

Stochastic Learning and Its Application In Hydrology

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Definition: Machine learning is a scientific discipline that deals with the construction and study of algorithms that can learn from data. Such algorithms operate by building a model based on inputs and using that to make predictions or decisions, rather than following only explicitly programmed instructions.

Conditions to Use Stochastic Learning

- There is pattern
- There is not explicit mathematical expression
- Available Data

Independent Component Analysis (ICA) is a computational method for separating a multivariate signal into additive subcomponents. This is done by assuming that the subcomponents are non-Gaussian signals and that they are statistically independent from each other. ICA is a special case of blind source separation.

Linear Regression of $NDVI$ from P, R, T, EP, P_{log}

ICA transform among all terms.

$$n_{independent_components} = n_{variables}$$

$$M_o = 0.0015P_{Mean} - 0.0074Rh + 0.0005P_{Lag} + 0.0349Ta_{Mean} - 0.0006Eps$$

$$\rho^2 = 0.6787$$

$$n_{independent_components} = 2$$

$$M_o = 0.0008P_{Mean} - 0.0049Rh + 0.0008P_{Lag} + 0.0144Ta_{Mean} - 0.0001Eps$$

$$\rho^2 = 0.5856$$

$$n_{independent_components} = 3$$

$$M_o = 0.0009P_{Mean} - 0.0046Rh - 0.0146Ta_{Mean} + 0.0008Eps$$

$$\rho^2 = 0.4674$$

ICA transform among same dimension terms.

$$n_{independent_components} = n_{same_dimension_variables}$$

$$M_o = 0.0015P_{Mean} - 0.0074Rh + 0.0005P_{Lag} + 0.0349Ta_{Mean} - 0.0006Eps$$

$$\rho^2 = 0.6787$$

$$n_{independent_components} = 2$$

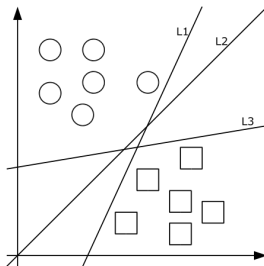
$$M_o = 0.0005P_{Mean} + 0.0011Rh + 0.0007P_{Lag} + 0.0040Ta_{Mean} - 0.0001Eps$$

$$\rho^2 = 0.5800$$

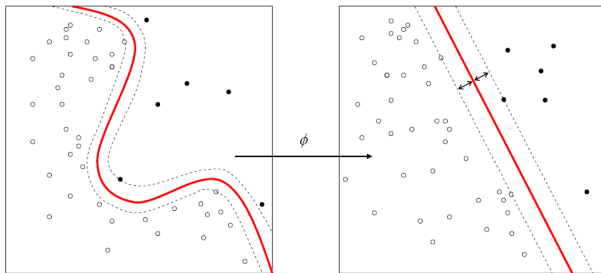
We recommend the last result for an intuitive deduction that the 2 independent components reflect the water and heat control.

Support Vector Machine

A support vector machine constructs a hyperplane or set of hyperplanes in a high or infinite dimensional space, which can be used for classification, regression, or other tasks. Intuitively, a good separation is achieved by the hyperplane that has the largest distance to the nearest training data point of any class (so-called functional margin), since in general the larger the margin the lower the generalization error of the classifier.



Non-linear Condition



Support Vector Regression

Minimize the sum of the empirical risk function and the structural risk function:

empirical risk function:

$$\frac{1}{l} \sum_{i=1}^l |y_i - f(x_i)|_{\epsilon}$$

structural risk function:

$$\frac{1}{2} w^T w$$

Example