

# CS 391L Machine Learning Assignment 3

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## Problem 1

(a)

$$\text{Cov}(y) = E((y - E(y))(y - E(y))^T) \quad (1)$$

$$= E((Ax + b - E(Ax + b))(Ax + b - E(Ax + b))^T) \quad (2)$$

$$= E((Ax - E(Ax))(Ax - E(Ax))^T) \quad \text{Linearity of } E \quad (3)$$

$$= AE((x - E(x))(x - E(x))^T)A^T \quad (4)$$

$$= A\Sigma A^T \quad \text{Def. of Cov.} \quad (5)$$

(b) Base case: when  $k = 0$ ,  $Ix = \lambda^0 x$ . When  $k = 1$ , by the definition of eigenvalue and eigenvector,  $Ax = \lambda x$ .

Inductive hypothesis: assume  $A^k x = \lambda^k x$  for some  $k \in N$ . Want to show  $A^{k+1}x = \lambda^{k+1}x$ .

$$A^k x = \lambda^k x \quad \text{I.H.} \quad (6)$$

$$A^{k+1}x = A\lambda^k x \quad (7)$$

$$A^{k+1}x = \lambda^k Ax \quad (8)$$

$$A^{k+1}x = \lambda^{k+1}x \quad Ax = \lambda x \quad (9)$$

If  $k < 0$ , we already know  $A^{-k}x = \lambda^{-k}x$ . By algebra,  $\lambda^k A^{-k}x = x$ ,  $\lambda^k x = A^k x$ .

## Problem 2

(a)

$$r = 1 - \frac{H(Y|X)}{H(X)} \quad (10)$$

$$= \frac{H(X) - H(Y|X)}{H(X)} \quad (11)$$

$$= \frac{I(Y|X)}{H(X)} \quad \text{Def. of Mutual Information} \quad (12)$$

(b)  $H(Y|X) \geq 0$ ,  $H(X) > 0$ . So  $\frac{H(Y|X)}{H(X)} \geq 0$ ,  $1 - \frac{H(Y|X)}{H(X)} \leq 1$ .

$H(Y|X) < H(X)$ , so  $\frac{H(Y|X)}{H(X)} < 1$ ,  $1 - \frac{H(Y|X)}{H(X)} > 0$ .

Therefore,  $0 \leq r \leq 1$ .

(c)  $r = 0$  when two variables are independent.  $r = 1$  when two variables are perfectly correlated.

## Problem 3

(a)  $\tanh x = \frac{\sinh x}{\cosh x} = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}} = \frac{1 - e^{-2x}}{1 + e^{-2x}}$ . Compared to  $\frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$ ,  $\tanh$  has a steeper slope.

To be an appropriate sigmoid function,  $\tanh$  needs to be scaled to range of  $[0, 1]$ .

(b) We know  $W^k$  is  $2 \times 2$ .

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial w_{ij}^k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial w_{ij}^k} (\lambda^{k+1})^T g(W^k x^k) \quad (13)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial w_{ij}^k} (\lambda_1^{k+1} g(w_{11}x_1^k + w_{12}x_2^k) + \lambda_2^{k+1} g(w_{21}x_1^k + w_{22}x_2^k)) \quad (14)$$

$$= \lambda_1^{k+1} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_{ij}^k} g(w_{11}x_1^k + w_{12}x_2^k) + \lambda_2^{k+1} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_{ij}^k} g(w_{21}x_1^k + w_{22}x_2^k) \quad (15)$$

Therefore, for  $w_{11}, w_{12}, w_{21}, w_{22}$ , there is  $\frac{\partial H}{\partial w_{ij}^k} = \lambda^{k+1} x_j^k g'(w_i^k x^k)$ .

## Problem 4

(a) The code for computing these results is attached separately.

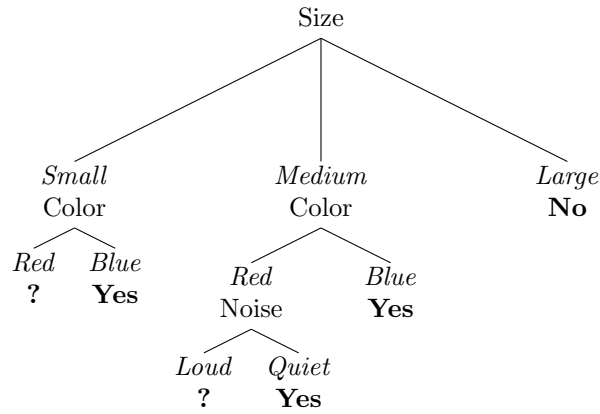
$IG(\text{Color}) = 0.1043$   
 $IG(\text{Size}) = 0.4086$   
 $IG(\text{Noise}) = 0.0207$

For small size,  
 $IG(\text{Color}) = 0.3219$   
 $IG(\text{Noise}) = 0.0729$

For medium size,  
 $IG(\text{Color}) = 0.1226$   
 $IG(\text{Noise}) = 0.1226$

For large size, IG is clearly 0.

The decision tree is



- (b) If the event of missing a datum is uniformly random over all the attributes, then it doesn't harm if we simply delete that line.

## Problem 5

- (a)  $\min \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$  such that  $A = \pi r\sqrt{r^2 + h^2} + \pi r^2$ ,

Use Lagrange multiplier,  $H = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h + \lambda(\pi r\sqrt{r^2 + h^2} + \pi r^2 - A)$ .

## Problem 6

Each node has  $m$  possible attributes. So there are no more than  $m^n$  configuration of the decision tree. The number of different classifiers is also no more than  $m^n$ .

We know that for data set with size of  $k$ , a decision tree should have  $2^k$  decisions. So the VC dimension is  $\log_2 m^n = n \log_2 m = O(n \log(m))$ .

## Problem 7

The smallest positive integer  $p$  is 2.

When  $p = 1$ ,  $k(x, x_i) = 1 + x^T x_i = 1 + x_1 x_{i1} + x_2 x_{i2}$ . So  $\Phi(x) = (1, x_1, x_2)^T$ . Clearly, as  $(x_1, x_2)$  cannot be separated by SVM, adding a bias of 1 doesn't help either.

When  $p = 2$  — same case as the class note —  $k(x, x_i) = (1 + x^T x_i)^2 = (1 + x_1 x_{i1} + x_2 x_{i2})^2 = 1 + x_1^2 x_{i1}^2 + x_2^2 x_{i2}^2 + 2x_1 x_{i1} + 2x_2 x_{i2} + 2x_1 x_{i1} x_2 x_{i2}$ . Then  $\Phi(x) = (1, x_1^2, x_2^2, \sqrt{2}x_1, \sqrt{2}x_2, \sqrt{2}x_1 x_2)^T$ .

Let  $\lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \\ \lambda_3 \\ \lambda_4 \end{pmatrix}$ .  $Q(\lambda) = I\lambda - \frac{1}{2}\lambda^T A \lambda$ , where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 9 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 9 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$ , the

elements of which are computed by the kernel function. The solution is  $\lambda_i = \frac{1}{8}$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ . They are all support vectors, and they are linearly separable.

Using a value of  $p$  larger than minimum would unnecessarily map the data to higher dimension. The classifier becomes more flexible in lower dimension, and thus may overfit the data.

However, if it has a regularization term, it doesn't have such downside. For example, if the regularization term is  $\|w\|_1$ , then it becomes sparse coding.