

7- PCA and SVMs

measure: distance is called measure when:

① symmetry = $d(\theta_1, \theta_2) = d(\theta_2, \theta_1)$

② self similarity = $d(\theta_i, \theta_i) = 0$

③ positivity = $d(\theta_1, \theta_2) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \theta_1 = \theta_2$

* a measure is called **metric**, if and only

if it holds the **triangular inequality**

$\hookrightarrow d(\theta_1, \theta_3) \leq d(\theta_1, \theta_2) + d(\theta_2, \theta_3)$

minkowski metric = $d(x, y) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^p |x_i - y_i|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$ ($q=1$ manhattan $q=2$ euclidean $q=\infty$ tchebychev = $\max(|x_i - y_i|)$)

\hookrightarrow as the number of dimension increases, minkowski distance becomes meaningless

reducing dimensionality =

\hookrightarrow feature selection based on domain knowledge (elimination redundant and irrelevant features)

\hookrightarrow gain-based feature selection (trying different subsets and taking the best one)

\hookrightarrow distribution based feature selection (principle component analysis)

$\text{cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)] = E(XY) - E(X) \cdot E(Y)$

covariance matrix = $\sum_{ij} = E[(X_i - \mu_i)(X_j - \mu_j)]$

mahalanobis distance = $\sqrt{(\bar{x} - \bar{y})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\bar{x} - \bar{y})}$ (distance between a point and a distribution)

\hookrightarrow distance of the test point from the center of mass divided by the width of the ellipsoid in the direction of the test point

\hookrightarrow unlike euclidean, it also seeks to measure the correlation between variables

* if all variables are independent, mahalanobis dist degrades into **normalized euclidean** dist.

principle component analysis (PCA) = technique that transforms high-dimensional data into lower-dim while preserving as much info using dependencies between variables.

w = direction of first principle component (unit vector)

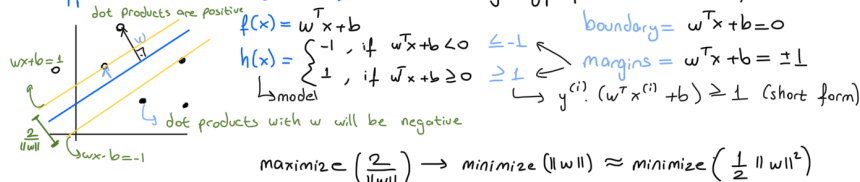
* independent dimensions have

variance = of the data along the direction = $w^T \overset{\text{covariance matrix}}{\Sigma} w$ largest variance

$\hookrightarrow \Sigma w = \lambda w \rightarrow \lambda = w^T \Sigma w$ * highest eigenvalue is the **first principle component**

* each succeeding component is orthogonal to the previous ones

support vector machines (SVMs) = the boundary hyperplane can have infinite dimensions



maximize $\left(\frac{2}{\|w\|} \right) \rightarrow$ minimize $(\|w\|) \approx$ minimize $\left(\frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 \right)$

* $\min_{w, b} \max_{\alpha \geq 0} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i [y^{(i)} (w \cdot x^{(i)} + b) - 1] \right\}$ α_i = lagrange multipliers (nonzero only) for support vectors

$\hookrightarrow w = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y^{(i)} x^{(i)}$ $\hookrightarrow b = \frac{1}{|SV|} \sum_{i \in SV} w \cdot x^{(i)} - y^{(i)}$ **SV** = support vectors' set ($\alpha_i > 0$)

soft margins = allows misclassification