# **Supervised Learning – Part 5**

### **ESM3081 Programming for Data Science**

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# Learning algorithms covered in this course

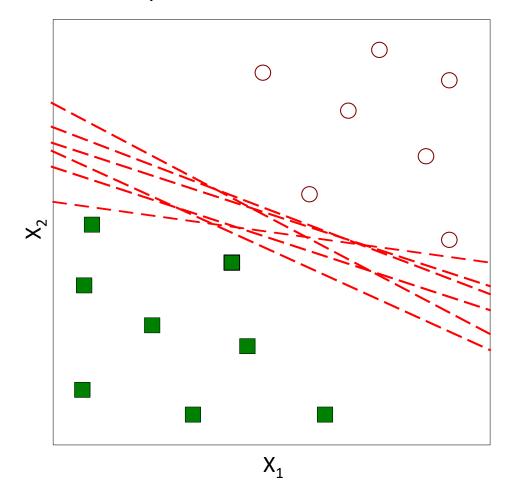
- Supervised Learning (Classification/Regression)
  - K-Nearest Neighbors
  - Linear Models (Logistic/Linear Regression)
  - Decision Trees
  - Random Forests
  - Support Vector Machines
  - Neural Networks
  - \* Many algorithms have a classification and a regression variant, and we will describe both.
  - \* We will review the most popular machine learning algorithms, explain how they learn from data and how they make predictions, and examine the strengths and weaknesses of each algorithm.

# **Support Vector Machines**

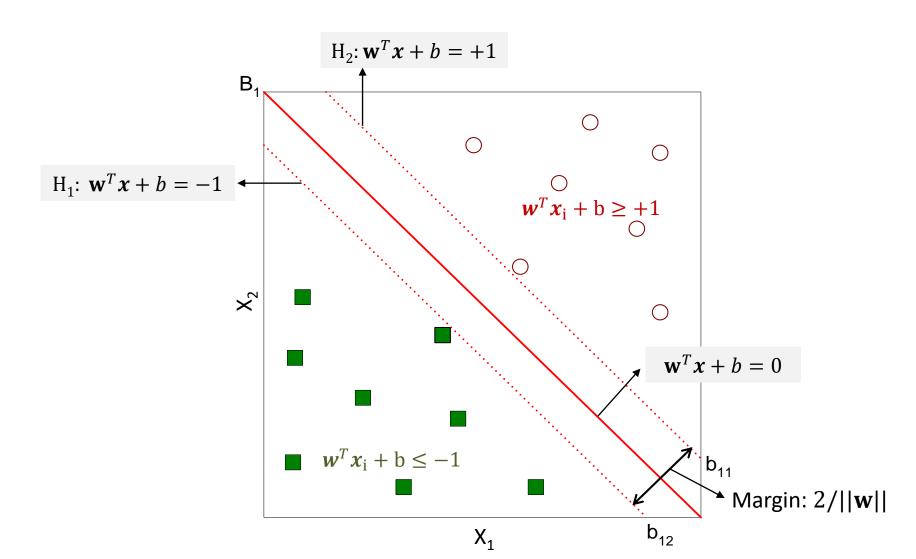
# **Support Vector Machines**

- Support Vector Machine for Classification
  - Linear Support Vector Classification
  - Kernelized Support Vector Classification
- Support Vector Machine for Regression
  - Linear Support Vector Regression
  - Kernelized Support Vector Regression

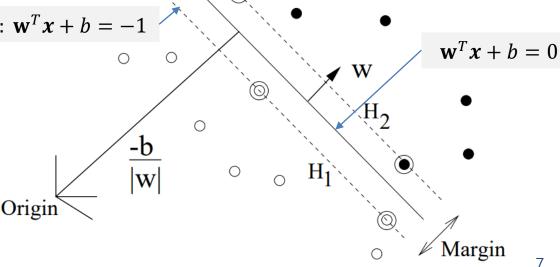
- Binary Classification Find a hyperplane (linear decision boundary) that will separate the data
  - Many possible hyperplanes ( $\mathbf{w}^T x + b = 0$ ) that separate the training data
  - Which one is better? How do you define better?



Support Vector Classification – Find the hyperplane that maximizes the margin



- Given a (training) dataset  $D = \{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), ..., (x_n, y_n)\}$  such that  $x_i =$  $(x_{i1}, \dots, x_{id}) \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is the *i*-th input vector of *d* features and  $y_i \in \{-1, +1\}$  is the corresponding target label.
- SVM looks for the maximum-margin hyperplane  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b = 0$  between positive  $(y_i = +1)$  and negative  $(y_i = -1)$  data points
  - $H_2$ :  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b = +1$ Margin:  $2/||\mathbf{w}||$ - Prediction  $\hat{y} = f(x) = \text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^T x + b)$  $H_1$ :  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b = -$

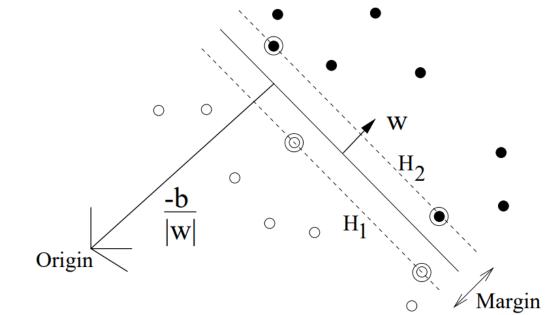


### Hard-margin formulation

: Do not allow any errors, no training points fall between H<sub>1</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>

$$\min J(\mathbf{w}, b) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{w} \leftarrow maximize \text{ the margin}$$

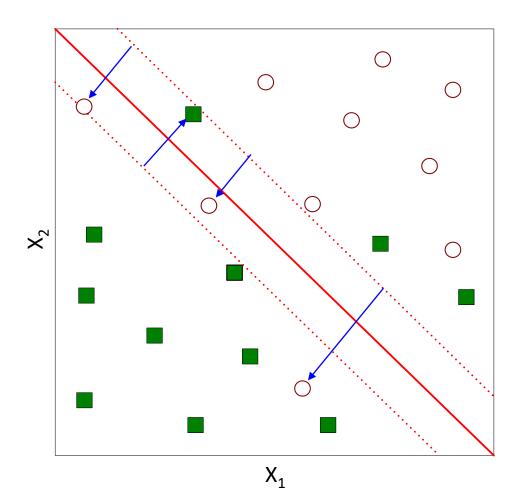
subject to  $y_i(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) \ge 1$ ,  $\forall i \leftarrow$  all training data points are outside the margin



What are parameters? What are hyperparameters?

What if the data are linearly inseparable?

: Introduce slack variables  $\xi_i$ 



### Soft-margin formulation

: Allow some errors by introducing slack variables  $\xi_i \geq 0$ 

$$\max(0,1-y(\mathbf{w}^Tx+b)) = \max(0,1-y(\mathbf{w}^Tx+b))$$

$$\min J(\mathbf{w},b,\xi) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{w} + C\sum_{i} \xi_{i}$$

$$\min \max(0,1-y(\mathbf{w}^Tx+b)) = \max(0,1-y(\mathbf{w}^Tx+b))$$

$$\text{minimize empirical risk (hinge loss)}$$

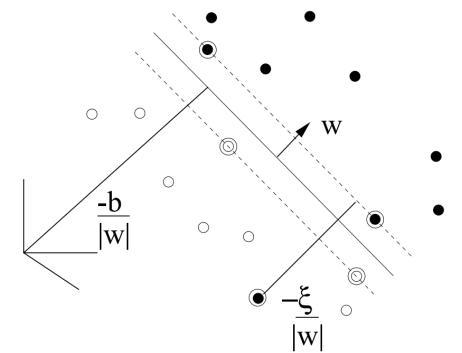
$$\text{trade-off hyperparameter } C$$

subject to 
$$y_i(\mathbf{w}^T x_i + b) \ge 1 - \xi_i$$
, where  $\xi_i \ge 0$ ,  $\forall i$  most training data but some are not

most training data points are outside the margin, but some are not

Constrained "convex" optimization problem→ Solve it using Lagrange multiplier method

What are parameters? What are hyperparameters?



### Soft-margin formulation

: Dual Problem (Quadratic Programming) → Use a QP Solver!

$$\max L(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \sum_{i} \alpha_{i} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \alpha_{i} \alpha_{j} y_{i} y_{j} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{T} \boldsymbol{x}_{j}$$

 $O(n^2)$  space complexity usually  $O(n^3)$  time complexity what if n is very large?

subject to 
$$\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} = 0$$
$$0 \leq \alpha_{i} \leq C, \forall i$$

*n* parameters  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n$ 

Convex optimization

→ Global optimum is guaranteed

### Soft-margin formulation

: After obtaining the maximum-margin hyperplane  $\mathbf{w}^{*T}x + b^*$ , how?

$$\mathbf{w}^* = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i$$

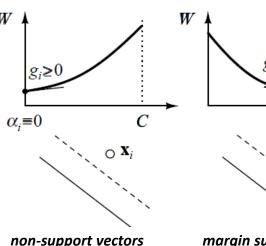
$$b^* = \frac{1}{y_{sv}} - \mathbf{w}^{*T} \mathbf{x}_{sv} = \frac{1}{y_{sv}} - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_{sv}$$

The trained model

, where 
$$(x_{sv}, y_{sv}) \in \{(x_i, y_i) | 0 < \alpha_i < C\}$$

$$- f(\mathbf{x}) = \operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{w}^{*T}\mathbf{x} + b^{*}) = \operatorname{sign}(\sum_{(\mathbf{x}_{i}, \mathbf{y}_{i}) \in D} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \mathbf{x}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{x} + b^{*}) \quad n \text{ parameters } \alpha_{1}, \dots, \alpha_{n}$$

- Let 
$$D_{SV} = \{(x_i, y_i) \in D \mid \alpha_i > 0\}$$
, then  $f(x) = \text{sign}(\sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in D_{SV}} \alpha_i y_i \mid x_i^T x + b^*)$  (sparse solution)



 $\{(\boldsymbol{x}_i, \boldsymbol{y}_i) | \alpha_i = 0\}$ 

 $\alpha_i$  C  $\mathbf{x}_i$ margin support vectors  $\{(x_i, y_i) | 0 < \alpha_i < C\}$ 

 $g_i \leq 0$   $\alpha_i \equiv C$ 

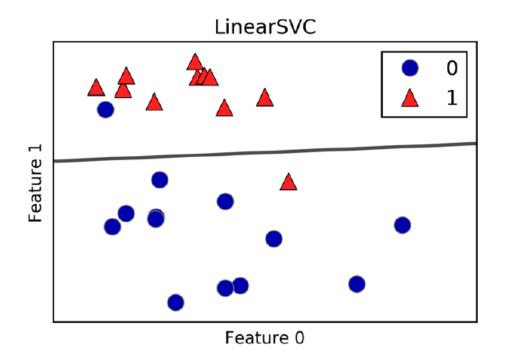
 $\mathbf{x}_i$ 

error support vectors  $\{(x_i, y_i) | \alpha_i = C\}$ 

The trained model depends only on support vectors

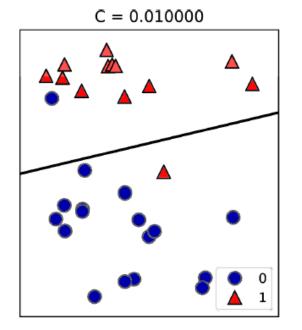
what are support vectors?

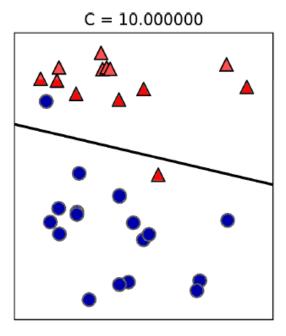
• Decision boundaries of a linear SVM and logistic regression on the forge dataset with the default hyperparameters

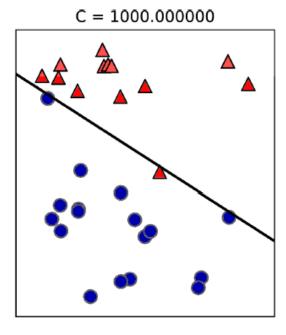




- The trade-off hyperparameter (the strength of the regularization) C
  - lower values of C correspond to more regularization
    - The model puts more emphasis on finding a coefficient vector w that is close to zero
       → underfitting
  - Higher values of C correspond to less regularization
    - The model tries to fit the training set as best as possible
       → overfitting







## scikit-learn Practice: LinearSVC

### https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.svm.LinearSVC.html

### sklearn.svm.LinearSVC

class sklearn.svm. LinearSVC(penalty='l2', loss='squared\_hinge', \*, dual=True, tol=0.0001, C=1.0, multi\_class='ovr', fit\_intercept=True, intercept\_scaling=1, class\_weight=None, verbose=0, random\_state=None, max\_iter=1000) [source]

Linear Support Vector Classification.

Similar to SVC with parameter kernel='linear', but implemented in terms of liblinear rather than libsym, so it has more flexibility in the choice of penalties and loss functions and should scale better to large numbers of samples.

This class supports both dense and sparse input and the multiclass support is handled according to a one-vs-the-rest scheme.

Read more in the User Guide.

#### Parameters:

#### penalty: {'l1', 'l2'}, default='l2'

Specifies the norm used in the penalization. The 'l2' penalty is the standard used in SVC. The 'l1' leads to coef\_ vectors that are sparse.

#### loss: {'hinge', 'squared hinge'}, default='squared hinge'

Specifies the loss function. 'hinge' is the standard SVM loss (used e.g. by the SVC class) while 'squared\_hinge' is the square of the hinge loss. The combination of penalty='11' and loss='hinge' is not supported.

#### dual: bool, default=True

Select the algorithm to either solve the dual or primal optimization problem. Prefer dual=False when  $n_s$  amples  $> n_s$  features.

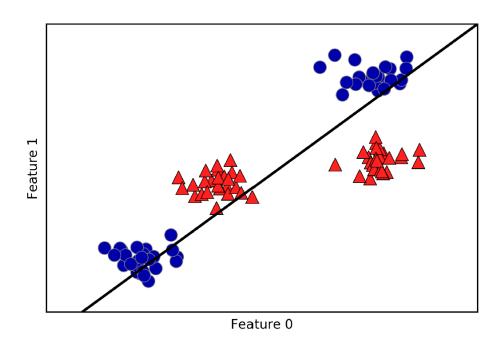
#### tol: float, default=1e-4

Tolerance for stopping criteria.

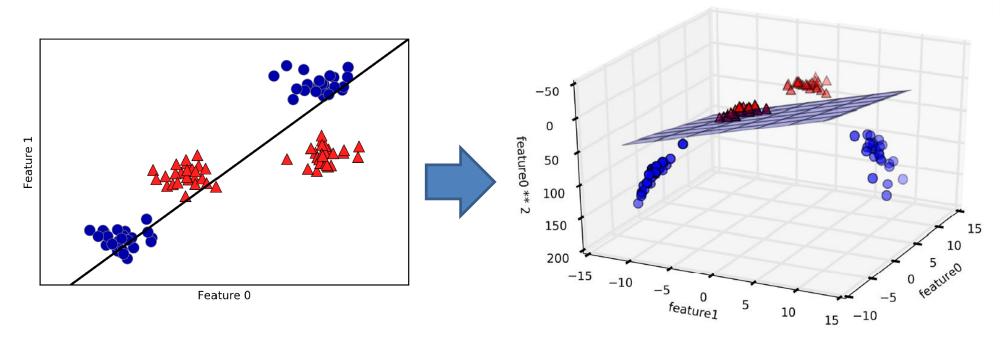
#### C: float, default=1.0

Regularization parameter. The strength of the regularization is inversely proportional to C. Must be strictly positive.

- Linear support vector classification can be quite limiting in low-dimensional spaces,
   as lines and hyperplanes have limited flexibility
- Kernelized support vector machines are an extension that allows for more complex models that are not defined simply by hyperplanes in the input space.
  - Example: Given a two-class classification dataset in which classes are not linearly separable, the decision boundary found by a linear SVM



- One way to make a linear model more flexible is by adding more features—for example, by adding interactions or polynomials of the input features.
- **Example:** expanding the set of input features by adding *feature0\*\*2* 
  - It is now possible to separate the two classes using a linear model

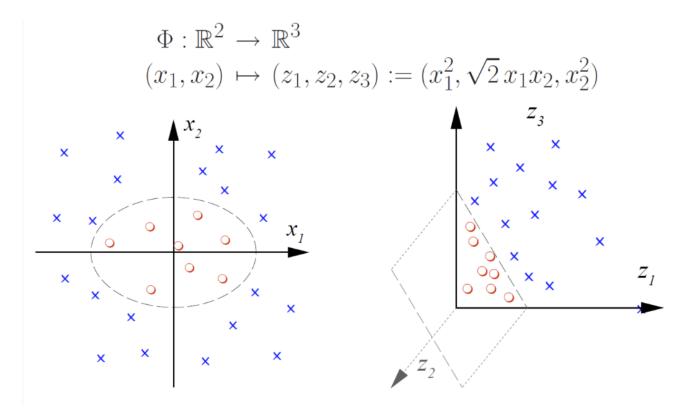


2D: (feature0, feature1)

3D: (feature0, feature1, feature0\*\*2)

- Adding nonlinear features to the representation of our data can make linear models much more powerful.
- However, often we don't know which features to add, and adding many features might make computation very expensive.
- Luckily, there is *a mathematical trick* that allows us to learn a classifier in a higher-dimensional space without actually computing the new, possibly very large representation.

- SVM for Non-linear Classification: Kernel Trick
  - : Use a function  $\varphi$  that maps the data into a higher dimensional space.
  - Replace  $x_i$  by  $\varphi(x_i)$
  - Example:  $\varphi(x_1, x_2) = (x_1^2, \sqrt{2}x_1x_2, x_2^2)$



### SVM for Non-linear Classification: Kernel Trick

: If there is a "kernel function" k that defines inner products in the transformed space, such that  $k(x_i, x_j) = \varphi(x_i)^T \varphi(x_j)$ , then we don't have to know  $\varphi$  at all, but use k instead.

- Replace  $oldsymbol{x}_i^T oldsymbol{x}_j$  by  $k(oldsymbol{x}_i, oldsymbol{x}_j)$
- Not all functions can be kernels (Mercer's theorem)

### Examples of Kernel Functions

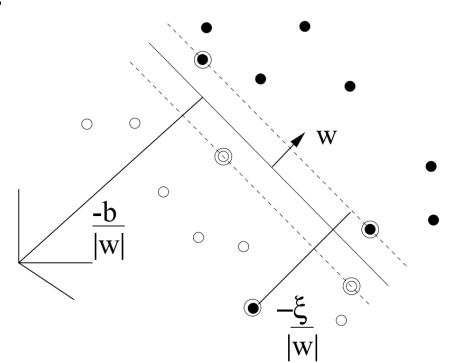
- Linear Kernel  $k(x, x') = x^T x'$
- Polynomial Kernel  $k(x, x') = (1 + x^T x')^p$
- Tanh Kernel  $k(x, x') = \tanh(a + bx^Tx')$
- RBF Kernel  $k(x, x') = \exp(-\gamma ||x x'||^2)$   $\leftarrow$  most popular, default setting in scikit-learn

### Soft-margin formulation

: Primal Problem with the function  $\varphi$  (feature map)

$$\min J(\mathbf{w}, b, \boldsymbol{\xi}) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{w} + C\sum_{i} \xi_{i}$$

subject to 
$$y_i(\mathbf{w}^T \varphi(\mathbf{x}_i) + b) \ge 1 - \xi_i,$$
$$\xi_i \ge 0, \forall i$$



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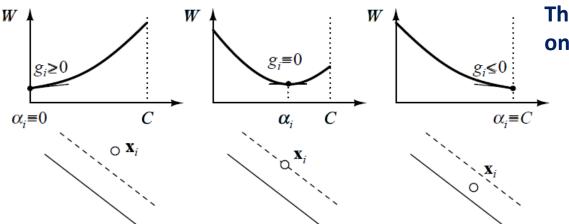
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- The trained model
- $\text{del} \qquad \qquad \text{, where } (x_{sv}, y_{sv}) \in \{(x_i, y_i) | 0 < \alpha_i < C\}$ 
  - $f(\mathbf{x}) = \operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{w}^{*T}\varphi(\mathbf{x}) + b^*) = \operatorname{sign}(\sum_{(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i) \in D} \alpha_i y_i \, k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x})) + b^*)$
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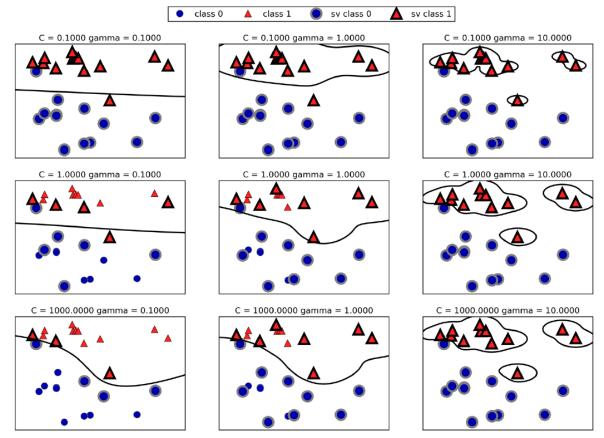
what are support vectors?

*non-support vectors*  $\{(x_i, y_i) | \alpha_i = 0\}$ 

(unbounded) support vectors  $\{(x_i, y_i) | 0 < \alpha_i < C\}$ 

(bounded) support vectors  $\{(x_i, y_i) | \alpha_i = C\}$ 

- Hyperparameters for Kernelized Support Vector Classification
  - C, kernel (default='rbf'), gamma (if 'rbf' kernel):
    - The gamma hyperparameter determines how far the influence of a single training data point reaches
    - lower value of gamma → lower model complexity (underfitting)
    - higher value of gamma → higher model complexity (overfitting)



### Practical Guideline when using SVC with RBF Kernel

We recommend a "grid-search" on C and  $\gamma$  using cross-validation. Various pairs of  $(C, \gamma)$  values are tried and the one with the best cross-validation accuracy is picked. We found that trying exponentially growing sequences of C and  $\gamma$  is a practical method to identify good parameters (for example,  $C = 2^{-5}, 2^{-3}, \ldots, 2^{15}, \gamma = 2^{-15}, 2^{-13}, \ldots, 2^3$ ).

### A Practical Guide to Support Vector Classification

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#### Abstract

The support vector machine (SVM) is a popular classification technique. However, beginners who are not familiar with SVM often get unsatisfactory results since they miss some easy but significant steps. In this guide, we propose a simple procedure which usually gives reasonable results.

#### LIBSVM -- A Library for Support Vector Machines

Chih-Chung Chang and Chih-Jen Lin

- Version 3.23 released on July 15, 2018. It conducts some minor fixes.
- 麻 LIBSVM tools provides many extensions of LIBSVM. Please check it if you need some functions not supported in LIBSVM.
- We now have a nice page <u>LIBSVM data sets</u> providing problems in LIBSVM format.
- Me now have an easy script (easy.py) for users who know NOTHING about SVM. It makes everything automatic--from data scaling to

The parameter selection tool grid.py generates the following contour of cross-validation accuracy. To use this tool, you also need to install <a href="https://example.com/python">python</a> and <a href="mailto:gnuple.com/gnuple.com

### https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.svm.SVC.html

### sklearn.svm.SVC

class  $sklearn.svm.svc(*, C=1.0, kernel='rbf', degree=3, gamma='scale', coef0=0.0, shrinking=True, probability=False, tol=0.001, cache_size=200, class_weight=None, verbose=False, max_iter=-1, decision_function_shape='ovr', break_ties=False, random_state=None) [source]$ 

C-Support Vector Classification.

The implementation is based on libsvm. The fit time scales at least quadratically with the number of samples and may be impractical beyond tens of thousands of samples. For large datasets consider using LinearSVC or SGDClassifier instead, possibly after a Nystroem transformer.

The multiclass support is handled according to a one-vs-one scheme.

For details on the precise mathematical formulation of the provided kernel functions and how gamma, coef0 and degree affect each other, see the corresponding section in the narrative documentation: Kernel functions.

Read more in the User Guide.

#### decision\_function\_shape: {'ovo', 'ovr'}, default='ovr'

Whether to return a one-vs-rest ('ovr') decision function of shape (n\_samples, n\_classes) as all other classifiers, or the original one-vs-one ('ovo') decision function of libsvm which has shape (n\_samples, n\_classes \* (n\_classes - 1) / 2). However, one-vs-one ('ovo') is always used as multi-class strategy. The parameter is ignored for binary classification.

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#### Parameters:

#### C: float, default=1.0

Regularization parameter. The strength of the regularization is inversely proportional to C. Must be strictly positive. The penalty is a squared I2 penalty.

#### kernel: {'linear', 'poly', 'rbf', 'sigmoid', 'precomputed'}, default='rbf'

Specifies the kernel type to be used in the algorithm. It must be one of 'linear', 'poly', 'rbf', 'sigmoid', 'precomputed' or a callable. If none is given, 'rbf' will be used. If a callable is given it is used to pre-compute the kernel matrix from data matrices; that matrix should be an array of shape (n\_samples).

#### degree: int, default=3

Degree of the polynomial kernel function ('poly'). Ignored by all other kernels.

#### gamma: {'scale', 'auto'} or float, default='scale'

Kernel coefficient for 'rbf', 'poly' and 'sigmoid'.

- if gamma='scale' (default) is passed then it uses 1 / (n\_features \* X.var()) as value of gamma,
- if 'auto', uses 1 / n\_features.

Changed in version 0.22: The default value of gamma changed from 'auto' to 'scale'.

#### coef0 : float, default=0.0

Independent term in kernel function. It is only significant in 'poly' and 'sigmoid'.

#### shrinking: bool, default=True

Whether to use the shrinking heuristic. See the User Guide.

#### probability: bool, default=False

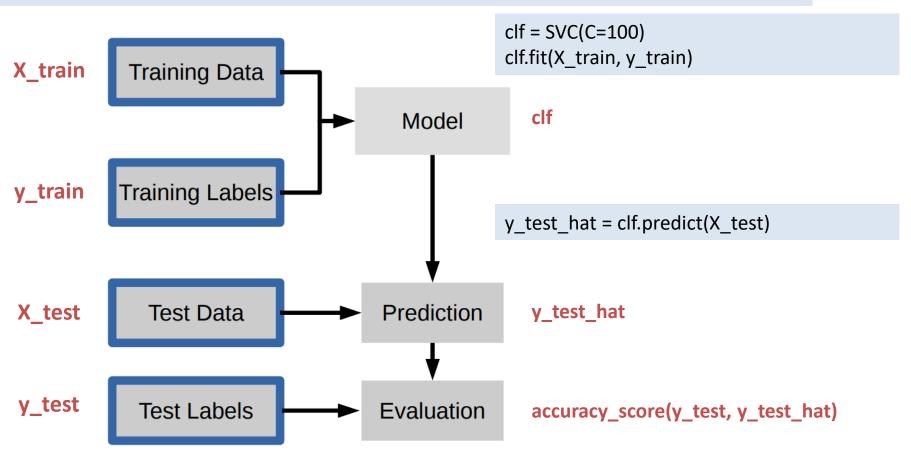
Whether to enable probability estimates. This must be enabled prior to calling fit, will slow down that method as it internally uses 5-fold cross-validation, and predict\_proba may be inconsistent with predict. Read more in the User Guide.

### Example (breast\_cancer dataset)

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In [2]: from sklearn.datasets import load breast_cancer
        from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
        from sklearn, preprocessing import StandardScaler
        from sklearn.svm import SVC
        from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
        cancer = load_breast_cancer()
        X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(
            cancer.data, cancer.target, random_state=0)
In [3]: |scaler = StandardScaler()
        scaler.fit(X_train)
        X train scaled = scaler.transform(X train)
        X test scaled = scaler.transform(X test)
In [4]: clf = SVC(C=100)
        clf.fit(X train scaled, y train)
Out[4]:
             SVC
         SVC(C=100)
In [5]: y train hat = clf.predict(X train scaled)
        print('train accuracy: %.5f'%accuracy_score(y_train, y_train_hat))
        y_test_hat = clf.predict(X_test_scaled)
        print('test accuracy: %.5f'%accuracy score(y test, y test hat))
        train accuracy: 1.00000
        test accuracy: 0.95804
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### Example (breast\_cancer dataset)

cancer = load\_breast\_cancer()
X\_train, X\_test, y\_train, y\_test = train\_test\_split(cancer.data, cancer.target, random\_state=42)



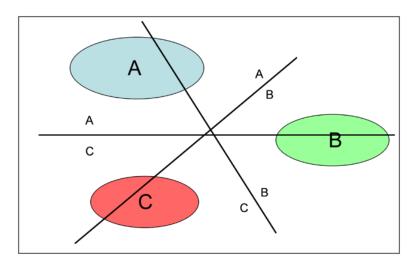
Example (breast\_cancer dataset): varying the hyperparameters C and gamma

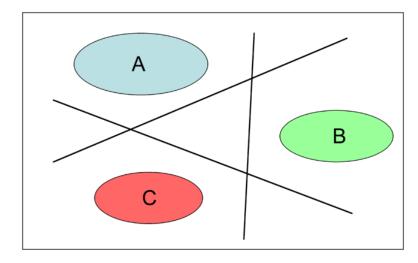
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	test_accuracy = []					
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		1	0.01	0.10	0.62676	0.62937
		1				
		2	0.01	1.00	0.62676	0.62937
		4	1.00	0.10	0.98592	0.97203
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		<pre># accuracy on the training set y_train_hat = clf.predict(X_train_scaled) training_accuracy.append(accuracy_score(y_train, y_train_hat))  # accuracy on the test set (generalization) y_test_hat = clf.predict(X_test_scaled) test_accuracy.append(accuracy_score(y_test, y_test_hat))</pre>	6	100.00	0.01	0.99531
	7		100.00	0.10	1.00000	0.95105
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## **SVC for Multi-Class Classification**

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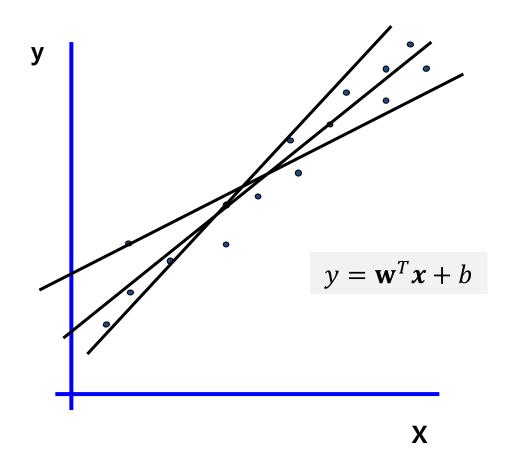
- decision\_function\_shape = 'ovr' (default) or 'ovo'
- One-vs.-Rest (OVR) Approach
  - A model is learned for each class that tries to separate that class from all of the other classes
     → c models
  - To make a prediction, all models are run on a test point. The model that has the highest score on its single class "wins," and this class label is returned as the prediction.
- One-vs.-One (OVO) Approach
  - A model is learned for each class pair  $\rightarrow c(c-1)/2$  models
  - To make a prediction, the class label of a test data point is predicted based on majority voting by all models.





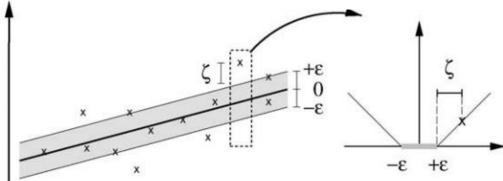
## Regression

- Many possible linear functions that approximately fit the training data



- Given a (training) dataset  $D = \{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), ..., (x_n, y_n)\}$  such that  $x_i = (x_{i1}, ..., x_{id}) \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is the *i*-th input vector of *d* features and  $y_i \in \mathbb{R}$  is the corresponding target label.
- Similar concepts apply to regression tasks → Support Vector Regression

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\mathbf{w},b,\xi_{i},\xi_{i}^{*}}{\text{minimize}} & & \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}^{T}\mathbf{w} + C\left(\sum_{i}\xi_{i} + \sum_{i}\xi_{i}^{*}\right) \\ & \text{subject to} & & y_{i} - (\mathbf{w}^{T}\varphi(\mathbf{x}_{i}) + b) \leqslant \epsilon + \xi_{i}, \\ & & & (\mathbf{w}^{T}\varphi(\mathbf{x}_{i}) + b) - y_{i} \leqslant \epsilon + \xi_{i}^{*}, \\ & & & & \xi_{i},\xi_{i}^{*} \geqslant 0, i = 1,\ldots,N, \end{aligned}$$

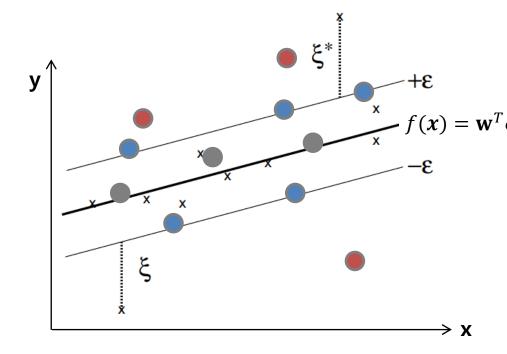


 $\varepsilon$ -insensitive loss function  $|\xi|_{\varepsilon}$  described by

$$|\xi|_{\varepsilon} := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } |\xi| \leq \varepsilon \\ |\xi| - \varepsilon & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

### The trained model

- $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}) + b = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (\alpha_i \beta_i) k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}) + b$   $2n \text{ parameters } \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_n$
- Let  $D_{SV}=\{(x_i,y_i)\in D|\alpha_i>0 \text{ or }\beta_i>0\},$  then  $f(x)=\sum_{(x_i,y_i)\in D_{SV}}(\alpha_i-\beta_i)k(x_i,x)+b$  (sparse solution)



The trained model depends only on support vectors

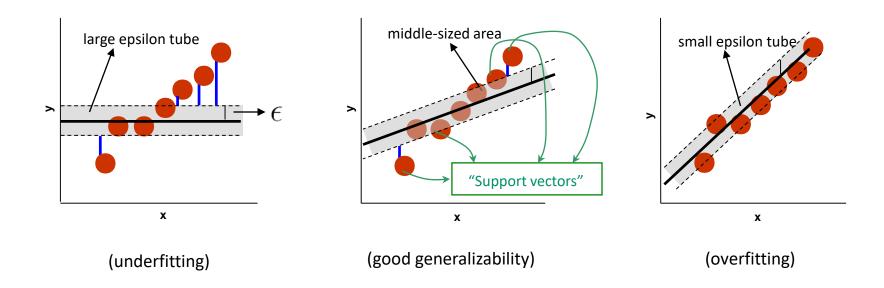
$$\alpha_i = 0, \beta_i = C$$
 - (bounded) support vectors  $\alpha_i = 0, 0 < \beta_i < C$  - (unbounded) support vectors

 $\beta_i = 0, \alpha_i = C$ 

$$\alpha_i = 0, 0 < \beta_i < C$$
 - (unbounded) support vector  $\alpha_i, \beta_i = 0$  - non-support vectors

$$\beta_i = 0, 0 < \alpha_i < C$$
 - (unbounded) support vectors

- Hyperparameters for Linear Support Vector Regression
  - C, epsilon
- Hyperparameters for Kernelized Support Vector Regression
  - C, kernel (default='rbf'), gamma (if 'rbf' kernel), epsilon
  - higher value of epsilon → lower model complexity (underfitting)
  - lower value of epsilon → higher model complexity (overfitting)



## scikit-learn Practice: LinearSVR

### https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.svm.LinearSVR.html

### sklearn.svm.LinearSVR

class sklearn.svm. LinearSVR(\*, epsilon=0.0, tol=0.0001, C=1.0, loss='epsilon\_insensitive', fit\_intercept=True, intercept\_scaling=1.0, dual=True, verbose=0, random\_state=None, max\_iter=1000) [source]

Linear Support Vector Regression.

Similar to SVR with parameter kernel='linear', but implemented in terms of liblinear rather than libsvm, so it has more flexibility in the choice of penalties and loss functions and should scale better to large numbers of samples.

This class supports both dense and sparse input.

Read more in the User Guide.

New in version 0.16.

#### Parameters:

#### epsilon: float, default=0.0

Epsilon parameter in the epsilon-insensitive loss function. Note that the value of this parameter depends on the scale of the target variable y. If unsure, set epsilon=0.

#### tol: float, default=1e-4

Tolerance for stopping criteria.

#### C: float, default=1.0

Regularization parameter. The strength of the regularization is inversely proportional to C. Must be strictly positive.

#### loss: {'epsilon\_insensitive', 'squared\_epsilon\_insensitive'}, default='epsilon\_insensitive'

Specifies the loss function. The epsilon-insensitive loss (standard SVR) is the L1 loss, while the squared epsilon-insensitive loss ('squared epsilon insensitive') is the L2 loss.

https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.svm.SVR.html

### sklearn.svm.SVR

```
class \  \, \text{sklearn.svm.} \  \, \textbf{svr.}(*, \underline{kernel='rbf'}, degree=3, \underline{gamma='scale'}, coef0=0.0, tol=0.001, \underline{C=1.0}, epsilon=0.1, \underline{s}hrinking=True, \\ cache\_size=200, verbose=False, max\_iter=-1) \, \texttt{1} \\ \  \, \text{[source]}
```

Epsilon-Support Vector Regression.

The free parameters in the model are C and epsilon.

The implementation is based on libsvm. The fit time complexity is more than quadratic with the number of samples which makes it hard to scale to datasets with more than a couple of 10000 samples. For large datasets consider using **LinearSVR** or **SGDRegressor** instead, possibly after a **Nystroem** transformer.

Read more in the User Guide.

### https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.svm.SVR.html

#### **Parameters:**

#### kernel: {'linear', 'poly', 'rbf', 'sigmoid', 'precomputed'}, default='rbf'

Specifies the kernel type to be used in the algorithm. It must be one of 'linear', 'poly', 'rbf', 'sigmoid', 'precomputed' or a callable. If none is given, 'rbf' will be used. If a callable is given it is used to precompute the kernel matrix.

#### degree: int, default=3

Degree of the polynomial kernel function ('poly'). Ignored by all other kernels.

#### gamma: {'scale', 'auto'} or float, default='scale'

Kernel coefficient for 'rbf', 'poly' and 'sigmoid'.

- if gamma='scale' (default) is passed then it uses 1 / (n\_features \* X.var()) as value of gamma,
- if 'auto', uses 1 / n\_features.

Changed in version 0.22: The default value of gamma changed from 'auto' to 'scale'.

#### coef0: float, default=0.0

Independent term in kernel function. It is only significant in 'poly' and 'sigmoid'.

#### tol: float, default=1e-3

Tolerance for stopping criterion.

#### C: float, default=1.0

Regularization parameter. The strength of the regularization is inversely proportional to C. Must be strictly positive. The penalty is a squared I2 penalty.

#### epsilon: float, default=0.1

Epsilon in the epsilon-SVR model. It specifies the epsilon-tube within which no penalty is associated in the training loss function with points predicted within a distance epsilon from the actual value.

Example (extended\_boston dataset)

```
In [9]: import mglearn
    from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
    from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
    from sklearn.svm import SVR
    from sklearn.metrics import mean_absolute_error, mean_squared_error, r2_score

    X, y = mglearn.datasets.load_extended_boston()
    X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, random_state=0)

In [10]: scalerX = StandardScaler()
    scalerX.fit(X_train)
    X_train_scaled = scalerX.transform(X_train)
    X_test_scaled = scalerX.transform(X_test)

    scalerY = StandardScaler()
    scalerY.fit(y_train.reshape(-1,1))
    y_train_scaled = scalerY.transform(y_train.reshape(-1,1))
    y_test_scaled = scalerY.transform(y_test.reshape(-1,1))
```

Example (extended\_boston dataset)

```
In [11]: reg = SYR()
         reg.fit(X train scaled, y train scaled)
Out[11]:
          ▼ SVR
          SYR()
In [12]: y_train_hat_scaled = reg.predict(X_train_scaled)
         y_train_hat = scalerY.inverse_transform(y_train_hat_scaled.reshape(-1,1))
         print('train MAE: %.5f'%mean_absolute_error(y_train,y_train_hat))
         print('train RMSE: %.5f'% mean_squared_error(y_train,y_train_hat)**0.5)
         print('train R_square: %.5f'%r2_score(y_train,y_train_hat))
         y_test_hat_scaled = reg.predict(X_test_scaled)
         y_test_hat = scalerY.inverse_transform(y_test_hat_scaled.reshape(-1,1))
         print('test MAE: %.5f'%mean absolute error(y test,y test hat))
         print('test RMSE: %.5f'%mean_squared_error(y_test,y_test_hat)**0.5)
         print('test R_square: %.5f'%r2_score(y_test,y_test_hat))
         train MAE: 1.62368
         train RMSE: 2.76421
         train R square: 0.91043
         test MAE: 3.04327
         test RMSE: 5.45697
         test R_square: 0.63551
```

• Example (extended\_boston dataset): varying the hyperparameters C, epsilon, and gamma

		0	1.0	0.001	0.01	0.91029	0.63295
In [14]:	<pre>settings_list = [] training_r2score = [] test_r2score = []</pre>	1	1.0	0.001	0.10	0.92304	0.47042
		2	1.0	0.010	0.01	0.91078	0.63370
		3	1.0	0.010	0.10	0.92307	0.47012
	<pre>C_settings = [1, 100] epsilon_settings = [0.001, 0.01, 0.1] gamma_settings = [0.01, 0.1] for C in C_settings:     for epsilon in epsilon_settings:         for gamma in gamma_settings:             settings_list.append([C, epsilon, gamma])  # build the mode!     reg = SYR(C=C, kernel='rbf', epsilon=epsilon, gamma=gamma)             reg.fit(X_train_scaled, y_train_scaled)</pre>	4	1.0	0.100	0.01	0.91156	0.63473
		5	1.0	0.100	0.10	0.91886	0.46553
		6	100.0	0.001	0.01	0.99575	0.71709
		7	100.0	0.001	0.10	1.00000	0.54445
		8	100.0	0.010	0.01	0.99584	0.72307
		9	100.0	0.010	0.10	0.99990	0.54354
		10	100.0	0.100	0.01	0.99050	0.74549
		11	100.0	0.100	0.10	0.99225	0.52763
	<pre># r2 on the training set y_train_hat = scalerY.inverse_transform(reg.predict(X_train_sc training_r2score.append(r2_score(y_train, y_train_hat))  # r2 on the test set (generalization) y_test_hat = scalerY.inverse_transform(reg.predict(X_test_scal test_r2score.append(r2_score(y_test, y_test_hat))</pre>						

C epsilon gamma training R\_square test R\_square

## **Discussion**

## The main hyperparameters of support vector machines

- C, kernel, kernel-specific hyperparameters (for both SVC and SVR)
- epsilon (for SVR)
- \* Typically chosen to have the highest performance in validation data
- \* It's important to preprocess your data (including data scaling and one-hot encoding)

### Strengths

- (Kernelized) SVMs perform well on a variety of datasets.
- They allow for complex decision boundaries, even if the data has only a few features.

### Weaknesses

- They don't scale very well with the number of data points. (Working with datasets of size 100,000 or more can become challenging in terms of runtime and memory usage.)
- They require careful preprocessing of the data and tuning of the hyperparameters. (Good settings for the hyperparameters are usually strongly correlated.)
- SVM models are hard to inspect; it can be difficult to understand why a particular prediction was made.



