

BT3104 Optimization Methods for Business Analytics

SEMESTER I 2023-2024

Assignment 1

Due: Monday, 11 September 2023, 11.59pm

- Form a group of 2 or 3 students for this assignment. You will work with the same team members for the class project later in the semester.
- Upload only one file to Canvas on behalf of your group. Make sure that the file includes names of all group members.
- Please read the Statements on the NUS Code of Conduct and the e-resources on plagiarism that are available from NUS Centre for English Language Communication:

<https://www.nus.edu.sg/celc/programmes/plagiarism.html>

For this assignment, you will experiment with the SVM classifier.

1. Download and install R from:

<https://cran.r-project.org>

2. Install package e1071. You can get information about the package from the following site:

<https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/e1071/vignettes/svmdoc.pdf>

An example of SVM in R is shown in:

<https://www.simplilearn.com/tutorials/data-science-tutorial/svm-in-r>

3. Download the Rice (Cammeo and Osmancik) Data Set (RiceDataset.txt) set from Canvas. The original data folder and data set description are available from:

<https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Rice+%28Cammeo+and+Osmancik%29>

There are 7 attributes in the data and one target variable:

- (a) Area: Returns the number of pixels within the boundaries of the rice grain.
- (b) Perimeter: Calculates the circumference by calculating the distance between pixels around the boundaries of the rice grain.
- (c) Major Axis Length: The longest line that can be drawn on the rice grain, i.e. the main axis distance, gives.
- (d) Minor Axis Length: The shortest line that can be drawn on the rice grain, i.e. the small axis distance, gives.

- (e) Eccentricity: It measures how round the ellipse, which has the same moments as the rice grain, is.
- (f) Convex Area: Returns the pixel count of the smallest convex shell of the region formed by the rice grain.
- (g) Extent: Returns the ratio of the region formed by the rice grain to the bounding box pixels.
- (h) Target variable CLASS: Cammeo or Osmancik.

4. Load the data file RiceDataset.txt into R and call it "rice"

5. Retype the following lines of R commands:

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library(e1071)
index <- 1:nrow(rice)
set.seed(123)
testindex <- sample(index, trunc(length(index)/2))
testset <- rice[testindex,]
trainset <- rice[-testindex,]

head(rice)
summary(trainset)
summary(testset)

svm.model <- svm(as.factor(CLASS) ~ . , data = trainset, type="C-classification",
                 kernel="linear")
svm.model
svm.model$SV
svm.model$index

results_train <- predict(svm.model, trainset[, -8])
results_test <- predict(svm.model, testset[, -8] )
table(pred=results_train, actual=trainset$CLASS)
table(pred=results_test, actual=testset$CLASS)
mean(results_train == trainset$CLASS)
mean(results_test == testset$CLASS)

svm.crossmodel <- svm(as.factor(CLASS) ~ . , data=rice,
                     cross=10, type="C-classification", kernel="linear", cost=1)
results_rice <- predict(svm.crossmodel, rice[, -8])
table(pred=results_rice, actual=rice$CLASS)
mean(results_rice == rice$CLASS)

svm.weightedmodelA <- svm(as.factor(CLASS) ~ . , data=rice, cross=10,
                         type="C-classification", kernel="linear", cost=1,
                         class.weights=c(Cammeo=0.9, Osmancik=0.1))
results_rice <- predict(svm.weightedmodelA, rice[, -8])
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table(pred=results_rice,actual=rice$CLASS)
mean(results_rice == rice$CLASS)

svm.weightedmodelB <- svm(as.factor(CLASS) ~ . , data=rice, cross=10,
  type="C-classification",kernel="linear",cost=1,
  class.weights=c(Cammeo=0.1,Osmancik=0.9))
results_rice <- predict(svm.weightedmodelB, rice[, -8])
table(pred=results_rice,actual=rice$CLASS)
mean(results_rice == rice$CLASS)

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6. **Deliverable:** Upload a report as pdf file by the deadline into Canvas. Include in the report your answers to the following questions:

- What does each line of the R code above do? Explain any output that is produced by the R command.
- Provide some suggestions as how we can possibly obtain better results while using this SVM package on the Rice data set?