

## Theory Questions - Assignment 2

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1. SVM can prevent overfitting by tuning the regularization parameter. The SVM is an approximate implementation of a bound of generalized error & decision boundary & margin depend on support vectors. SVM is independent of dimensionality of feature space & hence using kernel methods to move to a higher dimension won't cause overfitting as SVM boundary is determined by support vectors & independent of dimension of space.

2. Given a data set of two pts

$x_1, x_2$ , the hyperplane can be obtained by

$$\arg \min_w \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2$$

$$\text{s.t. } w^T x_1 + w_0 = 1$$

$$w^T x_2 + w_0 = -1$$

Using Lagrange's multipliers,

$$L(w) = \arg \min_w \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 + \alpha_1 (w^T x_1 + w_0 - 1) \\ + \alpha_2 (w^T x_2 + w_0 + 1)$$

$$\frac{\partial L(w)}{\partial w} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L(w)}{\partial w_0} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = w + \alpha_1 x_1 + \alpha_2 x_2$$

$$0 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$$

$$\Rightarrow w_0 = -\frac{w(x_1 + x_2)}{2}$$

We can determine the parameters without knowing  $x_i$ . Hence, using 2pts we can determine bound -arg



3. Class 1

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Class 2

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Since, data is linearly separable we can use linear kernel, where mapping  $\phi()$  is identity function.

Following are the support vectors,

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$x_3 \quad x_5 \quad x_7$$

$$\alpha_1 \phi(x_3) \phi(x_3) + \alpha_2 \phi(x_5) \phi(x_3) + \alpha_3 \phi(x_7) \phi(x_3) = -1$$

$$\alpha_1 \phi(x_3) \phi(x_5) + \alpha_2 \phi(x_5) \phi(x_5) + \alpha_3 \phi(x_7) \phi(x_5) = 1$$

$$\alpha_1 \phi(x_3) \phi(x_7) + \alpha_2 \phi(x_5) \phi(x_7) + \alpha_3 \phi(x_7) \phi(x_7) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \alpha_1 x_3 \cdot x_3 + \alpha_2 x_5 \cdot x_3 + \alpha_3 x_7 \cdot x_3 &= -1 \\ \alpha_1 x_3 x_5 + \alpha_2 x_5 x_5 + \alpha_3 x_7 x_5 &= 1 \\ \alpha_1 x_3 x_7 + \alpha_2 x_5 x_7 + \alpha_3 x_7 x_7 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4\alpha_1 + 10\alpha_2 - 10\alpha_3 &= -1 \\ 10\alpha_1 + 14\alpha_2 - 29\alpha_3 &= 1 \\ -10\alpha_1 - 29\alpha_2 + 14\alpha_3 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

We can find  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$  & hence find the parameter.

$$\bar{\omega} = \sum \alpha_i s_i$$

$$y = \omega x + b$$



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$x_1$	$x_2$	$y$
-1	-1	-1
-1	+1	+1
+1	-1	+1
+1	+1	-1

This is linearly inseparable & hence to use SVM we have to map it to a higher dimension space.

We find basis which is  
 $1, \sqrt{2}x_1, \sqrt{2}x_2, x_1^2, x_2^2$

In this space, the optimal hyperplane is at  $x_1 x_2 = 0$ .

Hence, by moving to higher dimension space we can find the model XOR for SVM.