#### Math

**Definition** (Positive Semidefinite, PSD):

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

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

**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

**Definition** (Binary classification): Given n known pairs  $\{(\boldsymbol{x_i}, y_i)\}$  where  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^d, y_i \in \{\pm 1\}$  we want to learn a classification rule

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

**Definition** (Affine Set/Hyper Planes): The signed distance of a vector  $\boldsymbol{x}$  is given by

$$h(\boldsymbol{x}) = \operatorname{sign}(\boldsymbol{w}^{\top}\boldsymbol{x} + b)$$
  
 $\boldsymbol{w}: \text{Feature Weights }, b: \text{Bias}$ 

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### **Algorithm** (Perceptron):

Note (Padding): 
$$\vec{x_i}' = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_d, 1)^{\top}$$
,  $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, w_1, ..., w_d, b)$ . We can write  $\langle \mathbf{w}, \vec{x}' \rangle$ 

**Definition** (Linear separability): D is linearly separable if  $\exists \vec{u}, \|\vec{u}\| = 1$ , and a margin  $\gamma > 0$  such that

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

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Theorem} \; (\text{Perceptron Convergence theorem}) \colon \text{If } D \\ \text{is linearly separable with margin} \; \; \pmb{\gamma} > 0 \; \text{ and} \\ \forall (\vec{x},y) \in D, \|\vec{x}\| \leq \pmb{R} \; \text{the Perceptron algorithm will} \\ \text{converge by update} \\ \end{array}$ 

$$k^2 \gamma^2 \le \|w_k\|^2 \le kR^2,$$
 $k \le \frac{R^2}{\gamma^2}$ 

#### Note (Multiclass):

- one-vs-all: Train one for each class output  ${\sf arg\,max}_{k=1,\dots C}\big(\pmb{w}_{\pmb{k}}^{\top}\pmb{x}+b_{\pmb{k}}\big)$
- one-vs-one: For each pair (k, k') train  $w_{k,k'}$  total of  $\binom{c}{2}$  perceptrons, output majority vote.

#### **Example** (Loss Functions):

$$\max(0,1-yf(x)) = (1-yf(x))^+ \qquad \text{(Hinge Loss)}$$
 
$$\log \left(1+e^{-yf(x)}\right) \qquad \text{(Cross Entropy Loss)}$$
 
$$(y-f(x))^2 \qquad \qquad \text{(Squared Error)}$$

## **Support Vector Machines**

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

$$\gamma = \quad \min_i \frac{1}{\|w\|} y_i \big( w^\top x_i + b \big) \quad = \frac{1}{\|w\|} \min_i y_i \big( w^\top x_i + b \big)$$

Min Distance from the hyperplane

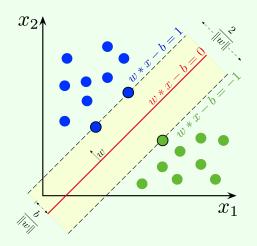
The maximum margin classifier problem is defined as

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

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

$$\hat{w}, \hat{b} = \arg\max_{w,b} \frac{1}{\|w\|}$$
 subject to:  $y_i(w^\top x_i + b) \ge 1 \forall i$ 

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



Note (Lagrangian dual of maximum margin):

$$\begin{split} \min_{w,b} \max_{\lambda \geq 0} \mathcal{L}(w,b,\lambda) &= \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i (y_i \hat{y}_i - 1) \\ \text{Let } \hat{y_i} &= (w^\top x_i + b) \end{split}$$

#### **KKT Conditions:**

- Primal feasibility:  $y_i \hat{y}_i 1 \ge 0$  (Each datapoint is correctly classified)
- Dual feasibility:  $\lambda_i \geq 0$
- 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):

|               | $\mathbf{Hard}$  | $\mathbf{Soft}$   |
|---------------|--|---|
|               | $\arg\min_{w,b}\frac{1}{2}\ w\ ^2$   | $\arg\min_{w,b} \frac{1}{2} \ w\ ^2 + C \sum_{i} \underbrace{(y_i \hat{y_i} - 1)}^+$                              |
|               | Subject to $y_i \hat{y_i} \geq 1$  | Hinge Loss  |
| m<br>λ        | $ \lim_{i \to 0} - \sum_{i} \lambda_{i} + $  | $\min_{0 \leq \boldsymbol{\lambda} \leq \boldsymbol{C}} - \sum_{i} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i} +$                    |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\sum_{i}\sum_{j}\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{j}y_{i}y_{j}\langle x_{i},x_{j}\rangle$ | $\frac{1}{2}\sum_{i}\sum_{j}\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{j}y_{i}y_{j}\langle x_{i},x_{j}\rangle$ |
| v*            | $=\sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_{i} y_{i} x_{i} , \ \lambda_{i} \geq 0$                                       | $0 w^* = \sum_{i=1}^n \boldsymbol{\lambda}_i y_i x_i ,  0 \leq \boldsymbol{\lambda}_i \leq \boldsymbol{C}$        |
| )*            | $= \frac{1}{N_{SV}} \sum_{i \in SV} (y_i - w^\top$   | $x)  b^* = \frac{1}{N_{SV}} \sum_{i \in SV} (y_i - w^\top x)$   |
|               | High Variance  | $y_i \hat{y}_i < 0$ : Incorrectly classified,   |
|               |  | $0 \le y_i \hat{y_i} < 1$ : Weakly correct,   |
|               |  | $y_i \hat{y_i} > 1$ : Strong correct,   |
|               |  |   |

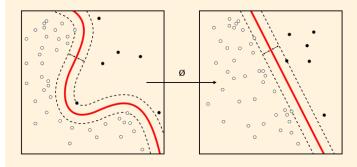
#### Kernel Methods

### **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):

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



### Note (Kernel Trick SVM):

$$b^{\star} = \frac{1}{N_{\text{SV}}} \sum_{x_i \in \text{SV}} \left( y_i - \sum_{x_j \in \text{SV}} \lambda_i y_i K_{ij} \right) , \quad K_{ij} = k(x_i, x_j)$$
$$\hat{y} = \sum_{x_i \in \text{SV}} \lambda_i y_i k(x, x_i) + b^{\star}$$

### Linear Regression

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \arg\min_{w} \frac{1}{n} \sum l_w(\vec{x}_i, y)$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### **Note** (least-squares loss):

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

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

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

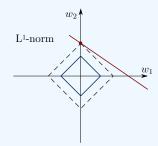
### **Note** (Regularization):

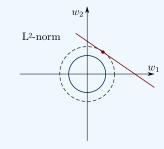
| $L_1$ Lasso   | $L_2$ Ridge/Tikhonov  |
|---|---|
| $\min_{\boldsymbol{w}} \ A\boldsymbol{w} - \vec{y}\ _2^2 + \boldsymbol{\lambda} \ \boldsymbol{w}\ _1$ | $\min_{\boldsymbol{w}} \ A\boldsymbol{w} - \vec{y}\ _2^2 + \boldsymbol{\lambda} \ \boldsymbol{w}\ _2^2$ |

Penalizes non-zero Penalizes large weights. Many  $w_i$  will weights, stabilizes the be 0. Weights  ${\pmb w}$  will be weights. sparse.

no closed-form

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





#### **Algorithm** (Cross-validation):

```
def cross_validation(dataset, k):
    Perf = []
# create k folds
folds = folds(dataset, k)
for \( \lambda \) in [\( \lambda \)1, \( \lambda \)2, \( \ldots \)]:
    perf_\( \lambda \) = []
    for i in range(k):
        # train on everything except holdout
        w_\( \lambda \) = train(folds[0:i] + folds[i+1:])
        # perf on holdout fold
        perf_\( \lambda \) += [loss(w_\( \lambda \), folds[i])]
        Perf[\( \lambda \)] = np.mean(perf_\( \lambda \))
# \( \lambda \) with the best average performance
        return argmax(Perf, \( \lambda \))
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### **Definition** (Entropy):

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

 ${\bf Note}\;({\sf Kullback-Leibler}\;{\sf divergence})\colon$ 

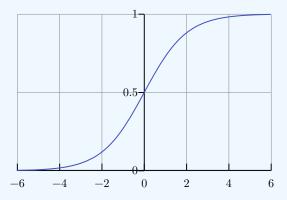
$$D_{KL}(P \parallel Q) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} P(x) \log \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$$
$$D_{KL}(P \parallel Q) = \int p(x) \log \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} dx$$

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:

$$\log \mathcal{L}(w \mid \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} -\log(1 + e^{-\tilde{y}_{i}\langle w, x_{i}\rangle})$$
$$\tilde{y}_{i} = \begin{cases} -1 \text{ if } y_{i} = 0\\ +1 \text{ if } y_{i} = 1 \end{cases}$$

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

**Definition** (Gradient descent): In Gradient descent the parameter vector w is updated in the direction opposite to  $\nabla f$  with step size  $\eta$  (learning rate)

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

For a loss function this is computed over a batch of n

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

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

 $w_t = w_{t-1} - \underbrace{\left( \boldsymbol{\nabla}^2 I_{w_{t-1}} \right)^{-1}}_{\text{Inverse Hessian}} \boldsymbol{\nabla} I_{w_{t-1}} \quad (\text{Newtons method})$ 

### Note (Linear vs Logistic):

|             | Linear  | Logistic   |
|-------------|---|--|
| ► Loss      | $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \underbrace{(y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}_{n}$     | $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \underbrace{\log(1 + e^{-\tilde{y}_{i}\langle w, x \rangle})}_{n}$ |
|             | Square Error  | Cross Entropy  |
| ▶ Predict   | $\hat{y}_i = \langle oldsymbol{w}, oldsymbol{x_i}  angle$ | $\hat{p}_i = sigmoid(\langle \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{x_i} \rangle)$            |
| ► 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):

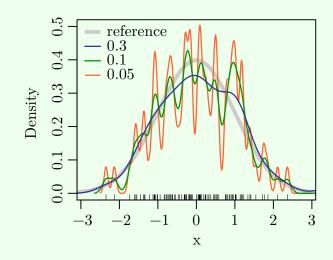
$$\Pr[y = k \mid \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{w}] = \frac{e^{\langle w_k, \boldsymbol{x} \rangle}}{\sum_{i=1}^c e^{\langle w_i, \boldsymbol{x} \rangle}} = \text{softmax}$$

#### Non-Parametric Methods

**Definition** (Kerne Density Estimation): Given  $\{x_1, x_2, ..., x_n\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$  the Parzen estimate for probability at point  $x_o$  is

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

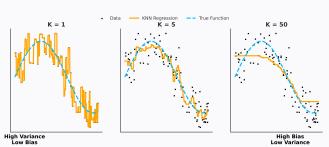
Where  $K_{\lambda}: \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^+$  is the kernel function.  $\lambda$  is a hyperparameter called length scale (or bandwidth).  $K_{\lambda}$  should be symmetric and shift invariant.  $K_{\lambda(x_o,x_i)} = K\left(\frac{x_o}{\lambda} - \frac{x_i}{\lambda}\right)$ 



KDE of 100 normally distributed numbers.

## k-Nearest Neighbors

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KNN with k = 1, 5, 50

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)C0 = randint(0, high=k, size=N) C1 = zeros(N)iter = 0while iter < max iter:</pre> # Centroids of each cluster $\mu = \lceil mean(X \lceil CO = = i \rceil) \text{ for } i \text{ in } O..k \rceil$ 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] = bestif array equal(C0, C1): # No updates detected break CO = C1iter += 1 return CO

#### Bayesian Learning

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

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

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

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

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

**Definition** (Maximum likelihood estimate (MLE)): MLE estimate maximizes the likelihood of observing the data  $\mathcal{D}$ . This ignores any prior on  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ .

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

### **Definition** (Maximum a posteriori (MAP)):

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

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

## **Example** (Bayesian linear regression):

$$\Pr(\boldsymbol{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\vec{0}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$
 (Gaussian prior on the weights)  
 $\Pr(\epsilon) = \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$ 

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

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

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

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

#### Gaussian Processes

**Definition** (Gaussian Processes): Function space view  $\Pr(f|\mathcal{D})$  posterior over the function f (Infinite dimensional Gaussian Distribution).

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

Gaussian Processes are specified completely by  $\mu, \Sigma$ 

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

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

k is the kernel covariance function.

Example (Gaussian Processes): Let  $y(x) = w^{T}\phi(x)$ , consider a prior on  $w \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \alpha^{-1}\mathbf{I})$ 

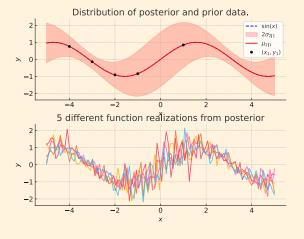
$$y = \Phi w$$

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

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

Where K is the Gram matrix with

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



**Note** (Gaussian processes for regression):

$$\underbrace{t_n}_{\text{True Value}} = \underbrace{y_n}_{oldsymbol{y}(ec{x}_n)} + \underbrace{\epsilon_n}_{\text{Noise}}$$

Assuming the noise process is Gaussian

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

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

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

$$\mathsf{Pr}[oldsymbol{t}] = \int \mathsf{Pr}(oldsymbol{t}|oldsymbol{y})\,\mathsf{Pr}[oldsymbol{y}]\mathsf{dy} = N(oldsymbol{t}|oldsymbol{0},oldsymbol{C})$$

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

For prediction we augment the covariance matrix

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

$$C_{N+1} = \begin{pmatrix} C_n & k \\ k^{\top} & c \end{pmatrix}, \quad k \in \mathbb{R}^N, \quad k_i = \alpha^{-1}k(x_{N+1}, x_i)$$

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

Then the predictive distribution is

$$\Pr[t_{N+1}|\boldsymbol{t}] = \mathcal{N}(\mu(\boldsymbol{x}_{N+1}), \sigma^2(x_{N+1}))$$

$$\mu(\mathbf{x}_{\mathit{N}+1}) = \mathbf{k}^{\top} \underbrace{\mathbf{C}_{\mathit{N}}^{-1} \mathbf{t}}_{\mathbf{z}} \ , \ \sigma^{2}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathit{N}+1}) = c - \mathbf{k}^{\top} \mathbf{C}_{\mathit{N}}^{-1} \mathbf{k}$$

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

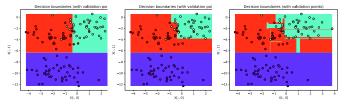
#### Note (Gaussian Process Time Complexity):

| Type  | Fixed Basis Functions | Gaussian Process |
|-------|-----------------------|------------------|
|       | m Features            | 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  $\ell$ .

$$\begin{split} L_{j,t} &= \left\{ (\boldsymbol{x}_i, y_i) \in S : \boldsymbol{x}_{ij} \leq t \right\} \\ R_{j,t} &= \left\{ (\boldsymbol{x}_i, y_i) \in S : \boldsymbol{x}_{ij} > t \right\}, \\ (j^\star, t^\star) &= \underset{j=1..d}{\operatorname{argmin}} \min_{t \in T_j} \lvert L_{j,t} \rvert \ell \left( L_{j,t} \right) + \lvert R_{j,t} \rvert \ell \left( R_{j,t} \right) \end{split}$$



Decision with increasing depths, k = 2, 4, 6

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

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

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}_i} = \mathop{\mathrm{argmax}}_{k=1\dots c} \hat{\mathbf{p}}_k \qquad \qquad (\mathsf{Majority\ class\ in\ } \mathcal{D})$$

$$\operatorname{Loss}(\mathcal{D}) = 1 - \max_{\mathbf{k}} \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{\mathbf{k}} = 1 - \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{\hat{\mathbf{y}}} \; (\mathsf{Misclassification} \; \mathsf{error})$$

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

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

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

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

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.

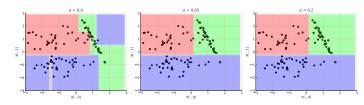


Figure 1: Decision Tree Pruning