Reducing Supervisor Burden in DAgger by one class SVM

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- Dagger is time-consuming and it requires human to annotate data for each state.
- Can we save some human annotations by algorithm?

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- We are given training data $(x^{(i)}, t^{(i)})$.
- We look at classification, so $t^{(i)}$ will represent the class label.
- We use t = 1 for the positive and t = -1 for the negative class.



- Goal: Find classification boundary that leads to the largest margin (buffer) from points on both sides.
- Subset of vectors that support (determine boundary) are called the support vectors.

- Let dicision boundary to be ω^Tx + b = 0, so that ω perpendicular to decision boundary.
- Let x to be support vector, d_n is the distance from support vector to boundary.



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- ► We let $t_n \in \{-1, 1\}$ stands for label for current data x, then $d_n = \frac{t_n(\omega^T x + b)}{||\omega||}$

We can set $d_n = rac{1}{||w||}$ for the point x_n closest to the decision boundary, leading to the problem:

$$rac{1}{||w||} ext{ s.t. } t_n(w^Tx_n+b) \geq 1, ext{ for } n=1\dots N$$

Or equivalently:

$$rac{\minrac{1}{2}||w||^2}{ ext{s.t. }t_n(w^Tx_n+b)\geq 1, ext{ for }n=1\dots N}$$

Non-linear SVM

- We change $y(x) = \boldsymbol{\omega}^{T}(x) + b$ to $y(x) = \boldsymbol{\omega}^{T}\phi((x)) + b$
- $\phi()$ is called kernel function.



Two Class SVM Review, slack variables



• Introduce slack variables ξ_i

$$\begin{split} \min \frac{1}{2} ||\mathbf{w}||^2 + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{N} \xi_i \\ \text{s.t} \quad \xi_i \geq 0; \quad \forall i \ t^{(i)} (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)} + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i \end{split}$$

- Example x_i lies on wrong side of hyperplane then $\xi_i > 1$
- So $\sum_i \xi_i$ is the upper bounds of the number of training error.



- We want to separate all data from origin.
- We want to the decision boundary to be as far as possible to origin.
- ▶ The red line above is the ideal decision boundary we want.



- Why do we want one class SVM?
- One class SVM means all data in training set are in the same class.
- When a new data comes in, we know whether the data is worth labeling.

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{w}, b, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \rho} \quad \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{w} - \rho + \frac{1}{\nu l} \sum_{i=1}^{l} \xi_{i}$$

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- When a new data comes in, we know whether the data is worth labeling.
- However, standard one class SVM doesn't have sense of different classes.

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- So our decision function becomes:

$$g_{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 0 & : g_s(\mathbf{x}) == 1 \text{ and } g_r(\mathbf{x}) == -1 \\ -1 & : \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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- ▶ SHIV: Using One Class SVM to decide whether to ask a query. $D_{k+1} = D_k \cup \{(\mathbf{x}_t, \tilde{\mathbf{u}_t}) || t \in \{0, ..., T\}, g(\mathbf{x}_t) = -1\}$

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