## **Support Vectors Classifier**

class sklearn.svm.SVC(\*, C=1.0, kernel='rbf', degree=3, gamma='scale', coef0=0.0, shrinking=True, probability=False, tol=0.001, cache\_size=200, class\_weight=None, verbose=False, max\_iter=-1, decision\_function\_shape='ovr', break\_ties=False, random\_state=None)

## **Parameters:**

- **C:float, default=1.0 -** Regularization parameter. The strength of the regularization is inversely proportional to C. Must be strictly positive. The penalty is a squared I2 penalty.
- Kernel:{'linear', 'poly', 'rbf', 'sigmoid', 'precomputed'}, default='rbf' Specifies the kernel type to be used in the algorithm. It must be one of 'linear', 'poly', 'rbf', 'sigmoid', 'precomputed' or a callable. If none is given, 'rbf' will be used.
- **Degree:int, default=3** Degree of the polynomial kernel function ('poly'). Ignored by all other kernels.
- **Gamma:**{'scale', 'auto'} or float, default='scale' Kernel coefficient for 'rbf', 'poly' and 'sigmoid'.
- **Coef0:** float, default=0.0 Independent term in kernel function. It is only significant in 'poly' and 'sigmoid'.
- **Shrinking:** bool, default=True Whether to use the shrinking heuristic.
- **Probobaility:bool,default=false -** Whether to enable probability estimates.
- **Tol: float, default=1e-3** Tolerance for stopping criterion.
- cache\_size:float, default=200 Specify the size of the kernel cache (in MB).
- **class\_weight:dict or 'balanced', default=None -** Set the parameter C of class i to class weight[i]\*C for SVC. If not given, all classes are supposed to have weight one.
- Verbose:bool, default=False Enable verbose output.
- max\_iter:int, default=-1 Hard limit on iterations within solver, or -1 for no limit.
- **decision\_function\_shape:**{'ovo', 'ovr'}, default='ovr' Whether to return a one-vs-rest ('ovr') decision function of shape (n\_samples, n\_classes) as all other classifiers, or the original one-vs-one ('ovo') decision function of libsvm which has shape (n\_samples, n\_classes \* (n\_classes 1) / 2). However, one-vs-one ('ovo') is always used as multi-class strategy. The parameter is ignored for binary classification.
- break\_ties:bool, default=False If true, decision\_function\_shape='ovr', and number of classes > 2, predict will break ties according to the confidence values of decision function; otherwise the first class among the tied classes is returned.
- random\_state:int, RandomState instance or None, default=None Controls the pseudo random number generation for shuffling the data for probability estimates. Ignored when probability is False. Pass an int for reproducible output across multiple function calls.

## **Attributes:**

- **class\_weight\_: ndarray of shape (n\_classes,)** *Multipliers of parameter C for each class. Computed based on the class weight parameter.*
- classes\_: ndarray of shape (n\_classes,) The classes labels.
- coef\_: ndarray of shape (n\_classes \* (n\_classes 1) / 2, n\_features) Weights assigned to the features (coefficients in the primal problem). This is only available in the case of a linear kernel.
- dual\_coef\_: ndarray of shape (n\_classes -1, n\_SV) Dual coefficients of the support vector in the decision function multiplied by their targets. For multiclass, coefficient for all 1-vs-1 classifiers.
- **fit\_status\_: int -** 0 if correctly fitted, 1 otherwise (will raise warning)
- **intercept\_: ndarray of shape (n\_classes \* (n\_classes 1) / 2,) -** Constants in decision function.
- **support\_: ndarray of shape (n\_SV) -** *Indices of support vectors.*
- support\_vectors\_: ndarray of shape (n\_SV, n\_features) Support vectors.
- n\_support\_: ndarray of shape (n\_classes,), dtype=int32 Number of support vectors for each class.
- probA\_: ndarray of shape (n\_classes \* (n\_classes 1) / 2)
- probB\_: ndarray of shape (n\_classes \* (n\_classes 1) / 2) If probability=True, it corresponds to the parameters learned in Platt scaling to produce probability estimates from decision values. If probability=False, it's an empty array.
- shape\_fit\_: tuple of int of shape (n\_dimensions\_of\_X,) Array dimensions of training vector X.

## **How sklearn handles SVMs:**

- Support vector machines (SVMs) are a set of supervised learning methods used for classification, regression and outliers detection.
- The advantages of support vector machines are:
- 1. Effective in high dimensional spaces.
- 2. Still effective in cases where number of dimensions is greater than the number of samples.
- Uses a subset of training points in the decision function (called support vectors), so it is also memory efficient.
- Versatile: different Kernel functions can be specified for the decision function.
  Common kernels are provided, but it is also possible to specify custom kernels.
- The disadvantages of support vector machines include:
- 1. If the number of features is much greater than the number of samples, avoid over-fitting in choosing Kernel functions and regularization term is crucial.
- SVMs do not directly provide probability estimates, these are calculated using an expensive five-fold cross-validation.
- The support vector machines in scikit-learn support both dense (numpy.ndarray and convertible to that by numpy.asarray) and sparse (any scipy.sparse) sample vectors as input.
- However, to use an SVM to make predictions for sparse data, it must have been fit on such data.
- For optimal performance, use C-ordered numpy.ndarray (dense) or scipy.sparse.csr\_matrix (sparse) with dtype=float64.