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Report for k_NN classification

my_knn_system:		Elapsed time is 29.95538seconds.	
Number of Neighbours	Number of test samples	Number of errors	Accuracy
K = 1	7800	1103	85.86%
K = 3	7800	1045	86.60%
K = 5	7800	1070	86.28%
K = 10	7800	1123	85.60%
K = 20	7800	1219	84.37%

In order to reduce the runtime, I created a function “myDistance.m” which takes as arguments two matrices, the first containing testing samples and the second – training samples, and calculates the squared Euclidean distance between each pair of testing and training samples. This improves the runtime significantly because it avoids using nested for loops which take a lot of time to implement due to the large dataset.

For the calculation of the distance matrix DI I used the formula:

$$DI = (XX, \dots, XX) - 2 * X * Y^T + (YY, \dots, YY)^T$$

$\leftarrow M \rightarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \leftarrow N \rightarrow$

where $\begin{matrix} / X_1 * X_1^T \backslash & & / Y_1 * Y_1^T \backslash \end{matrix}$

$$XX = \begin{vmatrix} . & & \\ . & & \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ X_N * X_N^T \end{vmatrix}, \quad YY = \begin{vmatrix} . & & \\ . & & \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ Y_M * Y_M^T \end{vmatrix}$$

(X_i – test sample; Y_i – train sample).