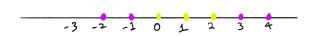
Support Vector Machines

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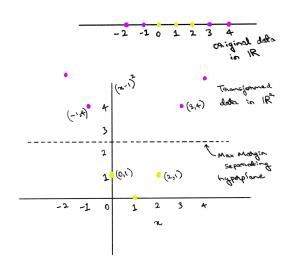
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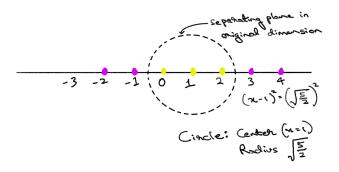


Data not separate in $\mathbb R$ Can we still use SVM? Yes! How? Project data to a higher dimensional space.

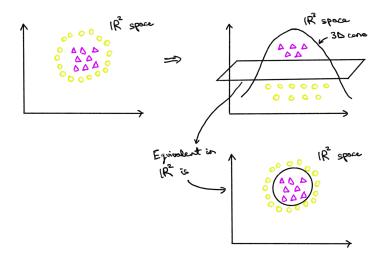
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Another Example Transformation



Projection/Transformation Function

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\begin{aligned} \phi: \mathbb{R}^d &\to \mathbb{R}^D \\ \text{where, } d &= \text{original dimension} \\ D &= \text{new dimension} \\ \text{In our example:} \\ d &= 1; D = 2 \end{aligned}
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Linear SVM:

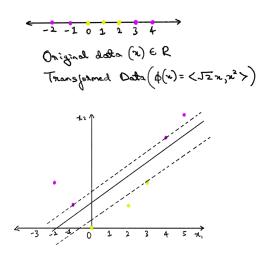
Maximize

$$L(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \alpha_j \alpha_j y_j y_j \overline{x_i}. \overline{x_j}$$

such that constriants are satisfied.

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Trivial Example (Again)



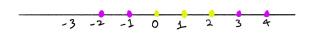
Steps

1. Compute $\phi(x)$ for each point

$$\phi: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^D$$

- 2. Compute dot products over \mathbb{R}^D space
 - Q. If D >> dBoth steps are expensive!

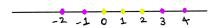
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Can we compute \mathsf{K}(\bar{x}_i,\bar{x}_j) s.t. \mathsf{K}(\bar{x}_i,\bar{x}_j) = \phi(\bar{x}_i).\phi(\bar{x}_j) where, \mathsf{K}(\bar{x}_i,\bar{x}_j) is some function of dot product in original dimension \phi(\bar{x}_i).\phi(\bar{x}_j) is dot product in high dimensions (after transformation)
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$$\phi(\mathbf{x})=<\sqrt{2}\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}^2>K(\mathbf{x}_i,\mathbf{x}_j)=(1+\mathbf{x}_i\mathbf{x}_j)^2-1$$
 where $\mathbf{x}_i\mathbf{x}_j$ is dot product in lower dimensions

$$(1 + x_i x_j)^2 - 1 = 1 + 2x_i x_j + x_i^2 x_j^2 - 1$$

= $\langle \sqrt{2}x_i, x_i^2 \rangle$. $\langle \sqrt{2}x_j, x_j^2 \rangle$
= $\phi(x_i).\phi(x_i)$



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		-1	2-52	1	-1	
3	0	1	3 0	0	1,	

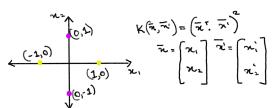
$$\phi(x_1) = <-2\sqrt{2}, 4>; \phi(x_2) = <-\sqrt{2}, 1>$$
 Transformation $\phi(x_1)\phi(x_2) = -2\sqrt{2}\times -\sqrt{2} + 4\times 1 = 8$ Dot product in 2D ${\rm K}(x_1,x_2) = \{1+(-2)\times (-1)\}^2 - 1$ Dot product in 1D

Q) Why did we use dual form? Kernels again!!

Primal form doesn't allow for the kernel trick $K(\bar{x}_1,\bar{x}_2)$ in dual and compute $\phi(x)$ and then dot product in D dimensions

Gram Matrix: (Positive Semi-Definite)

Another Example



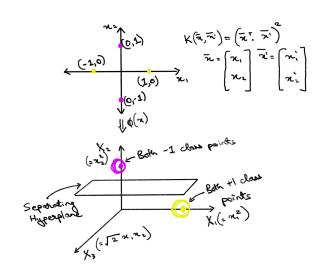
Q) What is $\phi(x)$?

$$K(\bar{x}, \bar{x}') = \phi(\bar{x})\phi(\bar{x}')$$

$$K(\bar{x}, \bar{x}') = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \end{bmatrix} \right\}^2 = (x_1 x_1' + x_2 x_2')^2$$

$$\implies \phi(\mathbf{x}) = <\mathbf{x}_1^2, \sqrt{2}\mathbf{x}_1\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_2^2 > = \mathbf{x}_1^2\mathbf{x}_1^2 + \mathbf{x}_2^2\mathbf{x}_2^2 + 2\mathbf{x}_1\mathbf{x}_1'\mathbf{x}_2\mathbf{x}_2'$$

Another Example



Some Kernels

- 1. Linear: $K(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2) = \bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2$
- 2. Polynomial: $K(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2) = (p + \bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2)^q$
- 3. Gaussian: $K(\bar{x}_1,\bar{x}_2)=e^{-\gamma||\bar{x}_1-\bar{x}_2||^2}$ where $\gamma=\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}$ Also called Radial Basis Function (RBF)

Kernels

Q) For
$$\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
 what space does kernel $\mathsf{K}(\bar{x}, \bar{x'}) = (1 + \bar{x}\bar{x'})^3$ belong to? $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ $\phi(\bar{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^?$
$$\mathsf{K}(x,z) = (1 + x_1z_1 + x_2z_2)^3 = \dots = <1, x_1, x_2, x_1^2, x_2^2, x_1^2x_2, x_1x_2^2, x_1^3, x_2^3, x_1x_2 > 10 \text{ dimensional?}$$

Kernels

Q) For $\bar{x} = x$; what space does RBF kernel lie in?

$$K(x, z) = e^{-\gamma ||x-z||^2}$$
$$= e^{-\gamma (x-z)^2}$$

Now:

$$e^{\alpha} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^n}{n!}$$

 $\therefore e^{-\gamma(x-z)^2}$ is ∞ dimensional!!

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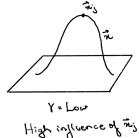
 $\alpha_i = 0$ where $i \neq S.V.$

$$\begin{split} \hat{y}(x_{test}) &= sign(\bar{w}\bar{x}_{test} + b) \\ &= sign(\sum_{j=1}^{N_{SV}} \alpha_j y_j \bar{x}_j \bar{x}_{test} + b) \\ \hat{y}(X_{test}) &= sign(\sum_{j=1}^{N} \alpha_j y_j \mathcal{K}(\bar{x}_j, \bar{x}_{test}) + b) \end{split}$$

Now $K(\bar{x}_j, \bar{x}_{test})$ for RBF is:

$$e^{-\gamma||\bar{x}_j-\bar{x}_{test}||^2}$$

... Hypothesis is a function of "all" train points Closer \bar{x} is to \bar{x}_N ; more is it influencing $\hat{y}(\bar{x})$ - hypothesis



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- $e^{-||x-x_i||^2}$ is the basis component

RBF: Effect of γ

 $\gamma \colon$ How far is the influence of a single training sample

