Math

Definition (Positive Semidefinite, PSD):

$$M \text{ is PSD if } \langle v, Mv \rangle = v^\top M v \geq 0, \forall v \in \mathbb{R}^d, M \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$$

 $\begin{aligned} \textbf{Proposition} & \text{ (Convex Functions): A twice differentiable function } f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R} \text{ is convex if and only if } \\ \text{the Hessian } \nabla^2 f(x) \text{ is positive semi-definite for all } \\ x \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{aligned}$

Proposition (Fermat's necessary condition): If w is a local extreme of f, then $\nabla f(w) = 0$. If f is convex the condition is \iff .

Halfspaces & The Perceptron Algorithm

 $\begin{aligned} \textbf{Definition} & \text{ (Binary classification): Given } n \text{ known} \\ \text{pairs } & \{(\boldsymbol{x}_i, y_i)\} \text{ where } x_i \in \mathbb{R}^d, y_i \in \{\pm 1\} \text{ we want} \\ \text{to learn a classification rule} \end{aligned}$

$$h(\mathbf{x}) = y$$
 Such that,
 $\mathbb{P}_{(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \sim P}[h(\mathbf{x}) = y]$ is Large

$$h(\boldsymbol{x}) = \operatorname{sign}(\boldsymbol{w}^{\top}\boldsymbol{x} + b)$$

 \boldsymbol{w} : Feature Weights , b : Bias

Algorithm (Perceptron):

$$\begin{aligned} &\textbf{Note} \text{ (Padding): } \vec{x_i}' = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_d, 1)^\top, \\ &\textbf{\textit{w}} = (\textit{w}_1, \textit{w}_1, ..., \textit{w}_d, b). \text{ We can write } \langle \textbf{\textit{w}}, \vec{x}' \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\forall (\boldsymbol{x}, y) \in D, y(\vec{u}^{\top} \boldsymbol{x}) > \gamma$$

 $\label{eq:Theorem} \textbf{Theorem} \mbox{ (Perceptron Convergence theorem): If D is linearly separable with margin $\gamma>0$ and $\forall (\vec{x},y)\in D, \|\vec{x}\| \leq R$ the Perceptron algorithm will converge by update$

$$\begin{split} k^2 \pmb{\gamma}^2 & \leq \left\| w_k \right\|^2 \leq k R^2, \\ k & \leq \frac{\pmb{R}^2}{\pmb{\gamma}^2} \end{split}$$

Note (Multiclass):

- • one-vs-all: Train one for each class output $\arg\max_{k=1,\dots} \left(\textbf{\textit{w}}_k^\top \textbf{\textit{x}} + b_k \right)$
- one-vs-one: For each pair (k, k') train $\boldsymbol{w}_{k,k'}$ total of $\binom{c}{2}$ perceptrons, output majority vote.

Example (Loss Functions):

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max(0,1-yf(x))=(1-yf(x))^+ & ({\rm Hinge\ Loss}) \\ \log \left(1+e^{-yf(x)}\right) & ({\rm Cross\ Entropy\ Loss}) \\ (y-f(x))^2 & ({\rm Squared\ Error}) \end{array}$$

Support Vector Machines

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Definition} & (\text{Maximum Margin Classifier})\colon & \text{For} \\ \text{dataset } \mathcal{D} = \{(\vec{x_i}, y_i)\}, y_i \in \{\pm 1\} \text{ linearly separated} \\ \text{by a hyperplane } w^\top x = -b \text{ with margin } \gamma \\ \end{array}$

$$\gamma = \min_{i} \frac{1}{\|w\|} y_i(w^\top x_i + b) = \frac{1}{\|w\|} \min_{i} y_i(w^\top x_i + b)$$

The maximum margin classifier problem is defined as

$$\hat{w}, \hat{b} = \arg\max_{w,b} \frac{1}{\|w\|} \min_i y_i (w^\top x_i + b)$$

Since scaling w, b does not affect the distance we have:

$$\begin{split} \hat{w}, \hat{b} &= \arg\max_{w,b} \frac{1}{\|w\|} \quad \text{subject to: } y_i(w^\top x_i + b) \geq 1 \forall i \\ \hat{w}, \hat{b} &= \arg\min_{1} \frac{1}{5} \|w\|^2 \quad \text{subject to: } y_i(w^\top x_i + b) \geq 1 \forall i \end{split}$$

Note (Lagrangian dual of maximum margin):

$$\min_{w,b} \max_{\lambda \geq 0} \mathcal{L}(w,b,\lambda) = \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i (y_i \hat{y}_i - 1)$$

KKT Conditions:

- Primal feasibility: $y_i\hat{y_i} 1 \ge 0$ (Each data point is correctly classified)
- Dual feasibility: $\lambda_i \ge 0$

Let $\hat{y_i} = (w^T x_i + b)$

• Complementary slackness: $\lambda_i(y_i\hat{y}_i-1)\geq 0$, either $\lambda_i=0$ (inactive), when $\lambda_i>0$ then its directly influencing the decision boundary.

Note (Hard vs Soft Margin SVM):

Hard	Soft
$rg \min_{w,b} rac{1}{2} \ w\ ^2 \qquad rg $ Subject to $y_i \hat{y_i} \geq 1$	$\underset{w,b}{\operatorname{gmin}} \frac{1}{2} \ w\ ^2 + C \sum_{i} \underbrace{(y_i \hat{y_i} - 1)^+}_{\text{Hinge Loss}}$
$\min_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}_i \geq 0} - \sum_i \boldsymbol{\lambda}_i +$	$\min_{0 \leq \boldsymbol{\lambda} \leq \boldsymbol{C}} - \sum_{i} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i} +$
$\frac{1}{2}\sum\sum\lambda_{i}\lambda_{i}y_{i}y_{j}\langle x_{i},x_{i}\rangle$	$\frac{1}{2}\sum\sum\lambda_{i}\lambda_{i}y_{i}y_{j}\langle x_{i},x_{i}\rangle$

$$\begin{split} w^\star &= \sum_{i=1}^n \pmb{\lambda}_i y_i x_i \;,\;\; \pmb{\lambda}_i \geq 0 \;\; w^\star = \sum_{i=1}^n \pmb{\lambda}_i y_i x_i \;,\;\; 0 \leq \pmb{\lambda}_i \leq \pmb{C} \\ b^\star &= \frac{1}{N_{SV}} \sum_{i \in SV} (y_i - w^\top x) \qquad b^\star = \frac{1}{N_{SV}} \sum_{i \in SV} (y_i - w^\top x) \end{split}$$

High Variance	$y_i \hat{y_i} < 0$: Incorrectly classified,
	$0 \leq y_i \hat{y_i} < 1$: Weakly correct,
	$y_i \hat{y_i} > 1$: Strong correct,

Kernel Methods

Theorem (Mercer kernels):

- (1) Any symmetric function $k : \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^r \to \mathbb{R}$ is a kernel if and only if there exists some $\phi : \mathcal{X} \mapsto \mathcal{H}$ such that $k(x, x') = \langle \phi(x), \phi(x') \rangle$
- (2) A function $k: \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^r \to \mathbb{R}$ is a Mercer kernel \iff for any $n \in \mathbb{N}, x_i \in \mathcal{X}$ the kernel matrix K with $K_{ij} = k(x_i, x_j)$ is Symmetric and PSD

Example (Kernels):

$$\exp(-\gamma \|x - x'\|_2^2) \quad \text{(Gaussian)}$$
$$\exp(-\gamma \|x - x'\|) \quad \text{(Laplace)}$$

Note (Kernel Trick SVM):

$$\begin{split} b^{\star} &= \frac{1}{N_{\text{SV}}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}_i \in \text{SV}} \left(y_i - \sum_{\mathbf{x}_j \in \text{SV}} \pmb{\lambda}_i y_i K_{ij} \right) \;, \;\; K_{ij} = k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) \\ \hat{y} &= \sum_{\mathbf{x}_i \in \text{SV}} \pmb{\lambda}_i y_i k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_i) + b^{\star} \end{split}$$

Linear Regression

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Definition} & (\mathsf{Regression}) \colon \text{ Given } n \text{ known pairs} \\ \{(\boldsymbol{x_i}, y_i)\} & \text{where } x_i \in \mathbb{R}^d, y_i \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } (\vec{x_i}, y_i) \underset{\text{iid}}{\sim} P, \\ & \text{we want to learn } h \colon \mathbb{R}^r \to \mathbb{R} \end{array}$

$$\mathbb{E}_{(\vec{x},y)\sim P}[l_w(\vec{x},y)] \text{ is small}$$

$$\Rightarrow \arg\min\frac{1}{\pi}\sum l_w(\vec{x}_i,y)$$

Where $\ell_w(\cdot,\cdot)$ is the loss function

Note (Calculus): Let $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$

$$\nabla f(\vec{x}) : \mathbb{R}^d = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, ..., \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_d}\right) \text{ (Gradient)}$$

$$\nabla^2 f(\vec{x}) : \mathbb{R}^{d \times d} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2} & ... & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_d} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} & ... & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\begin{array}{lll} \textbf{Note} & (\text{Equivalent notation of loss})\colon & \text{Let} & A \in \\ \mathbb{R}^{n \times (d+1)} \text{ be a matrix of padded feature vectors. Let} \\ z \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1} & \text{be the vector of outputs in training set.} \\ & & \text{Then we can write total loss as} \end{array}$

$$L = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\langle \boldsymbol{w}, \vec{x}' \rangle - y_i)^2$$

$$L = ||A\boldsymbol{w} - z||_2^2$$

Note (least-squares loss):

$$\begin{split} L &= \|X \boldsymbol{w} - \vec{y}\|_2^2 \\ \nabla_w L &= 2 X^\top X \boldsymbol{w} - 2 X^\top \vec{y} \\ \nabla_w^2 L &= 2 X^\top X \Rightarrow v^\top 2 X^\top X v = 2 \|Xv\|_2^2 \geq 0 \end{split}$$

least-squares loss convex. Solving for $\nabla_w L = 0$

L₂ Ridge/Tikhonov

 $\hat{\boldsymbol{w}}(XX^{\top} + \boldsymbol{\lambda}I) = X^{T}Y$

$$2X^{\top}X\mathbf{w} - 2X^{\top}\vec{y} = \vec{0} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{w}} = (X^{\top}X)^{-1}X^{T}\vec{y}$$

Note (Regularization):

 L_1 Lasso

no closed-form

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$\min_{\boldsymbol{w}} \ A\boldsymbol{w} - \vec{y}\ _2^2 + \boldsymbol{\lambda} \ \boldsymbol{w}\ _1$	$\min_{\boldsymbol{w}} \ A\boldsymbol{w} - \vec{y}\ _2^2 + \boldsymbol{\lambda} \ \boldsymbol{w}\ _2^2$
• Penalizes non-zero weights. Many w_i will be 0. Weights \boldsymbol{w} will	 Penalizes large weights, stabilizes the weights.

Definition (Entropy)

$$\begin{split} h(X) &= \mathbb{E}(-\log p(X)) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Pr[x_i] \log \Pr[x_i] = \int_{\mathcal{X}} p(x) \log p(x) dx \end{split}$$

Note (Kullback-Leibler divergence):

$$D_{KL}(P \mid\mid Q) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} P(x) \log \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$$

$$D_{KL}(P \mid\mid Q) = \int p(x) \log \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} dx$$

measures dissimilarity between a reference and model distribution (relative entropy)

Logistic regression

Note (Sigmoid Function):

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\langle \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{x} \rangle)} = \operatorname{sigmoid}(\langle \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{x} \rangle)$$

Note (Logistic Regression): log-likelihood function for logistic regression is:

$$\begin{split} \log \mathcal{L}(w \mid \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} -\log \left(1 + e^{-\tilde{y}_i \langle w, x_i \rangle}\right) \\ \tilde{y}_i &= \begin{cases} -1 \text{ if } y_i = 0 \\ +1 \text{ if } y_i = 1 \end{cases} \end{split}$$

Cross-entropy loss $l_w(x, \tilde{y}) = \log(1 + e^{-\tilde{y}(w,x)})$

Definition (Gradient descent): In Gradient descent the parameter vector w is updated in the direction opposite to ∇f with step size η (learning rate)

$$w_t = w_{t-1} - \eta \nabla f(w_{t-1})$$

For a loss function this is computed over a batch of

$$\nabla l_w(x,y) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i-1}^n \nabla l_{w_{t-1}}(x_i,y_i)$$

In Stochastic gradient descent the gradient is estimated using a random sample (minibatch) of size $\,$

$$\textit{w}_t = \textit{w}_{t-1} - \underbrace{\left(\nabla^2 \textit{I}_{\textit{w}_{t-1}} \right)^{-1}}_{\text{Inverse Hessian}} \nabla \textit{I}_{\textit{w}_{t-1}} \quad (\text{Newtons method})$$

Note (Linear vs Logistic):

	Linear	Logistic
▶ Loss	$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{(y_i - \hat{y_i})^2}{\text{Square Error}}$	$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \underbrace{\log \! \left(1 + e^{-\bar{y}_i \langle w, x \rangle} \right)}_{\text{Cross Entropy}}$
• Predict	$\hat{y}_i = \langle \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{x_i} \rangle$	$\hat{p}_i = sigmoid(\langle \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{x_i} \rangle)$
▶ Objective	$\ oldsymbol{y} - \hat{oldsymbol{y}}\ _2^2$	$KLig(rac{1+ ilde{oldsymbol{y}}}{2} \mid\mid \hat{oldsymbol{p}}ig)$
→ Gradient	$\vec{w} - \eta X(\hat{y} - y)$	$\vec{w} - \eta X (\hat{\pmb{p}} - \frac{1+\tilde{\pmb{y}}}{2})$

Note (Multiclass Logistic Regression):

$$\Pr[y = k \mid \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{w}] = \frac{e^{\langle w_k, \boldsymbol{x} \rangle}}{\sum_{i=1}^c e^{\langle w_i, \boldsymbol{x} \rangle}} = \text{softmax}$$

Non-Parametric Methods

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Definition} & (\text{Kerne Density Estimation})\colon & \text{Given} \\ \{x_1, x_2, ..., x_n\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d \text{ the Parzen estimate for probability at point } x_o \text{ is} \\ \end{array}$

$$\hat{p}(\boldsymbol{x_o}) = \frac{1}{n\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^n K_{\lambda}(\boldsymbol{x_o}, x_i)$$

Where $K_{\lambda}: \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^+$ is the kernel function. λ is a hyperparameter called length scale (or bandwidth). K_{λ} should be symmetric and shift invariant.

$$K_{\lambda(x_o,x_i)} = K\big(\frac{x_o}{\lambda} - \frac{x_i}{\lambda}\big)$$

k-Nearest Neighbors

Algorithm (KNN):

```
import numpy as np
def k_nearest_neighbors(data, k, x):
    distances = []
    for xi, yi in data:
        # Euclidean norm
        distance = np.linalg.norm(x - xi)
        distances += [(distance, yi)]
        distances.sort(key=lambda x: x[0])
        k_nearest_labels = distances[:k]
        majority_label = count(k_nearest_labels)
    return majority_label
```

Training: time: O(1), space: O(nd)

Testing: time $O(nd + n \log k)$, space: O(nd)

Note (An upper bound on KNN error rate): Cover-Hart Theorem, for classifier with k=1

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} \epsilon_{\text{1-NN}} < 2\epsilon_{\text{Bayes}} (1 - \epsilon_{\text{Bayes}})$$

 Number of samples needed to train KNN to reach lower bound on error grows exponentially.
 Euclidean distance is unhelpful in high dimensions all vectors are almost equidistant

K-Means Clustering

Algorithm (K-Means):

```
def kmeans(X, k, max_iter=300):
  N = len(X)
  CO = randint(0, high=k, size=N)
  C1 = zeros(N)
  iter = 0
  while iter < max iter:
    # Centroids of each cluster
    \mu = [mean(X[CO==i]) \text{ for } i \text{ in } 0..k]
    for i in range(N):
      # Best centrioid for x_i
      best = argmin([norm(X[i] - \mu[j])**2
                     for j in 0..k])
      C1[i] = best
      if array_equal(CO, C1):
        # No updates detected
        break
      C0 = C1
      iter += 1
  return CO
```

Bayesian Learning

Definition (Prior and Posterior): In a Bayesian approach assume the parameter θ follows a prior pdf $Pr(\theta)$.

Given a prior pdf $\Pr(\theta)$, after observing some data $\mathcal D$ belief on the probable values of θ will have changed. We get the posterior:

$$\Pr[\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathcal{D}] = \frac{\Pr[\mathcal{D}|\boldsymbol{\theta}]\Pr[\boldsymbol{\theta}]}{\Pr[\mathcal{D}]} = \frac{\Pr[\mathcal{D}|\boldsymbol{\theta}]\Pr[\boldsymbol{\theta}]\Pr[\boldsymbol{\theta}]}{\int \Pr[\mathcal{D}|\boldsymbol{\theta}]\Pr[\boldsymbol{\theta}]\Pr[\boldsymbol{\theta}]d\boldsymbol{\theta}}$$

Note: computing the integral may not be tractable

Theorem (Bayes classifier): A classification problem with $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and $Y \in [c] := \{1...c\}$ The optimal (Bayes) classifier is

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{h: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow [c]}{\mathsf{argmin}} \mathsf{Pr}(Y \neq h(\vec{x})) \\ & \underset{k \in [c]}{h^\star(\vec{x})} = \underset{k \in [c]}{\mathsf{argmax}} \mathsf{Pr}(Y = k \mid \vec{x}) \\ & \underset{k \in [c]}{\mathsf{argmax}} \underbrace{\mathsf{Pr}(X = \vec{x} \mid Y = k) \mathsf{Pr}(Y = k)}_{\text{likelihood}} \end{aligned}$$

 $\begin{aligned} \textbf{Definition} & & (\text{Maximum likelihood estimate (MLE)}) \colon \\ \text{MLE estimate maximizes the likelihood of observing the data } \mathcal{D}. & \text{This ignores any prior on } \boldsymbol{\theta}. \end{aligned}$

$$\begin{split} L(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathcal{D}) &:= \Pr(\mathcal{D}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \Pr(\boldsymbol{x}_i|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \\ \boldsymbol{\theta}_{\text{MLE}} &= \underset{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \boldsymbol{\Theta}}{\operatorname{argmax}} L(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathcal{D}) \\ \boldsymbol{\theta}_{\text{MLE}} &= \underset{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \boldsymbol{\Theta}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} -\log \Pr(\boldsymbol{x}_i|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \end{split}$$

Definition (Maximum a posteriori (MAP)):

$$\begin{split} &\theta_{\mathsf{MAP}} = \operatorname*{argmax}_{\theta \in \Theta} \Pr(\theta \mid \mathcal{D}) \\ &\to \operatorname*{argmax}_{\theta \in \Theta} \underbrace{-\log \Pr(\mathcal{D} | \theta)}_{\text{negative log-likelihood}} - \underbrace{\log \Pr(\theta)}_{\text{prior as regularization}} \end{split}$$

Example (Ridge Regression and MAP): Linear regression with λ is equivalent to MAP estimate of w using a prior on $w \sim \mathcal{N}_d(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma)$ where $\mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} = \lambda I$

Example (Bayesian linear regression):

 $\Pr(\boldsymbol{w}) = \mathcal{N} \Big(\vec{0}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \Big) \ \ (\text{Gaussian prior on the weights})$

$$Pr(\epsilon) = \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$$

 $\Pr(\boldsymbol{w}|\mathcal{D}) \propto \Pr(\boldsymbol{w}) \Pr(\mathcal{D}|\boldsymbol{w}) \propto \mathcal{N}(\overline{\boldsymbol{w}}, A^{-1}) \quad \text{(Posterior)}$

$$A = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} X^{\top} X + \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} , \ \overline{\mathbf{w}} = A^{-1} \frac{1}{\sigma^2} X^{\top} \mathbf{y}$$

$$\Pr(y^{\star}|\ \vec{x}^{\star},\mathcal{D}) = \int_{\boldsymbol{w}} \Pr(y^{\star}|\vec{x}^{\star},\boldsymbol{w}) \Pr(w|\mathcal{D}) \ \ (\text{Prediction})$$

$$\Pr(\mathbf{y}^{\star}|\ \vec{\mathbf{x}}^{\star},\mathcal{D}) = \mathcal{N}(\langle \vec{\mathbf{x}}^{\star}, \overline{\mathbf{w}} \rangle, \mathbf{\sigma}^{2} + \langle \vec{\mathbf{x}}^{\star}, A^{-1} \vec{\mathbf{x}}^{\star} \rangle)$$

Gaussian Processes

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Definition} & (\textsf{Gaussian Processes}) \colon \text{ Function space} \\ \text{view } \Pr(f|\mathcal{D}) \text{ posterior over the function } f \text{ (Infinite dimensional Gaussian Distribution)}. \end{array}$

$$f(\mathbf{x}) \sim GP(m(\mathbf{x}), k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')) \forall \mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}$$

Gaussian Processes are specified completely by μ, Σ

$$m(x) = \mathbb{E}[f(x)]$$
,

$$k(x,x') = \mathbb{E}[(f(x)-m(x))(f(x')-m(x'))]$$

k is the kernel covariance function.

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mathbf{Example} & (\mathsf{Gaussian\ Processes}) \colon & \mathrm{Let} \quad y(\boldsymbol{x}) = \\ \boldsymbol{w}^\top \phi(\boldsymbol{x}), \ \mathrm{consider\ a\ prior\ on} \ \boldsymbol{w} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{0}, \alpha^{-1}\boldsymbol{I}) \end{array}$

$$u = \Phi w$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{y}] = \Phi E[\boldsymbol{w}] = \boldsymbol{0}$$

$$\operatorname{Cov}[\boldsymbol{y}] = \mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{y}^{\top}\boldsymbol{y}] = \frac{1}{\alpha}\Phi\Phi^{\top} = \boldsymbol{K}$$

Where \boldsymbol{K} is the Gram matrix with

$$\mathbf{K}_{ij} = k(x_i, x_j) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \phi(x_i)^{\top} \phi(x_j)$$

 ${\bf Note}\;({\sf Gaussian}\;{\sf processes}\;{\sf for}\;{\sf regression})\colon$

$$\underbrace{t_n}_{\text{True Value}} = \underbrace{y_n}_{\boldsymbol{y}(\vec{x}_n)} + \underbrace{\epsilon_n}_{\text{Nois}}$$

Assuming the noise process is Gaussian

$$\Pr[\boldsymbol{t}|\boldsymbol{y}] = \mathcal{N}\big(\boldsymbol{t}|\boldsymbol{y}, \beta^{-1}\boldsymbol{I}_N\big)$$

By definition of the gaussian process marginal pdf of u is defined by a Gram matrix K

$$\Pr[\mathbf{y}] = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{0}, \alpha^{-1}\mathbf{K})$$

$$\Pr[\boldsymbol{t}] = \int \Pr(\boldsymbol{t}|\boldsymbol{y}) \Pr[\boldsymbol{y}] \mathrm{d} \mathrm{y} = N(\boldsymbol{t}|\boldsymbol{0},\boldsymbol{C})$$

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_m) = \alpha^{-1} k(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_m) + \beta^{-1} \times \mathbb{1}[n = m]$$

For prediction we augment the covariance matrix

$$\Pr[\mathbf{t}_{N+1}] = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{t}_{N+1} \mid \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{C}_{N+1})$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{N+1} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{C}_n & \mathbf{k} \\ \mathbf{k}^\top & \mathbf{c} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{R}^N, \quad \mathbf{k}_i = \alpha^{-1} k(\mathbf{x}_{N+1}, \mathbf{x}_i)$$

$$c = \alpha^{-1}k(x_{N+1}, x_{N+1}) + \beta^{-1}$$

Then the predictive distribution is

$$\begin{split} & \Pr[t_{N+1}|\boldsymbol{t}] = \mathcal{N}(\mu(\boldsymbol{x}_{N+1}), \sigma^2(\boldsymbol{x}_{N+1})) \\ & \mu(\boldsymbol{x}_{N+1}) = \boldsymbol{k}^\top \underbrace{\boldsymbol{C}_N^{-1} \boldsymbol{t}}_{N} \;, \; \sigma^2(\boldsymbol{x}_{N+1}) = \boldsymbol{c} - \boldsymbol{k}^\top \boldsymbol{C}_N^{-1} \boldsymbol{k} \end{split}$$

$$\mu(\mathbf{\textit{x}}_{\mathit{N}+1}) = \langle \mathbf{\textit{k}}, \vec{\mathbf{\textit{a}}} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{\mathit{N}} \mathit{k}(\mathbf{\textit{x}}_{i}, \mathbf{\textit{x}}_{\mathit{N}+1}) \mathit{a}_{i}$$

Note (Gaussian Process Time Complexity):

Type	Fixed Basis Functions m Features	Gaussian Process N Data Points
Train	$O(M^3)$	$O(N^3)$
Test	$O(M^2)$	$O(N^2)$

Decision Trees

Definition (Decision Trees Growing): Growing a tree means we choose a dimension or feature j^* and a threshold t^* to split that minimized the loss ℓ .

$$L_{j,t} = \left\{ (\boldsymbol{x}_i, y_i) \in S : \boldsymbol{x}_{ij} \leq t \right\}$$

$$R_{j,t} = \{(x_i, y_i) \in S : x_{ij} > t\},\$$

$$(j^{\star}, t^{\star}) = \operatorname*{argmin}_{j=1..d} \min_{t \in T_j} |L_{j,t}| \ell\left(L_{j,t}\right) + |R_{j,t}| \ell\left(R_{j,t}\right)$$

Note (Decision Trees Classification Cost): For a region \mathcal{D} we define

$$\hat{\rho}_k = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{D}|} \sum_{v_i \in \mathcal{D}} \mathbb{1}(y_i \in k)$$
 (Empirical fraction of class k)

$$\hat{y}_i = \underset{k=1, \ldots}{\operatorname{argmax}} \hat{p}_k \qquad \qquad (\mathsf{Majority\ class\ in\ } \mathcal{D})$$

$$\mathsf{Loss}(\mathcal{D}) = 1 - \mathsf{max}\,\hat{p}_k = 1 - \hat{p}_{\hat{\mathbf{v}}}$$
 (Misclassification error)

$$\mathsf{Loss}(\mathcal{D}) = \sum_{k=1}^{c} \hat{p}_k (1 - \hat{p}_k) \tag{\mathsf{Gini index}}$$

$$\mathsf{Loss}(\mathcal{D}) = -\sum_{k=1}^{c} \hat{\rho}_k \log(\hat{\rho_k}) \tag{Entropy}$$

Note (Minimal Cost-Complexity Pruning): Grow a tree fully first then regularize using a hyperparameter α .

$$R_{\alpha}(T) = R(T) + \alpha |\tilde{T}|$$

Where $|\tilde{T}|$ is the number of terminal nodes in T and R(T) is the total loss for the leaves. Penalizes deep trees/more leaves.