

Indian Institute of Technology Indore
Discipline of Computer Science & Engineering
CS 403/603 Machine Learning
Lab Assignment on Support Vector Machine

Some general instructions:

- Plagiarism in any form will not be tolerated.
 - You are allowed to do any number of submissions before the deadline. However, only the last submission will be stored and used for evaluation.
 - Submission of the assignment should be made using Google Assignments platform only.
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Classifier Problem Statement:

Spam email classification using Support Vector Machine: In this assignment, you will use an SVM to classify emails into spam or non-spam categories. And report the classification accuracy for various SVM parameters and kernel functions.

You have to submit the report file in pdf format.

Data Set Description: An email is represented by various features like frequency of occurrences of certain keywords, length of capitalized words etc. A data set containing about 4601 instances are available in this link (data folder) :

<https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Spambase>

The data format is also described in the above link. You have to randomly pick 70% of the data set as training data and the remaining as test data.

Assignment Tasks: In this assignment, you can use any SVM package to classify the above data set. You have to study the performance of the SVM algorithms. You have to submit a report in pdf format.

The report should contain the following sections:

1. Methodology: Details of the SVM package used.
2. Experimental Results:
 - i. You have to use each of the following three kernel functions
(a) **Linear**, (b) **Quadratic**, (c) **RBF**.
 - ii. For each of the kernels, you have to report training and test set classification accuracy for the best value of generalization constant C . The best C value is the one which provides the best test set accuracy that you have found out by trial of different values of C .

Report accuracies in the form of a comparison table, along with the values of C .
