Basis Expansion

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Outline

- ▶ list of topics:
 - basis expansion: basics
 - splines
 - linear and cubic splines
 - polynomial regression splines
 - natural cubic splines
 - smoothing splines
 - multidimensional splines
 - generalized additive model
 - wavelet
 - kernel methods



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Basis Expansion: Basics



- why linear models?
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- basis expansion:
 - key idea: augment or replace the original input features with their transformations, then fit a linear model in the new space of derived input features
 - a more flexible representation:

$$f(\boldsymbol{X}) = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \beta_m h_m(\boldsymbol{X}) = \beta_1 h_1(\boldsymbol{X}) + \beta_2 h_2(\boldsymbol{X}) + \ldots + \beta_M h_M(\boldsymbol{X})$$

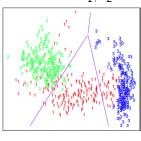
where $h_m(\cdot)$ are basis functions



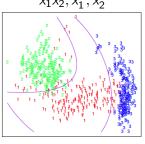
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example:

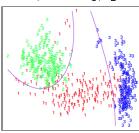
LDA on x_1, x_2



LDA on x_1, x_2 x_1x_2, x_1^2, x_2^2



QDA on x_1, x_2





- more examples:
 - generalized additive model:

still fit a linear regression model but after fitting a function on the predictors

$$f(\mathbf{X}) = \alpha + f_1(X_1) + \ldots + f_p(X_p)$$

projection pursuit model:

$$f(\boldsymbol{X}) = \beta_0 + \sum_{m=1}^{M} \beta_m \, \sigma(\alpha_{m0} + \alpha_m^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{X})$$

restrictive, only considers a linear combination of the predictors



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- key components:
 - dictionary: a collection of very large number of basis functions
 - complexity control:
 - restriction method: use a (small) number of pre-specified transformation functions; e.g., splines
 - regularized selection: use the entire dictionary but restrict the coefficients through regularization; e.g., wavelet
 - ▶ implicit basis transformation: kernel methods



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Splines



Splines

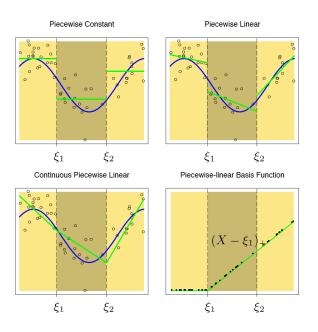
- what are splines:
 - piecewise polynomial functions
 - ▶ divide the domain of X into continuous intervals and fit separate polynomials in each interval
- examples:
 - ▶ linear splines, cubic splines, B-splines, natural cubic splines, smoothing splines, . . .
- ▶ knots: assume the range of x is [a, b]. Let the points

$$a < \xi_1 < \xi_2 < \cdots < \xi_K < b$$

be a partition of the interval [a, b]

- call $\{\xi_1, ..., \xi_K\}$ the interior knots
- ▶ call $\{\xi_0 = a, \xi_{K+1} = b\}$ the boundary knots. It is possible $a = -\infty$ and $b = \infty$
 - fixed knots: often use quantiles of x

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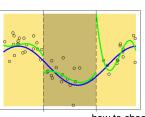




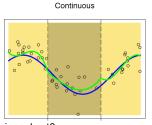
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Piecewise Cubic Polynomials

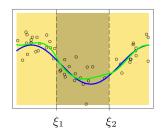
how many predictors are we looking at? Just one predictor (and one response variable) this is too simple to be useful

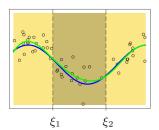


Discontinuous



 $\xi_1 \\ \text{bow to choose inner knot?} \\ \text{0 inner knots is a regular linear regression VS. use every training sample as an inner knot } \\ \text{Continuous First Derivative} \\ \text{Continuous Second Derivative}$







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Cubic splines

- piecewise constant, piecewise linear function
- ▶ piecewise cubic function: for each interval $[\xi_j, \xi_{j+1}), j = 0, ..., K$,

$$f(x) = \beta_{0j} + \beta_{1j}x + \beta_{2j}x^2 + \beta_{3j}x^3$$

having continuous first and second derivatives at the interior knots,

$$f(\xi_{j}^{-}) = f(\xi_{j}^{+})$$

$$f'(\xi_{j}^{-}) = f'(\xi_{j}^{+})$$

$$f''(\xi_{j}^{-}) = f''(\xi_{j}^{+}), \quad j = 1, ..., K$$

• what is the total degrees of freedom? K + 4

$$(K + 1)$$
 regions \times (4 parameters per region)
- K knots \times (3 constraints per knots)



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Cubic splines

- ▶ a more direct way to take care of continuity constraints: use a basis that is piecewise polynomial and continuous at knots
- truncated power series basis:
 - piecewise linear with continuity at knots

$$h_1(x) = 1, h_2(x) = x, h_3(x) = (x - \xi_1)_+, \cdots, h_{K+2}(x) = (x - \xi_K)_+.$$

piecewise cubic with continuous first and second derivatives at knots

$$1, x, h_3(x) = x^2, h_4(x) = x^3, h_5(x) = (x - \xi_1)^3_+, \cdots, h_{K+4} = (x - \xi_K)^3_+.$$

for cubic splines,

Model space = span
$$\{h_1(x), ..., h_{K+4}(x)\}$$



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Cubic splines

- polynomial regression splines with order M
 - *K* fixed (interior) knots: ξ_1, \dots, ξ_K
 - ▶ piecewise polynomial of order M-1; continuous derivatives up to order M-2
- the truncated power series basis functions are

$$h_j(x) = x^{j-1}, \quad j = 1, \dots, M; \quad h_{M+j}(x) = (x - \xi_I)_+^{M-1}, \quad I = 1, \dots, K.$$

- ▶ total degrees of freedom is df = K + M
- ▶ popular choices of M = 1, 2, 4:
 - piecewise constant is order-1 spline
 - piecewise linear with continuity is order-2 spline
 - cubic spline is order-4 spline

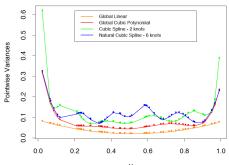
cubic splines are the lowest-order spline for which knot-discontinuity is not visible to human eyes.



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Natural cubic splines

- boundary effects:
 - ▶ the behavior of polynomials fit tends to be erratic near the boundaries
 - ▶ the polynomials fit beyond the boundary knots behave more wildly than the corresponding global polynomials in that region
- check the point-wise variance of spline function fits by least squares
 - ▶ In general, the variance near the boundary is large for all spline fits
 - cubic spline has the worst (largest) point-wise variance near the boundary





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Natural cubic splines

- natural cubic splines: add additional constraint such that the function is linear beyond the two boundary knots
- remarks:
 - frees up four degrees of freedom, which can be spent more profitably by putting more knots in the interior region
 - the price is the bias near two boundaries
 - since there is less information, assuming the function being linear near the boundaries is reasonable
- ▶ degrees of freedom: K + 4 4 = K (same as the number of knots)
- basis functions:

$$N_1(x) = 1, N_2(x) = x, N_{k+2}(x) = d_k(x) - d_{k-1}(x),$$

where

$$d_k(x) = \frac{(x - \xi_k)_+^3 - (x - \xi_K)_+^3}{\xi_K - \xi_k}, \quad k = 1, \dots, K - 2,$$

each of these basis functions have zero second and third derivatives for $x > \xi_K$.

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Example - South African heart disease

- South African heart disease coronary risk-factor study (CORIS) baseline survey
 - rural areas in Western Cape, South Africa (high-incidence region)
 - ▶ to establish the intensity of ischemic heart disease risk factors
- data set
 - white males between age 15-64
 - ▶ 160 cases and 302 controls
 - ▶ Y = the presence of absence of myocardial infraction (MI) at the time of the survey (the overall prevalence of MI was 5.1% in that region)
- natural cubic spline fitting model:

$$\log[\Pr(chd)] = \theta_0 + h_1(X_1)^{\mathsf{T}}\theta_1 + \dots + h_p(X_p)^{\mathsf{T}}\theta_p,$$

 θ_i is the vector of coefficients of natural spline basis functions h_i .



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Example - South African heart disease

- derived input features:
 - ► X_1 =systolic blood pressure $h_1(X_1) = a$ basis consisting of four basis functions
 - ▶ similarly for variables: tobacco, ldl, obesity, age
 - \rightarrow X_4 =family history (two-level factor): dummy; single coefficient
- spline model fit: for each variable j,

$$\hat{f}_j(X_j) = h_j(X_j)^{\mathsf{T}} \hat{\theta}_j$$

the variance of parameter estimator

$$\widehat{\operatorname{cov}}(\widehat{\theta}) = \widehat{\Sigma} = (H^T W H)^{-1}$$

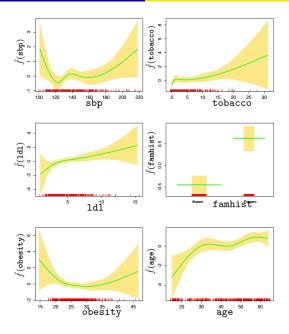
W the diagonal weight matrix from logistic regression, $w_j = p_j(1 - p_j)$

• the pointwise variance function of \hat{f}_i

$$\operatorname{var}[\hat{f}(X_j)] = h_j(X_j)^{\mathsf{T}} \hat{\Sigma}_{jj} h_j(X_j)$$



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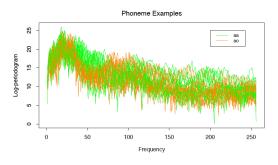


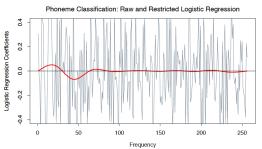
Example – phoneme recognition

- phoneme recognition
 - ▶ two phonemes "aa" and "ao" measured at 256 frequencies
 - ▶ to classify a spoken phoneme
- data set
 - ▶ 695 "aa" and 1022 "ao"
 - functional modeling

$$\log \frac{\Pr(aa|\boldsymbol{X})}{\Pr(ao|\boldsymbol{X})} = \int X(t)\beta(t)dt$$

- ▶ approximate by an unrestricted logistic regression $\sum_{i=1}^{256} X_i \beta_i$
- smooth regularization via natural cubic splines
 - represent $\beta(t)$ as an expansion of splines $\beta(t) = \sum_{m=1}^{M} h_m(t)\theta_m$
 - ▶ $\beta = H\theta$, where H is a $p \times M$ natural cubic splines basis matrix, with knots uniformly placed on 1, 2, ..., 256
 - replace the input features \boldsymbol{X} with its filtered version $\boldsymbol{X}^* = \boldsymbol{H}^\mathsf{T} \boldsymbol{X}$ $\hat{\beta}(t) = h(t)^\mathsf{T} \hat{\theta}$







Smoothing splines

- motivation: use all observations as knots, so avoid knot selection
- solve:

$$\min_{f \in W_2[a,b]} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [y_i - f(x_i)]^2 + \lambda \int_a^b [f''(x)]^2 dx$$

- first term measures the closeness/loyalty of the model to the data; related to the bias
- second term penalizes the roughness/curvature of the function; related to the variance of the estimate; the roughness penalty (regularization)
- ▶ $\lambda = 0$: point-wise interpolation; $\lambda = \infty$: least squares line (f''(x) = 0)
- solution:
 - ▶ natural spline basis: $f(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} N_j(x)\theta_j$
 - fitted values:

$$\hat{\pmb{f}} = \pmb{\mathsf{N}}(\pmb{\mathsf{N}}^\mathsf{T} \pmb{\mathsf{N}} + \lambda \pmb{\Omega})^{-1} \pmb{\mathsf{N}}^\mathsf{T} \pmb{\mathsf{y}} = \pmb{S}_\lambda \pmb{\mathsf{y}}$$

where $\mathbf{N}_{ij} = N_i(\mathbf{x}_i), \Omega_{ik} = \int N_i^{''}(t)N_k^{''}(t)dt$, and $\mathbf{N}, \Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$



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Multidimensional splines

- tensor product basis
 - so far, we have focused on $X \in \mathbb{R}^1$
 - ▶ suppose $X \in \mathbb{R}^2$:
 - ▶ a set of basis $h_{1k}(X_1), k = 1, ..., M_1$, for functions of coordinate X_1
 - ▶ a set of basis $h_{2k}(X_2)$, $k = 1, ..., M_2$, for functions of coordinate X_2

the $M_1 \times M_2$ dimensional tensor product basis is

$$g_{jk}(X_1, X_2) = h_{1j}(X_1)h_{2k}(X_2), \quad j = 1, ..., M_1, \quad k = 1, ..., M_2$$

then represent a two-dimensional function as

$$g(X_1, X_2) = \sum_{j=1}^{M_1} \sum_{k=1}^{M_2} \theta_{jk} g_{jk}(X_1, X_2)$$

thin-plate splines via regularization



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Generalized Additive Model



Generalized additive model

generalized additive models (GAM):

$$g(\mu(\mathbf{X})) = \alpha + f_1(X_1) + \ldots + f_p(X_p)$$

- $g(\mu) = \mu$, the identity link for Gaussian response
- $g(\mu) = \log{\{\mu/(1-\mu)\}}$, the logit link for binary response
- ▶ $g(\mu) = \Phi^{-1}(\mu)$, the probit link for binary response, where Φ is the Gaussian cumulative distribution function
- $g(\mu) = \log(\mu)$, the log-linear link for Poisson count response
- remarks:
 - the key idea is to replace each predictor (also, a linear identity function of the predictor) with a flexible function of the predictor that may identify and characterize nonlinear regression effects
 - provide a useful extension of linear models, making them more flexible, while still retaining much of their interpretability
 - fit each f_j using a scatterplot smoother: cubic smoothing spline or kernel smoother (this is a 1-dimensional regression)
 - can have limitations when p is very large

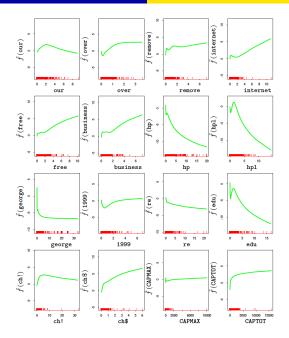
Example – email spams prediction

- spam email data:
 - ▶ screen email for "spam" (junk email): Y = 1/0 if a spam/not spam
 - totally 4601 email messages, randomly divided to a training data of 3605 and a testing data of 1536
 - ▶ p = 57 predictors: 54 quantitative percentage of words/characters in the email matching a given word (e.g., "free", "business", "george") or character (e.g., "\$"), the average/max/sum of length of uninterrupted sequences of capital letters
- a GAM fit:
 - most predictors have a very long tails; log-transform each variable
 - use a cubic smoothing spline with df = 4 for each predictor
- classification result:

	Prediction	
True	email (0)	spam (1)
email (0)	58.3%	2.5%
spam (1)	3.0%	36.3%



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Generalized additive model

- model fitting: backfitting
 - the key idea is to fit one $f_i(X_i)$ at a time
 - the building block is the scatterplot smoother for fitting nonlinear effects in a flexible way
- additive regression model:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ y_i - \alpha - \sum_{j=1}^{p} f_j(x_{ij}) \right\}^2 + \sum_{j=1}^{p} \lambda_j \int f_j''(t_j)^2 dt_j$$

the backfitting algorithm:

initialize:
$$\hat{\alpha} = \bar{y}, \hat{f_j} = 0$$

repeat
for $j = 1, \dots, p$ do
 $\hat{f_j} = S_j \left[\left\{ y_i - \hat{\alpha} - \sum_{k \neq j} \hat{f_k}(x_{ik}) \right\}_1^n \right]$
end for
until $\hat{f_j}$ changes less than a threshold

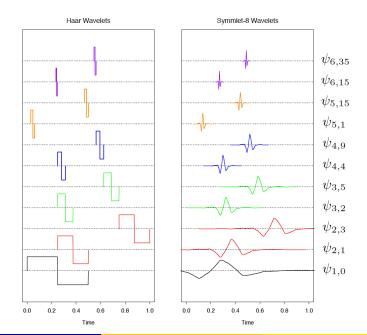




- wavelet basis:
 - use a set of complete orthonormal basis functions
 - ▶ shrink and select the coefficients towards a sparse representation
- ► applications:
 - very popular in signal processing and compression
 - capable of representing both smooth and locally bumpy functions in an efficient way
- some popular wavelet basis:
 - Harr wavelets (simpler)
 - ► Daubechies symmlet-8 wavelets (smoother)
- good statistical properties:
 - adapt for spatially inhomogeneous curves
 - nearly minimax (rate) for a large class of functions with unknown degrees of smoothness
- a very brief glimpse of this vast and growing field

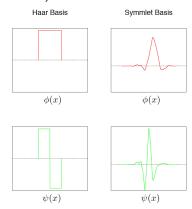


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- Haar wavelet construction:
 - ▶ father wavelet: $\phi(x) = I(x \in [0,1]), \ \phi_{j,k}(x) = 2^{j/2}\phi(2^{j}x k)$ ("grand mean", "rough")
 - ▶ mother wavelet: $\psi(x) = \phi(2x) \phi(2x 1)$, $\psi(x) = 2^{j/2}\psi(2^{j}x k)$ ("contrast", "detail")





- adaptive wavelet filtering:
 - wavelets are particularly useful when the data are measured on a uniform lattice, such as a discretized signal, image, or time series
 - ▶ Stein Unbiased Risk Estimation (SURE) Donoho and Johnstone (1994)

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \|\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{W}\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_2^2 + 2\lambda \|\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_1$$

where \boldsymbol{y} is the response vector, and \boldsymbol{W} is the $n \times n$ orthonormal wavelet basis matrix evaluated at the n uniformly spaced observations

 the least squares coefficients are translated toward zero, and truncated at zero

$$\hat{\theta}_j = \operatorname{sign}(y_i^*)(|y_i^*| - \lambda)_+$$

where $\mathbf{y}^* = \mathbf{W}^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{y}$ is the wavelet transform of \mathbf{y}

▶ the basis are hierarchically structured from coarse to detailed the L_1 penalty does both shrinkage and selection



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- kernel methods
 - extremely popular in machine learning literature
 - ▶ powerful, flexible, $n < p, \ldots$
 - we do not mean kernel smoothing here
- reproducing kernel Hilbert space (RKHS)
- some representative kernel methods:
 - kernel (nonlinear) support vector machine
 - kernel least squares and kernel logistic regression
 - kernel principal component analysis
 - can "kernelize" many learning methods . . .
- some challenges:
 - develop appropriate kernel functions
 - variable selection for the kernel methods



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Reproducing kernel Hilbert space

- space:
 - ▶ a Hilbert space is an infinite dimensional Euclidean space; it is a vector space (i.e., is closed under addition and scalar multiplication, obeys the distributive and associative laws, etc.); it is also endowed with an inner product ⟨·,·⟩
 - ▶ a reproducing kernel Hilbert space is, conceptually, a "smaller" Hilbert space that contains restricted, smooth functions
- kernel:
 - **kernel function**: k(x, x')
 - ▶ Gram matrix $K \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ given x_1, \ldots, x_n : $K_{ij} = k(x_i, x_j)$
 - k is a positive definite kernel if its Gram matrix is positive definite
 - ▶ reproducing kernel map: $\Phi: \mathbf{x} \to k(\cdot, \mathbf{x})$
- commonly used kernels:
 - dth degree polynomial: $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = (1 + \mathbf{x}^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{x}')^d$
 - Gaussian radial basis: $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \exp(-\gamma ||\mathbf{x} \mathbf{x}'||^2)$
 - neural network: $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \tanh(\kappa_1 \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}' \rangle + \kappa_2)$



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Reproducing kernel Hilbert space

- construction:
 - ▶ consider the space of functions generated by all linear combinations of the functions $k(\cdot, \mathbf{x})$:

$$f(\cdot) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \alpha_i k(\cdot, \mathbf{x}_i)$$

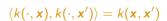
▶ define an inner product: let $g(\cdot) = \sum_{j=1}^{m'} \beta_j k(\cdot, \mathbf{x}'_j)$, and

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m'} \alpha_i \beta_j k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}'_j)$$

- properties:
 - ▶ the representer of evaluation:

$$\langle k(\cdot, \mathbf{x}), f \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \alpha_i k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x})$$

the reproducing property:





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▶ a general optimization problem with regularization:

$$\min_{f \in \mathcal{H}} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} L(y_i, f(\mathbf{x}_i)) + \lambda J(f) \right]$$

- ▶ L(y, f(x)) is a point-wise loss function, J(f) is a penalty functional, and \mathcal{H} is a space of candidate functions
- an important subclass of problems:

$$\min_{f \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{K}}} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} L(y_i, f(\mathbf{x}_i)) + \lambda \|f\|_{\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{K}}}^{2} \right]$$

narrow the search to a subclass of functions in a RKHS



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▶ the representer theorem: the minimizer has the form

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_i)$$

- **b** basis expansion with basis function: $h_i(\mathbf{x}) = k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_i)$
- ightharpoonup solution hinges on estimating $oldsymbol{lpha}=(lpha_1,\ldots,lpha_n)^{\sf T}\in {\rm I\!R}^n$
- the equivalent optimization problem:

$$\min_{\alpha} \left[L(\boldsymbol{y}, \boldsymbol{K}\alpha) + \lambda \alpha^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{K}\alpha \right]$$

thanks to the reproducing property:

$$J(f) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) \alpha_i \alpha_j$$

lacktriangle optimization is now over a finite dimensional $lpha\in {\rm I\!R}^n$



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- transformed predictor view:
 - \triangleright $k(\cdot, \mathbf{x}_i)$ acts as basis function
 - ▶ recall the reproducing kernel map $\Phi : \mathbf{x} \to k(\cdot, \mathbf{x})$, $\Phi(\mathbf{x})$ can be viewed as a transformation of the original feature vector \mathbf{x}
- kernel trick

$$\langle \Phi(\mathbf{x}), \Phi(\mathbf{x}') \rangle = \langle k(\cdot, \mathbf{x}), k(\cdot, \mathbf{x}') \rangle = k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$$

- an example:
 - ▶ a degree-2 (quadratic) polynomial kernel with p = 2:

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = (1 + \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}' \rangle)^{2}$$

$$= (1 + x_{1}x'_{1} + x'_{2}x'_{2})^{2}$$

$$= 1 + 2x_{1}x'_{1} + 2x'_{2}x'_{2} + (x_{1}x'_{1})^{2} + (x'_{2}x'_{2})^{2} + 2x_{1}x'_{1}x'_{2}x'_{2}$$

a set of 6 basis functions:

$$\phi_1(\mathbf{x}) = 1 \qquad \phi_2(\mathbf{x}) = \sqrt{2}x_1 \qquad \phi_3(\mathbf{x}) = \sqrt{2}x_2 \phi_4(\mathbf{x}) = x_1^2 \qquad \phi_5(\mathbf{x}) = x_2^2 \qquad \phi_6(\mathbf{x}) = \sqrt{2}x_1x_2$$



 $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \langle \Phi(\mathbf{x}), \Phi(\mathbf{x}') \rangle$

Kernel support vector machine

linear support vector machine:

$$\min_{\beta_0,\beta} \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \{1 - y_i (\beta_0 + \boldsymbol{\beta}^\mathsf{T} \boldsymbol{x}_i)\}_+ + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\boldsymbol{\beta}\|^2 \right]$$

- $\beta = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i$ $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta} + \beta_0$
- kernel support vector machine:

$$\min_{f \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{K}}} \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \{1 - y_i f(\mathbf{x}_i)\}_+ + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|f\|_{\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{K}}}^2 \right]$$

or "equivalently", transformed predictor / basis expansion $\Phi(x)$

$$\min_{\beta_{0\phi},\beta_{\phi}} \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \{1 - y_i (\beta_{0\phi} + \boldsymbol{\beta}_{\phi}^{\mathsf{T}} \Phi(\boldsymbol{x}_i))\}_{+} + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\boldsymbol{\beta}_{\phi}\|^2 \right]$$



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Kernel support vector machine

- kernel support vector machine: (cont'd)

 - $f(\mathbf{x}) = \Phi(\mathbf{x})^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta}_{\phi} + \beta_{0\phi}$, then

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \Phi(\mathbf{x})^{\mathsf{T}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \Phi(\mathbf{x}_{i}) + \beta_{0\phi}$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \langle \Phi(\mathbf{x}), \Phi(\mathbf{x}_{i}) \rangle + \beta_{0\phi}$$

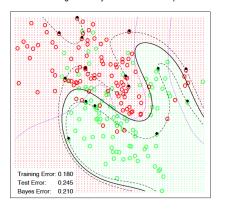
- ▶ all we need to know is: $\langle \Phi(x), \Phi(x_i) \rangle = k(x, x_i), i = 1, ..., n$ do not need to know anything about the actual $\Phi(\cdot)$
- ightharpoonup can deal with p >> n



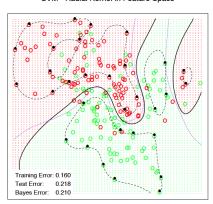
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Kernel support vector machine

SVM - Degree-4 Polynomial in Feature Space



SVM - Radial Kernel in Feature Space





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Additional readings

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