

Linear Discriminant Analysis

- Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA) is a supervised learning technique that attempts to provide a one-dimensional projection of the data such that discrimination between classes is maximized
- As in previous examples $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ we have a set of observations where each observation belongs to one of a finite number of classes

- Attempt to find some *linear* function of the values of feature values such that we can use the output to classify new data instances
- Which coefficients w maximize separability?

$$\phi = w^T x \tag{1}$$

LDA recipe

- When we work this out (homework) the solution we arrive at is equal to the following

$$\hat{w} = S_W^{-1}(\mu_1 - \mu_2) \quad (2)$$

- In Python we can perform LDA quickly by defining a new `LinearDiscriminantAnalysis()` object

Loading Dataset with Pandas

```
tt = pd.read_csv("data_lda_circular.txt", header=None)
```

```
X = tt.values[:, 0:2]
```

```
y = tt.values[:, 2]
```

```
indx = (y == 1) | (y == 2)
```

```
X = X[indx, :]
```

```
y = y[indx]
```

- Additional code does not effect the particular dataset we are working with

Leveraging Polymorphism

```
clf = neighbors.KNeighborsClassifier(1, weights='uniform')  
... <or>  
clf = LinearDiscriminantAnalysis()
```

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- Can construct the `clf` object here in multiple ways

Performing CV Training Test Split

```
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = <...>  
    cross_validation.train_test_split(X,  
    y,  
    test_size=0.3,  
    random_state=0)  
  
clf.fit(X_train, y_train)  
  
err = clf.predict(X_test) != y_test
```

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Plotting Results

```
plt.figure(1)
for i in [1, 2]:
    II = y_test == i
    plt.plot(X_test[II, 0], X_test[II, 1], 'o', label=str(i))

plt.plot(X_test[err, 0], X_test[err, 1], 'ro')
plt.axis("image")

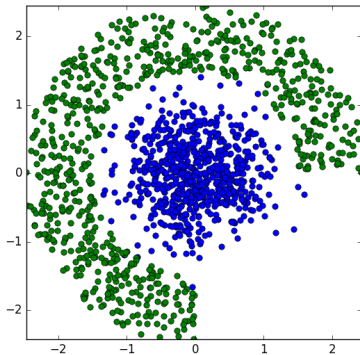
plt.figure(2)
for i in [1, 2]:
    II = y_train == i
    plt.plot(X_train[II, 0], X_train[II, 1], 'o', label=str(i))

plt.axis("image")

plt.show()
```

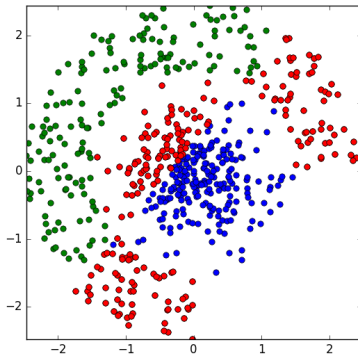
- Code above shows how we can build up a presentation of the classification results

Example Test Dataset



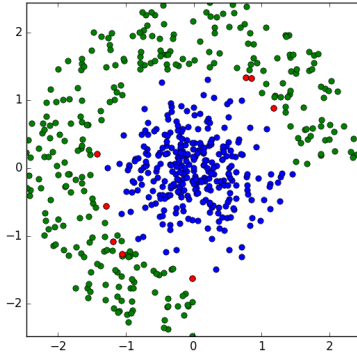
- One particular test set obtained with cross validation

Linear Discriminant Analysis Solution



- High error rate since decision boundary is only a hyperplane

Nearest Neighbors Solution



- Achieve better error rate with the nearest neighbor classifier

Constrained Optimization

- Find the extreme values of a function subject to a set of constraints
- Objective function $f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and a constraint $g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = C$
- The level sets of the objective function should be tangent to the constraint
- Introduce a dummy variable λ called the lagrange multiplier

Lagrange Multipliers

$$\nabla f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \lambda \nabla g(x_1, \dots, x_n) \quad (3)$$

$$\nabla g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = C \quad (4)$$

- Critical points are located at the solutions of this system

Particular Case

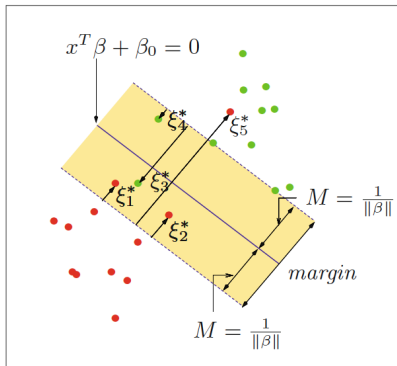
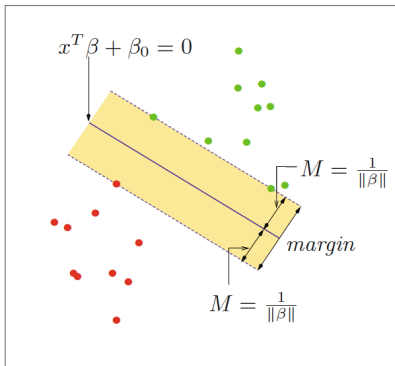
- Objective Function: $f(x, y) = xy$
- Constraint: $3x^2 + y^2 = 6$
- Take a few moments to solve the L.M. problem for this particular case

Support Vector Machines

- Support Vector Machines (SVMs) are a flexible class of machine learning algorithms
- Through selection of different *kernel* functions the separating hyperplane can be either linear or non-linear
- Allows us to fit complicated learning surfaces

Training SVMs (Linear Case)

- Attempt to find the *maximum margin* classifier
- From Tibshirani *et al*



Optimization Problem

- Maximum Margin Criterion results in following optimization problem

$$\max_{\beta, \beta_0, ||\beta||=1} M \quad (5)$$

$$y_i(x_i^T \beta + \beta_0) \geq M \quad (6)$$

Optimization Problem

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$$\frac{1}{\|\beta\|} y_i (x_i^T \beta + \beta_0) \geq M \quad (7)$$

$$y_i (x_i^T \beta + \beta_0) \geq M \|\beta\| \quad (8)$$

Optimization Problem

- Scale invariance in this problem, arbitrarily set $\|\beta\| = 1/M$
- Solve by Lagrange Multipliers

$$\min_{\beta, \beta_0} \frac{1}{2} \|\beta\|^2 \quad (9)$$

$$y_i(x_i^T \beta + \beta_0) \geq 1 \quad (10)$$

Solution

- Solve constrained optimization with lagrange multipliers

$$L_P = (1/2)||\beta||^2 - \sum \alpha_i [y_i(x_i^T \beta + \beta_0) - 1] \quad (11)$$

$$\beta = \sum \alpha_i y_i x_i \quad (12)$$

$$0 = \sum \alpha_i y_i \quad (13)$$

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i (x_i, x) + \beta_0 \quad (14)$$

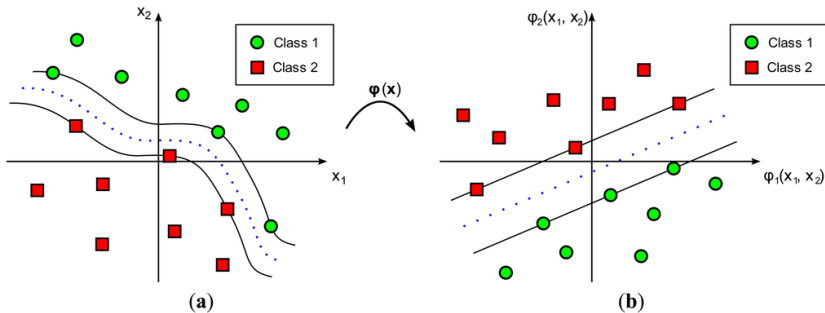
The Classification Rule

- Usage of the kernel trick results in the following classification rule
- The kernel function is selected in advance the algorithm finds the weights as well as the support vectors that maximize the margin

$$\sum_{s \in \text{support vectors}} \alpha_s K(x_{\text{test}}, x_s) + \text{bias term} > 0 \quad (15)$$

Non-linear Mapping to a new Feature Space

- Non-linear boundary in the original feature space becomes non-linear in the new feature space



Common Kernels

- The polynomial, radial basis function, linear and neural net are the most common kernels

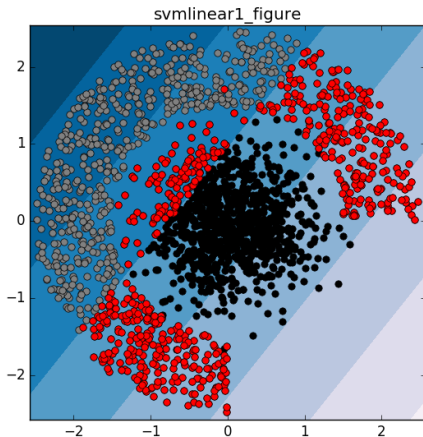
$$K(x, y) = (xy^T + 1)^p \quad (16)$$

$$K(x, y) = e^{-||x-y||^2/2\sigma^2} \quad (17)$$

$$K(x, y) = \tanh(kxy^T - \delta) \quad (18)$$

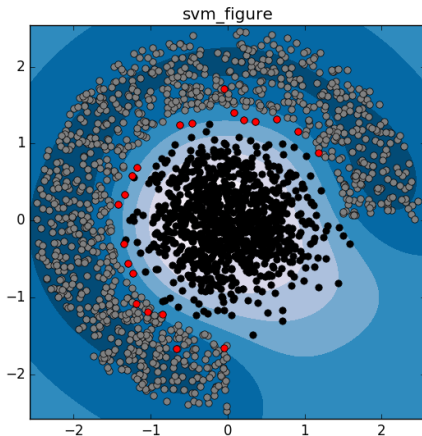
SVM Classifier with Linear Kernel

- The SVM classifier with a linear kernel finds a solution similar to lda or perceptron



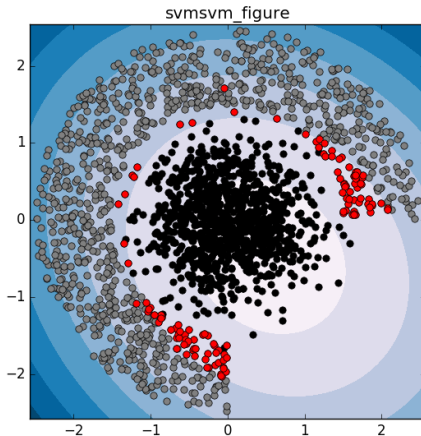
SVM Classifier with RBF Kernel

- In this case the RBF kernel provides a much better fit to the data



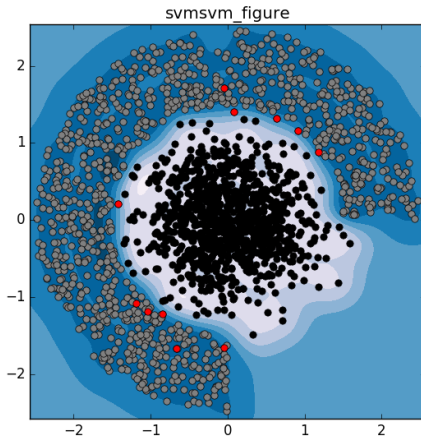
SVM Classifier with RBF Kernel

- Smaller γ parameter makes the decision boundary smoother



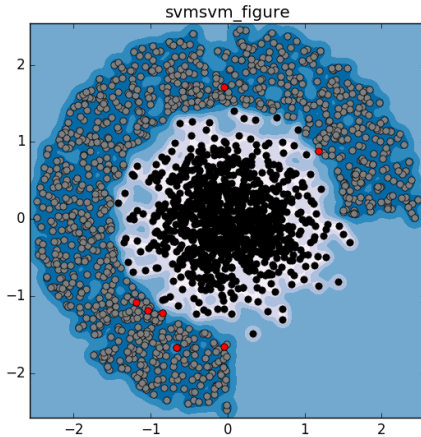
SVM Classifier with RBF Kernel

■ $\gamma = 10$



SVM Classifier with RBF Kernel

■ $\gamma = 100$



Performing CV Training Test Split

```
C = 1.0

clf = svm.SVC(kernel='rbf', gamma=100, C=C)
#clf = svm.SVC(kernel='linear', C=C)

clf.fit(X, y)
```

- Like in previous examples we create a classifier object `clf`
- In this case we make a call to a constructor in the `svm` library

Task

- The actual support vectors that have been discovered during training can be accessed as properties of the classifier object
- Indices of support vectors available at `.support_`
- Using the script provided plot the support vectors for different kernels and for different values of the parameter gamma, if applicable