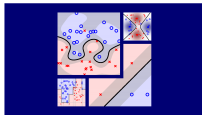


# Machine Learning Techniques (機器學習技法)



## Lecture 2: Dual Support Vector Machine

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# Roadmap

## ① Embedding Numerous Features: Kernel Models

### Lecture 1: Linear Support Vector Machine

**linear** SVM: more **robust** and solvable with **quadratic programming**

### Lecture 2: Dual Support Vector Machine

- Motivation of Dual SVM
- Lagrange Dual SVM
- Solving Dual SVM
- Messages behind Dual SVM

## ② Combining Predictive Features: Aggregation Models

## ③ Distilling Implicit Features: Extraction Models

# Non-Linear Support Vector Machine Revisited

## Non-Linear Hard-Margin SVM

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min_{b, \mathbf{w}} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} \\
 \text{s. t.} \quad & y_n (\mathbf{w}^T \underbrace{\mathbf{z}_n}_{\Phi(\mathbf{x}_n)} + b) \geq 1, \\
 & \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots, N
 \end{aligned}$$

- 1  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{0}_{\tilde{d}}^T \\ \mathbf{0}_{\tilde{d}} & \mathbf{I}_{\tilde{d}} \end{bmatrix}; \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}_{\tilde{d}+1};$   
 $\mathbf{a}_n^T = y_n \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{z}_n^T \end{bmatrix}; \mathbf{c}_n = 1$
- 2  $\begin{bmatrix} b \\ \mathbf{w} \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{QP}(Q, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{c})$
- 3 return  $b \in \mathbb{R}$  &  $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{d}}$  with  
 $g_{\text{SVM}}(\mathbf{x}) = \text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^T \Phi(\mathbf{x}) + b)$

- demanded: **not many** (large-margin), but **sophisticated** boundary (feature transform)
- QP with  $\tilde{d} + 1$  variables and  $N$  constraints  
 —challenging if  $\tilde{d}$  large, **or infinite?! :-)**

goal: SVM **without dependence on  $\tilde{d}$**

Todo: SVM ‘without’  $\tilde{d}$ 

## Original SVM

(convex) QP of

- $\tilde{d} + 1$  variables
- $N$  constraints

## ‘Equivalent’ SVM

(convex) QP of

- $N$  variables
- $N + 1$  constraints

## Warning: Heavy Math!!!!!!

- introduce some necessary math without rigor to help **understand SVM deeper**
- ‘**claim**’ **some results** if details unnecessary  
—like how we ‘claimed’ Hoeffding

‘Equivalent’ SVM: based on some  
**dual problem** of Original SVM

# Key Tool: Lagrange Multipliers

Regularization by  
Constrained-Minimizing  $E_{\text{in}}$

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} \leq C$$



Regularization by  
Minimizing  $E_{\text{aug}}$

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} E_{\text{aug}}(\mathbf{w}) = E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) + \frac{\lambda}{N} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}$$

- $C$  equivalent to some  $\lambda \geq 0$  by checking **optimality condition**

$$\nabla E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}) + \frac{2\lambda}{N} \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{0}$$

- regularization: view  $\lambda$  as **given parameter instead of  $C$** , and solve 'easily'
- dual SVM: view  $\lambda$ 's as unknown given the constraints, and **solve them as variables instead**

how many  $\lambda$ 's as variables?  
 $N$ —one per constraint

## Starting Point: Constrained to 'Unconstrained'

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{b, \mathbf{w}} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y_n(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{z}_n + b) \geq 1, \\ & \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots, N \end{aligned}$$

## Lagrange Function

with Lagrange multipliers  ~~$\alpha_n$~~ ,

$$\mathcal{L}(b, \mathbf{w}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}}_{\text{objective}} + \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n \underbrace{(1 - y_n(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{z}_n + b))}_{\text{constraint}}$$

## Claim

$$\text{SVM} \equiv \min_{b, \mathbf{w}} \left( \max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0} \mathcal{L}(b, \mathbf{w}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \right) = \min_{b, \mathbf{w}} \left( \infty \text{ if violate ; } \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} \text{ if feasible} \right)$$

- any 'violating'  $(b, \mathbf{w})$ :  $\max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0} \left( \square + \sum_n \alpha_n (\text{some positive}) \right) \rightarrow \infty$
- any 'feasible'  $(b, \mathbf{w})$ :  $\max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0} \left( \square + \sum_n \alpha_n (\text{all non-positive}) \right) = \square$

constraints now **hidden in** max

## Fun Time

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②  $\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{w} + \alpha_1(1 - \mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{z} - b) + \alpha_2(1 - \mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{z} + b)$

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Reference Answer: ②

By definition,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(b, \mathbf{w}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{w} &+ \alpha_1(1 - y_1(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{z}_1 + b)) \\ &+ \alpha_2(1 - y_2(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{z}_2 + b))\end{aligned}$$

with  $(\mathbf{z}_1, y_1) = (\mathbf{z}, +1)$  and  $(\mathbf{z}_2, y_2) = (-\mathbf{z}, -1)$ .



# Lagrange Dual Problem

for any fixed  $\alpha'$  with all  $\alpha'_n \geq 0$ ,

$$\min_{b, \mathbf{w}} \left( \max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0} \mathcal{L}(b, \mathbf{w}, \alpha) \right) \geq \min_{b, \mathbf{w}} \mathcal{L}(b, \mathbf{w}, \alpha')$$

because  $\max \geq \text{any}$

for best  $\alpha' \geq \mathbf{0}$  on RHS,

$$\min_{b, \mathbf{w}} \left( \max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0} \mathcal{L}(b, \mathbf{w}, \alpha) \right) \geq \underbrace{\max_{\text{all } \alpha_n' \geq 0} \min_{b, \mathbf{w}} \mathcal{L}(b, \mathbf{w}, \alpha')}_{\text{Lagrange dual problem}}$$

because best is one of any

Lagrange dual problem:

'outer' maximization of  $\alpha$  on lower bound of original problem

# Strong Duality of Quadratic Programming

$$\underbrace{\min_{b, w} \left( \max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0} \mathcal{L}(b, w, \alpha) \right)}_{\text{equiv. to original (primal) SVM}} \geq \underbrace{\max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0} \left( \min_{b, w} \mathcal{L}(b, w, \alpha) \right)}_{\text{Lagrange dual}}$$

- ‘ $\geq$ ’: weak duality
  - ‘ $=$ ’: **strong duality**, true for QP if
    - convex primal
    - feasible primal (true if  $\Phi$ -separable)
    - linear constraints
- called constraint qualification

exists primal-dual optimal  
solution  $(b, w, \alpha)$  for both sides

## Solving Lagrange Dual: Simplifications (1/2)

$$\max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0} \left( \min_{b, \mathbf{w}} \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} + \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n (1 - y_n (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{z}_n + b))}_{\mathcal{L}(b, \mathbf{w}, \alpha)} \right)$$

- inner problem ‘unconstrained’, at optimal:

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(b, \mathbf{w}, \alpha)}{\partial b} = 0 = - \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n y_n$$

- no loss of optimality if solving with constraint  $\sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n y_n = 0$

but wait,  $b$  can be removed

$$\max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0, \sum y_n \alpha_n = 0} \left( \min_{b, \mathbf{w}} \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} + \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n (1 - y_n (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{z}_n)) - \cancel{\sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n y_n \cdot b} \right)$$

## Solving Lagrange Dual: Simplifications (2/2)

$$\max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0, \sum y_n \alpha_n = 0} \left( \min_{b, \mathbf{w}} \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} + \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n (1 - y_n (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{z}_n)) \right)$$

- inner problem 'unconstrained', at optimal:

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(b, \mathbf{w}, \alpha)}{\partial w_i} = 0 = w_i - \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n y_n z_{n,i}$$

- no loss of optimality if solving with constraint  $\mathbf{w} = \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n y_n \mathbf{z}_n$

but wait!

$$\max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0, \sum y_n \alpha_n = 0, \mathbf{w} = \sum \alpha_n y_n \mathbf{z}_n} \left( \min_{b, \mathbf{w}} \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} + \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} \right)$$

$$\iff \max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0, \sum y_n \alpha_n = 0, \mathbf{w} = \sum \alpha_n y_n \mathbf{z}_n} -\frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n y_n \mathbf{z}_n \right\|^2 + \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n$$

# KKT Optimality Conditions

$$\max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0, \sum y_n \alpha_n = 0, \mathbf{w} = \sum \alpha_n y_n \mathbf{z}_n} -\frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n y_n \mathbf{z}_n \right\|^2 + \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n$$

if **primal-dual** optimal  $(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{w}, \boldsymbol{\alpha})$ ,

- **primal feasible**:  $y_n(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{z}_n + \mathbf{b}) \geq 1$
- **dual feasible**:  $\alpha_n \geq 0$
- **dual-inner** optimal:  $\sum y_n \alpha_n = 0$ ;  $\mathbf{w} = \sum \alpha_n y_n \mathbf{z}_n$
- **primal-inner** optimal (at optimal all ‘**Lagrange terms**’ disappear):

$$\alpha_n(1 - y_n(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{z}_n + \mathbf{b})) = 0$$

—called **Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) conditions**, necessary for optimality [& sufficient here]

will use **KKT** to ‘solve’  $(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{w})$  from optimal  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$

## Fun Time

For a single variable  $w$ , consider minimizing  $\frac{1}{2}w^2$  subject to two linear constraints  $w \geq 1$  and  $w \leq 3$ . We know that the Lagrange function  $\mathcal{L}(w, \alpha) = \frac{1}{2}w^2 + \alpha_1(1 - w) + \alpha_2(w - 3)$ . Which of the following equations that contain  $\alpha$  are among the KKT conditions of the optimization problem?

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- ②  $w = \alpha_1 - \alpha_2$
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Reference Answer: ④

- ① contains dual-feasible constraints;
- ② contains dual-inner-optimal constraints;
- ③ contains primal-inner-optimal constraints.

# Dual Formulation of Support Vector Machine

$$\max_{\text{all } \alpha_n \geq 0, \sum y_n \alpha_n = 0, \mathbf{w} = \sum \alpha_n y_n \mathbf{z}_n} -\frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n y_n \mathbf{z}_n \right\|^2 + \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n$$

standard hard-margin SVM **dual**

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\alpha} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^N \alpha_n \alpha_m y_n y_m \mathbf{z}_n^T \mathbf{z}_m - \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \sum_{n=1}^N y_n \alpha_n = 0; \\ & \alpha_n \geq 0, \text{ for } n = 1, 2, \dots, N \end{aligned}$$

(convex) QP of  **$N$  variables** &  **$N + 1$**  constraints, as promised

how to solve? **yeah, we know QP! :-)**



## Dual SVM with QP Solver

optimal  $\alpha = ?$ 

$$\min_{\alpha} \quad \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^N \alpha_n \alpha_m y_n y_m \mathbf{z}_n^T \mathbf{z}_m$$

$$- \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n$$

subject to

$$\sum_{n=1}^N y_n \alpha_n = 0;$$

$$\alpha_n \geq 0,$$

$$\text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

optimal  $\alpha \leftarrow \text{QP}(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{c})$ 

$$\min_{\alpha} \quad \frac{1}{2} \alpha^T \mathbf{Q} \alpha + \mathbf{p}^T \alpha$$

subject to  $\mathbf{a}_i^T \alpha \geq c_i,$   
for  $i = 1, 2, \dots$

- $q_{n,m} = y_n y_m \mathbf{z}_n^T \mathbf{z}_m$
- $\mathbf{p} = -\mathbf{1}_N$
- $\mathbf{a}_{\geq} = \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{a}_{\leq} = -\mathbf{y};$   
 $\mathbf{a}_n^T = n\text{-th unit direction}$
- $c_{\geq} = 0, c_{\leq} = 0; c_n = 0$

note: many solvers treat **equality** ( $\mathbf{a}_{\geq}, \mathbf{a}_{\leq}$ ) &  
**bound** ( $\mathbf{a}_n$ ) constraints **specially for numerical stability**

# Dual SVM with Special QP Solver

optimal  $\alpha \leftarrow \text{QP}(\mathbf{Q}_D, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{c})$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\alpha} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \alpha^T \mathbf{Q}_D \alpha + \mathbf{p}^T \alpha \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \text{special equality and bound constraints} \end{aligned}$$

- $q_{n,m} = y_n y_m \mathbf{z}_n^T \mathbf{z}_m$ , often non-zero
- if  $N = 30,000$ , dense  $\mathbf{Q}_D$  ( $N$  by  $N$  symmetric) takes  $> 3\text{G}$  RAM
- need **special solver** for
  - not storing whole  $\mathbf{Q}_D$
  - utilizing **special constraints** properly

to scale up to large  $N$

usually better to use **special solver** in practice

Optimal ( $\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{w}$ )

## KKT conditions

if primal-dual optimal ( $\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{w}, \alpha$ ),

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- dual-inner optimal:  $\sum y_n \alpha_n = 0$ ;  $\mathbf{w} = \sum \alpha_n y_n \mathbf{z}_n$
- primal-inner optimal (at optimal all 'Lagrange terms' disappear):

$$\alpha_n(1 - y_n(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{z}_n + \mathbf{b})) = 0 \text{ (complementary slackness)}$$

- optimal  $\alpha \implies$  optimal  $\mathbf{w}$ ? easy above!
- optimal  $\alpha \implies$  optimal  $\mathbf{b}$ ? a range from primal feasible & equality from comp. slackness if one  $\alpha_n > 0 \implies \mathbf{b} = y_n - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{z}_n$

**comp. slackness:**

$$\alpha_n > 0 \implies \text{on fat boundary (SV!)}$$

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- 2  $0$
- 3  $1$
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Reference Answer: ②

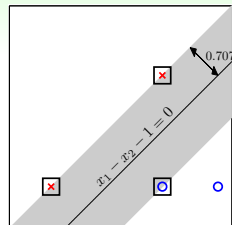
With the descriptions, at the optimal  $(b, \mathbf{w})$ ,

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

That is,  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{z} = 1$  and  $b = 0$ .

# Support Vectors Revisited

- on boundary: 'locates' fattest hyperplane;  
others: **not needed**
- examples with  $\alpha_n > 0$ : on boundary
- call  $\alpha_n > 0$  examples ( $\mathbf{z}_n, y_n$ )  
**support vectors** ~~(candidates)~~
- SV** (positive  $\alpha_n$ )  
 $\subseteq$  SV candidates (on boundary)



- only **SV** needed to compute  $\mathbf{w}$ :  $\mathbf{w} = \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n y_n \mathbf{z}_n = \sum_{\text{SV}} \alpha_n y_n \mathbf{z}_n$
- only **SV** needed to compute  $b$ :  $b = y_n - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{z}_n$  with any **SV** ( $\mathbf{z}_n, y_n$ )

**SVM**: learn **fattest hyperplane**  
by identifying **support vectors**  
with **dual** optimal solution

# Representation of Fattest Hyperplane

## SVM

$$\mathbf{w}_{\text{SVM}} = \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n (y_n \mathbf{z}_n)$$

$\alpha_n$  from **dual solution**

## PLA

$$\mathbf{w}_{\text{PLA}} = \sum_{n=1}^N \beta_n (y_n \mathbf{z}_n)$$

$\beta_n$  by **# mistake corrections**

$\mathbf{w}$  = linear combination of  $y_n \mathbf{z}_n$

- also true for GD/SGD-based LogReg/LinReg when  $\mathbf{w}_0 = \mathbf{0}$
- call  $\mathbf{w}$  **‘represented’ by data**

**SVM: represent  $\mathbf{w}$  by SVs only**

# Summary: Two Forms of Hard-Margin SVM

## Primal Hard-Margin SVM

- $$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{w}} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} \\ \text{sub. to} \quad & y_n(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{z}_n + b) \geq 1, \\ & \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots, N \end{aligned}$$
- $\tilde{d} + 1$  variables,  
 $N$  constraints  
 —suitable when  $\tilde{d} + 1$  small
  - physical meaning: locate  
**specially-scaled**  $(b, \mathbf{w})$

## Dual Hard-Margin SVM

- $$\begin{aligned} \min_{\alpha} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \alpha Q_D \alpha - \mathbf{1}^T \alpha \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{y}^T \alpha = 0; \\ & \alpha_n \geq 0 \text{ for } n = 1, \dots, N \end{aligned}$$
- $N$  variables,  
 $N + 1$  simple constraints  
 —suitable when  $N$  small
  - physical meaning: locate  
**SVs**  $(\mathbf{z}_n, y_n)$  & their  $\alpha_n$

both eventually result in optimal  $(b, \mathbf{w})$  for fattest hyperplane

$$g_{\text{SVM}}(\mathbf{x}) = \text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^T \Phi(\mathbf{x}) + b)$$



# Are We Done Yet?

goal: SVM **without dependence on  $\tilde{d}$**

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\alpha} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \alpha^T Q_D \alpha - \mathbf{1}^T \alpha \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \mathbf{y}^T \alpha = 0; \\ & \alpha_n \geq 0, \text{ for } n = 1, 2, \dots, N \end{aligned}$$

- $N$  variables,  $N + 1$  constraints: **no dependence on  $\tilde{d}$ ?**
- $q_{n,m} = y_n y_m \mathbf{z}_n^T \mathbf{z}_m$ : inner product in  $\mathbb{R}^{\tilde{d}}$   
 —  $O(\tilde{d})$  via naïve computation!

no dependence **only if**  
**avoiding naïve computation (next lecture :-))**

## Fun Time

Consider applying dual hard-margin SVM on  $N = 5566$  examples and getting 1126 SVs. Which of the following can be the number of examples that are on the fat boundary—that is, SV candidates?

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- ② 1024
- ③ 1234
- ④ 9999

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Reference Answer: ③

Because SVs are always on the fat boundary,

$$\# \text{ SVs} \leq \# \text{ SV candidates} \leq N.$$

# Summary

## ① Embedding Numerous Features: Kernel Models

### Lecture 2: Dual Support Vector Machine

- Motivation of Dual SVM  
want to remove dependence on  $\tilde{d}$
- Lagrange Dual SVM  
KKT conditions link primal/dual
- Solving Dual SVM  
another QP, better solved with special solver
- Messages behind Dual SVM  
SVs represent fattest hyperplane

- **next: computing inner product in  $\mathbb{R}^{\tilde{d}}$  efficiently**

## ② Combining Predictive Features: Aggregation Models

## ③ Distilling Implicit Features: Extraction Models