



Support Vector Machines



*In honour of Breast Cancer Awareness
Month, October 2020, along with a
Case Study on Breast Cancer Cell
Classification (on the basis of
whether they are MALIGNANT OR BENIGN)*

About Support Vector Machines

- ★ Supervised Classification Machine Learning model.
- ★ They work in 3 simple steps:
 - Start with data in a relatively low dimension
 - Move the data into a higher dimension
 - Find a Support Vector Classifier that separates the higher dimension data into two groups

They are great because...

- ★ They can handle outliers
- ★ They allow a few misclassifications in order to predict a better result (Bias-Variance tradeoff)
- ★ They can handle overlapping classifications
- ★ They can fit data within an n -dimensional plane (hyperplane)

Important Terms

- ★ **Margin** - Shortest distance between the observations and the threshold
- ★ **Soft Margin** - When we allow misclassifications within the margin, then this is the distance between the observations and the threshold
- ★ **Support Vectors** - The observations on the edge and within the soft margin

Important Terms, continued

- ★ **Support Vector Classifier** - (AKA Soft Margin Classifier) When a soft margin is used to determine the location of a threshold, then an SVC is being used to classify observations
- ★ **Support Vector Machines** - Used when our data cannot be classified using a simple, 2D plane

Important Terms, continued

- ★ **Hyperplane** - Any plane with n number of dimensions
- ★ **Kernels** - These are mathematical functions used to transform the data so that they can fit in an n -dimensional plane. There are three types of kernels commonly used:
 - Linear Kernels
 - Polynomial Kernels
 - Radial Kernels

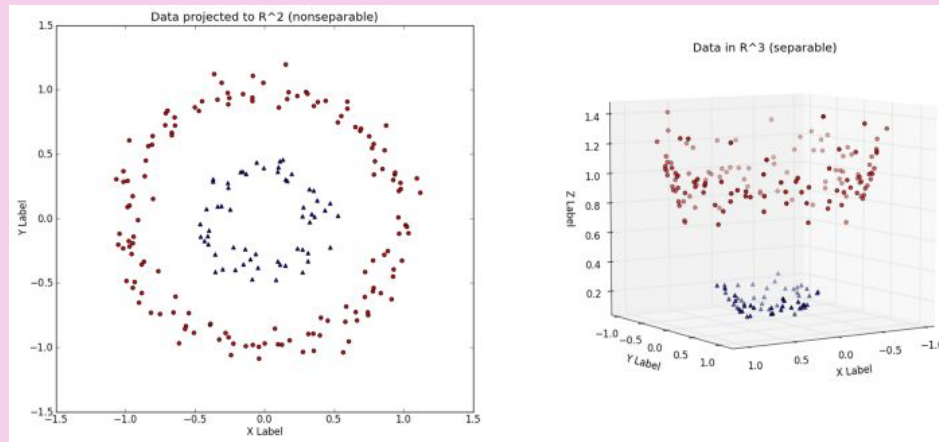
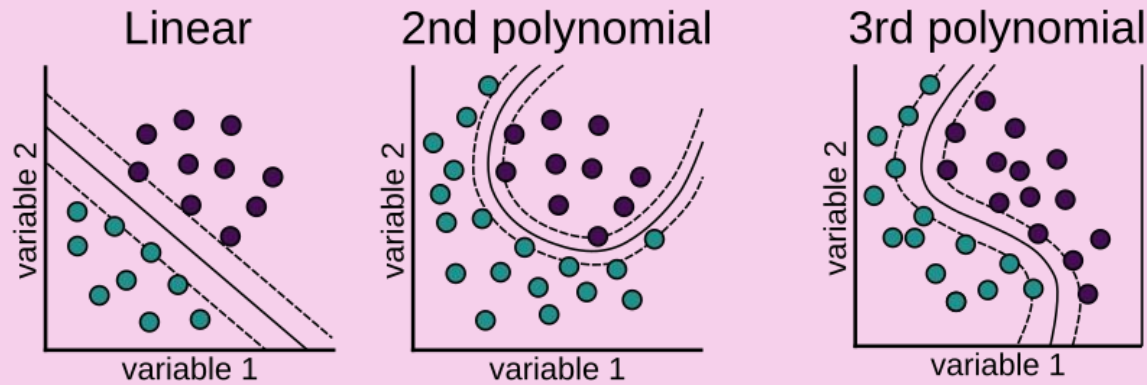
Linear and Polynomial Kernels

- ★ ***Linear Kernels*** - These are used to make simple SVCs without any sort of data transformation.
- ★ ***Polynomial Kernels*** - These increase the dimension of data to fit it on a higher plane, by setting the degree of the polynomial d and the relationships between each pair of observations and using these to find a good SVC.

Radial Kernels

- ★ AKA *Radial Basis Function Kernels*
- ★ Find a SVC in infinite dimensions and behaves like a weighted k-NN model.
- ★ Closest observations (nearest neighbours) have a lot of influence on how the new observations are classified.
- ★ Since this only calculates the relationships between every pair of points as if they are in higher dimensions, they don't do any transformations on the data.

Support Vector Machine



Example: Medicine Dosage works on Patients

- ★ Medicine Dosage that work on Patient.
- ★ Dosage doesn't work when the quantity is high or low. Represented by Red Dots
- ★ Dosage only works when the dosage is optimal which is in the middle represented by the Green dots.



Polynomial Function

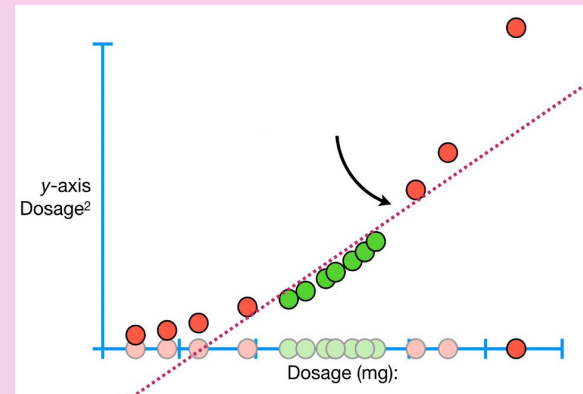
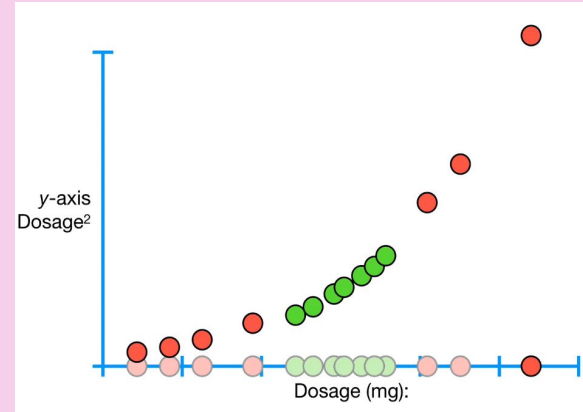
$$\text{Function} = (a * b + r)^d$$

$$\text{Degree}(d) = 2, \text{ Constant } (r) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Function} &= (a*b+1)*(a*b+1) \\ &= (a^2b^2+2ab+1)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Dot Product} &= \\ &(\sqrt{2}a, a^2, 1) \cdot (\sqrt{2}b, b^2, 1)\end{aligned}$$

Which gives the coordinates in higher dimension.



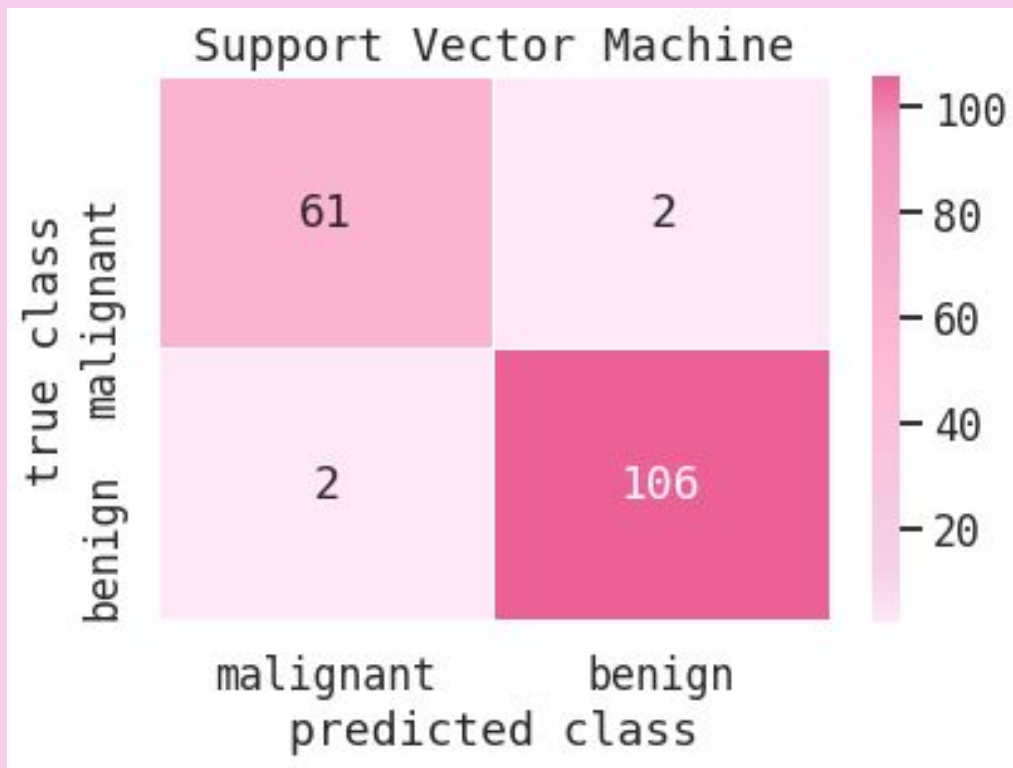
Case Study

Breast Cancer Cell Classification

- ★ **Target Variables** - Malignant, Benign
- ★ **Features** - There are 30 input features of cancer cells defined by this dataset
- ★ **Shape** - There are 568 rows and 30 columns of data
- ★ Training and testing data have a 70:30 split
- ★ Optimal Parameters for training the SVM were:
 - **Kernel** - RBF
 - **C** - 0.5
 - **Gamma** - 0.0001

Result - Confusion Matrix

- ★ TN - 61 / 63
- ★ TP - 106 / 108
- ★ FN - 2 / 63
- ★ FP - 2 / 108



★ [Link to Program](#)

Result - Classification Report

★ accuracy score: 97.66%

★ precision score: 98.15%

★ recall score: 98.15%

★ f1 score: 98.15%

★ MSE (Mean Square Error) = 2.34%

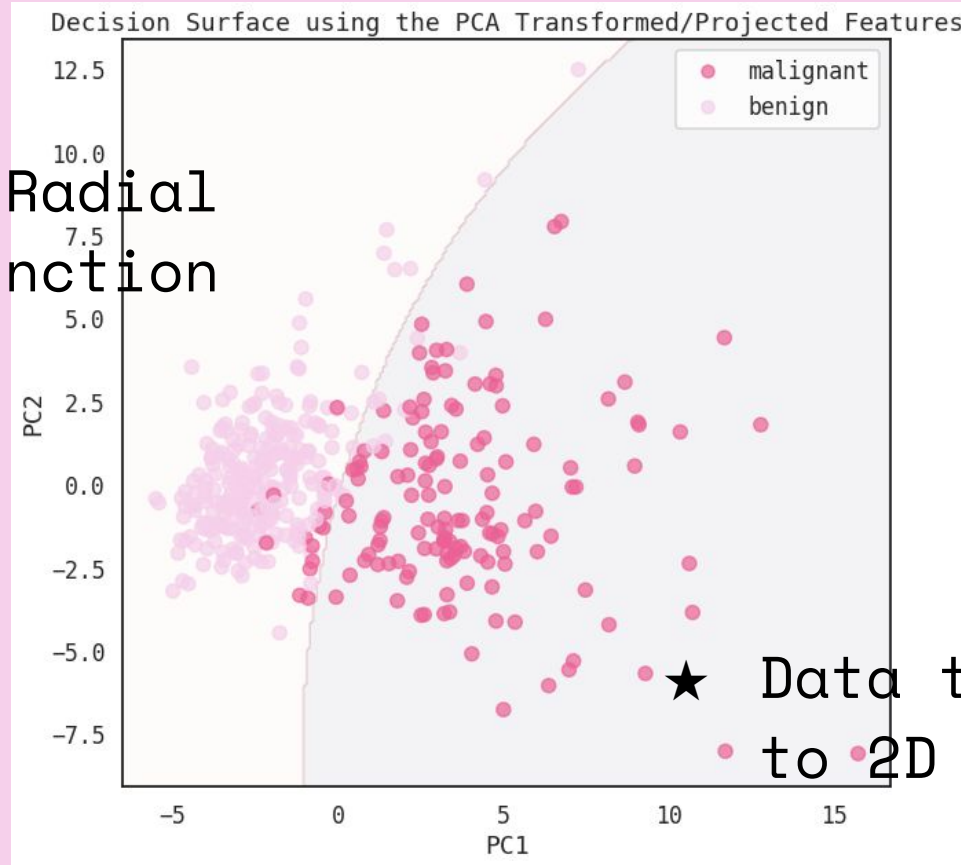
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classification report:

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	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.97	0.97	0.97	63
1	0.98	0.98	0.98	108
accuracy			0.98	171
macro avg	0.97	0.97	0.97	171
weighted avg	0.98	0.98	0.98	171

Result - Decision Boundary - PCA

★ Using a Radial Basis Function Kernel



★ Data transformed to 2D using PCA

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