# Learning with primal and dual model representations 

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## Introduction and motivation

## Data world



## Challenges

- data-driven
- general methodology
- scalability
- need for new mathematical frameworks


## Different paradigms



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# Sparsity through regularization or loss function 

## Sparsity: through regularization or loss function

- through regularization: model $\hat{y}=w^{T} x+b$

$$
\min \sum_{j}\left|w_{j}\right|+\gamma \sum_{i} e_{i}^{2}
$$

$\Rightarrow$ sparse $w$

- through loss function: model $\hat{y}=\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} K\left(x, x_{i}\right)+b$

$$
\min w^{T} w+\gamma \sum_{i} L\left(e_{i}\right)
$$

$\Rightarrow$ sparse $\alpha$


## Sparsity: matrices and tensors

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data vector }
y}=\mp@subsup{w}{}{T}
data matrix \(X\) matrix model:
\(\hat{y}=\langle W, X\rangle\)
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vector model: }\longrightarrow\mathrm{ matrix model:
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matrix $X$

tensor $\mathcal{X}$
data vector $x$
vector model:

$\hat{y}=w^{T} x$$\longrightarrow$| data matrix $X$ |
| :--- |
| matrix model: |
| $\hat{y}=\langle W, X\rangle$ |$\longrightarrow$| data tensor $\mathcal{X}$ |
| :--- |
| tensor model: |
| $\hat{y}=\langle\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{X}\rangle$ |

## Sparsity: matrices and tensors



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| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| vector model: |  |  |
| $\hat{y}=w^{T} x$ | $\longrightarrow$ | data matrix $X$ |
| matrix model: |  |  |
|  | $\hat{y}=\langle W, X\rangle$ |  |
| sparsity: | $\longrightarrow$ | data tensor $\mathcal{X}$ <br> tensor model: |
| $\sum_{j}\left\|w_{j}\right\|$ | sparsity: | $\hat{y}=\langle\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{X}\rangle$ |

Learning with tensors [Signoretto, Tran Dinh, De Lathauwer, Suykens, ML 2014]
Robust tensor completion [Yang, Feng, Suykens, 2014]

## Function estimation in RKHS

- Find function $f$ such that [Wahba, 1990; Evgeniou et al., 2000]

$$
\min _{f \in \mathcal{H}_{K}} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} L\left(y_{i}, f\left(x_{i}\right)\right)+\lambda\|f\|_{K}^{2}
$$

with $L(\cdot, \cdot)$ the loss function. $\|f\|_{K}$ is norm in RKHS $\mathcal{H}_{K}$ defined by $K$.

- Representer theorem: for convex loss function, solution of the form

$$
f(x)=\sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_{i} K\left(x, x_{i}\right)
$$

Reproducing property $f(x)=\left\langle f, K_{x}\right\rangle_{K}$ with $K_{x}(\cdot)=K(x, \cdot)$

- Sparse representation by $\epsilon$-insensitive loss [Vapnik, 1998]


## Learning with primal and dual model representations

## Learning models from data: alternative views

- Consider model $\hat{y}=f(x ; w)$, given input/output data $\left\{\left(x_{i}, y_{i}\right)\right\}_{i=1}^{N}$ :

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- Rewrite the problem as

$$
\begin{array}{cl}
\min _{w, e} & w^{T} w+\gamma \sum_{i=1}^{N} e_{i}^{2} \\
\text { subject to } & e_{i}=y_{i}-f\left(x_{i} ; w\right), i=1, \ldots, N
\end{array}
$$

- Express the solution and the model in terms of Lagrange multipliers $\alpha_{i}$
- For a model $f(x ; w)=\sum_{j=1}^{h} w_{j} \varphi_{j}(x)=w^{T} \varphi(x)$ one obtains then $\hat{f}(x)=\sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_{i} K\left(x, x_{i}\right)$ with $K\left(x, x_{i}\right)=\varphi(x)^{T} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)$.


## Least Squares Support Vector Machines: "core models"

- Regression

$$
\min _{w, b, e} w^{T} w+\gamma \sum_{i} e_{i}^{2} \text { s.t. } y_{i}=w^{T} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)+b+e_{i}, \quad \forall i
$$

- Classification

$$
\min _{w, b, e} w^{T} w+\gamma \sum_{i} e_{i}^{2} \text { s.t. } y_{i}\left(w^{T} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)+b\right)=1-e_{i}, \quad \forall i
$$

- Kernel pca ( $V=I$ ), Kernel spectral clustering ( $V=D^{-1}$ )

$$
\min _{w, b, e}-w^{T} w+\gamma \sum_{i} v_{i} e_{i}^{2} \text { s.t. } e_{i}=w^{T} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)+b, \forall i
$$

- Kernel canonical correlation analysis/partial least squares

$$
\min _{w, v, b, d, e, r} w^{T} w+v^{T} v+\nu \sum_{i}\left(e_{i}-r_{i}\right)^{2} \text { s.t. }\left\{\begin{aligned}
e_{i} & =w^{T} \varphi^{(1)}\left(x_{i}\right)+b \\
r_{i} & =v^{T} \varphi^{(2)}\left(y_{i}\right)+d
\end{aligned}\right.
$$

[Suykens \& Vandewalle, 1999; Suykens et al., 2002; Alzate \& Suykens, 2010]

## Probability and quantum mechanics

- Kernel pmf estimation
- Primal:
$\min _{w, p_{i}} \frac{1}{2}\langle w, w\rangle$ subject to $\quad p_{i}=\left\langle w, \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)\right\rangle, i=1, \ldots, N$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{N} p_{i}=1$
-Dual: $p_{i}=\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{N} K\left(x_{j}, x_{i}\right)}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} K\left(x_{j}, x_{i}\right)}$
- Quantum measurement: state vector $|\psi\rangle$, measurement operators $M_{i}$ - Primal:
$\min _{|w\rangle, p_{i}} \frac{1}{2}\langle w \mid w\rangle$ subject to $\quad p_{i}=\operatorname{Re}\left(\left\langle w \mid M_{i} \psi\right\rangle\right), i=1, \ldots, N$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{N} p_{i}=1$
- Dual: $p_{i}=\langle\psi| M_{i}|\psi\rangle$ (Born rule, orthogonal projective measurement)
[Suykens, Physical Review A, 2013]


## SVMs: living in two worlds ...

## Primal space



Feature space

Parametric
$\hat{y}=\operatorname{sign}\left[w^{T} \varphi(x)+b\right]$


$$
K\left(x_{i}, x_{j}\right)=\varphi\left(x_{i}\right)^{T} \varphi\left(x_{j}\right) \text { (Mercer) }
$$

## Dual space

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Nonparameric } \\
& \hat{y}=\operatorname{sign}\left[\sum_{i=1}^{\# \operatorname{sv}} \alpha_{i} y_{i} K\left(x, x_{i}\right)+b\right]
\end{aligned}
$$



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$$

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## Linear model: solving in primal or dual?

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Model

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dual: }\alpha\in\mp@subsup{\mathbb{R}}{}{N}\mathrm{ (large kernel matrix: N}\timesN\mathrm{ )
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```
primal: \(w \in \mathbb{R}^{d}\)
    dual : \(\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{N}\) (small kernel matrix: \(N \times N\) )
```


## Feature map and kernel

From linear to nonlinear model:

$$
(P): \quad \hat{y}=w^{T} \varphi(x)+b
$$



Mercer theorem:

$$
K(x, z)=\varphi(x)^{T} \varphi(z)
$$

Feature map $\varphi(x)=\left[\varphi_{1}(x) ; \varphi_{2}(x) ; \ldots ; \varphi_{h}(x)\right]$
Kernel function $K(x, z)$ (e.g. linear, polynomial, RBF, ...)

- Use of feature map and positive definite kernel [Cortes \& Vapnik, 1995]
- Extension to infinite dimensional case:
- LS-SVM formulation [Signoretto, De Lathauwer, Suykens, 2011]
- HHK Transform, coherent states, wavelets [Fanuel \& Suykens, 2015]


## HHK transform

- Coherent states $\left\{\left|\eta_{x}\right\rangle \in \mathcal{H}\right\}_{x \in X}$ in

$$
\min _{|w\rangle \in \mathcal{H}, e_{i}, b} \frac{1}{2}\langle w \mid w\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}+\frac{\gamma}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} e_{i}^{2} \text { s.t. } y_{i}=\left\langle\eta_{x_{i}} \mid w\right\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}+b+e_{i}, \quad i=1, \ldots, N
$$

$(P): \quad \hat{y}=\left\langle\eta_{x} \mid w\right\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}+b \quad \rightarrow$ transform
M

$$
\downarrow K(x, z)=\left\langle\eta_{x} \mid \eta_{z}\right\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}
$$

$(D): \hat{y}=\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} K\left(x_{i}, x\right)+b$
[Fanuel \& Suykens, TR15-101, 2015]

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$$

- HHK Transform: $W_{\eta}: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{K}:|w\rangle \mapsto\langle\eta . \mid w\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$

$$
\begin{array}{cc}
(P): \begin{array}{cc}
\hat{y}=\left\langle\eta_{x} \mid w\right\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}+b & \hat{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{K} \\
& \hat{y}=\left\langle W_{\eta} \eta_{x} \mid W_{\eta} w\right\rangle_{K}+b \\
\downarrow K(x, z)=\left\langle\eta_{x} \mid \eta_{z}\right\rangle_{\mathcal{H}} & \downarrow K(x, z)=\left\langle\xi_{x} \mid \xi_{z}\right\rangle_{K}, \xi_{x}=W_{\eta} \eta_{x} \\
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\end{array} .
\end{array}
$$

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## Sparsity by fixed-size kernel method

## Fixed-size method: steps

1. selection of a subset from the data
2. kernel matrix on the subset
3. eigenvalue decomposition of kernel matrix
4. approximation of the feature map based on the eigenvectors (Nyström approximation)
5. estimation of the model in the primal using the approximate feature map (applicable to large data sets)
[Suykens et al., 2002] (ls-svm book)

## Selection of subset

- random
- quadratic Renyi entropy
- incomplete Cholesky factorization


## Nyström method

- "big" kernel matrix: $\Omega_{(N, N)} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$ "small" kernel matrix: $\Omega_{(M, M)} \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times M}$ (on subset)
- Eigenvalue decompositions: $\Omega_{(N, N)} \tilde{U}=\tilde{U} \tilde{\Lambda}$ and $\Omega_{(M, M)} \bar{U}=\bar{U} \bar{\Lambda}$
- Relation to eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of the integral equation

$$
\int K\left(x, x^{\prime}\right) \phi_{i}(x) p(x) d x=\lambda_{i} \phi_{i}\left(x^{\prime}\right)
$$

with

$$
\hat{\lambda}_{i}=\frac{1}{M} \bar{\lambda}_{i}, \quad \hat{\phi}_{i}\left(x_{k}\right)=\sqrt{M} \bar{u}_{k i}, \quad \hat{\phi}_{i}\left(x^{\prime}\right)=\frac{\sqrt{M}}{\bar{\lambda}_{i}} \sum_{k=1}^{M} \bar{u}_{k i} K\left(x_{k}, x^{\prime}\right)
$$

[Williams \& Seeger, 2001] (Nyström method in GP)

## Fixed-size method: estimation in primal

- For the feature map $\varphi(\cdot): \mathbb{R}^{d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{h}$ obtain an approximation

$$
\tilde{\varphi}(\cdot): \mathbb{R}^{d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{M}
$$

based on the eigenvalue decomposition of the kernel matrix with $\tilde{\varphi}_{i}\left(x^{\prime}\right)=$ $\sqrt{\hat{\lambda}_{i}} \hat{\phi}_{i}\left(x^{\prime}\right) \quad$ (on a subset of size $\left.M \ll N\right)$.

- Estimate in primal:

$$
\min _{\tilde{w}, \tilde{b}} \frac{1}{2} \tilde{w}^{T} \tilde{w}+\gamma \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N}\left(y_{i}-\tilde{w}^{T} \tilde{\varphi}\left(x_{i}\right)-\tilde{b}\right)^{2}
$$

Sparse representation is obtained: $\tilde{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{M}$ with $M \ll N$ and $M \ll h$.
[Suykens et al., 2002; De Brabanter et al., CSDA 2010]

Fixed-size method: performance in classification

|  | pid | spa | mgt | adu | ftc |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $N$ | 768 | 4601 | 19020 | 45222 | 581012 |
| $N_{\text {cv }}$ | 512 | 3068 | 13000 | 33000 | 531012 |
| $N_{\text {test }}$ | 256 | 1533 | 6020 | 12222 | 50000 |
| $d$ | 8 | 57 | 11 | 14 | 54 |
| FS-LSSVM (\# SV) | 150 | 200 | 1000 | 500 | 500 |
| C-SVM (\# SV) | 290 | 800 | 7000 | 11085 | 185000 |
| $\nu-S V M ~(\#$ SV) | 331 | 1525 | 7252 | 12205 | 165205 |
| RBF FS-LSSVM | $76.7(3.43)$ | $92.5(0.67)$ | $86.6(0.51)$ | $85.21(0.21)$ | $81.8(0.52)$ |
| Lin FS-LSSVM | $77.6(0.78)$ | $90.9(0.75)$ | $77.8(0.23)$ | $83.9(0.17)$ | $75.61(0.35)$ |
| RBF C-SVM | $75.1(3.31)$ | $92.6(0.76)$ | $85.6(1.46)$ | $84.81(0.20)$ | $81.5(\mathrm{no} \mathrm{cv})$ |
| Lin C-SVM | $76.1(1.76)$ | $91.9(0.82)$ | $77.3(0.53)$ | $83.5(0.28)$ | $75.24(\mathrm{no} \mathrm{cv})$ |
| RBF $\nu-S V M$ | $75.8(3.34)$ | $88.7(0.73)$ | $84.2(1.42)$ | $83.9(0.23)$ | $81.6(\mathrm{no} \mathrm{cv})$ |
| Maj. Rule | $64.8(1.46)$ | $60.6(0.58)$ | $65.8(0.28)$ | $83.4(0.1)$ | $51.23(0.20)$ |

- Fixed-size (FS) LSSVM: good performance and sparsity wrt C-SVM and $\nu$-SVM
- Challenging to achieve high performance by very sparse models
[De Brabanter et al., CSDA 2010]


## Two stages of sparsity

| primal |  |
| :---: | :--- |
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| :---: | :---: |
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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| primal | FS model estimation | $\longrightarrow$ | | reweighted $\ell_{1}$ |  |
| ---: | :--- |
| dual | $\uparrow$ |
| subset selection <br> Nyström approximation |  |

Synergy between parametric \& kernel-based models [Mall \& Suykens, IEEE-TNNLS 2015], reweighted $\ell_{1}$ [Candes et al., 2008]

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Other possible approaches with improved sparsity: SCAD [Fan \& Li, 2001]; coefficientbased $\ell_{q}(0<q \leq 1)$ [Shi et al., 2013]; two-level $\ell_{1}$ [Huang et al., 2014]

## Kernel-based models for spectral clustering

## Kernel PCA

- Primal problem: [Suykens et al., 2002]

$$
\min _{w, b, e} \frac{1}{2} w^{T} w-\frac{1}{2} \gamma \sum_{i=1}^{N} e_{i}^{2} \text { s.t. } e_{i}=w^{T} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)+b, i=1, \ldots, N .
$$

- Dual problem corresponds to kernel PCA [Scholkopf et al., 1998]

$$
\Omega_{c} \alpha=\lambda \alpha \text { with } \lambda=1 / \gamma
$$

with $\Omega_{c, i j}=\left(\varphi\left(x_{i}\right)-\hat{\mu}_{\varphi}\right)^{T}\left(\varphi\left(x_{j}\right)-\hat{\mu}_{\varphi}\right)$ the centered kernel matrix.

- Interpretation:

1. pool of candidate components (objective function equals zero)
2. select relevant components

- Robust and sparse versions [Alzate \& Suykens, 2008]: by taking other loss functions


## Robustness: Kernel Component Analysis



KPCA reconstruction

corrupted image


KCA reconstruction


Weighted LS-SVM [Alzate \& Suykens, IEEE-TNN 2008]: robustness and sparsity

## Kernel Spectral Clustering (KSC): case of two clusters

- Primal problem: training on given data $\left\{x_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{N}$

$$
\begin{array}{cl}
\min _{w, b, e} & \frac{1}{2} w^{T} w-\gamma \frac{1}{2} e^{T} V e \\
\text { subject to } & e_{i}=w^{T} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)+b, \quad i=1, \ldots, N
\end{array}
$$

with weighting matrix $V$ and $\varphi(\cdot): \mathbb{R}^{d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{h}$ the feature map.

- Dual:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \qquad V M_{V} \Omega \alpha=\lambda \alpha \\
& \text { with } \lambda=1 / \gamma, M_{V}=I_{N}-\frac{1}{1_{N}^{T} V 1_{N}} 1_{N} 1_{N}^{T} V \text { weighted centering matrix, } \\
& \Omega=\left[\Omega_{i j}\right] \text { kernel matrix with } \Omega_{i j}=\varphi\left(x_{i}\right)^{T} \varphi\left(x_{j}\right)=K\left(x_{i}, x_{j}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

- Taking $V=D^{-1}$ with degree matrix $D=\operatorname{diag}\left\{d_{1}, \ldots, d_{N}\right\}$ and $d_{i}=$ $\sum_{j=1}^{N} \Omega_{i j}$ relates to random walks algorithm.
[Alzate \& Suykens, IEEE-PAMI, 2010]


## Lagrangian and conditions for optimality

- Lagrangian:

$$
\mathcal{L}(w, b, e ; \alpha)=\frac{1}{2} w^{T} w-\gamma \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_{i} e_{i}^{2}+\sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_{i}\left(e_{i}-w^{T} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)-b\right)
$$

- Conditions for optimality:

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial w}=0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad w=\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right) \\
\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial b}=0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sum_{i} \alpha_{i}=0 \\
\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial e_{i}}=0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha_{i}=\gamma v_{i} e_{i}, i=1, \ldots, N \\
\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \alpha_{i}}=0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad e_{i}=w^{T} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)+b, i=1, \ldots, N
\end{array}\right.
$$

- Eliminate $w, b, e$, write solution in Lagrange multipliers $\alpha_{i}$.


## Kernel spectral clustering: more clusters

- Case of $k$ clusters: additional sets of constraints

$$
\begin{array}{cl}
\min _{w^{(l)}, e^{(l)}, b_{l}} & \frac{1}{2} \sum_{l=1}^{k-1} w^{(l)^{T}} w^{(l)}-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{l=1}^{k-1} \gamma_{l} e^{(l)^{T}} D^{-1} e^{(l)} \\
\text { subject to } & e^{(1)}=\Phi_{N \times n_{h}} w^{(1)}+b_{1} 1_{N} \\
& e^{(2)}=\Phi_{N \times n_{h}} w^{(2)}+b_{2} 1_{N} \\
& \vdots \\
& e^{(k-1)}=\Phi_{N \times n_{h}} w^{(k-1)}+b_{k-1} 1_{N}
\end{array}
$$

where $e^{(l)}=\left[e_{1}^{(l)} ; \ldots ; e_{N}^{(l)}\right]$ and $\Phi_{N \times n_{h}}=\left[\varphi\left(x_{1}\right)^{T} ; \ldots ; \varphi\left(x_{N}\right)^{T}\right] \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times n_{h}}$.

- Dual problem: $M_{D} \Omega \alpha^{(l)}=\lambda D \alpha^{(l)}, l=1, \ldots, k-1$.
[Alzate \& Suykens, IEEE-PAMI, 2010]


## Primal and dual model representations

$k$ clusters
$k-1$ sets of constraints (index $l=1, \ldots, k-1$ )

$$
(P): \quad \operatorname{sign}\left[\hat{e}_{*}^{(l)}\right]=\operatorname{sign}\left[w^{(l)^{T}} \varphi\left(x_{*}\right)+b_{l}\right]
$$



$$
(D): \quad \operatorname{sign}\left[\hat{e}_{*}^{(l)}\right]=\operatorname{sign}\left[\sum_{j} \alpha_{j}^{(l)} K\left(x_{*}, x_{j}\right)+b_{l}\right]
$$

## Advantages of kernel-based setting

- model-based approach
- out-of-sample extensions, applying model to new data
- consider training, validation and test data (training problem corresponds to eigenvalue decomposition problem)
- model selection procedures
- sparse representations and large scale methods


## Model selection: toy example



BAD

validation set

train + validation + test data

## Example: image segmentation



## Hierarchical KSC


[Alzate \& Suykens, 2012]

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## Kernel spectral clustering: sparse kernel models

original image

binary clustering


Incomplete Cholesky decomposition: $\Omega \simeq G G^{T}$ with $G \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times R}$ and $R \ll N$ Image (Berkeley image dataset): $321 \times 481$ (154, 401 pixels), 175 SV

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sparse kernel model


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Time-complexity $\mathrm{O}\left(R^{2} N^{2}\right)$ in [Alzate \& Suykens, 2008]
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## Incomplete Cholesky decomposition and reduced set

- For KSC problem $M_{D} \Omega \alpha=\lambda D \alpha$, solve the approximation

$$
U^{T} M_{D} U \Lambda^{2} \zeta=\lambda \zeta
$$

from $\Omega \simeq G G^{T}$, singular value decomposition $G=U \Lambda V^{T}$ and $\zeta=U^{T} \alpha$. A smaller matrix of size $R \times R$ is obtained instead of $N \times N$.

- Pivots are used as subset $\left\{\tilde{x}_{i}\right\}$ for the data
- Reduced set method [Scholkopf et al., 1999]: approximation of $w=$ $\sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_{i} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)$ by $\tilde{w}=\sum_{j=1}^{M} \beta_{j} \varphi\left(\tilde{x}_{j}\right)$ in the sense

$$
\min _{\beta}\|w-\tilde{w}\|_{2}^{2}
$$

- Sparser solutions by adding $\ell_{1}$ penalty, reweighted $\ell_{1}$ or group Lasso.
[Alzate \& Suykens, 2008, 2011; Mall \& Suykens, 2014]


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- For KSC problem $M_{D} \Omega \alpha=\lambda D \alpha$, solve the approximation

$$
U^{T} M_{D} U \Lambda^{2} \zeta=\lambda \zeta
$$

from $\Omega \simeq G G^{T}$, singular value decomposition $G=U \Lambda V^{T}$ and $\zeta=U^{T} \alpha$. A smaller matrix of size $R \times R$ is obtained instead of $N \times N$.

- Pivots are used as subset $\left\{\tilde{x}_{i}\right\}$ for the data
- Reduced set method [Scholkopf et al., 1999]: approximation of $w=$ $\sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_{i} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)$ by $\tilde{w}=\sum_{j=1}^{M} \beta_{j} \varphi\left(\tilde{x}_{j}\right)$ in the sense

$$
\min _{\beta}\|w-\tilde{w}\|_{2}^{2}+\nu \sum_{j}\left|\beta_{j}\right|
$$

- Sparser solutions by adding $\ell_{1}$ penalty, reweighted $\ell_{1}$ or group Lasso.
[Alzate \& Suykens, 2008, 2011; Mall \& Suykens, 2014]


## Core models + constraints



## Core models + constraints



## Kernel spectral clustering: adding prior knowledge

- Pair of points $x_{\dagger}, x_{\ddagger}$ : $c=1$ must-link, $c=-1$ cannot-link
- Primal problem [Alzate \& Suykens, IJCNN 2009]

$$
\begin{array}{cl}
\min _{w^{(l)}, e^{(l)}, b_{l}} & -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{l=1}^{k-1} w^{(l)^{T}} w^{(l)}+\frac{1}{2} \sum_{l=1}^{k-1} \gamma_{l} e^{(l)^{T}} D^{-1} e^{(l)} \\
\text { subject to } & e^{(1)}=\Phi_{N \times n_{h}} w^{(1)}+b_{1} 1_{N} \\
& \vdots \\
& e^{(k-1)}=\Phi_{N \times n_{h}} w^{(k-1)}+b_{k-1} 1_{N} \\
& w^{(1)^{T}} \varphi\left(x_{\dagger}\right)=c w^{(1)^{T}} \varphi\left(x_{\ddagger}\right) \\
& \vdots \\
& w^{(k-1)^{T}} \varphi\left(x_{\dagger}\right)=c w^{(k-1)^{T}} \varphi\left(x_{\ddagger}\right)
\end{array}
$$

- Dual problem: yields rank-one downdate of the kernel matrix


## Adding prior knowledge

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without constraints


## Adding prior knowledge

original image

with constraints


## Semi-supervised learning using KSC (1)

- $N$ unlabeled data, but additional labels on $M-N$ data $\mathcal{X}=\left\{x_{1}, \ldots, x_{N}, x_{N+1}, \ldots, x_{M}\right\}$
- Kernel spectral clustering as core model (binary case [Alzate \& Suykens, WCCI 2012], multi-way/multi-class [Mehrkanoon et al., TNNLS 2015])

$$
\begin{aligned}
\min _{w, e, b} & \frac{1}{2} w^{T} w-\gamma \frac{1}{2} e^{T} D^{-1} e+\rho \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=N+1}^{M}\left(e_{m}-y_{m}\right)^{2} \\
\text { subject to } & e_{i}=w^{T} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)+b, i=1, \ldots, M
\end{aligned}
$$

Dual solution is characterized by a linear system. Suitable for clustering as well as classification.

- Other approaches in semi-supervised learning and manifold learning, e.g. [Belkin et al., 2006]


## Semi-supervised learning using KSC (2)

| Dataset | size | $n_{L} / n_{U}$ | test (\%) | FS semi-KSC | RD semi-KSC | Lap-SVMp |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Spambase | 4597 | $368 / 736$ | $919(20 \%)$ | $0.885 \pm 0.01$ | $0.883 \pm 0.01$ | $0.880 \pm 0.03$ |
| Satimage | 6435 | $1030 / 1030$ | $1287(20 \%)$ | $0.864 \pm 0.006$ | $0.831 \pm 0.009$ | $0.834 \pm 0.007$ |
| Ring | 7400 | $592 / 592$ | $1480(20 \%)$ | $0.975 \pm 0.005$ | $0.974 \pm 0.005$ | $0.972 \pm 0.006$ |
| Magic | 19020 | $761 / 1522$ | $3804(20 \%)$ | $0.836 \pm 0.006$ | $0.829 \pm 0.006$ | $0.827 \pm 0.005$ |
| Cod-rna | 331152 | $1325 / 1325$ | $66230(20 \%)$ | $0.957 \pm 0.006$ | $0.947 \pm 0.008$ | $0.951 \pm 0.001$ |
| Covertype | 581012 | $2760 / 2760$ | $29050(5 \%)$ | $0.715 \pm 0.005$ | $0.684 \pm 0.008$ | $0.697 \pm 0.001$ |
|  |  | $2760 / 27600$ |  | $0.729 \pm 0.04$ | $0.709 \pm 0.05$ | - |
|  |  | $2760 / 82800$ |  | $0.739 \pm 0.04$ | $0.716 \pm 0.03$ | - |
|  |  | $2760 / 138000$ |  | $0.742 \pm 0.05$ | $0.723 \pm 0.06$ | - |

FS semi-KSC: Fixed-size semi-supervised KSC
RD semi-KSC: other subset selection related to [Lee \& Mangasarian, 2001]
Lap-SVM: Laplacian support vector machine [Belkin et al., 2006]
[Mehrkanoon \& Suykens, 2014]

## Semi-supervised learning using KSC (3)

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given a few labels

KSC

semi-supervised KSC

[Mehrkanoon, Alzate, Mall, Langone, Suykens, IEEE-TNNLS 2015], videos

## SVD from LS-SVM

## SVD within the LS-SVM setting (1)

- Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) of $A \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$

$$
A=U \Sigma V^{T}
$$

with $U^{T} U=I_{N}, V^{T} V=I_{M}, \Sigma=\operatorname{diag}\left(\sigma_{1}, \ldots, \sigma_{p}\right) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$.

- Obtain two sets of data points (rows and columns): $x_{i}=A^{T} \epsilon_{i}, z_{j}=A \varepsilon_{j}$ for $i=1, \ldots, N, j=1, \ldots, M$ where $\epsilon_{i}, \varepsilon_{j}$ are standard basis vectors of dimension $N$ and $M$.
- Compatible feature maps: $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N}, \psi: \mathbb{R}^{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N}$ where

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)=C^{T} x_{i}=C^{T} A^{T} \epsilon_{i} \\
& \psi\left(z_{j}\right)=z_{j}=A \varepsilon_{j}
\end{aligned}
$$

with $C \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}$ a compatibility matrix.
[Suykens, ACHA, 2015, in press]

## SVD within the LS-SVM setting (2)

- Primal problem:
$\min _{w, v, e, r}-w^{T} v+\frac{1}{2} \gamma \sum_{i=1}^{N} e_{i}^{2}+\frac{1}{2} \gamma \sum_{j=1}^{M} r_{j}^{2}$ subject to

$$
\begin{aligned}
& e_{i}=w^{T} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right), i=1, \ldots, N \\
& r_{j}=v^{T} \psi\left(z_{j}\right), j=1, \ldots, M
\end{aligned}
$$

- From the Lagrangian and conditions for optimality one obtains:

$$
\begin{aligned}
{\left[\varphi\left(x_{i}\right)^{T} \psi\left(z_{j}\right)\right][\beta] } & =[\alpha] \tilde{\Lambda} \\
{\left[\psi\left(z_{j}\right)^{T} \varphi\left(x_{i}\right)\right][\alpha] } & =[\beta] \tilde{\Lambda}
\end{aligned}
$$

- Theorem: If $A C A=A$ holds, this corresponds to the shifted eigenvalue problem in Lanczos' decomposition theorem.
- Goes beyond the use of Mercer theorem; extensions to nonlinear SVDs
[Suykens, ACHA, 2015, in press]


## Conclusions

- Synergies parametric and kernel based-modelling
- Primal and dual representations
- Sparse kernel models using fixed-size method
- Applications in supervised and unsupervised learning and beyond
- Finite and infinite dimensional case
- Beyond Mercer kernels

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