

Modern Multivariate Statistical Techniques

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1 Ex 11.7

Let $z \in \mathbb{R}$ and define the $(2m+1)$ -dimensional Φ -mapping,

$$\Phi(z) = (2^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \cos z, \dots, \cos mz, \sin z, \dots, \sin mz)^\top$$

Using this mapping, show that the kernel $K(x, y) = \langle \Phi(x), \Phi(y) \rangle, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, reduces to the Dirichlet kernel given by

$$K(x, y) = \frac{\sin \left[\left(m + \frac{1}{2} \right) \delta \right]}{2 \sin \frac{\delta}{2}}$$

where $\delta = x - y$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} K(x, y) &= \langle \Phi(x), \Phi(y) \rangle \\ &= \langle (2^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \cos x, \dots, \cos mx, \sin x, \dots, \sin mx)^\top, (2^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \cos y, \dots, \cos my, \sin y, \dots, \sin my)^\top \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{j=1}^m [\cos(jx) \cos(jy) + \sin(jx) \sin(jy)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{j=1}^m \cos[j(x - y)] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sin \frac{\delta}{2}} \sum_{j=0}^m \sin \frac{\delta}{2} \cos(j\delta) - \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2 \sin \frac{\delta}{2}} \sum_{j=0}^m \left\{ \sin \left[\left(j + 1 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \delta \right] - \sin \left[\left(j - \frac{1}{2} \right) \delta \right] \right\} - \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{\sin \left[\left(m + \frac{1}{2} \right) \delta \right] + \sin \left(\frac{1}{2} \delta \right)}{2 \sin \frac{\delta}{2}} - \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{\sin \left[\left(m + \frac{1}{2} \right) \delta \right]}{2 \sin \frac{\delta}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

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2 Ex 11.8

Show that the homogeneous polynomial kernel, $K(x, y) = \langle x, y \rangle^d$, satisfies Mercer's condition (11.54).

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} K(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_1) & K(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) & \cdots & K(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_n) \\ K(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_1) & K(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_2) & \cdots & K(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_n) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ K(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_1) & K(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_2) & \cdots & K(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

is non-negative-definite.

Proof. We first prove the product of two kernel is still a kernel, i.e., let $\mathbf{K}_1, \mathbf{K}_2$ be the Gram matrix for two kernels, then \mathbf{K}' given by $K(x, y) = K_1(x, y)K_2(x, y)$ is positive semi-definite.

The eigen-decomposition of \mathbf{K}_j is given by

$$\mathbf{K}_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^{(j)} \mathbf{u}_i^{(j)\top} \mathbf{u}_i^{(j)}$$

where $\lambda_i^{(j)} \geq 0$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$).

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{K}' &= \mathbf{K}_1 \odot \mathbf{K}_2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_i^{(1)} \lambda_j^{(2)} (\mathbf{u}_i^{(1)\top} \mathbf{u}_i^{(1)}) \odot (\mathbf{u}_j^{(2)\top} \mathbf{u}_j^{(2)}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_i^{(1)} \lambda_j^{(2)} (\mathbf{u}_i^{(1)} \odot \mathbf{u}_j^{(2)}) (\mathbf{u}_i^{(1)} \odot \mathbf{u}_j^{(2)})^\top \end{aligned}$$

$\forall \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{K}' \mathbf{a} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_i^{(1)} \lambda_j^{(2)} \mathbf{a}^\top (\mathbf{u}_i^{(1)} \odot \mathbf{u}_j^{(2)}) (\mathbf{u}_i^{(1)} \odot \mathbf{u}_j^{(2)})^\top \mathbf{a} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_i^{(1)} \lambda_j^{(2)} \|(\mathbf{u}_i^{(1)} \odot \mathbf{u}_j^{(2)})^\top \mathbf{a}\|_2^2 \\ &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, \mathbf{K}' is positive semi-definite.

Since $K(x, y) = \langle x, y \rangle^d = \langle x, y \rangle \times \dots \times \langle x, y \rangle$, it follows that \mathbf{K} is positive semi-definite. \square

3 Ex 11.2

In the support vector regression problem using a quadratic ε -insensitive loss function, formulate and solve the resulting optimization problem.

A quadratic ε -insensitive loss function is given by

$$L_2(y, \mu(\mathbf{x}), \varepsilon) = \max\{0, [y - \mu(\mathbf{x})]^2 - \varepsilon\}$$

where $\varepsilon > 0$.

For quadratic ε -insensitive loss, the primal optimization problem is to find $\beta_0, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\xi}'$ to

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|\boldsymbol{\beta}\|^2 + \frac{C}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\xi_i^2 + \xi_i'^2) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y_i - (\beta_0 + \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}) \leq \varepsilon + \xi_i' \end{aligned}$$

$$(\beta_0 + \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}) - y_i \leq \varepsilon + \xi_i$$

where $C > 0$ is a constant.

The primal function is given by

$$\begin{aligned} F_P(\beta_0, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\xi}', \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) &= \frac{1}{2} \|\boldsymbol{\beta}\|^2 + \frac{C}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\xi_i^2 + \xi_i'^2) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i [y_i - (\beta_0 + \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}) - \varepsilon - \xi_i'] \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i [(\beta_0 + \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}) - y_i - \varepsilon - \xi_i] \end{aligned}$$

Setting the derivatives to 0,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial F_P}{\partial \beta_0} &= \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i - b_i) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial F_P}{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}} &= \boldsymbol{\beta} - \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mathbf{x}_i + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i \mathbf{x}_i = 0 \\ \frac{\partial F_P}{\partial \boldsymbol{\xi}'} &= C \boldsymbol{\xi}' - \mathbf{a} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial F_P}{\partial \boldsymbol{\xi}} &= C \boldsymbol{\xi} - \mathbf{b} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

A stationary solution yields,

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\beta}^* &= \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i - b_i) \mathbf{x}_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i - b_i) &= 0 \\ \boldsymbol{\xi}' &= \frac{1}{C} \mathbf{a} \\ \boldsymbol{\xi} &= \frac{1}{C} \mathbf{b} \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the solution into the primal function gives us the dual function

$$\begin{aligned} F_D(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) &= \frac{1}{2} \|\boldsymbol{\beta}\|^2 + \frac{1}{2C} (\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}^\top \mathbf{b}) \\ &\quad + (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b})^\top \mathbf{y} - \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i - b_i) \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta} - \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i) \varepsilon - \frac{1}{C} [\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}^\top \mathbf{b}] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|\boldsymbol{\beta}\|^2 - \|\boldsymbol{\beta}\|^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{C} [\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}^\top \mathbf{b}] + (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b})^\top \mathbf{y} - \varepsilon (\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b})^\top \mathbf{1} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \|\boldsymbol{\beta}\|^2 - \frac{1}{C} [\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}^\top \mathbf{b}] + (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b})^\top \mathbf{y} - \varepsilon (\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b})^\top \mathbf{1} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b})^\top \mathbf{K} (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}) - \frac{1}{C} [\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}^\top \mathbf{b}] + (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b})^\top \mathbf{y} - \varepsilon (\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b})^\top \mathbf{1} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\mathbf{K} = \left(\langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j \rangle \right)_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$$

Therefore, the dual problem is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & P_D \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \succeq \mathbf{0} \\ & (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b})^\top \mathbf{1} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

From the KKT conditions, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$,

$$\begin{aligned} a_i \left[y_i - (\beta_0 + \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}) - \varepsilon - \frac{a_i}{C} \right] &= 0 \\ b_i \left[(\beta_0 + \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}) - y_i - \varepsilon - \frac{b_i}{C} \right] &= 0 \\ a_i b_i &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

solve them for \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} . If $\hat{\mathbf{a}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$ are the solution, then

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} &= \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{a}_i - \hat{b}_i) \mathbf{x}_i \\ \hat{\beta}_0 &= \frac{1}{|\{i | \hat{a}_i > 0\}| + |\{i | \hat{b}_i > 0\}|} \left[\sum_{\{i | \hat{a}_i > 0\}} \left(y_i - \mathbf{x}_i^\top \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \varepsilon - \frac{\hat{a}_i}{C} \right) + \sum_{\{i | \hat{b}_i > 0\}} \left(y_i - \mathbf{x}_i^\top \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} + \varepsilon + \frac{\hat{b}_i}{C} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$