

Machine Learning Homework 5

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1. Gaussian Process

At first, we need to read the input data from "input.data".

```
def read_file():
    x = []
    y = []
    with open('./input.data') as file:
        for line in file:
            x.append(float(line.split()[0]))
            y.append(float(line.split()[1]))
    return np.array(x).reshape(-1, 1), np.array(y).reshape(-1, 1)
```

After that, I take the return values from read_file() and set default values. Here noise is set to $\frac{1}{5}$ as in the document and X is an array which is used to plot the graph later.

```
x_train, y_train = read_file()
noise = 1 / 5
X = np.arange(-60, 60, 1).reshape(-1, 1)
```

1.1. Apply Gaussian Process Regression to predict the distribution of f and visualize the result

In this homework, it required to use Rational Quadratic Kernel which is defined as follows:

$$k_{RQ}(x, x') = \sigma^2 \left(1 + \frac{(x - x')^2}{2\alpha l^2} \right)^{-\alpha}$$

with:

- σ is the overall variance
- l the length scale
- α the scale-mixture

The formula of Rational Quadratic Kernel is easily transferred to code with the help of `scipy.spatial.distance.cdist`.

```
def rational_quadratic_kernel(x, x_s, l=1.0, sigma=1.0, alpha=1.0):
    return (sigma ** 2) * (1 + cdist(x, x_s, 'sqeuclidean') / (2 * alpha * l ** 2)) **
    (-alpha)
```

By the definition of the Gaussian Process, the joint distribution of observed data y and prediction f_* is

$$\begin{pmatrix} y \\ f_* \end{pmatrix} \sim N \left(0, \begin{pmatrix} K_y & K_* \\ K_*^y & K_{**} \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

With:

- $K = k(x, x) + \beta^{-1}$
- $K_{**} = k(x^*, x^*) + \beta^{-1}$
- $K_* = k(x, x^*)$
- $K_*^y = k(x, x^*)^T$
- $k(x, y)$ is the Rational Quadratic Kernel

Then it is possible to calculate new mean and covariance as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_* &= K_*^T K_y^{-1} y \\ \Sigma_* &= K_{**} - K_*^T K_y^{-1} K_* \end{aligned}$$

All formulation above then transfer into code to predict the distribution of f .

```
def posterior_predictive(x_s, x_train, y_train, l=1.0, sigma_f=1.0, alpha=1.0, noise=1e-8):
    K = rational_quadratic_kernel(x_train, x_train, l, sigma_f, alpha) + noise *
    np.eye(len(x_train))
    K_s = rational_quadratic_kernel(x_train, x_s, l, sigma_f, alpha)
    K_ss = rational_quadratic_kernel(x_s, x_s, l, sigma_f, alpha) + noise * np.eye(len(x_s))
    K_inv = inv(K)
    mu_s = K_s.T.dot(K_inv).dot(y_train)
    cov_s = K_ss - K_s.T.dot(K_inv).dot(K_s)

    return mu_s, cov_s
```

Then call the posterior_predictive function to get mu_s and cov_s and feed them into plot_gp to illustrate the result

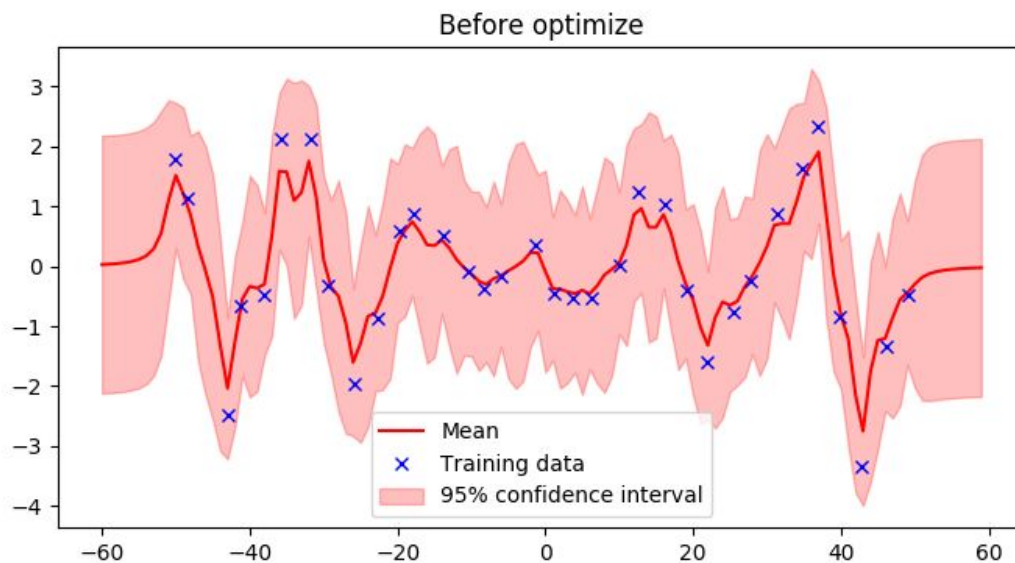
```
mu_s, cov_s = posterior_predictive(X, x_train, y_train, noise=noise)
plot_gp(mu_s, cov_s, X, x_train=x_train, y_train=y_train, fig_name="Before optimize")
```

The function plot_gp is implemented as below:

```
def plot_gp(mu, cov, x, x_train, y_train, fig_name):
    x = x.ravel()
    mu = mu.ravel()
    uncertainty = 1.96 * np.sqrt(np.diag(cov))
    plt.box(False)
    plt.figure(figsize=(8, 4))
    plt.fill_between(x, mu + uncertainty, mu - uncertainty, alpha=0.25, color='r',
label='95% confidence interval')
```

```
plt.plot(x, mu, label='Mean', color='r')

plt.plot(x_train, y_train, 'bx', label='Training data')
plt.legend()
plt.title(fig_name)
plt.savefig(fig_name + ".png")
```



After `plot_gb` has been executed, the visualization is displayed as above with red line is the mean of f in range of $[-60, 60]$, blue x is training data and the blur red marks 95% confidence interval of f .

1.2. Optimize the kernel parameters by minimizing negative marginal log-likelihood, and visualize the result again

The optimal kernel parameters can be estimated by minimizing the negative marginal log-likelihood which is given by

$$\frac{1}{2}y^T K_y^{-1}y + \frac{1}{2}\log|K_y| - \frac{N}{2}\log(2\pi)$$

This formula is implemented and using with `scipy.optimize.minimize` as follows:

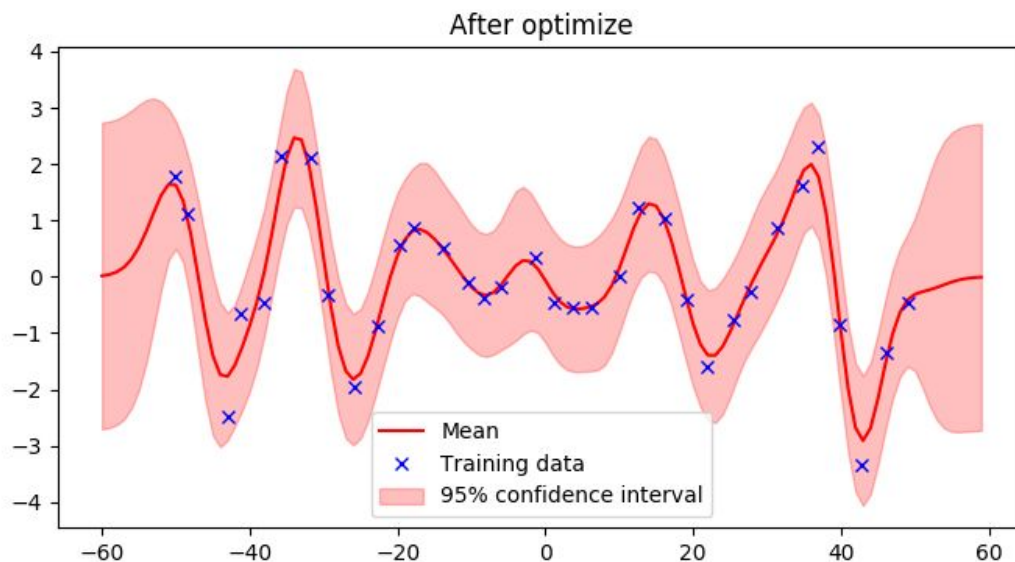
```
def nll_fn(X, x_train, y_train, noise):
    l = X[0]
    sigma = X[1]
    alpha = X[2]
    K = rational_quadratic_kernel(x_train, x_train, l, sigma, alpha) + noise *
    np.eye(len(x_train))
    return 0.5 * np.log(det(K)) + 0.5 * y_train.T.dot(inv(K).dot(y_train)) + 0.5 *
    len(x_train) * np.log(2 * np.pi)

res = minimize(nll_fn, x0=np.array([1, 1, 1]), args=(x_train, y_train, noise),
    bounds=((1e-5, None), (1e-5, None), (1e-5, None)), method='L-BFGS-B')
```

The minimize function take in `nll_fn` with arguments are `x_train`, `y_train`, `noise` which was already defined before. Because it optimizes 3 values l , σ and α in Rational Quadratic Kernel then we need to input 3 initial values. In this case are `[1, 1, 1]` to simplify.

```
l_opt, sigma_f_opt, alpha_opt = res.x
mu_s, cov_s = posterior_predictive(X, x_train, y_train, l=l_opt, sigma_f=sigma_f_opt,
    alpha=alpha_opt, noise=noise)
plot_gp(mu_s, cov_s, X, x_train=x_train, y_train=y_train, fig_name="After optimize")
```

The optimized values is put back in to `posterior_predictive` function to retrieve `mu_s` and `cov_s` then the result is visualized as below



2. SVM on MNIST dataset

At first, let read training data and testing data.

```
with open('./X_train.csv') as x_train_file:
    csv_reader = csv.reader(x_train_file, delimiter=',')
    x_train = scipy.asarray([row for row in csv_reader], dtype=float)

with open('./Y_train.csv') as x_train_file:
    csv_reader = csv.reader(x_train_file, delimiter=',')
    y_train = scipy.asarray([row for row in csv_reader], dtype=float).squeeze()

with open('./X_test.csv') as x_train_file:
    csv_reader = csv.reader(x_train_file, delimiter=',')
    x_test = scipy.asarray([row for row in csv_reader], dtype=float)

with open('./Y_test.csv') as x_train_file:
    csv_reader = csv.reader(x_train_file, delimiter=',')
    y_test = scipy.asarray([row for row in csv_reader], dtype=float).squeeze()
```

2.1. Use different kernel functions

For this part, I only use default parameters for linear, polynomial and RBF kernels. The settings array represents each kernel's parameters. The only difference between these settings is that it change the **-t** flag to select linear, polynomial or RBF kernel.

```
settings = ['-s 0 -t 1 -b 1 -q', '-s 0 -t 1 -b 1 -q', '-s 0 -t 1 -b 1 -q']
prob = svm_problem(y_train, x_train)
for setting in settings:
    print('Training setting {}'.format(setting))
    param = svm_parameter(setting)
    model = svm_train(prob, param)
    p_label, p_acc, p_val = svm_predict(y_test, x_test, model)
    ACC, MSE, SCC = evaluations(y_test, p_label)
    print("ACC = {} MSE = {} SCC ={}".format(ACC, MSE, SCC))
    print('=====')
```

After running the above code, here is the result of each kernel. The highest accuracy is 77.72% of Polynomial kernel.

	Linear	Polynomial	RBF
Accuracy	73.72%	77.72%	72.72%
Mean squared error	1.2296	0.9744	1.2224
Squared correlation coefficient	0.5088	0.5937	0.5137

2.2. C-SVC and GridSearch

In this part, I use C-SVC and implement a grid search to find the best parameters. Below is the default values to use in grid search.

```
s = 0
kernel_type = [0, 1, 2]
cost = np.logspace(-3, 5, base=2, num=5)
gamma = np.logspace(-7, 3, base=2, num=6)
coef0 = [0, 1, 10]
degree = [2, 3, 4]
k_fold = 5
```

The grid search algorithm is implemented as follows. At first, it will loop through each predefined values to create a setting to train. Next, a model is trained based on the defined setting and validate with 5-fold cross validation. After that, the best setting is saved based on the highest accuracy of models.

```
for t in kernel_type:
    for c in cost:
        if t == 0:
            setting = '-s {} -t {} -c {} -v {} -b 1 -q'.format(s, t, c, k_fold)
            print('Training setting {}'.format(setting))
            param = svm_parameter(setting)
            acc = svm_train(prob, param)
            if best_accuracy < acc:
                best_accuracy = acc
                best_setting = setting
            print('=====')
        elif t == 1:
            for g in gamma:
                for d in degree:
                    for r in coef0:
                        setting = '-s {} -t {} -d {} -r {} -c {} -g {} -v {} -b 1 -q'\
                            .format(s, t, d, r, c, g, k_fold)
                        print('Training setting {}'.format(setting))
                        param = svm_parameter(setting)
                        acc = svm_train(prob, param)
                        if best_accuracy < acc:
                            best_accuracy = acc
                            best_setting = setting
                        print('=====')
        elif t == 2:
            for g in gamma:
                setting = '-s {} -t {} -c {} -g {} -v {} -b 1 -q'.format(s, t, c, g, k_fold)
                print('Training setting {}'.format(setting))
                param = svm_parameter(setting)
                acc = svm_train(prob, param)
                if best_accuracy < acc:
```

```

best_accuracy = acc
best_setting = setting
print('=====')

```

- Linear kernel

- Result of finding parameter c , performance on cross-validation.
- With $c = 0.125$ gives the best performance (**96.94%**) on cross-validation.
- The accuracies of models trained with linear kernel fluctuate slightly with different C values.

C	Accuracy
0.125	96.94%
0.5	96.78%
2	96.5%
8	96.34%
32	96.46%

- Polynomial kernel

- There are 4 parameters in polynomial kernel degree (d), coef0 (r), cost (c), gamma (g). Their range values are [2, 3, 4], [0, 1, 10], [0.125, 0.5, 2, 8, 32] and [0.0078125, 0.03125, 0.125, 0.5, 2, 8] corresponding to degree, coef0, cost and gamma.
- The best result is **98.42%** with setting “-s 0 -t 1 -d 2 -r 1 -c 8.0 -g 2.0 -v 5 -b 1 -q”
- The table below shows the results of grid search with $d = 2$ and $r = 1$

C	Gamma	0.0078125	0.03125	0.125	0.5	2	8
0.125		96.76%	97.86%	98.2%	98.1%	98.2%	98.32%
0.5		97.36%	97.98%	98.12%	98.16%	98%	98.22%
2		97.64%	97.98%	98.12%	97.98%	98.12%	98.14%
8		97.76%	97.84%	98%	98.18%	98.42%	98.2%
32		97.56%	98.08%	98.28%	98.04%	98.3%	97.96%

- RBF kernel

- Parameters of this kernel are c and $gamma$. The values of parameters in grid search are [0.125, 0.5, 2, 8, 32] and [0.0078125, 0.03125, 0.125, 0.5, 2, 8] for c and $gamma$, respectively.

- The highest accuracy of RBF kernel is **98.74%** corresponding to $c = 32$ and $\gamma = 0.03125$
- While c and γ keep increasing the accuracy drops significantly. In the end, with the maximum $\gamma = 8$ in grid search, all models perform badly with 20% of accuracy.

C	Gamma	0.0078125	0.03125	0.125	0.5	2	8
0.125		96.42%	97.24%	48.86%	20.08%	20.00%	20.00%
0.5		97.64%	98.20%	75.96%	32.06%	20.00%	20.00%
2		97.88%	98.64%	96.38%	35.30%	24.30%	20.00%
8		98.16%	98.56%	96.18%	33.94%	24.92%	20.00%
32		98.12%	98.74%	96.12%	33.46%	24.92%	20.00%

In summary, the best performance in accuracy among all models is 98.74% which belongs to RBF kernel.

2.3. Use linear kernel and RBF kernel together

At first, let implement custom_kernel function and transform the x_train and x_test data using our new kernel. As required, the custom kernel is a combination of linear kernel and RBF kernel then the custom kernel is in a form of:

$$K(x_i, x_j) = X_i^T X_j + \exp(-\gamma \|X_i - X_j\|^2)$$

The code below is the implementation of custom kernel. In this code, I used `scipy.spatial.distance.squareform`, `scipy.spatial.distance.cdist`, `scipy.spatial.distance.pdist` to implement the kernel. In addition, the parameters c and γ are equal to c and γ of the best result which are 32 and 0.03125, respectively.

```
def custom_kernel(x_train, x_test):
    gamma = 0.03125
    train_linear_kernel = np.matmul(x_train, np.transpose(x_train))
    train_rbf_kernel = squareform(np.exp(-gamma * pdist(x_train, 'sqeuclidean')))
    x_train_kernel = np.hstack((np.arange(1, 5001).reshape((5000, 1)),
                                np.add(train_linear_kernel, train_rbf_kernel)))

    test_linear_kernel = np.matmul(x_test, np.transpose(x_train))
    test_rbf_kernel = np.exp(-gamma * cdist(x_test, x_train, 'sqeuclidean'))
    x_test_kernel = np.hstack((np.arange(1, 2501).reshape((2500, 1)),
                                np.add(test_linear_kernel, test_rbf_kernel)))

    return x_train_kernel, x_test_kernel
```


To use custom kernel we need to set parameter *isKernel=True* while using *svm_problem* function then set *svm_parameter* with *t = 4* and *c = 32*. After that, it is able to train and evaluate model as normal.

```
def svm(x_train_kernel, y_train, x_test_kernel, y_test):  
    prob = svm_problem(y_train, x_train_kernel, isKernel=True)  
    param = svm_parameter('-q -t 4 -c 32')  
    model = svm_train(prob, param)  
    svm_predict(y_test, x_test_kernel, model)
```

After the evaluation, the custom kernel's performance is not as good as other kernels. In comparison, custom kernel only achieve 95.08% in accuracy while the best performance of Linear, Polynomial and RBF kernels are 96.94% 98.42% and 98.74%, respectively.

	Linear	Polynomial	RBF	Linear + RBF
Accuracy	96.94%	98.42%	98.74%	95.08%