

# Kernel methods for machine learning

## Homework 2

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### Exercise 1. Support Vector Classifier

1. (a) The Lagrangian writes :

$$L(f, b, \xi, \alpha, \mu) = \frac{1}{2} f^T K f + C \xi^T \mathbf{1} - \xi^T (\alpha + \mu) + \alpha^T \mathbf{1} - b \alpha^T y - (\text{diag}(y) \alpha)^T K f$$

- (b) We get the dual problem by taking the infimum on  $(f, b, \xi)$  :

$$\max_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^n} \alpha^T \mathbf{1} - \frac{1}{2} (\text{diag}(y) \alpha)^T K (\text{diag}(y) \alpha)$$

with constraints :

$$0 \leq \alpha_i \leq C, \alpha^T y = 0$$

We can express  $f(x)$  in function of  $\alpha$  :

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \alpha_i K(x, x_i)$$

- (c) With strong duality we get

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_i (1 - x_i - y_i (f(x_i) + b)) = 0 \\ (C - \alpha_i) \xi_i = 0 \end{cases}$$

It implies that

$$0 < \alpha_i < C \iff y_i (f(x_i) + b) = 1$$

which characterizes the support vector points.

2. (a)

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class RBF:
    def __init__(self, sigma=1.):
        self.sigma = sigma  ## the variance of the kernel
    def kernel(self, X, Y):
        ## Input vectors X and Y of shape Nxd and Mxd
        X2 = (X**2).sum(axis=-1) # size N
        Y2 = (Y**2).sum(axis=-1) # size M
        XdotY = X.dot(Y.T)
        diff2 = X2[:,None] + Y2[None,:] - 2*XdotY
        return np.exp(-diff2/(2*self.sigma**2))  ## Matrix of shape NxM

class Linear:
    def kernel(self, X, Y):
        ## Input vectors X and Y of shape Nxd and Mxd
        return X.dot(Y.T)
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Figure 1: RBF and Linear kernels

(b)

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def fit(self, X, y):
    """ You might define here any variable needed for the rest of the code """
    self.X = X
    self.y = y
    K = self.kernel(X, X)
    N = len(y)

    # Lagrange dual problem
    def loss(alpha):
        return -np.sum(alpha) + (y*alpha).T@K@(y*alpha) / 2

    # Partial derivate of Lagrange dual on alpha
    def grad_loss(alpha):
        return -np.ones_like(N) + np.diag(y)@K@(y*alpha)

    # Constraints on alpha of the shape :
    # - d - C*alpha == 0
    # - b - A*alpha >= 0

    fun_eq = lambda alpha: alpha@y # '''-----function defining the equality constraint-----
    jac_eq = lambda alpha: y # '''-----jacobian wrt alpha of the equality constraint-----
    fun_ineq = lambda alpha: np.concatenate((alpha, self.C*alpha)) # '''-----function defining the in
    I = np.zeros((2*N, N))
    I[:N,:] = np.eye(N)
    I[N,:] = -np.eye(N)
    jac_ineq = lambda alpha: I # '''-----jacobian wrt alpha of the inequality constraint-----

    constraints = ({'type': 'eq', 'fun': fun_eq, 'jac': jac_eq},
                  {'type': 'ineq',
                   'fun': fun_ineq,
                   'jac': jac_ineq})

    optRes = optimize.minimize(fun=lambda alpha: loss(alpha),
                              x0=np.ones(N),
                              method='SLSQP',
                              jac=lambda alpha: grad_loss(alpha),
                              constraints=constraints)

    self.alpha = optRes.x

    ## Assign the required attributes

    self.support = self.X[(self.epsilon<self.alpha) & (self.alpha < self.C)]
    fx = (self.alpha[:,None]*y[:,None]*K).sum(axis=-1)
    self.b = np.mean(y[(self.epsilon<self.alpha) & (self.alpha < self.C)] \
                    * fx[(self.epsilon<self.alpha) & (self.alpha < self.C)]) # ''' -----offset of the
    self.norm_f = np.sum(((y*self.alpha)@K@(y*self.alpha))**2) # '''-----RKHS norm of the fu

    self.y = y[(self.epsilon<self.alpha) & (self.alpha < self.C)]
    self.alpha = self.alpha[(self.epsilon<self.alpha) & (self.alpha < self.C)]

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Figure 2: Method *fit* of the KernelSVC class

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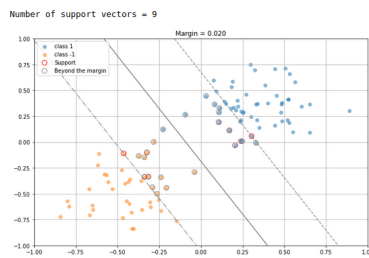
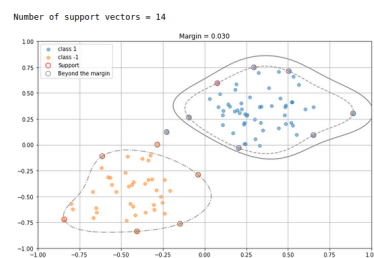
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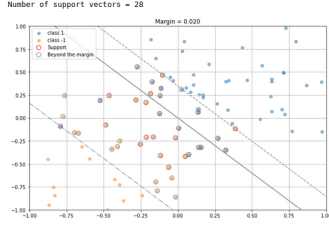
""" Implementation of the separating function """
def separating_function(self,x):
    # Input : matrix x of shape N data points times d dimension
    # Output: vector of size N
    similarity_matrix = self.kernel(x, self.support)
    separating_fun = (similarity_matrix*self.y[None,:]*self.alpha[None,:]).sum(axis=-1)
    return separating_fun

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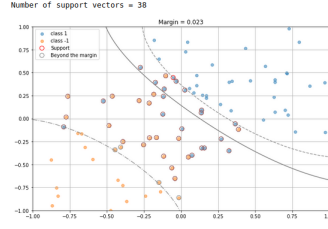
Figure 3: Method *separating\_function* of the KernelSVC class

(d)

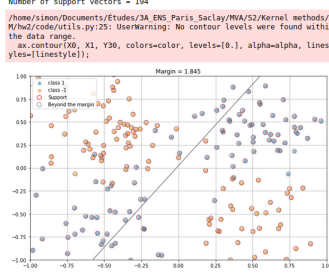
(a) Linear kernel.  $C = 0.5$ (b) RBF kernel.  $\sigma = 0.3, C = 2$



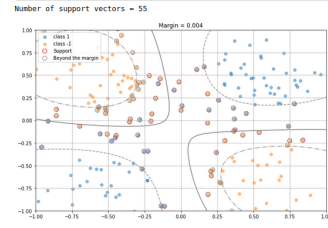
(a) Linear kernel.  $C = 3, \varepsilon = 10^{-11}$



(b) RBF kernel.  $\sigma = 1, C = 1$



(c) Linear kernel.  $C = 1$



(d) RBF kernel.  $\sigma = 0.6, C = 1.5$

Figure 5: SVM classification for several point clouds, using linear and RBF kernels.

## Exercise 2. Kernel Ridge Regression

1. According to the representer theorem, the regression function  $f$  can be expressed as

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i K(x, x_i) + b$$

with  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^N$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}$

The optimization problem can be rewritten as

$$\min_{\alpha, b} \frac{1}{N} \|K\alpha - y + b\mathbf{1}\|_2^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \alpha^T K \alpha$$

Let  $K$  be the Gram matrix of  $(x_i)_{1 \leq i \leq N}$ .

Then, let  $A$  be the square matrix of size  $N + 1$  with  $K$  in the top left corner and zero entries otherwise.

Let  $B$  the matrix  $K$  with an additional column of ones.

Then the solution of the problem is  $(\alpha^*, b^*)^T = (B^T B + \frac{N\lambda}{2} A)^{-1} B^T y$

2. (a)

(b)

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def fit(self, X, y):
    N = len(y)
    K = self.kernel(X, X)
    A = np.zeros((N+1, N+1))
    A[:N, :N] = K
    B = np.zeros((N, N+1))
    B[:, :N] = K
    B[:, N] = 1
    self.support = X
    theta = np.linalg.solve(B.T@B + self.lmbda*N / 2 * A, B.T@y)
    self.b = theta[-1]
    self.alpha = theta[:-1]

    """ Implementation of the separating function $f$ """
    def regression_function(self, x):
        # Input : matrix x of shape N data points times d dimension
        # Output: vector of size N
        similarity_matrix = kernel(x, self.support)
        regression = similarity_matrix.dot(self.alpha)
        return regression

def fit(self, X, y):
    N, q = y.shape
    self.support = X
    K = self.kernel(X, X)
    self.b = np.zeros(q)
    self.alpha = np.zeros((q, N))
    A = np.zeros((N+1, N+1))
    A[:N, :N] = K
    B = np.zeros((N, N+1))
    B[:, :N] = K
    B[:, N] = 1
    theta = np.linalg.solve(B.T@B + self.lmbda*N / 2 * A, B.T@y)
    self.b = theta[-1, :]
    self.alpha = theta[:-1, :]

    """ Implementation of the separating function $f$ """
    def regression_function(self, x):
        # Input : matrix x of shape N data points times d dimension
        # Output: vector of size N
        q = len(self.b)
        n, d = x.shape
        similarity_matrix = kernel(x, self.support)
        outputs = similarity_matrix.dot(self.alpha)
        return outputs
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Figure 6: Methods *fit* and *regression\_function* for the classes KernelRR and MultivariateKernelRR

(c)

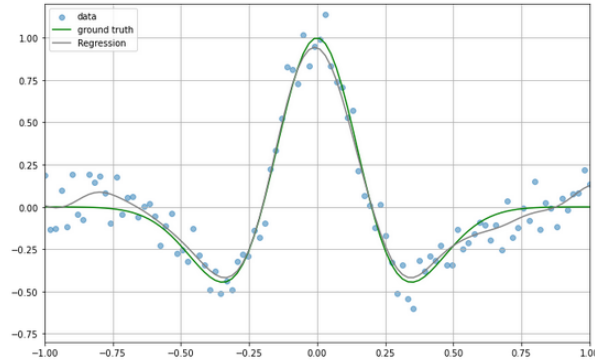


Figure 7: Univariate kernel ridge regression with RBF kernel.  $\sigma = 0.1, \lambda = 0.01$

### Exercise 3. Kernel PCA

1. Let  $v$  be a non trivial eigenvector of  $C$  and  $\lambda > 0$  it's associated eigenvalue. Then

$$\lambda v = Cv = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \underbrace{\langle \tilde{\varphi}(X_i), v \rangle}_{\alpha_i} \tilde{\varphi}(X_i) \text{ It follows that } \lambda \alpha_i = \sum_{k=1}^N G_{k,i} \alpha_k \text{ where } G_{i,j} =$$

$$\frac{1}{N} \langle \tilde{\varphi}(X_i), \tilde{\varphi}(X_j) \rangle$$

2. (a)

(b)

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def compute_PCA(self, X):
    # assigns the vectors
    self.support = X
    N = X.shape[0]
    K = self.kernel(X, X)
    G = K - K.mean(axis=-1)[None, :] - K.mean(axis=-1)[None, :] + K.mean() #

    self.G = G
    eigvalues, eigvectors = np.linalg.eigh(self.G)
    eigvalues = eigvalues[::-1]
    eigvectors = eigvectors[:,::-1]
    self.lmbda = eigvalues[self.r]
    self.alpha = eigvectors[:,self.r]/np.sqrt(self.lmbda)[None,:]

def transform(self,x):
    # Input : matrix x of shape N data points times d dimension
    # Output: vector of size N
    N, d = x.shape
    n = self.support.shape[0]
    ones = np.ones((n, n)) / n
    K = self.kernel(self.support, self.support)
    G = self.kernel(x, self.support) # N x n
    output = np.zeros((N, self.r))
    G = G - G.mean(axis=-1)[None, :] - K.mean(axis=-1)[None, :] + K.mean()
    output = G.dot(self.alpha)

    return output

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Figure 8: Methods *compute\_PCA* and *transform* of the class KernelPCA

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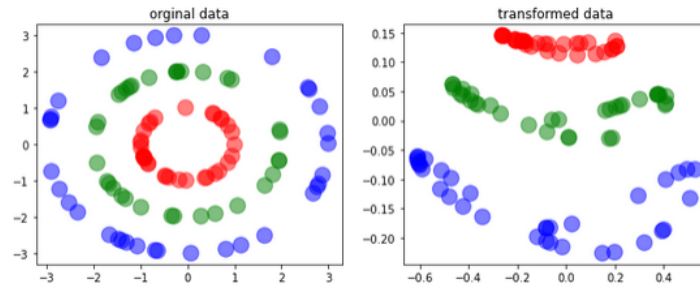


Figure 9: Kernel PCA for a dataset of circles with RBF kernel for  $\sigma = 4$ . I display the transformed data along the second and third components.

3. (a)

(b)

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class Denoiser:
    def __init__(self, kernel_encoder, kernel_decoder, dim_pca, lmbda):
        self.pca = KernelPCA(kernel_encoder, r=dim_pca)
        self.ridge_reg = MultivariateKernelRR(kernel_decoder, lmbda=lmbda)

    def fit(self, train):
        self.pca.compute_PCA(train)
        encoding = self.pca.transform(train)
        self.ridge_reg.fit(encoding, train)

    def denoise(self, test):
        n, d = test.shape
        encoding = self.pca.transform(test)
        denoised_data = self.ridge_reg.predict(encoding)
        return denoised_data.reshape(n, int(np.sqrt(d)), int(np.sqrt(d)))

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Figure 10: Implementation of a Denoiser using Kernel PCA and Multivariate Kernel Ridge Regression.

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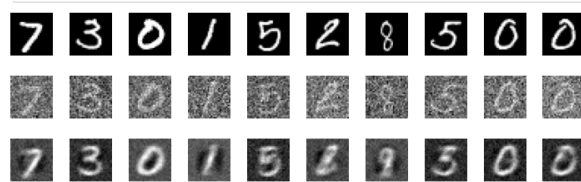


Figure 11: Result of the denoiser for a sample of the MNIST dataset.  $\dim\_pca = 400, \lambda = 10^{-3}/2, \sigma_{\text{encoder}} = 15, \sigma_{\text{decoder}} = 10$ .

Tuning hyperparameters to makes the denoiser working is quite challenging. It gives visually satisfying results.