

# L2 wtr

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## 1 Supporting Vector Machine

**Brief History**

This is Theoretically Based and Global Minima

**Optimization Goal**

(1) Classification problem

Training set  $S = \{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \dots\}$

Our goal is to learn a function  $g(x)$  where  $f(x) = \text{sgn}(g(x))$  fits the samples best  
linear function  $g(x) = w^T x + b$

(2) Destination

labels:  $y \in \{-1, 1\}$

geometric margin:  $\gamma^{(i)} = y^{(i)}(w^T x + b)$

in order to simplify the calculation, we make  $|w| = 1$

$\gamma = \min \gamma^{(i)}$

We use  $\gamma$  to judge how well the function performs

find  $\max_{\gamma, w, b} \gamma$

s.t.  $y^{(i)}(w^T x^{(i)} + b) \geq \gamma$

where  $\|w\| = 1$

(3) Transformation

As Unit Circle is not a convex set, we transform the origin question to...

find  $\max_{\gamma, w, b} \gamma / \|w\|$

s.t.  $y^{(i)}(w^T x^{(i)} + b) \geq \gamma$

We suppose  $\|w\| = 1$  to simplify the question

So the problem is to find the  $\min_{w, b} 0.5 \|w\|^2$

(4) Lagrangian form

$L(w, b, \alpha) = \frac{\|w\|^2}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^N \alpha_i [y^{(i)}(w^T x^{(i)} + b) - 1]$

s.t.  $\alpha_i \geq 0$

**Dual Problem :**

$\max_{\alpha} \min_{w, b} L(w, b, \alpha) = L(w, b, \alpha) = \frac{\|w\|^2}{2} - \sum_{i=0}^N \alpha_i [y^{(i)}(w^T x^{(i)} + b) - 1]$

With KKT conditions the problem's answer is the origin problem's

We swap the min and the max to make it easier

figure the Partial guidance

$$\mathbf{w} = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i \mathbf{y}^{(i)} \mathbf{x}^{(i)}$$

### Improvement

#### (1) Allow error

We allow error  $\xi_i$  in classification;

it is based on the output of the discriminant function  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b$ .

So we can reach a balance between accuracy and generalization.

we replace the origin formula with  $\min_{\mathbf{w}, b, \xi} \frac{\|\mathbf{w}\|}{2} + C \sum_i 1 - \xi_i$

s.t.  $\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)} + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i \quad \xi_i \geq 0$

#### (2) Kernel function

In many real situations, dividing the samples linearly is not enough, so we use a map to increase in order to get a linear dividing in a high dimensional space

define  $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = \phi(\mathbf{x})^T \phi(\mathbf{z})$

and replace all  $(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{x}^{(j)})$  with  $(\phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}), \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(j)}))$

However, it is difficult to find the proper kernel function...

Here are some commonly used function

$$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = (\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} + 1)^2$$

$$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

### Implementation

#### (1) Coordinate descend method

change others with one fixed

Loop until convergence

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For( $i = 1 : m$ )

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$\mathbf{a}_i = \arg\max_{\mathbf{a}_i} L(\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{i-1}, \mathbf{a}_{i+1}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_m)$

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it is slow with low efficiency

#### (2) SMO algorithm

Repeat until convergence

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First, select one pair  $\mathbf{a}_i$  and  $\mathbf{a}_j$  to update next

Second, reoptimize  $L(\mathbf{a})$  with respect to  $\mathbf{a}_i$  and  $\mathbf{a}_j$  without changing other  $\mathbf{a}_k$

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#### (3) Multi-class classification

Method 1 one-versus-rest

Advantages: low cost

Disadvantages: unbalanced data

Examples: circle and not circle, triangle and not triangle...

Method 2 one-versus-one

Advantages: make judgment by voting

Disadvantages: high cost ( $C_n^2$  models)

Examples: circle and triangle, circle and square, triangle and square...

