kernel learning algorithms:
  - Kernel ridge regression
  - Kernel perceptron, SVM,
  - **...**