

Nonlinear Programming 1

Exercise 1: Nonlinear SVM

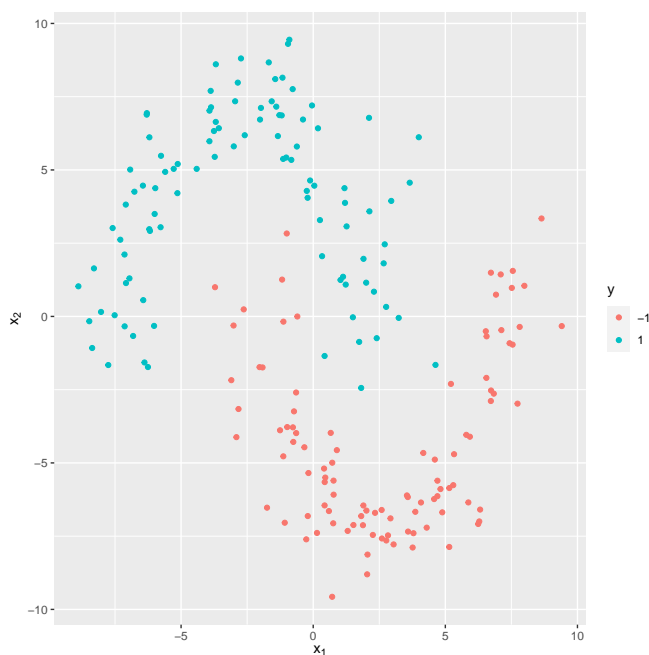
You are given the following data situation:

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library(ggplot2)
library(mlr3)

# generate 200 nonlinear separable binary observations
set.seed(123)
moon_data = tgen("moons")$generate(200)$data()

moon_data$y = ifelse(moon_data$y == "A", 1, -1)
moon_data$y_dec = as.factor(moon_data$y)

ggplot(moon_data, aes(x=x1, y=x2)) +
  geom_point(aes(color=y_dec)) +
  xlab(expression(x[1])) +
  ylab(expression(x[2])) +
  labs(color=expression(y))
```



We can extend the linear SVM to a nonlinear SVM by transforming the features via a nonlinear transformation $\phi : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^l$. With this, the primal form with soft constraints becomes

$$\min_{\theta, \theta_0, \zeta} 0.5 \|\theta\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^n \zeta^{(i)}$$

s.t.

$$y^{(i)} (\langle \theta, \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \rangle + \theta_0) \geq 1 - \zeta^{(i)} \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

and

$$\zeta^{(i)} \geq 0 \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}.$$

- (a) Write down the general Lagrangian function of the nonlinear SVM
- (b) Solve the primal nonlinear SVM for $C = 1$ and third order polynomial transformation (without intercept)
 $\phi(\mathbf{x}) = (x_1, x_2, x_1^2, x_2^2, x_1^3, x_2^3, x_1x_2, x_1^2x_2, x_1x_2^2)^\top$ with `cvxr` in R.
Hint: Examples how quadratic problems can be solved with `cvxr` can be found here.
- (c) State the KKT conditions of the general nonlinear SVM
- (d) Derive the dual form of the nonlinear SVM. State an advantage of the dual form over the primal form.
Hint: Use the KKT conditions to transform the primal form
- (e) Solve the dual form of b) with `cvxr` in R.
Hint 1: For a polynomial transformation ϕ of order l (without intercept) it holds that there exists a invertible diagonal matrix $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^9$ such that $\langle \mathbf{D}\phi(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{D}\phi(\mathbf{z}) \rangle = (\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{z} + 1)^l - 1$
Hint 2: Add $10^{-7} \cdot \mathbf{I}$ to the kernel matrix to ensure that the resulting matrix is invertible.