

# ML HW #3

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1) Definition 1:  $K(x, x')$  is a kernel if it can be written as an inner product  $\phi(x)^T \phi(x')$  for some feature mapping  $x \rightarrow \phi(x)$

Definition 2:  $K(x, x')$  is a kernel if for any finite set of training examples  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ , the  $n \times n$  matrix  $K$  such that  $K_{ij} = K(x_i, x_j)$  is positive semidefinite.

Show definition 1 implies 2.

Positive semidefinite implies the dot product of  $M\alpha$  &  $\alpha$  (where  $\alpha$  is a vector) is  $\geq 0$ .

$$G_{ij} = k(x_i, x_j) = \langle \phi(x_i), \phi(x_j) \rangle \text{ for } i, j = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\alpha = \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$$

$$\alpha^T G \alpha = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j G_{ij} = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j \langle \phi(x_i), \phi(x_j) \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \phi(x_i), \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \phi(x_j) \right\rangle = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \phi(x_i) \right\|^2 \geq 0$$

Therefore,  $G_{ij}$  is positive semidefinite, proving definition 2.  $\square$

1)2) a) Let  $\phi^1(x)$  &  $\phi^2(x)$  be the feature vectors corresponding to kernels  $K_1(x, x')$  and  $K_2(x, x')$ . These feature vectors may be of different length. Show that the product is a kernel.

Let  $a$  be the feature vector of  $K_1$ ,  $b$  of  $K_2$   
 $\Rightarrow K_1(x, x') = a(x)^T a(x')$  &  $K_2(x, x') = b(x)^T b(x')$

$$a = \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \end{bmatrix}_m \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \end{bmatrix}_n$$

$a$  has length  $m$ ,  $b$  has length  $n$

$$K_3 = K_1(x, x') K_2(x, x') = \left( \sum_{i=1}^m a_i(x) a_i(x') \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^n b_j(x) b_j(x') \right) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n (a_i(x) b_j(x) a_i(x') b_j(x'))$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij}(x) c_{ij}(x') = c(x)^T c(x') \text{ where } c \text{ is an } m \text{ by } n \text{ vector, so } c_{mn}(z) = a_m(z) b_n(z)$$

$$\Rightarrow K_3(x, x') = c(x)^T c(x') \quad \square$$

1)2) b) Build the following kernel:  $K(x, x') = \left( 1 + \left( \frac{x}{\|x\|} \right)^T \left( \frac{x'}{\|x'\|} \right) \right)^3$ . Assume  $K_0 = 1$  &  $K_1 = x^T x'$

1) Scale:  $f(x) K_1(x, x') f(x')$  where  $f(x) = 1/\|x\|$

$$\frac{1}{\|x\|} x^T x' \frac{1}{\|x'\|} = \frac{x}{\|x\|}^T \frac{x'}{\|x'\|}$$

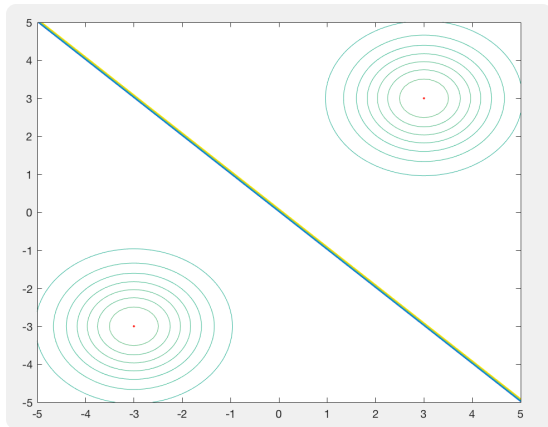
2) Add  $K_0$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{x}{\|x\|}^T \frac{x'}{\|x'\|}$$

3) Multiply  $K \cdot K \cdot K$

$$\Rightarrow \left( 1 + \frac{x}{\|x\|}^T \frac{x'}{\|x'\|} \right)^3 \quad \square$$

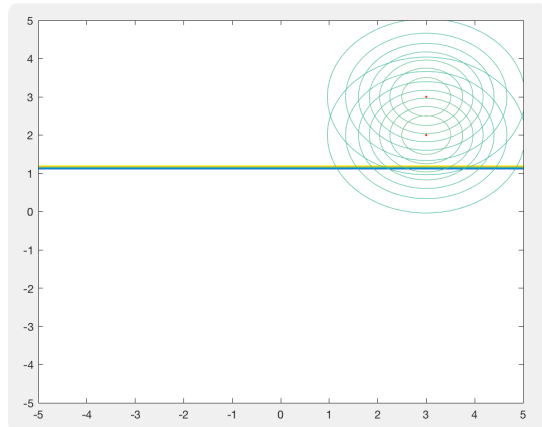
2)a)i) Linear decision boundary between the means of the two gaussians



Name ▲	Value
mixture	<i>1x1 struct</i>
mu1	[3,3]
mu2	[-3,-3]
sigma1	[1,0;0,1]
sigma2	[1,0;0,1]
wt	[0.5000,0.5000]

Gaussians with the same shape and weight that are apart will have a linear boundary.

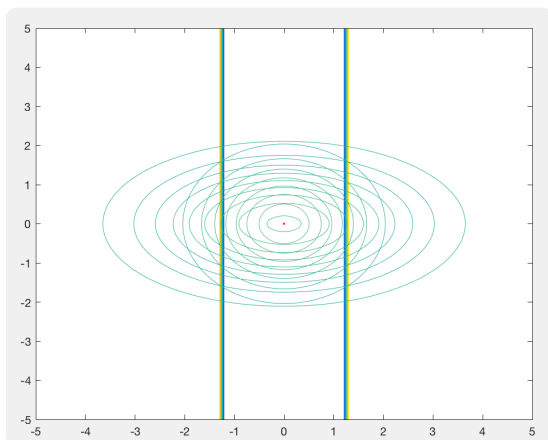
ii) Linear decision boundary where both means are on the same side of the decision boundary



Name ▲	Value
mixture	<i>1x1 struct</i>
mu1	[3,3]
mu2	[3,2]
sigma1	[1,0;0,1]
sigma2	[1,0;0,1]
wt	[0.8000,0.2000]

If two are close together, and one has a substantially higher weight, both means will be on the same side of the line.

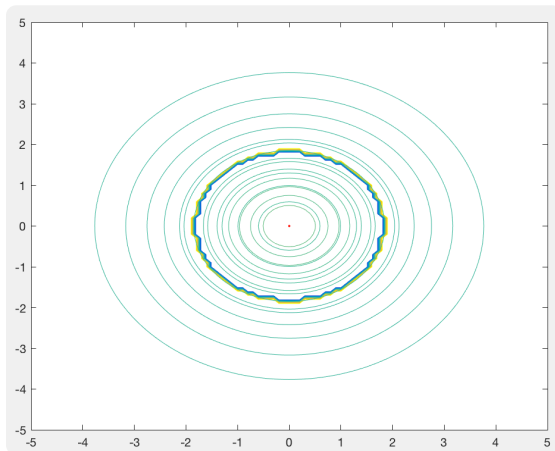
iii) A non-continuous decision boundary (one of the classes is represented by 2 disconnected regions)



Name ▲	Value
mixture	<i>1x1 struct</i>
mu1	[0,0]
mu2	[0,0]
sigma1	[3,0;0,1]
sigma2	[1,0;0,1]
wt	[0.5000,0.5000]

If the sigma matrix of one gaussian is modified to stretch the gaussian in the X direction and the other gaussian stays the same and shares the mean, the stretched area will cause 2 decision boundaries to form.

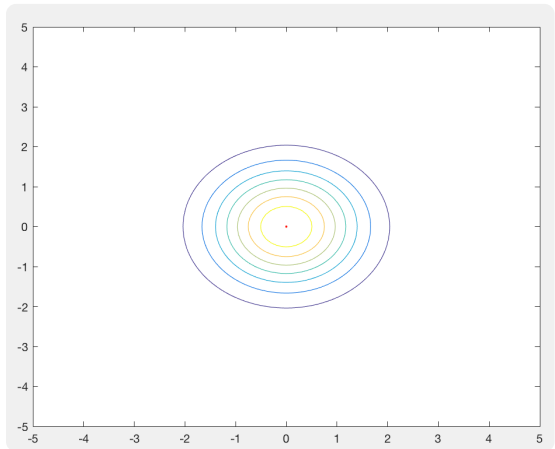
iv) A circular decision boundary



Name	Value
mixture	1x1 struct
mu1	[0,0]
mu2	[0,0]
sigma1	[3,0;0,3]
sigma2	[1,0;0,1]
wts	[0.5000,0.5000]

Both gaussians are on top of each other, but one has larger sigma values. The outside becomes one decision, the inside becomes another.

v) No decision boundary - the entire plane is on one decision region



Name	Value
mixture	1x1 struct
mu1	[0,0]
mu2	[0,0]
sigma1	[1,0;0,1]
sigma2	[1,0;0,1]
wts	[0.5000,0.5000]

If both gaussians have the same parameters, there can be no decision boundary since every point has the same probability of being in gaussian 1 as it does in gaussian 2

2)b) Show when k=2 the softmax model reduces to logistic regression.

$$\text{Softmax probabilities: } \Pr(y=i|x) = \frac{\exp(-z_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \exp(-z_j)}$$

$$z_i = w_{i,0} + \sum_j w_{ij} x_j = w_{i,0} + w_i^T x$$

$$\text{Logistic Regression: } \Pr(y=i|x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-y(w^T x + w_0)}}$$

$$w = w_1, \dots, w_d$$

For 2 class softmax and d features, there are 2(d+1) weights

$$\Pr(y=i|x) = \frac{\exp(-z_i)}{\exp(-z_1) + \exp(-z_2)} \quad \text{if } i \text{ will either be 1 or 2, so we'll choose 1 to illustrate this example}$$

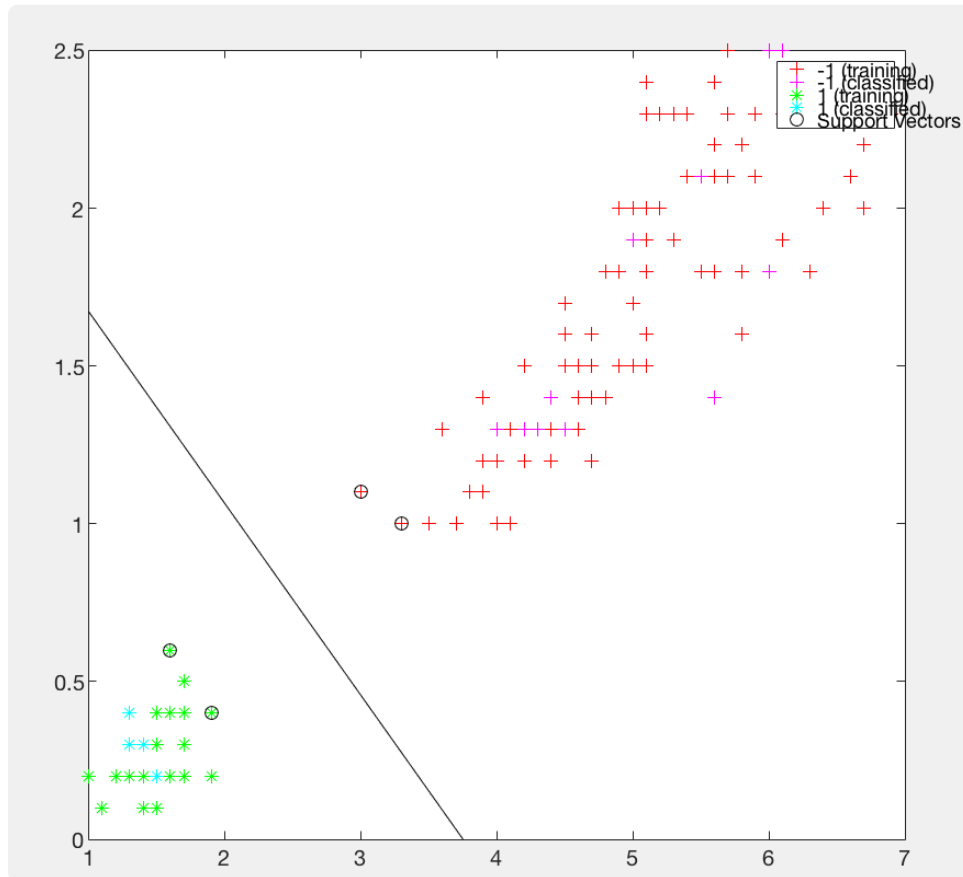
$$\Rightarrow \Pr(y=1|x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-(z_1 - z_2))} \quad \& \quad \text{logistic} = \Pr(y=1|x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-(w^T x + w_0))}$$

For these two probabilities to be equal,  $(z_1 - z_2) = (w^T x + w_0)$  } referring to these  $w$  now as  $\alpha$

$$(z_1 - z_2) = (w_1^T x + w_{10}) - (w_2^T x + w_{20}) \quad (\text{by def of } z)$$

$$\alpha^T x + \alpha_0 = w_1^T x - w_2^T x + w_{10} - w_{20} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha = w_1 - w_2 \\ \alpha_0 = w_{10} - w_{20} \end{cases} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{proves } 2(d+1) \text{ for Softmax}(w) \\ \text{can be reduced to } d+1 \text{ for regression}(\alpha) \end{array} \right\}$$

3)a) Below is a plot of both training data and test data.



Error rate: 0%

3)b) Error rates for types of kernels:

linear: 0%  
 polynomial: 6.67%  
 gaussian radial basis: 0%

3)c) Error rates for types of kernels in kernel perceptron:

linear: 66.67%  
 polynomial: 26.67%  
 gaussian radial basis: 26.67%

3)d) Error rates for discriminative learning and generative learning:

generative: 33.33%  
 linear: 20%  
 polynomial: 6.67%  
 gaussian radial basis: 6.67%