

## 1 The $\ell_2$ Support Vector Machine [20pts]

In class, we discussed that if our data is not linearly separable, then we need to modify our optimization problem to include slack variables. The formulation that was used is known as the  $\ell_1$ -norm soft margin SVM. Now consider the formulation of the  $\ell_2$ -norm soft margin SVM, which squares the slack variables within the sum. Notice that non-negativity of the slack variables has been removed.

$$\begin{aligned} \arg \min_{\mathbf{w}, b, \xi} & \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 + \frac{C}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i^2 \\ \text{s.t. } & y_i(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i \quad \forall i \in [n] \end{aligned}$$

Derive the dual form expression along with any constraints. Work must be shown. *Hints:* Refer to the methodology that was used in class to derive the dual form. The solution is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \arg \max_{\alpha} & \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j - \frac{1}{2C} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2 \\ \text{s.t. } & \alpha_i \geq 0 \quad \forall i \in [n] \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i = 0 \end{aligned}$$

*Solution:*

- Form the Lagrangian function:

$$L(w, b, \alpha) = \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 + \frac{C}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i [y_i(w^T x_i + b) - 1 + \xi_i]$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w} = w - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i x_i = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow w = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i x_i$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial b} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i = 0$$

$$w^T w = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i^T x_i^T$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \xi_i} = C \xi_i - \alpha_i = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \xi_i = \frac{\alpha_i}{C}$$

$$\begin{aligned} L(w, b, \xi) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j x_i^T x_j + \frac{C}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\alpha_i^2}{C^2} \\ &\quad - \sum_{i=1}^n [\alpha_i y_i w^T x_i + \alpha_i y_i b - \alpha_i + \alpha_i \xi_i] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j x_i^T x_j + \frac{1}{2C} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2 \\ &\quad - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j x_i^T x_j + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2}{2C} \end{aligned}$$

$$-\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j x_i^T x_j + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2C} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2$$

$$L(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j x_i^T x_j - \frac{1}{2C} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2$$

$$\text{s.t. } \alpha_i \geq 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i = 0$$

$$\alpha_i = C \epsilon_i$$

## 2 Domain Adaptation Support Vector Machines [20pts]

We now look at a different type of SVM that is designed for domain adaptation and optimizes the hyperplanes given by  $\mathbf{w}_S$  (source hyperplane) before optimizing  $\mathbf{w}_T$  (target hyperplane). The process begins by training a support vector machine on source data then once data from the target are available, train a new SVM using the hyperplane from the first SVM and the data from the target to solve for a new "domain adaptation" SVM.

The primal optimization problem is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \arg \min_{\mathbf{w}_T, \xi} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}_T\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i - B \mathbf{w}_T^T \mathbf{w}_S \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y_i (\mathbf{w}_T^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \\ & \xi_i \geq 0 \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{w}_S$  is hyperplane trained on the source data (assumed to be known),  $\mathbf{w}_T$  is hyperplane for the target,  $y_i \in \{\pm 1\}$  is the label for instance  $\mathbf{x}_i$ ,  $C$  &  $B$  are regularization parameters defined by the user and  $\xi_i$  is a slack variable for instance  $\mathbf{x}_i$ . The problem becomes finding a hyperplane,  $\mathbf{w}_T$ , that minimizes the above objective function subject to the constraints. Solve/derive the dual optimization problem.

Note: I will give the class the solution to this problem prior to the due date because Problem #3 requires that you implement this algorithm in code.

$$L(\mathbf{w}_T, b, \xi_i) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}_T\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i - B \mathbf{w}_T^T \mathbf{w}_S - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i [y_i (\mathbf{w}_T^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) - 1 + \xi_i] - \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i \xi_i$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{w}_T} = \mathbf{w}_T - B \mathbf{w}_S - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{w}_T = B \mathbf{w}_S + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial b} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \xi_i} &= C - \alpha_i - \mu_i = 0 \\ \Rightarrow C &= \alpha_i + \mu_i \quad \therefore 0 \leq \alpha_i \leq C \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
L &= \frac{1}{2} \|W_T\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_i - B W_T^T W_S - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i [y_i (W_T^T x_i + b) - 1 + \epsilon_i] \\
&\quad - \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i \epsilon_i \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left[ B W_S^T + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i x_i^T \right] \cdot \left[ B W_S + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i x_i \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left[ B^2 W_S^T W_S + B W_S^T \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i x_i + (\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i x_i^T) B W_S \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j x_i^T x_j \right] \\
&\quad + C \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_i - B \left[ B W_S^T + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i x_i^T \right] W_S \\
&\quad - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i B W_S^T - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j x_i^T x_j + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \epsilon_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i \epsilon_i
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j x_i^T x_j - \frac{1}{2} B^2 W_S^T W_S \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} B W_S^T \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i x_i - \frac{1}{2} (\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i x_i^T) B W_S
\end{aligned}$$

s.t.  $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i = 0$

$C > \alpha_i \geq 0$

Since  $\frac{1}{2} B^2 W_S^T W_S$  is constant w.r.t. the optimization

the equation reduces to

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j x_i^T x_j - \sum_{i=1}^n B \alpha_i y_i W_S^T x_i$$

s.t.  $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i = 0$

$C > \alpha_i \geq 0$

### 3 Density Estimation (Code) [20pts]

Implement the domain adaptation SVM from Problem #2. A data set for the source and target domains (both training and testing) have been uploaded to D2L. There are several ways to implement this algorithm. If I were doing this for an assignment, I would implement the SVM (both the domain adaptation SVM and normal SVM) directly using quadratic programming. You do not need to build the classifier (i.e., solve for the bias term); however, you will need to find  $\mathbf{w}_T$  and  $\mathbf{w}_S$ . To find the weight vectors, you will need to solve a quadratic programming problem and look through the documentation to learn how to solve this optimization task. The following Python packages are recommended:

- CVXOPT (<https://cvxopt.org/>)
- PyCVX (<https://www.cvxpy.org/install/>)

*Note: Your solution can use any of the packages above.*