

# ECE 517 HW-6.3:NON-LINEAR SVM CLASSIFIER

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## 1 Problem

Use an SVM classifier to solve the classification problem of assignment 6.1

1. How to use the `svmtrain` function: If you type `svmtrain` you will see that the option `-t 4` exists, which allows the user to compute a kernel matrix and use it as an input instead of introducing the data. We will use this option to precompute the kernel matrix and place it in the position "*training\_instance\_matrix*". A similar option is present in Python
2. Work out a function whose input is the data matrix  $X$  and whose output is the matrix of kernel dot products for
  - (a) Linear kernel.
  - (b) Order 3 polynomial kernel.
  - (c) Square exponential or Gaussian kernel with variable parameter  $\sigma$ 
    - Construct a training set of 100 samples and train a Support Vector Machine.
    - Validate the parameter of the square exponential kernel and  $C$  with a validation set of 110 samples.
    - Construct a test set of 1000 samples. Compute the kernel matrix between training and test sets.
    - Compute the test error.

Do it for all three kernels.

Provide the following

- A draw of the classification boundary for the best values of validation parameters.
- Comments on the results.

## 2 Solution

We use same dataset from problem 6.1 which is show in figure below.

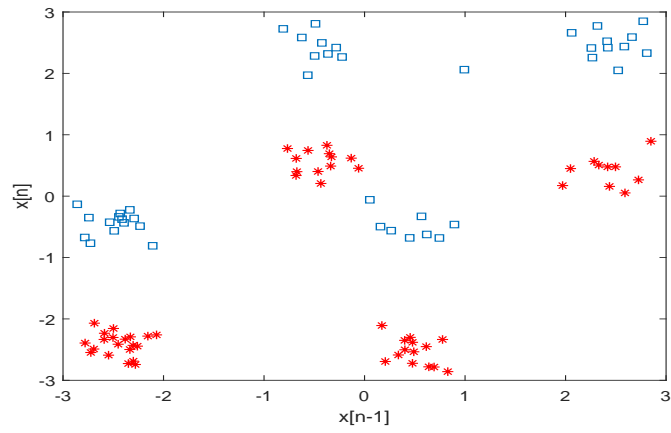


Figure 1: Training Data

## 2.1 Linear Kernel

we use the below equation for the linear classification. we use *kernelmatrix* function to get data for SVM from linear kernel and draw figure below.

$$k(x, y) = x^T y + C \quad (1)$$

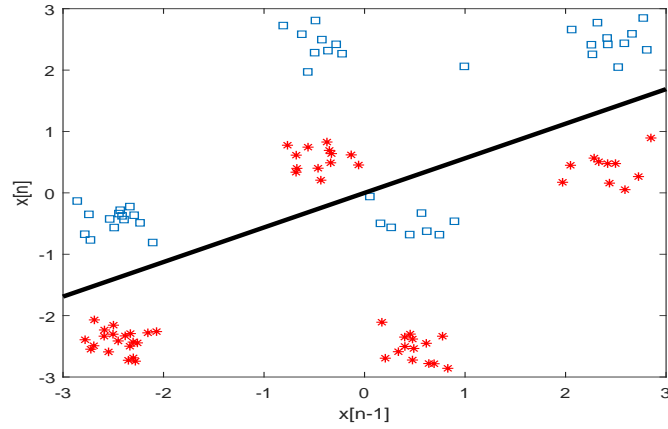


Figure 2: Linear Classifier

we obtained around 10% test error using SVM.

## 2.2 Polynomial Kernel

Polynomial kernel transform the given input space to the degree provided polynomial given by,

$$k(x, y) = (ax^T y + c)^d \quad (2)$$

we used *kernelmatrix* function to get data for SVM from polynomial kernel. The classifier using polynomial kernel is given below.

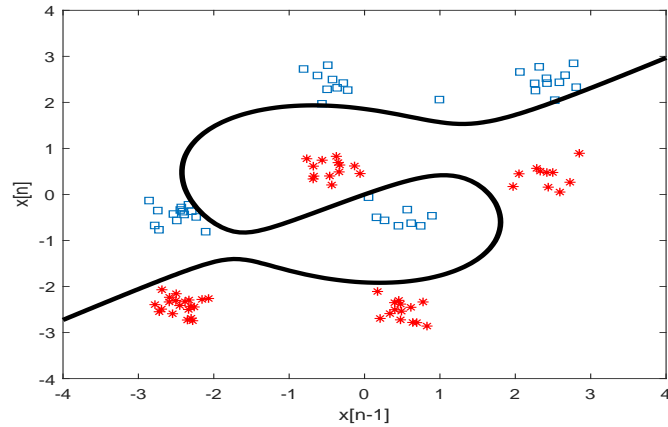


Figure 3: Polynomial Classifier

from the figure, we can say that the test is zero.

### 2.3 Gaussian Kernel

Gaussian kernel evaluates the radial basis function between given two vectors. from the lecture, Gaussian Kernel is defined by,

$$k(x, y) = e^{-\gamma \|x-y\|^2} \quad (3)$$

where  $x$  and  $y$  are input vector. we use program given by professor to create  $X$  data and then *kernelmatrix* function to get data for SVM using Gaussian kernel. The solution for the gaussian kernel classifier is given below in figure with test error as zero.

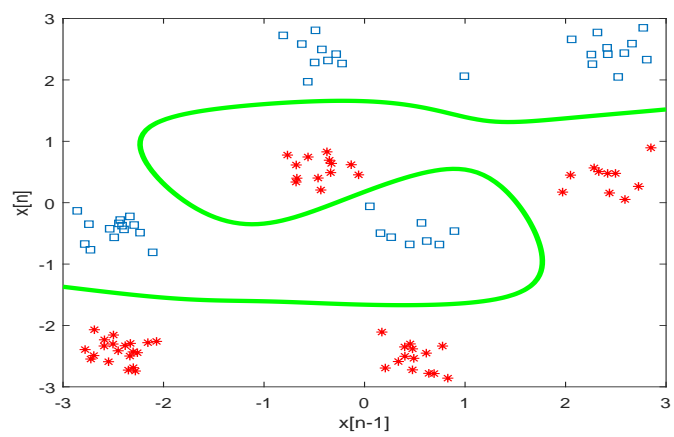


Figure 4: Gaussian Classifier