HW1Digits_q3

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1 Problem 3.

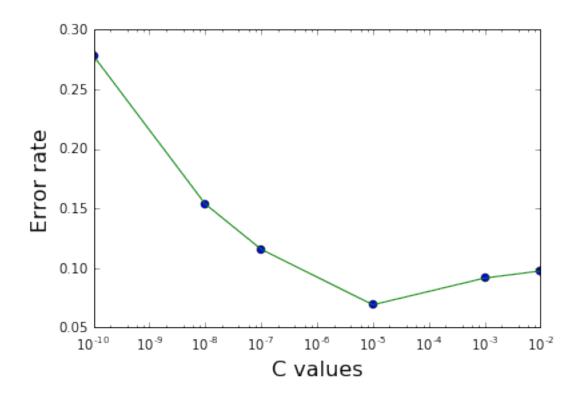
Explain why cross-validation helps. Implement cross-validation 5 and find the optimal value of the parameter C using 10- fold cross-validation on the training set with 10,000 examples. Train a linear SVM with this value of C. Please report your C value, the validation error rate, and your Kaggle score. If you used additional features, please (briefly) describe what features you added, removed, or modified.

Cross validation is important because often we have a machine learning model that depends on some parameter that we want to tune to optimize (speed, accuracy ..etc) . So cross validation splits up our sample so that we can conduct these experiments with different values of the model parameter and then it returns a score computed from the mean squared error that enable us to evaluate whether that is a good value to use for the model or find the best parameter that gives the most accurate result.

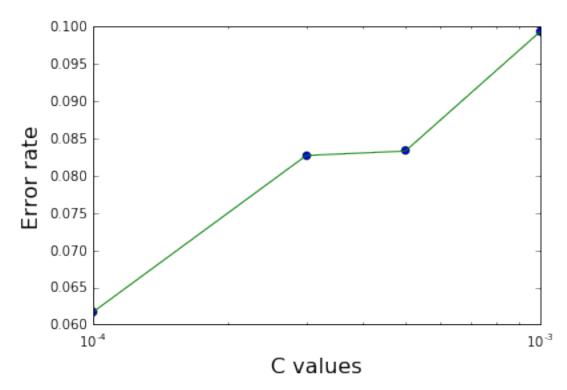
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In [2]: %pylab inline
        import sklearn.metrics
        import scipy.io
        from sklearn import svm
        DEBUG=False
        digit_data_test = scipy.io.loadmat("data/digit-dataset/test.mat")
        digit_data_train = scipy.io.loadmat("data/digit-dataset/train.mat")
        test_img= digit_data_test['test_images']
        train_img= digit_data_train['train_images']
        train_label= digit_data_train['train_labels']
        #Flatten the 28x28 images into 784 pixel long vectors
        train_img_flat=[]
        for i in np.arange(shape(train_img)[2]):
            train_img_flat.append(train_img[:,:,i].flatten())
        train_img_flat= np.array(train_img_flat)
        # Code written by Kunal Marwaha on Piazza
        import math
        #benchmark.m, converted
        def benchmark(pred_labels, true_labels):
            errors = pred_labels != true_labels
            err_rate = sum(errors) / float(len(true_labels))
            indices = errors.nonzero()
            return err_rate, indices
        #montage_images.m, converted
        def montage_images(images):
            num_images=min(1000,np.size(images,2))
            numrows=math.floor(math.sqrt(num_images))
            numcols=math.ceil(num_images/numrows)
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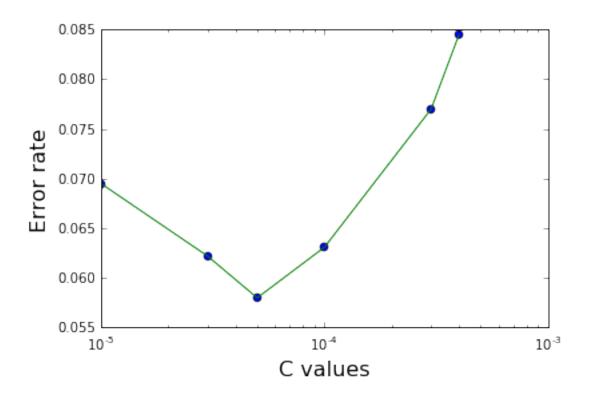
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img=np.zeros((numrows*28,numcols*28));
            for k in range(num_images):
                r = k \% numrows
                c = k // numrows
                img[r*28:(r+1)*28,c*28:(c+1)*28]=images[:,:,k];
            return img
Populating the interactive namespace from numpy and matplotlib
   Optimal C value \approx 1/N, so the good ones is around 0.0001.
In [3]: \#Setting\ up\ the\ problem\ k=10-fold\ cross\ validation
        N_{total} = 10000
        data = train_img_flat[:N_total]
        k = 10
        batch_size =shape(data)[0]/k
        if (DEBUG): print batch_size
        #Creating a list of 10000 random numbers
        s = set()
        while len(s) < N_total:
            s.add(random.randint(60000))
        rand_idx=np.array(list(s))
        np.random.shuffle(rand_idx)
In [126]: DEBUG = True
          #Creating a gigantic array of all the training sets, grouped by each batch (fold)
          mega_train_subset=[]
          mega_labels_subset=[]
          #Looping through each fold
          for i in np.arange(k)+1:
                print "Batch {}".format(i)
              train subset = []
              labels_subset = []
               print (i-1)*batch_size
          #
               print i*batch_size
                print shape(rand_idx[(i-1)*batch_size:i*batch_size])
              #Merge data for each batch into one
              for idx in rand_idx[(i-1)*batch_size:i*batch_size]:
                  train_subset.append(train_img_flat[idx])
                  labels_subset.append(train_label[:,0][idx])
              train_subset = np.array(train_subset)
              labels_subset = np.array(labels_subset)
              mega_train_subset.append(train_subset)
              mega_labels_subset.append(labels_subset)
          mega_train_subset = np.array(mega_train_subset)
          mega_labels_subset = np.array(mega_labels_subset)
          if (DEBUG): print shape(mega_train_subset)
          if (DEBUG): print shape(mega_labels_subset)
(10, 1000, 784)
(10, 1000)
In [9]: mse_lst_for_diff_C = []
        \# C_list = [1e-5, 1e-2, 1, 10, 100, 1000, 1e5, 1e8, 1e10, 1e20]
        C_{list} = [1e-10, 1e-8, 1e-7, 1e-5, 1e-3, 1e-2] #, 1000, 1e5, 1e8, 1e10]
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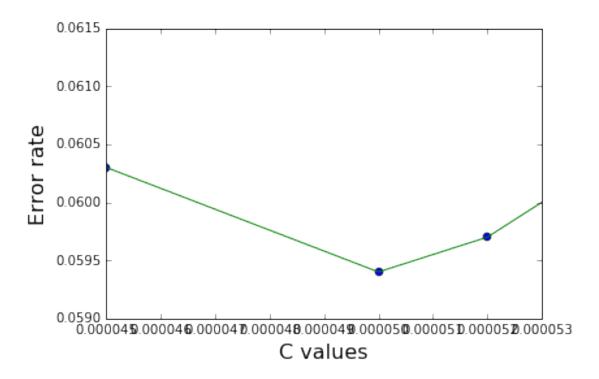
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for c in C_list:
            print "Testing C={}".format(c)
            mse_err_lst=[]
            for k_th_set in np.arange(k):
                #selecting the kth element for verification set
                verify_data = mega_train_subset[k_th_set]
                verify_labels = mega_labels_subset[k_th_set]
                #select only the ones EXCLUDING the kth element for training
                train_data = np.concatenate((mega_train_subset[:k_th_set-1,:,:],mega_train_subset[k_th_
                #Merging all the kth batches into one large datafile
                train_data = train_data.reshape((shape( train_data)[0]*batch_size,shape(train_data)[2]
                train_labels = np.concatenate((mega_labels_subset[:k_th_set-1],mega_labels_subset[k_th_
                train_labels = train_labels.reshape((shape(train_labels)[0]*batch_size,))
                 print shape(train_labels)[0]*batch_size
        #
                 print shape(train_data)
                 print shape(train_labels)
                 clf = svm.SVC(kernel="linear", C=c)
                clf = svm.LinearSVC(C=c)
                clf.fit(train_data,train_labels)
                result = clf.predict(verify_data)
                mse = benchmark(verify_labels, result)[0]
                 print mse
                mse_err_lst.append(mse)
              print "average mse: ", mean(mse_err_lst)
            mse_lst_for_diff_C.append(mean(mse_err_lst))
Testing C=1e-10
Testing C=1e-08
Testing C=1e-07
Testing C=1e-05
Testing C=0.001
Testing C=0.01
In [10]: print C_list
        print mse_lst_for_diff_C
[1e-10, 1e-08, 1e-07, 1e-05, 0.001, 0.01]
[0.277899999999998, 0.1537, 0.1157999999999999, 0.06919999999998, 0.0915999999999987, 0.097599
In [13]: plt.xlabel("C values",fontsize=16)
         plt.ylabel("Error rate",fontsize=16)
         plt.semilogx(C_list,mse_lst_for_diff_C,'o')
         plt.semilogx(C_list,mse_lst_for_diff_C,'-')
Out[13]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x7f9a2eaafa10>]
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In [17]: mse_lst_for_diff_C = []
         C_{list} = [1e-5, 5e-5, 1e-6, 5e-6]
         for c in C_list:
             print "Testing C={}".format(c)
             mse_err_lst=[]
             for k_th_set in np.arange(k):
                 #selecting the kth element for verification set
                 verify_data = mega_train_subset[k_th_set]
                 verify_labels = mega_labels_subset[k_th_set]
                 #select only the ones EXCLUDING the kth element for training
                 train_data = np.concatenate((mega_train_subset[:k_th_set-1,:,:],mega_train_subset[k_th
                 #Merging all the kth batches into one large datafile
                 train_data = train_data.reshape((shape( train_data)[0]*batch_size,shape(train_data)[2]
                 train_labels = np.concatenate((mega_labels_subset[:k_th_set-1],mega_labels_subset[k_th
                 train_labels = train_labels.reshape((shape(train_labels)[0]*batch_size,))
         #
                   print shape(train_labels)[0]*batch_size
                   print shape(train_data)
                   print shape(train_labels)
                   clf = svm.SVC(kernel="linear", C=c)
                 clf = svm.LinearSVC(C=c)
                 clf.fit(train_data,train_labels)
                 result = clf.predict(verify_data)
                 mse = benchmark(verify_labels, result)[0]
                   print mse
                 mse_err_lst.append(mse)
               print "average mse: ", mean(mse_err_lst)
             mse_lst_for_diff_C.append(mean(mse_err_lst))
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Best C values is 5e-5 for N=10000 dataset

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          test_img= digit_data_test['test_images'].T
          train_img= digit_data_train['train_images']
          train_label= digit_data_train['train_labels']
          test_img_flat=[]
          for i in np.arange(shape(test_img)[2]):
              test_img_flat.append(test_img[:,:,i].flatten())
          test_img_flat= np.array(test_img_flat)
          clf = svm.LinearSVC(C=5e-5)
          clf.fit(train_data,train_labels)
          result = clf.predict(test_img_flat)
          a = numpy.array([np.arange(1,10001),result],dtype=np.int64).T
          print shape(a)
          numpy.savetxt("Submission.csv", a, delimiter=",",fmt='%i')
(10000, 2)
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Training with 60000 images to increase Kaggle score.

Now the Kaggle score went up from 0.83280 to 0.88520! No additional feature was added or removed for my classifier.