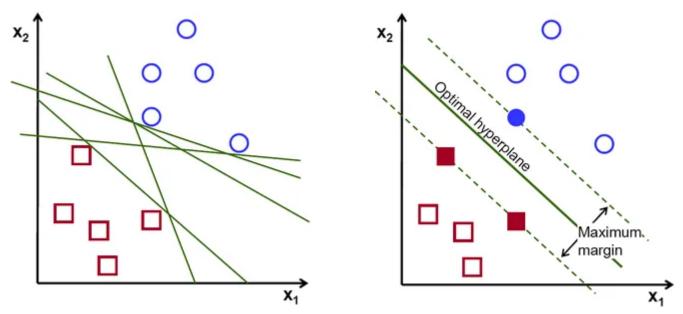
# **Support Vector Machines**

The objective of the support vector machine algorithm is to find a hyperplane in an N-dimensional space (N - the number of features) that distinctly classifies the data points.

To separate the two classes of data points, there are many possible hyperplanes that could be chosen. Our objective is to find a plane that has the maximum margin, i.e. the maximum distance between data points of both classes. Maximizing the margin distance provides some reinforcement so that future data points can be classified with more confidence.



Hyperplanes are decision boundaries that help classify the data points. Data points falling on either side of the hyperplane can be attributed to different classes. The dimension of the hyperplane is determined by the number of features in the data. For instance, with two features, the hyperplane is a line, while with three features, it becomes a two-dimensional plane. Visualizing hyperplanes becomes increasingly challenging as the number of features exceeds three.

Support vectors are data points that are closer to the hyperplane and influence the position and orientation of the hyperplane, deleting the support vectors will change the position of the hyperplane. Using these support vectors, we maximize the margin of the classifier.

In logistic regression, we apply the sigmoid function to the output of the linear function, which transforms the value into a range between 0 and 1. If the transformed value is greater than a predefined threshold (usually 0.5), we assign it the label 1; otherwise, it receives the label 0. This process is used for binary classification.

In Support Vector Machines (SVM), instead of using a threshold of 0.5, SVM uses a threshold of 1 and -1. If the output is greater than 1, the data point is associated with one class, and if the output is less than -1, it's associated with another class. This change in threshold values results in a reinforcement range of values between -1 and 1, which serves as a margin. The margin represents a gap between the classes and helps SVM find the best decision boundary while maximizing the separation between classes.

#### **Loss Function**

The hinge loss measures the cost associated with a specific data point (x) with respect to its true label (y) and the model's prediction (f(x)).

If the product of the true label (y) and the model's prediction (y \* f(x)) is greater than or equal to 1, the hinge loss is 0. This indicates that the data point is correctly classified and sufficiently far from the decision boundary, so there's no cost associated with this point.

If the product y \* f(x) is less than 1, it means the prediction is on the wrong side of the decision boundary or is too close to it. In this case, the hinge loss is defined as (1 - y \* f(x)), which quantifies the error or cost associated with this misclassification. The closer the value of y \* f(x) is to 1, the higher the hinge loss will be.

$$c(x, y, f(x)) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } y * f(x) \ge 1\\ 1 - y * f(x), & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

A regularization parameter (often denoted as  $\lambda$ ) is added to the cost function. This regularization parameter helps strike a balance between two important objectives: maximizing the margin to find a decision boundary that maximizes the separation between different classes of data points, and minimizing the loss to reduce the errors in prediction.

$$min_w \lambda || w ||^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (1 - y_i \langle x_i, w \rangle)_+$$

The term  $\min_{w} \lambda \parallel w \parallel^2$  is the regularization term. It encourages the model to keep the weight vector (w) as small as possible while still achieving accurate classification. The regularization parameter ( $\lambda$ ) controls the trade-off between margin maximization and loss minimization.

The sum represents the sum of hinge losses for all data points. The hinge loss quantifies the errors in classification, with a larger loss for points that are farther from the correct side of the decision boundary.  $(1-y_i(x_i,w))_+$  ensures that the loss is only considered when the prediction is on the wrong side of the decision boundary (i.e., when  $y_i(x_i,w)$  is less than 1).

Now that we have the loss function, we take partial derivatives with respect to the weights to find the gradients. Using the gradients, we can update our weights.

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta w_k} \lambda ||w||^2 = 2\lambda w_k$$

For the regularization term the gradient is a straightforward calculation. It's equal to twice the regularization parameter (2 $\lambda$ ) multiplied by the weight ( $w_k$ ) itself.

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta w_k} (1 - y_i(x_i, w))_+ = \begin{cases} 1 - y f(x), & \text{if } y * f(x) \ge 1\\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

For the hinge loss term, the gradient depends on whether the data point is correctly classified or not.

• If the product y \* f(x) is greater than or equal to 1, meaning the prediction is correct, the gradient is 1-y \* f(x). we only have to update the gradient from the regularization parameter.

$$w = w - \alpha \cdot (2\lambda w)$$

• If the product y \* f(x) is less than 1, the gradient is 0 because there is no contribution to the loss. we include the loss along with the regularization parameter to perform gradient update.

$$w = w + lpha \cdot (y_i \cdot x_i - 2\lambda w)$$

**w** is the current weight vector.

 $\mathbf{a}$  is the learning rate, which determines the step size in the weight update.

 $y_i$  is the true label of the data point.

 $\mathbf{x_i}$  is the feature vector of the data point.

 $\pmb{\lambda}$  is the regularization parameter.

## SupportVectorMachinePython

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### 1 State Vector Machine (SVM) Implementation

#### Importing necessary libraries:

- pandas for handling datasets
- matplotlib for data visualization
- NumPy for mathematical operations
- sklearn.utils -> shuffle for shuffling data
- sklearn.model\_selection -> train\_test\_splitfor splitting datasets into a training and a testing set
- sklearn.metrics -> accuracy\_score to measure the accuracy of the model

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
from sklearn.utils import shuffle
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
```

**Data pre-processing and visualization** Since the Iris dataset has three classes, we will remove one of the classes. This leaves us with a binary class classification problem.

We load a dataset and remove the identifier column. Then extract the target column from the DataFrame, then remove rows with indices from 100 to 149, which contain the 'virginica' class.

Sets automatically ensure that only unique values are stored. For each value encountered in the "target" column, add that value to the "s" set.

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[2]: df = pd.read_csv('./datasets/iris2.csv')
  df = df.drop(['Id'],axis=1) # Delete ID column
  target = df['Species']
  s = set()
  for val in target:
      s.add(val) # Add unique values
  s = list(s)
  rows = list(range(100,150)) # Select virginica rows
  df = df.drop(df.index[rows]) # Delete rows
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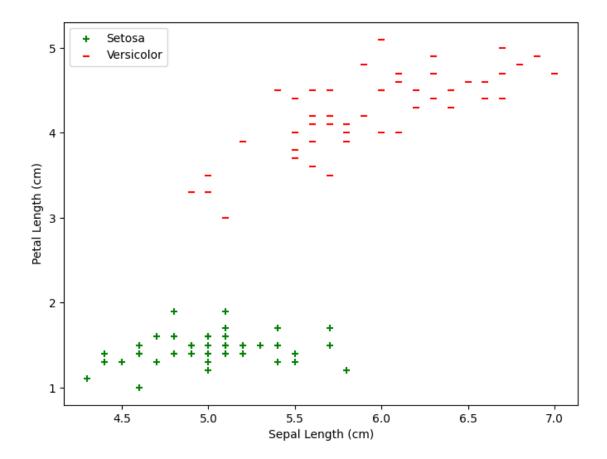
Assign 'SepalLengthCm' and 'PetalLengthCm' to  $\boldsymbol{x}$  and  $\boldsymbol{y}$ , respectively. slice the first 50 rows of  $\boldsymbol{x}$  and  $\boldsymbol{y}$ , which have the Setosa label, then slice the remaining 50 rows which contain the Versicolor

label.

We initialize a new figure for the plot and create a scatter plot for the Setosa species using the sepal length  $(setosa\_x)$  on the x-axis and petal length  $(setosa\_y)$  on the y-axis. The data points are marked with a plus sign and are displayed in green.

Also create a scatter plot for the Versicolor species, sepal length  $(versicolor\_x)$  on the x-axis and petal length  $(versicolor\_y)$  on the y-axis. Mark with an underscore and display in red.

Finally, display the scatter plot.



The scatter plot displays individual data points for each flower in the dataset. The data points for Setosa and Versicolor are separated into two distinct clusters on the plot.

Observe that there is a clear separation between Setosa and Versicolor based on their sepal and petal measurements.

**Training the SVM** Now it's time for training. We extract the required features and split it into training and testing data.

First, drop SepalWidthCm and PetalWidthCm. The remaining features are sepal length and petal length, which we use for classification. Then create a list  $\mathbf{Y}$  based on the Species column, if the species is 'Iris-setosa,' it appends -1 to  $\mathbf{Y}$ , and if it's any other species, it appends 1.

Since the 'Species' column has been transformed into the binary labels in Y after extracting the target label, we drop it from the dataset.

In order to avoid any potential bias in the original order of the data, shuffle X and Y randomly.

The dataset is split into training and test sets. 80% of the data is used for training and 20% is used for testing. Afterwards, we convert them to NumPy arrays and reshape the  $y\_train$  and  $y\_test$  arrays to ensure they have the shape (n, 1).

Basically, when reshaping an array to have the shape (n, 1), (where 'n' is the number of samples), we are converting a 1-dimensional array into a 2-dimensional column vector. The '1' in (n, 1) means that we have one column of data, and 'n' rows.

Note: the '- 1' in the reshape function tells NumPy to automatically calculate the number of rows based on the length of the input array.

```
[4]: ## Drop rest of the features and extract the target values
   df = df.drop(['SepalWidthCm', 'PetalWidthCm'], axis=1)
   Y = []
   target = df['Species']
   for val in target:
       if(val == 'Iris-setosa'):
           Y.append(-1)
       else:
           Y.append(1)
   df = df.drop(['Species'],axis=1)
   X = df.values.tolist()
   ## Shuffle and split the data into training and test set
   X, Y = shuffle(X,Y)
   x_train = []
   y_train = []
   x test = []
   y_test = []
   x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, Y, train_size=0.8)
   x_train = np.array(x_train)
   y_train = np.array(y_train)
   x_test = np.array(x_test)
   y_test = np.array(y_test)
   y_train = y_train.reshape(-1, 1)
   y_test = y_test.reshape(-1, 1)
```

 $\alpha$  is the learning rate, which determines the step size for updating the weight vectors w1 and w2 during each iteration of the gradient descent.

*epochs* is the number of training iterations, which sets an upper limit on how many times the SVM updates its weight vectors.

The regularization parameter—is set to '1 / epochs'. As the number of epochs increases, the regularization value decreases

We begin by extracting  $train\_f1$  and  $train\_f2$ , from the training data:  $x\_train[:, 0]$  extracts all the values from the first column (feature 0) of the x\_train array. This creates a new one-dimensional array which contains the values of the first feature column for all training samples.

Similarly,  $x_train[:, 1]$  extracts all the values from the second column to create another onedimensional array containing the values of the second feature. These features are reshaped into column vectors to make them compatible with the SVM implementation.

Zero initialization provides a good starting point for optimization algorithms like gradient descent, hence, we initialize w1 and w2 with np.zeros((80,1)) (two-dimensional column vectors with 80 rows and 1 column)

We enter the training loop with a maximum of 10,000 epochs. Inside the loop, calculate the decision function  $\mathbf{y}$  as a linear combination of the features and weight vectors: y = w1 train\_f1 + w2 \* train\_f2. Then calculate the product of  $\mathbf{y}^*$  and the training labels.

For each value in **prod**, check if it's greater than or equal to 1. If it is,set the cost to 0, and update the weight vectors by subtracting the regularization term.

If prod is less than 1, calculate the cost as 1 - val and update the weight vectors using gradient descent.

We use *count* to keep track of the training data index, and increase the *epochs* counter for each complete pass through the training data.

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[5]: # Support Vector Machine
   train_f1 = x_train[:,0]
   train_f2 = x_train[:,1]
   train f1 = train f1.reshape(-1,1)
   train_f2 = train_f2.reshape(-1,1)
   w1 = np.zeros((80,1))
   w2 = np.zeros((80,1))
   # '-1' = automatically calculate the number of rows
   epochs = 1
   alpha = 0.0001
   while(epochs < 10000):</pre>
       y = w1 * train_f1 + w2 * train_f2
       prod = y * y_train
       #print(epochs)
       count = 0
       for val in prod:
           if(val >= 1):
               cost = 0
               w1 = w1 - alpha * (2 * 1/epochs * w1)
               w2 = w2 - alpha * (2 * 1/epochs * w2)
           else:
               cost = 1 - val
               w1 = w1 + alpha * (train_f1[count] * y_train[count] - 2 * 1/epochs_
    →* w1)
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 w2 = w2 + alpha * (train_f2[count] * y_train[count] - 2 * 1/epochs_{\square}   count += 1   epochs += 1
```

Visualizing Results We now clip the weights as the test data contains only 20 data points. We extract the features from the test data and predict the values. We obtain the predictions and compare it with the actual values and print the accuracy of our model.

We remove elements 20 to 79 from the weight vectors so only 20 support vectors are retained, then reshape them to column vectors. Next, extract test data features, similarly to the training data, and reshape them to column vectors.

We then proceed to make predictions using the clipped and reshaped weight vectors and the test features.

Predictions are made based on the decision values. If a value in **y\_pred** is greater than 1, append a 1 to the **predictions** list; otherwise, append -1.

For the accuracy score, we compare the predicted labels with the true labels from the test dataset, and print the result as a percentage.

```
[6]: ## Clip the weights
   index = list(range(20,80))
   w1 = np.delete(w1,index)
   w2 = np.delete(w2,index)
   w1 = w1.reshape(20,1)
   w2 = w2.reshape(20,1)
   ## Extract the test data features
   test_f1 = x_test[:,0]
   test_f2 = x_test[:,1]
   test_f1 = test_f1.reshape(20,1)
   test_f2 = test_f2.reshape(20,1)
   ## Predict
   y_pred = w1 * test_f1 + w2 * test_f2
   predictions = []
   for val in y_pred:
       if(val > 1):
           predictions.append(1)
       else:
           predictions.append(-1)
   # Print accuracy
   acc_text = f'Accuracy: {accuracy_score(y_test, predictions) * 100:.2f}%'
   print(acc_text)
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Accuracy: 100.00%

To better visualize the sym implementation and the results we can plot the data points and include the calculated decision boundary.

We reuse our previous scatter plot for the Setosa and Versicolor species using the Sepal Length and Petal Length. To this we generate points along the X-axis using *np.linspace* and calculate the corresponding Y-axis values based on the decision boundary.

The decision boundary is shown as a blue line with a solid ( - ) linestyle.

**x\_decision\_boundary** is an array of 20 equally spaced points between the minimum and maximum values of **train\_f1**. The decision\_boundary values are calculated based on the weights **w1** and **w2**.

 $(w_1^2 + w_2^2)$  is the squared magnitude of the weight vector. We then get the square root of the squared magnitude, which gives us the Euclidean norm or the length of the weight vector.  $(\sqrt{w_1^2 + w_2^2})$ 

 $(\frac{1}{\sqrt{w_1^2+w_2^2}})$  is the reciprocal of the length of the weight vector. In other words, a measure of the distance from the origin to the hyperplane defined by the weight vector. In other, other words, the margin.

We calculate the upper and lower margins by adding and subtracting the margin distance from the decision boundary, respectively.

```
[10]: # Plotting the decision boundary with automatic margin calculation
    plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
    plt.scatter(setosa_x, setosa_y, marker='+', color='green', label='Setosa')
    plt.scatter(versicolor_x, versicolor_y, marker='_', color='red',__
     ⇔label='Versicolor')
    plt.xlabel('Sepal Length (cm)') # X-axis label
    plt.ylabel('Petal Length (cm)') # Y-axis label
    plt.legend()
    # Calculate decision boundary
    x_decision_boundary = np.linspace(min(train_f1), max(train_f1), 20)
    y_{e} decision_boundary = -(w1/w2) * x_{e} decision_boundary.reshape(-1, 1) # Reshape
     \hookrightarrow x_decision_boundary
    # Calculate margin distance
    margin_distance = 1 / np.sqrt(w1**2 + w2**2)
    # Calculate margins
    y_margin_upper = y_decision_boundary + margin_distance
    y_margin_lower = y_decision_boundary - margin_distance
    # Plot decision boundary
    plt.plot(x_decision_boundary, y_decision_boundary, linestyle='-', color='blue',_
     ⇔label='Decision Boundary')
    # Plot margins
```

