

Kernel Methods in Machine Learning

Homework Assignment 3
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Question 1:

Assuming that kernel matrices are symmetric $K^T = K$ and the given constraints:

$$\|K_a \alpha\|_2 = 1 \quad \alpha^T K_a K_a \alpha - 1 = 0$$

$$\|K_b \beta\|_2 = 1 \quad \beta^T K_b K_b \beta - 1 = 0$$

we can write the lagrangian as:

$$L = \langle K_a \alpha, K_b \beta \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \cdot p_1 \cdot (\alpha^T K_a K_a \alpha - 1) - \frac{1}{2} \cdot p_2 \cdot (\beta^T K_b K_b \beta - 1)$$

taking the partial derivative we obtain:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \alpha} = K_a K_b \beta - p_1 K_a^2 \alpha = 0 \quad K_a^T K_b \beta = p_1 K_a^T K_a \alpha$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \beta} = K_b K_a \alpha - p_2 K_b^2 \beta = 0 \quad K_b^T K_a \alpha = p_2 K_b^T K_b \beta$$

applying the constraints we can derive the values of p_1 and p_2 :

$$p_1 = \alpha^T K_a K_b \beta$$

$$p_2 = \beta^T K_b K_a \alpha$$

$$\beta^T K_b K_a \alpha = (\beta^T K_b K_a)^T = \alpha^T K_a K_b \beta \Rightarrow p_1 = p_2$$

1. $\alpha^T K_a K_a \alpha - 1 = 0$

2. $\beta^T K_b K_b \beta - 1 = 0$

$$\alpha = K_a^{-1} \cdot K_a^{-1} K_a K_b \beta \cdot \frac{1}{p} = \frac{K_a^{-1} K_b \beta}{p}$$

$$\beta \Rightarrow K_a^{-1} \cdot K_a^{-1} K_a K_b \beta \cdot \frac{1}{p} - p K_b^2 \beta = 0$$

Question 2:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \widehat{\text{cov}}(\langle \phi_a(x_a), \omega_a \rangle, \langle \phi_b(x_b), \omega_b \rangle) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \langle \phi_a(x_a^k), \omega_a \rangle \langle \phi_b(x_b^k), \omega_b \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi_a(x_a^k)(\omega_a'' + \omega_a') \cdot \phi_b(x_b^k)(\omega_b'' + \omega_b')] \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [(\phi_a(x_a^k)\omega_a'' + \cancel{\phi_a(x_a^k)\omega_a'}) \cdot (\phi_b(x_b^k)\omega_b'' + \cancel{\phi_b(x_b^k)\omega_b'})] \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n [\phi_a(x_a^k) (\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \phi_a(x_a^j)) \cdot (\phi_b(x_b^k) \cdot (\sum_{j=1}^n \beta_j \phi_b(x_b^j)))] \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n [\alpha_j \phi_a(x_a^k) \phi_a(x_a^j) \phi_b(x_b^k) \phi_b(x_b^j) \beta_j] \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n [\alpha_j K_a(x_a^k, x_a^j) K_b(x_b^k, x_b^j) \beta_j] \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{1}{n} \alpha^T K_a K_b^T \beta}
 \end{aligned}$$