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d) Short Answers:-

a) All of the following answers are of my own work

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b) Purpose of Regularization:-

Regularization is used to reduce the complexity of a model (Regression), by penalizing the large coefficients, to avoid overfitting.

L1 Regularization:- (LASSO)

This minimize regularization finds the coefficients that minimize the ~~Mean~~ ^{Sum of} squared errors plus the sum of absolute values of coefficients

$$(Y - \beta^T X) + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n |\beta_i|$$

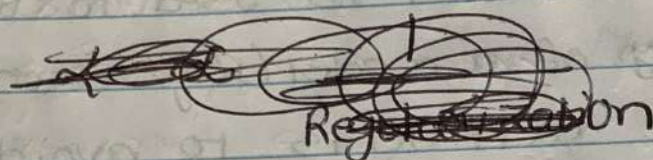
α - Regularization parameter

L2 Regularization: (Ridge Regression)

This finds the coefficients that minimizes the both sum of squared errors and the sum of squared coefficients

$$(Y - \beta^T X) + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n (\beta_i)^2$$

α - Regularization parameter

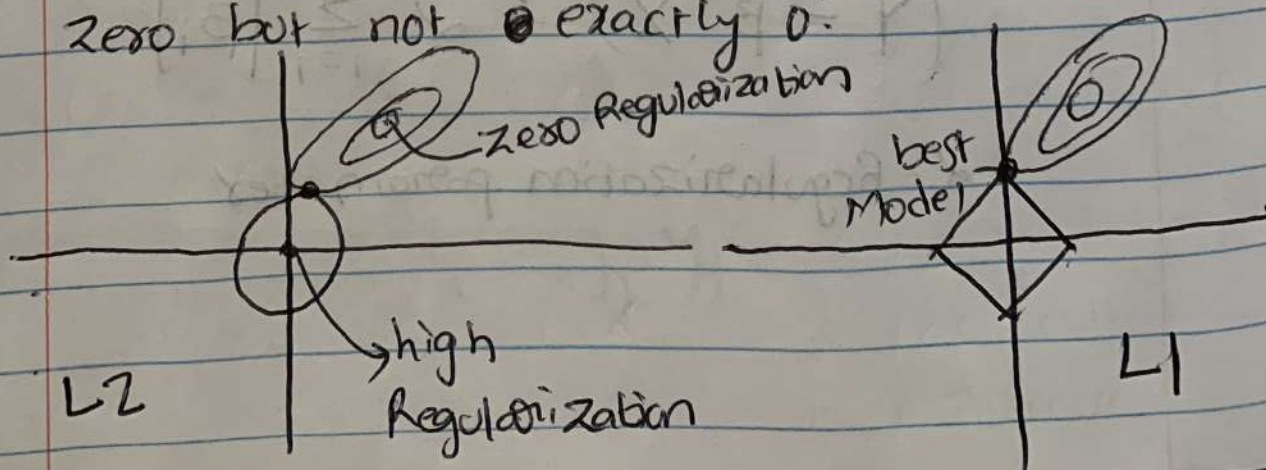


$\alpha > 0$ if α is high - underfits
 α is low - overfits

Difference:

→ L1 makes some of the coefficients 'zero'
hence used for 'feature selection'

→ L2 makes some of the coefficients approach zero but not exactly '0'.



c) Ensemble classifiers required unstable classifiers as the ~~weak~~^{base} learners to maintain independence

Since, the decision trees change drastically even with slight change in dataset, they are the most unstable classifiers.

Hence, the decision trees are commonly used in ensemble methods as ~~weak~~ base learners for independence.

d) ~~we~~ we use activation functions in Neural networks to make them non-linear. As the most of the processes in the world are non-linear.

Neural Networks generally require activation functions ~~to do supervised~~^{for} classification and unsupervised learning.

However, for Regression, we can use Neural Networks without an activation function

c) Yes. we can apply Kernel methods in modeling of Neural Networks.

I would do this if the given data is not linearly separable. I would apply the Kernel transformation on the data before feeding it to the Neural Network. So that Neural Network could easily separate the data in higher dimensions.

Ex: I think Non-Linear SVM could be done like this.

Applying the Kernel transformed data on the a Neural Network decrease the training time

f) KNN is a lazy learner i.e. no training. So, the model doesn't have to retrain with a new data point.

✶ If the new data point is in the margin of a SVM, the hyperplane changes but if it is not, we don't have to change the hyperplane.

But in case of Neural Networks, we have to retrain it with new data.

Hence, in the worst-case, Neural Networks take long time to retrain among NN, SVM and KNN with new data.

g) Bagging

Bagging trains base learners on different bootstrap samples and combines their results to form a strong learner with higher accuracy.

Generally base learners have high variance and low bias.

Bagging reduces the variance by combining/averaging.

The variance of the final strong learner

$$\text{Var}(S) = \frac{\text{Sum of variances of base learners}}{\text{No of base learners}}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n V_{b_i}}{N}$$

Ex: considers 1000 base learners each with accuracy of 60% (binary classifiers)

So, each classifier gives the output with 60% confidence. (high variance)

If we put together the 1000 base learners, then 600 of the ~~the~~ base learners would correctly classify and 400 would not

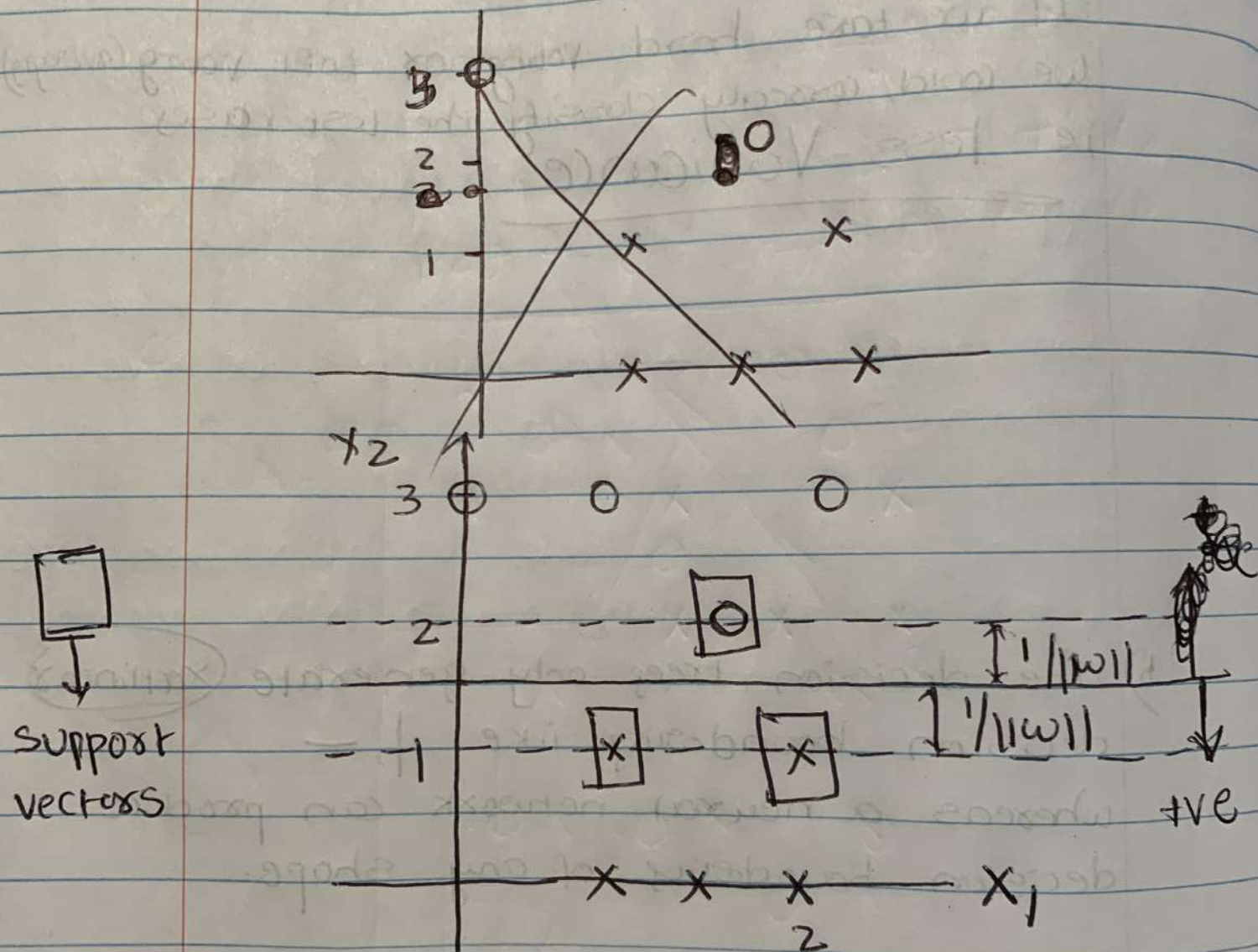
If we take hard voting or soft voting (averaging) we could correctly classify the test cases
ie less Variance

h) The decision trees only generate rectilinear decision boundaries like $|$, $-$ whereas a neural network can produce decision boundaries of any shape.

I would check for the shape of decision boundaries

2) SVM

a) Hard margin SVM



b) Hyperplane

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2$$

$$0 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot 0 + \frac{3}{2} \beta_2 - A$$

$$-1 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot 0 + 2\beta_2 - B$$

$$+1 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot 0 + \beta_2 - C$$

$$A - B - A$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \beta_2 = -1$$

$$\beta_2 = -2$$

$$~~A + C \Rightarrow 2\beta_0 + 3\beta_2~~$$

$$B + C \Rightarrow 2\beta_0 + 3\beta_2 = 0$$

$$2\beta_0 + 3(-2) = 0$$

$$\beta_0 = +3$$

From the figure

$$\Rightarrow -3 + \beta_1 = 0$$

$$\text{So, } \beta_0 = +3$$

$$\beta_1 = 0$$

$$\beta_2 = -2$$