

# NCTU Introduction to Machine Learning, Homework 4

**Deadline: Nov. 29, 23:59**

## Part. 1, Coding (50%):

In this coding assignment, you need to implement the cross-validation and grid search using only NumPy, then train the [SVM model from scikit-learn](#) on the provided dataset and test the performance with testing data. Find the sample code and data on the GitHub page

[https://github.com/NCTU-VRDL/CS\\_AT0828/tree/main/HW4](https://github.com/NCTU-VRDL/CS_AT0828/tree/main/HW4)

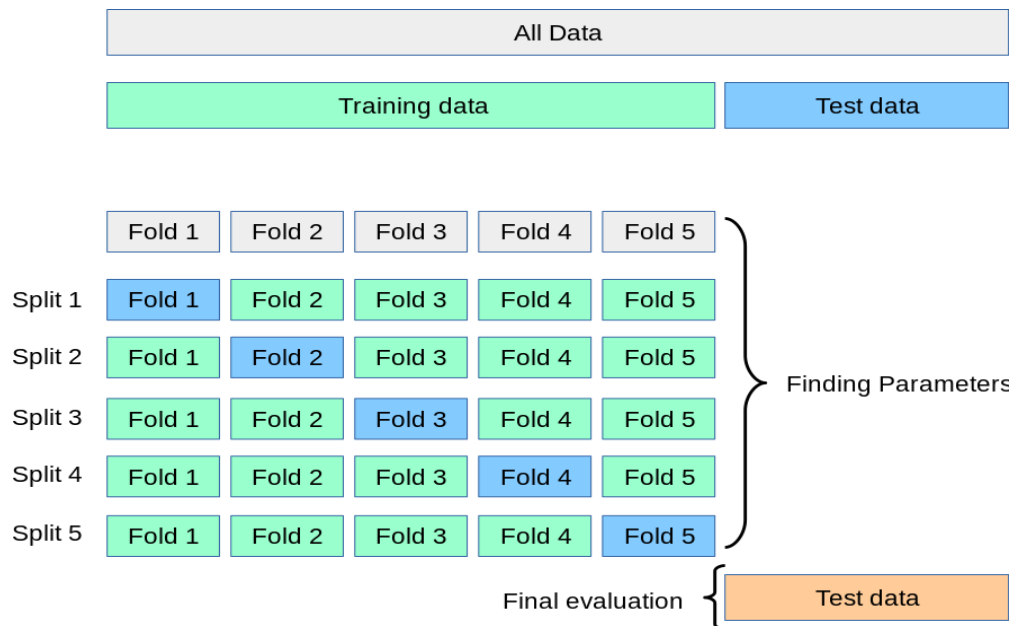
**Please note that only NumPy can be used to implement cross-validation and grid search. You will get no points by simply calling [sklearn.model\\_selection.GridSearchCV](#).**

1. (10%) K-fold data partition: Implement the K-fold cross-validation function. Your function should take K as an argument and return a list of lists (*len(list) should equal to K*), which contains K elements. Each element is a list containing two parts, the first part contains the index of all training folds (index\_x\_train, index\_y\_train), e.g., Fold 2 to Fold 5 in split 1. The second part contains the index of the validation fold, e.g., Fold 1 in split 1 (index\_x\_val, index\_y\_val)

Note: You need to handle if the sample size is not divisible by K. Using the strategy from [sklearn](#). The first  $n\_samples \% n\_splits$  folds have size  $n\_samples // n\_splits + 1$ , other folds have size  $n\_samples // n\_splits$ , where  $n\_samples$  is the number of samples,  $n\_splits$  is K,  $\%$  stands for modulus,  $//$  stands for integer division. See this [post](#) for more details

Note: Each of the samples should be used **exactly once** as the validation data

Note: Please **shuffle** your data before partition



- (20%) Grid Search & Cross-validation: using [sklearn.svm.SVC](#) to train a classifier on the provided train set and conduct the grid search of “C” and “gamma,” “kernel”=’rbf’ to find the best hyperparameters by cross-validation. Print the best hyperparameters you found.

Note: We suggest using K=5

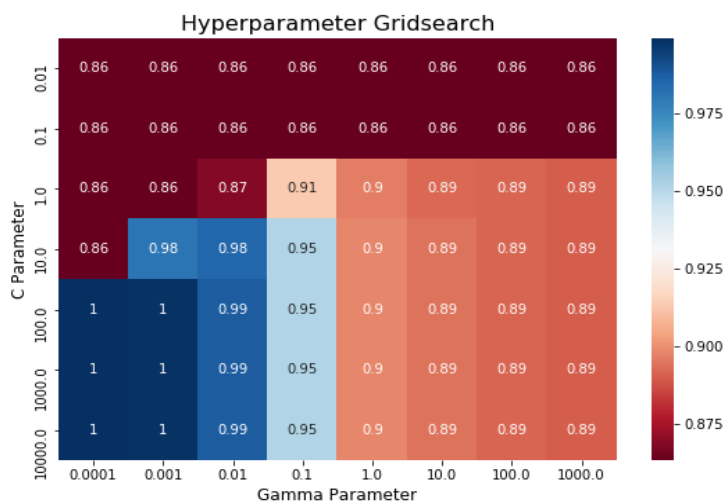
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print(best_parameters)
(1.0, 0.0001)
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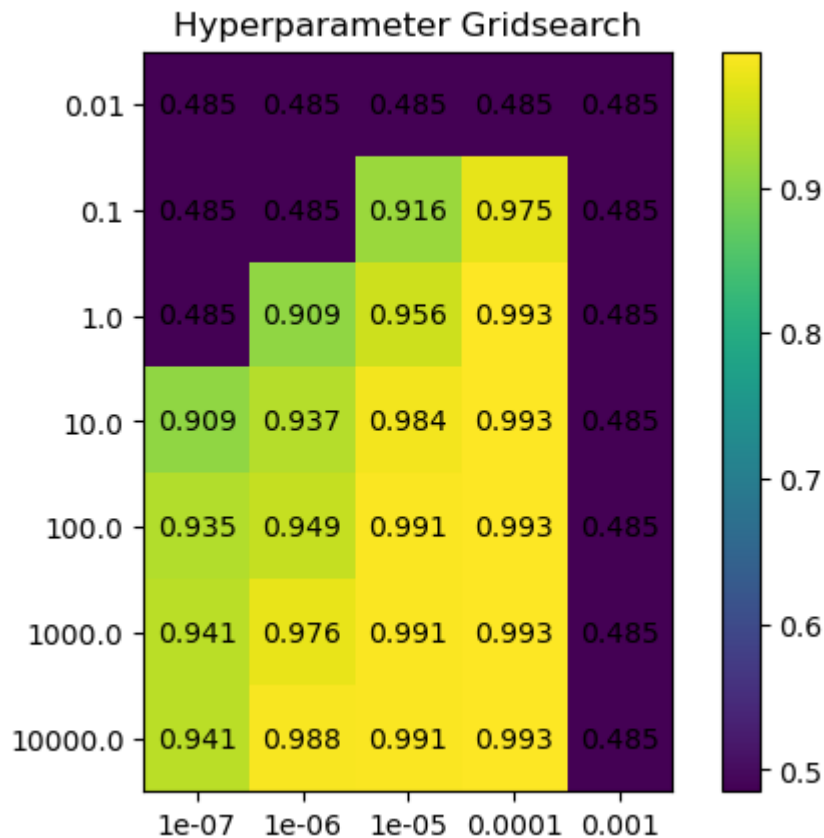
C=1.0, gamma = 0.0001

- (10%) Plot the grid search results of your SVM. The x and y represent “gamma” and “C” hyperparameters, respectively. And the color represents the average score of validation folds.

*Note: This image is for reference, not the answer*

*Note: [matplotlib](#) is allowed to use*





4. (10%) Train your SVM model by the best hyperparameters you found from question 2 on the whole training data and evaluate the performance on the test set.

Accuracy	Your scores
$\text{acc} > 0.9$	10points
$0.85 \leq \text{acc} \leq 0.9$	5 points
$\text{acc} < 0.85$	0 points

## Part. 2, Questions (50%):

(10%) Show that the kernel matrix  $K = [k(x_n, x_m)]_{nm}$  should be positive semidefinite is the necessary and sufficient condition for  $k(x, x')$  to be a valid kernel.

1. If  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}) = \phi^T(\vec{x})\phi(\vec{x})$   
 $\Rightarrow$  for  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{v}^T K \vec{v} = \sum_i \sum_j v_i v_j k_{ij} = \sum_i \sum_j v_i v_j k(\vec{x}_i, \vec{x}_j)$   
 $= \sum_i \sum_j v_i v_j \phi^T(\vec{x}_i) \phi(\vec{x}_j) = \left( \sum_i v_i \phi(\vec{x}_i) \right)^T \left( \sum_j v_j \phi(\vec{x}_j) \right) = \left\| \sum_i v_i \phi(\vec{x}_i) \right\|^2 \geq 0$  — ①  
 If  $\vec{v}^T K \vec{v} \geq 0$ , suppose  $K$  is symmetric  $\Rightarrow K = V \Lambda V^T$   
 if  $\vec{e}$  is the eigenvector of  $K$   
 $\Rightarrow \vec{e}^T K \vec{e} = \lambda \vec{e}^T \vec{e} = \lambda \|\vec{e}\|^2 \geq 0$ , thus,  $\lambda \geq 0$   
 Let  $\phi(\vec{x}_i) = \begin{bmatrix} v_{i1} \\ v_{i2} \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\phi^T(\vec{x}_i) \phi(\vec{x}_j) = \sum_k v_{ik} v_{jk} = (V \Lambda V^T)_{ij} = K_{ij}$  — ②  
 by ①, ②,  $K$  is positive semi-definite  
 is necessary and sufficient for  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x})$  to be valid.

(10%) Given a valid kernel  $k_1(x, x')$ , explain that  $k(x, x') = \exp(k_1(x, x'))$  is also a valid kernel. Your answer may mention some terms like \_\_\_\_\_ series or \_\_\_\_\_ expansion.

2.  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = \exp(k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}'))$   
 $= 1 + k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') + \frac{k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')^2}{2!} + \frac{k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')^3}{3!} + \dots$  (Taylor series)  
 We know that  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') \cdot k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$  is a valid kernel,  
 and  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = c k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$  is also a valid kernel, thus, for  $n \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{R}^+$   
 $k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')^n$  is also a valid kernel, and by  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = k_a(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') + k_b(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$   
 $\sum_{i=1}^m k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')^i$  is also valid, and 1 is also a valid  
 kernel if we let  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = 1 = \phi^T(\vec{x})\phi(\vec{x}')$ , where  $\phi(\vec{x}) = 1$ , by  
 $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = k_a(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') + k_b(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$ ,  $1 + \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')^i}{i!}$  is also valid, thus,  
 $\exp(k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}'))$  is a valid kernel.

(20%) Given a valid kernel  $k_1(x, x')$ , prove that the following proposed functions are or are not valid kernels. If one is not a valid kernel, give an example of  $k(x, x')$  that the corresponding  $K$  is not positive semidefinite and show its eigenvalues.

- $k(x, x') = k_1(x, x') + 1$
- $k(x, x') = k_1(x, x') - 1$
- $k(x, x') = k_1(x, x')^2 + \exp(\|x\|^2) * \exp(\|x'\|^2)$
- $k(x, x') = k_1(x, x')^2 + \exp(k_1(x, x')) - 1$

3.

a) By  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = k_a(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') + k_b(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$ , we know that if 1 is <sup>a</sup> valid kernel, then  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$  is a valid kernel, and 1 is valid if we let  $k_2(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = 1 = \phi^T(\vec{x}) \phi(\vec{x}')$ , where  $\phi(\vec{x}) = 1$

b) Let  $k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = 0 = \phi^T(\vec{x}) \phi(\vec{x}')$  where  $\phi(\vec{x}) = 0$ , then  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = -1$ , Let  $K = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $\vec{v}^T K \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = -1 < 0$

so  $K$  is not positive semi-definite. Eigenvalue  $\lambda$  will be

$$K\vec{v} = \lambda I \vec{v} = (K - \lambda I) \vec{v} = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1-\lambda & -1 \\ -1 & -1-\lambda \end{bmatrix} \vec{v} = 0, \text{ so } (-1-\lambda)^2 - 1 = 0, \lambda = 0$$

c)  $k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')^2$  is valid since  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = k_a(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') k_b(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$  is also valid,

Assume  $k_2(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = 1 = \phi^T(\vec{x}) \phi(\vec{x}')$ , where  $\phi(\vec{x}) = 1$ ,  $k_a$  is valid

$$\text{Let } k_3(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = \exp(\|\vec{x}\|^2) k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') \exp(\|\vec{x}'\|^2) \\ = \exp(\|\vec{x}\|^2) \cdot 1 \cdot \exp(\|\vec{x}'\|^2)$$

by  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = f(x) k_a(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') f(x')$ ,  $k_3$  is valid

$$\text{so, } k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') + k_3(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$$

$= k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') + \exp(\|\vec{x}\|^2) \exp(\|\vec{x}'\|^2)$  is also valid by

$$k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = k_a(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') + k_b(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$$

d)  $k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')^2$  is valid since  $k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') \cdot k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$  and  $k_1$  is valid.  
 $\exp(k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')) = 1 + k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') + \frac{k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')^2}{2!} + \frac{k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')^3}{3!} + \dots$   
 $\exp(k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')) - 1 = k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') + \frac{k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')^2}{2!} + \dots$   
 by  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = c k_a(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') + k_b(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$ ,  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = k_a(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') \cdot k_b(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$ , we know  
 for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $m k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')^n$  is valid, and by  
 $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = k_a(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') + k_b(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$ ,  $k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') + \frac{k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')^2}{2!} + \dots$  is valid  
 which means  $\exp(k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')) - 1$  is valid, so, by  $k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') = k_a(\vec{x}, \vec{x}') + k_b(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')$   
 $k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')^2 + \exp(k_1(\vec{x}, \vec{x}')) - 1$  is valid.

(10%) Consider the optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimize } (x - 2)^2 \\ &\text{subject to } (x + 3)(x - 1) \leq 3 \end{aligned}$$

State the dual problem.

4. minimize  $(x-2)^2$  subject to  $(x+3)(x-1) \leq 3$   
 using Lagrange multiplier, we have  
 $L(x, \alpha) = x^2 - 4x + 4 + \alpha(x^2 + 2x - 6)$   
 $= (1+\alpha)x^2 + (2\alpha-4)x + (-6\alpha+4), \alpha \geq 0$   
 $\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = 2(1+\alpha)x + (2\alpha-4) = 0, \quad x = \frac{-(2\alpha-4)}{2(1+\alpha)} = \frac{2-\alpha}{1+\alpha}$   
 thus,  $L(x, \alpha)$  can be written as  $L(\alpha) = \frac{(2-\alpha)^2}{1+\alpha} + \frac{-1(\alpha-2)^2}{1+\alpha} + (4-6\alpha)$   
 $= \frac{-(\alpha-2)^2}{1+\alpha} + (4-6\alpha)$   
 so, we can state the dual problem: minimize  $(x-2)^2$  subject to  $(x+3)(x-1) \leq 3$   
 by maximize  $\frac{-(\alpha-2)^2}{1+\alpha} + (4-6\alpha)$  subject to  $\alpha \geq 0$