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Algorithm 1 k-Nearest Neighbor [Tay et al., 2014] link:36

Input: X: training data, Y:Class labels of X, x: unknown sample

Output: Class label of unknown sample

- 1: **function** Classify(X, Y, x)
- 2: **for** i = 1 to m **do**
- 3: Compute distance $d(X_i, x)$
- 4: end for
- 5: Compute set I containing indices for the k smallest distances $d(X_i, x)$
- 6: Return majority label $\{Y_i \text{ where } i \in I\}$
- 7: end function

Algorithm 2 Adaboost [Schapire, 2014]

Input:

Training data $\{(x_i, y_i)_{i=1}^N \text{ where } x_i \in \mathbb{R}^k \text{ and } y_i \in \{-1, 1\}\}$ Large number of classifiers denoted by $f_m(x) \in \{-1, 1\}$ 0-1 loss function I defined as

$$I(f_m(x,y)) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } f_m(x_i) = y_i \\ 1, & \text{if } f_m(x_i) \neq y_i \end{cases}$$
 (1)

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Output: The final classifier
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1: for i = 1 to N do
               for i = 1 to M do
 2:
                       Fit weak classifier m to minimize the objective function:
 3:
                       where I(f_m(x_i)) \neq y_i and 0 otherwise \alpha_m = \ln \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N w_i^m I(f_m(x_i)) \neq y_i}{x^2 + 2x + 1} where I(f_m(x_i) \neq y_i) = 1 if f_m(x_i) \neq y_i and 0 otherwise \alpha_m = \ln \frac{1 - \epsilon_m}{\epsilon_m}
 4:
 5:
 6:
               end for
 7:
                \begin{aligned} & \mathbf{for} \ \text{all} \ i \ \ \mathbf{do} \\ & w_i^{m+1} = w_i^{(m)} e^{\alpha_{mI(f_m(x_i) \neq y_i)}} \end{aligned} 
 8:
 9:
               end for
10:
11: end for
```

Algorithm 3 Adaboost [Hertzmann et al., 2015]

Input:

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Training data \{(x_i, y_i)_{i=1}^N \text{ where } x_i \in \mathbb{R}^k \text{ and } y_i \in \{-1, 1\}\}

Output: Weighted sum that represents the final output of the boosted classifier

1: Given Training data \{(x_i, y_i) \text{ where } y_i \in \{-1, 1\}\}

2: initialize D_1 = \text{uniform distribution on training examples}

3: for t = 1 to T do

4: Train weak classifier h_t on D_t

5: choose \alpha_t > 0

6: compute new distribution D_{t+1}:

7: for all i do

8: multiply D_t(x) by
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$$\begin{cases}
e^{-\alpha_t}, & (<1) \text{ if } y_i = h_t(x_i) \\
e^{\alpha_t}, & (>1) \text{ if } y_i \neq h_t(x_i)
\end{cases} \tag{3}$$

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9: renormalize

10: end for

11: output final classifier H_{final(x)} = sign(\sum \alpha_t h_t(x))

12: end for
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Algorithm 4 Random forest [Bernstein, 2016] Link:39

```
Input: S: training set, F:Features and number of trees in forest B
Output: Constructed tree
 1: function RANDOMFOREST(S, F)
       H \leftarrow \emptyset
 2:
       for i \in 1, ....B do
 3:
           S^{(i)} \leftarrow A bootstrap sample from S
 4:
           h_i \leftarrow RANDOMIZEDTREELEARN(S^i, F)
 5:
 6:
           H \leftarrow H \bigcup \{h_i\}
       end for
 7:
       return H
 9: end function
10: function RANDOMIZEDTREELEARN(S, F)
       At each node:
11:
12:
        f \leftarrow \text{a very small subset of } F
13:
       Split on best feature in f
       return The learned tree
14:
15: end function
```

Algorithm 5 Iterative Dichotomiser 3 [., 2015] Link:40

```
Input: D: Training Data, X: Set of Input Attributes
Output: A decision tree
 1: function ID3(D, X)
       Let T be a new tree
       if all instances in D have the same class c then
 3:
           Label (T) = c; Return T
 4:
       end if
 5:
       if X = \emptyset or no attribute has positive information gain then
 6:
 7:
           Label (T) = most common class in D; Return T
       end if
 8:
 9:
       X \leftarrow attribute with highest information gain
       Label(T) = X
10:
       for each value x of X do
11:
           D_x \leftarrow \text{ instances in } D \text{ with } X = x
12:
           if D_x is empty then
13:
               Let T_x be a new tree
14:
               Label(T_x) = most common class in D
15:
           else
16:
               T_x = \mathrm{ID3}(D_x, X - \{x\})
17:
18:
       Add a branch from T to T_x labeled by x
19:
20: end for
21: return T
22nd function
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Algorithm 6 Perceptron [Brownlee, 2015d] Link:65
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```
Input: ProblemSize, InputPatterns, iterations_max, learn_rate

Output: Weights

1: for i = 1 to iterations_{max} do

2: Pattern_i \leftarrow SelectInputPattern(InputPatterns)

3: Activation_i \leftarrow ActivateNetwork(Pattern_i, Weights)

4: Output_i \leftarrow TransferActivation(Activation_i)

5: UpdateWeights(Pattern_i, Output_i, learn_{rate})

6: end for

7: Return Weights
```

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Algorithm 7 Back-propagation [Brownlee, 2015a]
Input: ProblemSize, InputPatterns, iterations_{max}, learn_{rate}
Output: Network
 1: Network \leftarrow ConstructNetworkLayers()
 2: Network_w eights \leftarrow InitializeWeights(Network, Problem Size)
 3: for i = 1 to iterations_{max} do
       Pattern_i \leftarrow SelectInputPattern(InputPatterns)
       Output_i \leftarrow ForwardPropagate(Pattern_i, Network)
 6:
       BackwardPropagateError(Pattern_i, Output_i, Network)
       UpdateWeights(Pattern_i, Output_i, Network, learn_{rate})
 7:
 8: end for
 9: Return Network
```

Algorithm 8 Back-propagation1

```
Input:
       Training Set x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}, \dots, (x^{(m)}, y^{(m)})
Output:
       Gradient of the cost function
  1: \Delta_{ij}^{(l)} = 0(for all l,i,j)
  2: for i = 1 to m do
            Set a^{(1)} = x^{(i)}
            Perform forward propagation to compute a^{(l)} for l = 2, 3, ....L
  4:
            Using y^{(i)}, compute \delta^{(L)} = a^{(L)} - y^{(i)}
            Compute \delta^{(L-1)}, \delta^{(L-2)}, .... \delta^{(2)}
 7: \Delta_{ij}^{(l)} := \Delta_{ij}^{(l)} + a_j^{(l)} \delta_i^{(l+1)}
8: end for
8: end for
9: D_{ij}^{(l)} := \frac{1}{m} \Delta_{ij} + \lambda \theta_{ij}^{(l)} if j \neq 0
10: D_{ij}^{(l)} := \frac{1}{m} \Delta_{ij} if j = 0
```

```
Input: ProblemSize, InputPatterns, iterations_{max}, CodebookVectors_{num}, learn_{rate}
Output: CodebookVectors
 1: \ Codebook Vectors \leftarrow Initialize Codebook Vectors (Codebook Vectors_{num}, Problem Size)
 2: for i = 1 to iterations_{max} do
         Pattern_i \leftarrow SelectInputPattern(InputPatterns)
 3:
         Bmu_i \leftarrow SelectBestMatchingUnit(Pattern_i, CodebookVectors)
 4:
        for Bmu_i^{attribute} \in Bmu_i do
 5:
             if Bmu_i^{class} \equiv Pattern_i^{class} then
 6:
                 Bmu_i^{attribute} \leftarrow Bmu_i^{attribute} + learn_{rate} \times (Pattern_i^{attribute} - Bmu_i^{attribute})
 7:
 8:
                 Bmu_i^{attribute} \leftarrow Bmu_i^{attribute} - learn_{rate} \times (Pattern_i^{attribute} - Bmu_i^{attribute})
 9:
10:
        end if
```

Algorithm 9 Learning Vector Quantization [Brownlee, 2015c]

Return CodebookVectors

11: end for end for

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Algorithm 10 Self Organizing Map [Brownlee, 2015b]
Input: InputPatterns, iterations_{max}, learn_{rate}, Grid_width, Grid_height
Output: CodebookVectors
 1: \ Codebook Vectors \leftarrow Initialize Codebook Vectors (Grid_{width}, Grid_{height}, Input Patterns)
 2: for i = 1 to iterations_{max} do
        Learn_{rate}^{i} \leftarrow CalculateLearningRate(i, learn_{rate}^{init})
 3:
        neighborhood_{size}^{i} \leftarrow CalculateNeighborhoodSize(i, neighborhood_{init}^{size})
 4:
        Pattern_i \leftarrow SelectInputPattern(InputPatterns)
 5:
        Bmu_i \leftarrow SelectBestMatchingUnit(Pattern_i, CodebookVectors)
 6:
        Neighborhood \leftarrow Bmu_i
 7:
        Neighborhood \leftarrow SelectNeighbors(Bmu_i, CodebookVectors, neighborhood_{size}^i)
 8:
        for Vector_i \in Neighborhood do
 9:
            for Vector_i^{attribute} \in Vector_i do
10:
                 Vector_i^{attribute} \leftarrow Vector_i^{attribute} + learn_{rate} \times (Pattern_i^{attribute} - Vector_i^{attribute})
11:
12:
            end for
        end for
13:
14: end for
15: Return CodebookVectors
```

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Algorithm 11 Hierarchial Agglomerative Algorithm [Stein, 2016a]
Input:
     \langle V, E, w \rangle. Weighted graph
     d_c. Distance measure for two clusters
Output: \langle V_T, E_T \rangle. Cluster hierarchy or dendogram
 1: C = \{\{v \mid v \in V\}\}
                                                                                                                                  ▶ Initial Clustering
 2: V_t = \{v_C \mid C \in C\}, E_T = \emptyset
                                                                                                                                {\,\vartriangleright\,} \operatorname{Initial\,Dendogram}
 3: while |C| > 1 do
 4:
          update\_distance\_matrix(C, G, d_c)
          \{C, C'\} = \underset{\{C_i, C_j\} \in C: C_i \neq C_j}{argmin} d_c(C)
C = (C \setminus \{C, C'\}) \cup \{C \cup C'\}
 5:
                                              d_c(C_i,C_i)
                                                                                                                                               ▶ Merging
          V_T = V_T \cup \{v_{C,C'}\}, E_T = E_T \cup \{\{v_{C,C'}, v_C\}, \{v_{C,C'}, v_C\}\}\
                                                                                                                                          ▶ Dendogram
 8: end while
 9: Return T
```

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Algorithm 12 Hierarchial Divisive Algorithm [Stein, 2016b]
Input:
     \langle V, E, w \rangle. Weighted graph
     d_c. Distance measure for two clusters
Output: \langle V_T, E_T \rangle. Cluster hierarchy or dendogram
                                                                                                                       ▶ Initial Clustering
 1: C = \{V\}
 2: V_t = \{v_C \mid C \in C\}, E_T = \emptyset
                                                                                                                     ▷ Initial Dendogram
 3: while \exists C_x : (C_x \in C \land |C| > 1) do
         update\_distance\_matrix(C, G, d_c)
 4:
                      \underset{\{C_i,C_j\}:C_i\cup C_j=C_x\wedge\ C_i\cap C_j=\emptyset}{argmax}
                                                        d_c(C_i, C_j)
 5:
         C = (C \backslash \{C, C'\}) \cup \{C \cup C'\}
                                                                                                                                  ▶ Merging
         V_T = V_T \cup \{v_{C,C'}\}, E_T = E_T \cup \{\{v_{C,C'}, v_C\}, \{v_{C,C'}, v_C\}\}\
                                                                                                                              ▶ Dendogram
 8: end while
 9: Return T
```

Algorithm 13 C4.5 [Dai and Ji, 2014]

```
Input:
    T: Training dataset
    S: Attributes
Output: decision tree Tree
 1: function C4.5(T)
 2:
        if T is NULL then
 3:
            return failure
        end if
 4:
        if S is NULL then
 5:
            return Tree as a single node with most frequent class label in T
 6:
 7:
        end if
        if |S| = 1 then
 8:
            return Tree as a single node S
 9:
        end if
10:
        set Tree = \{\}
11:
12:
        for a \in S do
            set Info(a,T) = 0 and SplitInfo(a,T) = 0
13:
            compute Entropy(a)
14:
            for v \in values(a, T) do
15:
               set T_{a,v} as the subset of T with attribute a=v
16:
               Info(a,T) + = \frac{|T_{a,v}|}{|T_a|} Entropy(a)
17:
               SplitInfo(a,T) + = -\frac{|T_{a,v}|}{|T_a|} \log \frac{|T_{a,v}|}{|T_a|}
18:
            end for
19:
            Gain(a, T) = Entropy(a) - Info(a, T)
20:
           GainRatio(a,T) = \frac{Gain(a,T)}{SplitInfo(a,T)}
21:
        end for
22:
        set a_{best} = argmax\{GainRatio(a, T)\}
23:
        a_{best}into Tree
24:
        for v \in values(a_{best}, T) do call C4.5(T_{a,v})
25:
        end for
26:
        return Tree
27:
28: end function
```

Algorithm 14 Gradient Descent

```
Input:
    f
    starting value x_1
    termination tolerances
Output: x_{maxIters}
 1: for i = 1 to maxIters do
 2:
        Compute the search direction d_t = -\delta f(x_t)
        if |d_T| < \epsilon_g then
 3:
            return "Converged to critical point", output x_t
 4:
            Find \alpha_t so that f(x_t + \alpha_t d_t) < f(x_t)
 5:
        end if
 6:
        if |\alpha_t d_T| < \epsilon_x then
 7:
            return "Converged in x", output x_t
 8:
            Find \alpha_t so that f(x_t + \alpha_t d_t) < f(x_t)
 9:
10:
        end if
        Let x_{t+1} = x_t + \alpha_t d_t
11:
12: end for
13: Return "Max number of iterations reached", output x_{maxIters}
```

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Algorithm 15 Naive Bayes
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```
Input:
    C: A  fixed set of classes
    D: Documents
Output: Category(Class) of the Documents
 1: function TrainMultinomialNB(C, D)
       V \leftarrow EXTRACTVOCABULARY(D)
       N \leftarrow COUNTDOCS(D)
 3:
       for each c \in C do
 4:
           N_c \leftarrow COUNTDOCSINCLASS(D, c)
 5:
 6:
           prior|c| \leftarrow N_c/N
           text_c \leftarrow CONCATENATETEXTOFALLDOCSINCLASS(D,C)
 7:
           for each t \in V do
 8:
              condprob|t||c| \leftarrow \frac{T_{ct}+1}{\sum_{t'}(T_{ct'+1})}
 9:
           end for
10:
       end for
11:
       return V, prior, condprob
12:
13: end function
14: function APPLYMULTINOMIALNB(C, D, prior, condprob, d)
       W \leftarrow EXTRACTTOKENSFROMDOC(V, d)
15:
       for each c \in C do
16:
           score|c| \leftarrow \log \ prior|c|
17:
           for each t \in W do
18:
              score|c| + = \log condprob|t||c|
19:
20:
           end for
       end for
21:
       return arg\ max_{c \in C} score|c|
22:
23: end function
```

Algorithm 16 Lasso Regression

```
Input:
     ipy: Inner product vector, ipy_i = \langle y, X_{i} \rangle
     ipx: Inner product matrix, ipx_{ij} = \langle X_{\cdot i}, X_{\cdot j} \rangle
     \lambda: Penalty parameter
     N: Number of samples
Output: beta: Regression parameter vector
 1: function FastLasso(ipy, ipx, \lambda, N)
                                                                                                   ▶ Threshold for stopping iteration
 2:
         stop_thr
 3:
         p \leftarrow length(ipy)
 4:
         beta \leftarrow 0 with length p
         gc \leftarrow 0 with length p
 5:
         while difBeta_{max} \geq \text{stop\_thr do}
 6:
              difBeta_{max} \leftarrow 0
 7:
              for j = 1 \leftarrow p do
 8:
                  z \leftarrow (ipy|j| - gc|j|)/N + beta|j|
 9:
                  \texttt{beta\_tmp} \leftarrow \max(0, z - \lambda) - \max(0, -z - \lambda)
10:
                  difBeta \leftarrow \mathtt{beta\_tmp} - beta|j|
11:
                  difabs \leftarrow abs(difBeta)
12:
                  if difabs > 0 then
13:
                      beta|j| \leftarrow \mathtt{beta\_tmp}
15:
                      gc \leftarrow gc + ipx|j| \times difBeta
                      difBeta_{max} = max(difBeta_{max}, difabs)
16:
                  end if
17:
              end for
         end while
20: end function
```

Algorithm 17 Bagging

Input:

B: the number of bags or base hypotheses

L: Base Learning Algorithm

Output: New Training Sets

- 1: function Bagging(examples, B, L)
- 2: **for** i = 1 to B **do**
- 3: $examples_i \leftarrow a \text{ bootstrap sample of } examples$
- 4: end for
- 5: Compute set I containing indices for the k smallest distances $d(X_i, x)$
- 6: $h_i \leftarrow \text{apply}Ltoexamples_i$
- 7: Return $h_1, h_2, ...h_B$
- 8: end function

Algorithm 18 Deep Q-Learning with Experience Replay [Mnih et al., 2013]

Input:

D: data set

Q: Action-Value Function

Output: New Training Sets

- 1: for i = 1 to M do
- 2: Initialise sequence $s_1 = \{x_1\}$ and preprocessed sequenced $\phi = \phi(s_1)$
- 3: **for** i = 1 to T **do**
- 4: With probability ϵ select a random action a_t otherwise select $a_t = max_aQ * (\phi(s_t).a:\theta)$
- 5: Execute action a_t in emulator and observe reward r and image x_{t+1}
- 6: Set $s_{t+1} = s_t, a_t, x_{t+1}$ and preprocess $\phi_{t+1} = \phi(s_{t+1})$
- 7: Store transition $(\phi_t, a_t, r_t, \phi_{t+1})$ in D
- 8: Set $y_j =$

$$\begin{cases}
r_j, & \text{for terminal } \phi_{j+1} \\
r_j + \gamma \max_{a'} Q(\phi_{j+1,a';\theta}), & \text{for terminal } \phi_{j+1}
\end{cases}$$
(5)

9: Perform a gradient descent step on $(y_j - Q(\phi_j, a_j; \theta))^2$ according to the following equation

10:

$$\Delta_{\theta}L_{i}(\theta_{i}) = \mathbb{E}_{s,a \sim \rho(.);s' \sim \epsilon[(r + \gamma max_{a'}Q(s',a';\theta_{i-1}) - Q(s,a;\theta_{i}))\Delta_{\theta_{i}}Q(s,a;\theta_{i})]}$$

11: end for

12: end for

Algorithm 19 PageRank

```
Input:
    G: inlink file
    iteration: Number of iteration
Output: PageRank
 1: function PageRank(G, iteration)
        d \leftarrow 0.85
                                                                                                          ⊳ damping factor: 0.85
 3:
        oh \leftarrow G
                                                                                                      ⊳ get outlink hash from G
        ih \leftarrow G
                                                                                                       4:
        N \leftarrow G
 5:
                                                                                                 ⊳ get number of pages from G
        for all p in the graph do
 6:
             opg[p] \leftarrow \tfrac{1}{N}
 7:
        end for
 8:
        while iteration > 0 do
 9:
             dp \leftarrow 0
10:
11:
             for all p that has no out-links do
                 dp \leftarrow dp + d * \frac{opg[p]}{N}
12:
             end for
13:
             for all p in the graph do
14:
                 npg[p] \leftarrow dp + \frac{[1-d]}{N}
                 for all ip in ih[p] do
16:
                     npg[p] \leftarrow dp + \frac{d*opg[ip]}{oh[ip]}
17:
                 end for
18:
19:
             end for
20:
             opg \leftarrow npg
             iteration \leftarrow iteration - 1
21:
        end while
22:
23: end function
```

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Algorithm 20 DBSCAN link:42

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Input:
    D: Data
    \epsilon:Threshold distance
    MinPts: Minimum number of points required to form a cluster
Output: Clustered Data
 1: function DBSCAN(D, \epsilon, minPts)
       C = 0
 2:
       for each point Pin datasetD do
 3:
           if P is visited then
 4:
              continue next point
 5:
           end if
 6:
           mark P as visited
 7:
           NeighborPts = regionQuery(P, \epsilon)
 8:
           if \ size of(Neighbor Pts) < Min Pts \ then
 9:
10:
              mark P as NOISE
           else
11:
              C = \text{next cluster}
12:
              expandCluster(P, NeighborPts, C, \epsilon, MinPts)
13:
       end if
15: end for
and function
function EXPANDCLUSTER(P, NeighborPts, C, \epsilon, MinPts)
18: add P to Cluster C
19: for each point P'inNeighborPts do
       if P' is not visited then
20:
           mark P' as visited
21:
           NeighborPts' = regionQuery(P', eps)
22:
           if sizeof(NeighborPts) >= MinPts then
23:
              NeighborPts = NeighborPts joined with NeighborPts'
24:
           end if
25:
       end if
26:
       if P' is not yet member of any cluster then
27:
           add P' to cluster C
28:
       end if
29:
30: end for
and function
function REGIONQUERY(P, \epsilon)
33: return all points within P's \epsilon neighborhood
end function
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Algorithm 21 Logistic Regression

Input:

Training data of the form $\{(x_1, 1), (x_2, 0), ...\}$

x: unknown sample

Output: The output is a probability that the given input point belongs to a certain class

- 1: $0 \leftarrow \beta$
- 2: Compute y by setting its elements to

$$y = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } g_i = 1\\ 0, & \text{if } g_i = 2 \end{cases}$$
 (7)

i = 1,2,...N

3: Compute p by setting its elements to

$$p(x_i, \beta) = \frac{e^{\beta^T x_i}}{1 + e^{\beta^T x_i}}$$

i = 1,2,...N

- 4: Compute the diagonal matrix W. The ith diagonal element is $p(x_i, \beta)(1 p(x_i; \beta))$
- 5: $z \leftarrow X\beta + W^{-1}(y-p)$ 6: $\beta \leftarrow (X^TWX)^{-1}X^TWz$
- 7: If the stopping criteria, stop; otherwise go back to step 3

Algorithm 22 Gaussian Process

Input:

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^T \\ \dots \\ x_n^T \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times D}, \text{m training inputs}$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1^T \\ \dots \\ y_n^T \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$k(\dots) : \mathbb{R}^{D \times D}$$

 x_* test input

 σ^2 noise level on the observations

$$[y(x) = f(x) + \epsilon, \epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)]$$

Output:

$$f_* \\ cov(f_*)$$

 $cov(f_*)$ 1: $K \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ Gram matrix. $K_{ij} = k(x_i, x_j)$

$$k(x_*) = k_* = k(X, x_*) = \begin{bmatrix} k(x_1, x_*) \\ \dots \\ k(x_n, x_*) \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}$$

2:
$$\alpha = (K + \sigma_2 \mathbb{I}_n)^{-1} y$$

3:
$$f_* = k_*^T \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

4: $cov(f_*) = k(x_*, x_*) - k_*^T [K + \sigma_2 \mathbb{I} n]^{-1} k_*$

Input:

Set of N input-output pairs $\{x,y\}^{N_1}$ x: input vectors of the same dimension and y : set of output target labels $y_i = \{0,1\}$

1 Simplest case: linearly-separable data, binary classification

Goal:we want to find the hyperplane (i.e. decision boundary) linearly separating our classes. Our boundary will have the equation: $\mathbf{w}^{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} = 0$

Anything above the decision boundary should have label 1 i.e., $\mathbf{w^T}\mathbf{x}_i + b > 0$ will have corresponding $y_i = 1$

Similarly, anything below the decision boundary should have label -1 i.e. $\mathbf{w}^{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{x}_i + b < 0$ will have corresponding $y_i = -1$

The reason for this labeling scheme is that it lets us condense for the decision function to

$$f(x) = sign(\mathbf{w^T} + b)$$

since f(x) = +1 for all x above the boundary, and f(x) = -1 for all x below the boundary.

Thus, we can figure out if an instance has been classified properly by checking that $y(\mathbf{w^T} + b) \ge 1$ (which will be the case as long as either both $y, \mathbf{w^T} + b > 0$ or else $y, \mathbf{w^T} + b < 0$)

You'll notice that we will now have some space between our decision boundary and the nearest data points of either class. Thus,let's rescale the data such that anything on or above the boundary $\mathbf{w}^{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{x} + b = 1$ is of one class(with label 1), and anything on or below the boundary $\mathbf{w}^{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{x} + b = -1$ is of another class (with label -1)

What is the distance between these newly added boundaries?

First note that the two lines are parallel,and thus share their parameters w, b. Pick an arbitary point x_1 to lie on line $\mathbf{w^Tx} + b = -1$. Then the closest point on line $\mathbf{w^Tx} + b = 1$ is the point $\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{x}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{w}$ (since the closest point will always lie on the perpendicular; recall that the vector \mathbf{w} is perpendicular to both lines). Using this formulation, $\lambda \mathbf{w}$ will be the line segment segment connecting \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2 , and thus, $\lambda \|\mathbf{w}\|$, the distance between \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2 is the shortest distance between the two lines/boundaries. Solving for λ :

$$\mathbf{w^T}\mathbf{x}_2 + b = 1 \text{ where } \mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{x}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{w}$$

$$\mathbf{w^T}(\mathbf{x}_1 \lambda \mathbf{w}) + b = 1$$

$$\mathbf{w^T}\mathbf{x}_1 + b + \lambda \mathbf{w^T}\mathbf{w} = 1 \text{ where } \mathbf{w^T}\mathbf{x}_1 + b = -1$$

$$-1 + \lambda \mathbf{w^T}\mathbf{w} = 1$$

$$\lambda \mathbf{w^T}\mathbf{w} = 2$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2}{\mathbf{w^T}\mathbf{w}} = \frac{2}{\|\mathbf{w}\|^2}$$
And, so the distance $\lambda \|\mathbf{w}\| is \frac{2}{\|\mathbf{w}\|^2} \|\mathbf{w}\| = \frac{2}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\mathbf{w^T}\mathbf{w}}}$

It's intuitive that we would want to maximize the distance between the two boundaries demarcating the classes (Why? We want to be as sure that we are not making classification mistakes and thus we want our data points from the two classes to lie as far away from each other as possible). This distance is called the margin, so went to obtain the maximal margin.

Thus, we want to maximize $\frac{2}{\sqrt{\mathbf{w^T}\mathbf{w}}}$, which is equivalent to minimizing $\frac{\sqrt{\mathbf{w^T}\mathbf{w}}}{2}$ which is in turn equivalent to minimizing $\frac{\mathbf{w^T}\mathbf{w}}{2}$ (since square root is a monotonic function)

This quadratic programming problem is expressed as : $\min_{w,b} \frac{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}}{2}$ subject to : $y_i(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b) \ge 1 (\forall \text{ data points } \mathbf{x}_i)$