## Support Vector Machines

More Generally Kernel Methods

## 2 Important Concepts

* Seek linear decision boundary with two new concepts
$\square$ Optimization based on maximizing margins (not GD)
$\square$ Kernel mapping for better linear separation ("massaging data")


## Two Class Problem: Linear Separable Case


*Many decision boundaries can separate these two classes
$\because$ Which one should we choose?

## Example of Bad Decision Boundaries



## Linear classifiers: Which Hyperplane?

* Lots of possible solutions for $a, b, c$.
* Some methods find a separating hyperplane, but not the optimal one [according to some


## criterion of expected goodness]

- E.g., perceptron, GD
* Support Vector Machine (SVM) finds an optimal solution.
- Maximizes the distance between the hyperplane and the "difficult points" close to decision boundary
- One intuition: if there are no points near the decision surface, then there are no very uncertain classification decisions



## Another intuition

\% If you have to place a fat separator between classes, you have less choices, and so the capacity of the model has been decreased

## Support Vector Machine (SVM)

* SVMs maximize the margin around the separating hyperplane.
- A.k.a. large margin classifiers
* The decision function is fully specified by a subset of training samples, the support vectors.
* Quadratic programming problem
* Seen by many as most successful current text classification method

Support vectors


Maximize margin

## SVM with Kernel Mapping

* Original feature space might not be well conditioned
* X -> $\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{X})$ (in a higher dimensional space)



## Non-linear SVMs

* Datasets that are linearly separable (with some noise) work out great:

* But what are we going to do if the dataset is just too hard?

* How about ... mapping data to a higher-dimensional space:



## Non-linear SVMs: Feature spaces

* General idea: the original feature space can always be mapped to some higherdimensional feature space where the



## Transformation to Feature Space

$\star$ High computation burden due to high-dimensionality and hard to get a good estimate
*"Kernel tricks" for efficient computation: Only the inner products of feature vectors are used, mapping is not explicitly computed (efficiency in time and space)



Feature space

## Kernel-Induced Feature Spaces

* Recall from Perceptron learning rule, weight is a combination of feature vectors (those that are difficult to handle, or classified wrongly)

$$
\mathbf{w}^{(k+1)}=\left\{\begin{array}{cc}
\mathbf{w}^{(k)}+\operatorname{cy\mathbf {x}} & y\left(\mathbf{w}^{(k)} \cdot \mathbf{x}\right)<0, \mathbf{x} \in+\text { or }- \\
\mathbf{w}^{(k)} & \text { otherwise }
\end{array}\right.
$$

## Kernel-Induced Feature Spaces

$\therefore$ Or, the decision rule involves only inner product of features, not features themselves

$$
h(\mathbf{x})=\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i}\left(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{i}} \cdot \mathbf{x}\right) \quad w=\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \mathbf{x}_{i}
$$

* The same holds true for mapped space
- Dimension is not important (may not know the mapping)
$\square$ Inner products can be evaluated at the low-dimensional space

$$
h(\mathbf{x})=\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i}\left(\phi\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x})\right) \quad w=\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \phi\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right)
$$

## Kernels

* A function that returns the value of dot product of mapping of two arguments

$$
k\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}, \mathbf{x}_{2}\right)=\phi\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}\right) \cdot \phi\left(\mathbf{x}_{2}\right)=\left\langle\phi\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}\right), \phi\left(\mathbf{x}_{2}\right)\right\rangle
$$

- The same perceptron style learning can be applied (just replace all dot products with kernels; however, SVM has more sophisticated learning rules)


## Example

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \phi: \mathbf{x}=\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) \rightarrow \phi(\mathbf{x})=\left(x_{1}^{2}, 2 x_{1} x_{2}, x_{2}^{2}\right) \in F=R^{3} \\
& k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})=\left(x_{1} y_{1}+x_{2} y_{2}\right)^{2} \\
& =x_{1}^{2} y_{1}^{2}+2 x_{1} y_{1} x_{2} y_{2}+x_{2}^{2} y_{2}^{2} \\
& =\left(x_{1}^{2}, \sqrt{2} x_{1} x_{2}, x_{2}^{2}\right) \cdot\left(y_{1}^{2}, \sqrt{2} y_{1} y_{2}, y_{2}^{2}\right) \\
& =\phi(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{y})
\end{aligned}
$$

## More Example

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \phi: \mathbf{x}=\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) \rightarrow \phi(\mathbf{x})=\left(x_{1}^{2}, x_{1} x_{2}, x_{1} x_{2}, x_{2}^{2}\right) \in F=R^{4} \\
& k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})=\left(x_{1} y_{1}+x_{2} y_{2}\right)^{2} \\
& =x_{1}^{2} y_{1}^{2}+2 x_{1} y_{1} x_{2} y_{2}+x_{2}^{2} y_{2}^{2} \\
& =\left(x_{1}^{2}, x_{1} x_{2}, x_{1} x_{2}, x_{2}^{2}\right) \cdot\left(y_{1}^{2}, y_{1} y_{2}, y_{1} y_{2}, y_{2}^{2}\right) \\
& =\phi(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{y})
\end{aligned}
$$

## Even More Example

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \phi: \mathbf{x}=\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) \rightarrow \phi(\mathbf{x})=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(x_{1}^{2}-x_{2}^{2}, 2 x_{1} x_{2}, x_{1}^{2}+x_{2}^{2}\right) \in F=R^{3} \\
& k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})=\left(x_{1} y_{1}+x_{2} y_{2}\right)^{2} \\
& =x_{1}^{2} y_{1}^{2}+2 x_{1} y_{1} x_{2} y_{2}+x_{2}^{2} y_{2}^{2} \\
& =\left(x_{1}^{2}, \sqrt{2} x_{1} x_{2}, x_{2}^{2}\right) \cdot\left(y_{1}^{2}, \sqrt{2} y_{1} y_{2}, y_{2}^{2}\right) \\
& =\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(x_{1}^{2}-x_{2}^{2}, 2 x_{1} x_{2}, x_{1}^{2}+x_{2}^{2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(y_{1}^{2}-y_{2}^{2}, 2 y_{1} y_{2}, y_{1}^{2}+y_{2}^{2}\right) \\
& =\phi(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{y})
\end{aligned}
$$

* The interpretation of mapping $\phi$ is not unique even with a single $\kappa$ function


## Gaussian Kernel

* Identical to the Radial Basis Function

$$
\kappa(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})=<\phi(\mathbf{x}), \phi(\mathbf{z})>=\exp \left(\frac{\|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{z}\|^{2}}{2 \sigma^{2}}\right)
$$

$*$ Recall that

$$
e^{x}=\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{i}}{i!}
$$

* The feature dimension is infinitely high in this case
* Embedding is not explicitly computed (impossible), only inner product is needed in SVM


## SVM Cost Function

$$
\min _{\theta} C \sum_{i=1}^{m}\left[y^{(i)} \operatorname{cost}_{1}\left(\theta^{T} x^{(i)}\right)+\left(1-y^{(i)}\right) \operatorname{cost}_{0}\left(\theta^{T} x^{(i)}\right)\right]+\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \theta_{j}^{2}
$$

* Similar to logistic function, but piecewise linear, no penalty for $\mathrm{z}>1 \mathrm{y}=1$, and $\mathrm{z}<-1$,
$\mathrm{y}=0$



If $y=1$, we want $\theta^{T} x \geq 1$ (not just $\geq 0$ )
If $y=0$, we want $\theta^{T} x \leq-1$ (not just $<0$ )

## Margin

$\%$ for $\mathrm{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathrm{x}$ to be $>1$ (for $\mathrm{y}=1$ ) and <-1 (for $\mathrm{y}=-1$ ), w must be larger in the left figure than the right. So large margin imply small $|\mathrm{w}|^{2}$



## Numerical Methods

* Maximize margin or minimize $|\mathrm{w}|^{2}$ cannot be done by gradient descent but by quadratic programming (DON'T try it yourself, find a readily available implementation SVM-light, SVMlib)
$* h(x)=\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i}\left(x_{i} \cdot x\right)+b \quad h(x)=\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} K\left(x_{i} \cdot x\right)+b$
$\therefore \mathrm{i}$ is the number of support vectors, $\mathrm{X}_{\mathrm{i}}$ is the $i$-th support vector, $a_{i}$ is the weight, and $b$ is a bias


## The Optimization Problem

$\therefore$ Let $\left\{x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}\right\}$ be our data set and let $y_{i} \in$ $\{1,-1\}$ be the class label of $x_{\mathrm{i}}$
*The decision boundary should classify all points correctly $\Rightarrow$ hard magin
$*$ A constrained optimization problem

$$
\text { Minimize } \frac{1}{2}\|\mathbf{w}\|^{2} \quad\| \| \mathbf{w} \|^{2}=\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{w}
$$

subject to $y_{i}\left(\mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{i}+b\right) \geq 1 \quad \forall i$

Optimization $f(\boldsymbol{X})$, no constraints

* $\nabla f=0$



## Optimization $f(\boldsymbol{X})$, equality

 constraints$* g(\mathbf{X})=0$ :
$\square \operatorname{Min} f+\lambda g$ or $\nabla f+\lambda \nabla g=0$


Optimization $f(\boldsymbol{X})$, inequality constraints
$* \mathrm{~h}(\mathbf{X})<=0:$ Min $\mathrm{f}+\lambda \mathrm{h}$ or $\nabla f+\lambda \nabla h=0$
$\square$ Necessary condition for optimality: $\nabla f=0$
$>$ Outside feasible region $(\mathrm{h}(\mathbf{X})>0)$, not a solution
$>$ Inside feasible region, a solution $(\mathrm{h}(\mathbf{X})<0), \mathrm{h}$ does not matter, $\lambda=0$
$>$ On the boundary of feasible region $\mathrm{h}(\mathbf{X})=0, \mathrm{~h}$ behaves just like $g$ (an equality constraint)
$>$ For minimization problem

- $\nabla f$ must point inside
- $\nabla h$ must point outside
- $\nabla f=-\lambda \nabla h, \lambda>0$


## KKT condition

$$
\begin{gathered}
h(x) \leq 0 \\
\lambda>0 \\
\nabla f+\lambda \nabla h=0
\end{gathered}
$$

## Lagrangian of Original Problem

Minimize $\frac{1}{2}\|\mathbf{w}\|^{2}$ subject to $1-y_{i}\left(\mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{i}+b\right) \leq 0 \quad$ for $i=1$,

* The Lagrangian is

$$
\mathcal{L}=\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{w}+\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i}\left(1-y_{i}\left(\mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{i}+b\right)\right)
$$

$$
\alpha_{i} \geq 0
$$

$\square$ Note that $\|\mathbf{w}\|^{2}=\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{w}$
Setting the gradient of $\mathcal{L}$ w.r.t. $w$ and $b$ to zero,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{w}+\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i}\left(-y_{i}\right) \mathbf{x}_{i}=\mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \mathbf{w}=\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \mathbf{x}_{i} & \Rightarrow \frac{\partial L}{\partial w}=0 \\
\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} y_{i}=0 & \\
& \frac{\partial L}{\partial b}=0
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& L=\frac{1}{2} w^{T} w+\sum \alpha_{i}\left(1-y_{i}\left(w^{T} x_{i}+b\right)\right) \\
& =\frac{1}{2} w^{T} w+\sum \alpha_{i}-w^{T} \sum \alpha_{i} y_{i} x_{i}+b \sum \alpha_{i} y_{i} \\
& =\frac{1}{2} w^{T} w+\sum \alpha_{i}-w^{T} w \\
& =-\frac{1}{2} w^{T} w+\sum \alpha_{i} \\
& =-\frac{1}{2}\left(\alpha_{i} y_{i} x_{i}\right)^{T}\left(\alpha_{j} y_{j} x_{j}\right)+\sum \alpha_{i} \\
& =\sum \alpha_{i}-\frac{1}{2} \sum \sum \alpha_{i} \alpha_{j} y_{i} y_{j} x_{i} \cdot x_{j}
\end{aligned}
$$

## The Dual Optimization Problem

$\because$ We can transform the problem to its dual
max. $W(\boldsymbol{\alpha})=\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i}-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1, j=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} \alpha_{j} y_{i} y_{j} \mathbf{x}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{j}$ Dot product of X
subject to $\alpha_{i} \geq 0, \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} y_{i}=0$
(Lagrangian multipliers)
*This is a convex quadratic programming
(QP) problem
QGlobal maximum of $\alpha_{i}$ can always be found
$\rightarrow$ well established tools for solving this optimization problem (e.g. cplex)

$$
\mathbf{w}=\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \mathbf{x}_{i}
$$

## Quadratic Programming

* The cost is quadratic
$\square$ Without constraint, there is a unique minimum
$\square$ Any descent search technique (e.g., gradient descent) should eventually find the minimum
- Added twist
$\square$ The search is with constraint

$$
\text { subject to } \alpha_{i} \geq 0, \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} y_{i}=0
$$

## A Geometrical Interpretation



## Classification with SVMs

* Given a new point ( $x_{1}, x_{2}$ ), we can score its projection onto the hyperplane normal:
$\square$ In 2 dims: score $=w_{1} x_{1}+w_{2} x_{2}+b$.
$\square$ I.e., compute score: $w x+b=\Sigma \alpha_{i} y_{i} \mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{i}}^{\mathbf{T}} \mathbf{x}+b$
$\square$ Set confidence threshold t .

Score > t: yes
Score < -t: no
Else: don't know


## Soft Margin Classification

* If the training set is not linearly separable, slack variables $\xi_{i}$ can be added to allow misclassification of difficult or noisy examples.
* Allow some errors
- Let some points be moved to where they belong, at a cost
* Still, try to minimize training set errors, and to place hyperplane "far" from each
 class (large margin)


## Soft margin

*We allow "error" $\xi_{\mathrm{i}}$ in classification; it is based on the output of the discriminant function $\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x}+\mathrm{b}$

* $\xi_{\mathrm{i}}$ approximates the number of misclassified samples

New objective function:


## Linear Non-Separable Case

* When classes are not separable
- Introduce slack variables and relax constraints

$$
y_{i}\left(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{i}\right) \geq 1-\xi_{i} \quad \xi_{i} \geq 0
$$

- Minimize the objective functions
- Allow some samples into the buffer zone, but minimize the number and the amount of protrusion

$$
L=\frac{1}{2}|\mathbf{w}|^{2}+C \sum_{i} \xi_{i} \quad C:>0(\text { weight })
$$

## Wolfe Dual

$$
\begin{aligned}
& L=\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{w}+C \sum_{i} \xi_{i} \quad 0 \leq \xi_{i} \leq 1, C>0 \\
& =\sum_{i} \alpha_{i}-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} \sum_{j} \alpha_{i} \alpha_{j} y_{i} y_{j} \mathbf{x}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{j} \\
& \sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i}=0 \\
& 0 \leq \alpha_{i} \leq C
\end{aligned}
$$

## General Case

$$
\begin{aligned}
& L=\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{w}+C \sum_{i} \xi_{i} \quad 0 \leq \xi_{i} \leq 1, C>0 \\
& =\sum_{i} \alpha_{i}-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} \sum_{j} \alpha_{i} \alpha_{j} y_{i} y_{j} k\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}, \mathbf{x}_{j}\right) \\
& \sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i}=0 \\
& 0 \leq \alpha_{i} \leq C
\end{aligned}
$$

## Example

$$
\begin{aligned}
& k\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}, \mathbf{x}_{2}\right)=\left(1+\mathbf{x}_{1} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{2}\right)^{2}=\left(1+\mathbf{x}_{11} \mathbf{x}_{21}+\mathbf{x}_{12} \mathbf{x}_{22}\right)^{2} \\
& =\left(1+\mathbf{x}_{11}^{2} \mathbf{x}_{21}^{2}+2 \mathbf{x}_{11} \mathbf{x}_{12} \mathbf{x}_{21} \mathbf{x}_{22}+\mathbf{x}_{12}^{2} \mathbf{x}_{22}^{2}+2 \mathbf{x}_{11} \mathbf{x}_{21}+2 \mathbf{x}_{12} \mathbf{x}_{22}\right) \\
& \varphi\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right)=\left[1, \mathbf{x}_{i 1}^{2}, \sqrt{2} \mathbf{x}_{i 1} \mathbf{x}_{i 2}, \mathbf{x}_{i 2}^{2}, \sqrt{2} \mathbf{x}_{i 1}, \sqrt{2} \mathbf{x}_{i 2}\right]^{T}
\end{aligned}
$$

$\begin{array}{cc}- \text { Xor } \\ \mathbf{X} & y \\ (-1,-1) & -1 \\ (-1,+1) & +1 \\ (+1,-1) & +1 \\ (+1,+1) & -1\end{array}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& K=\left[\begin{array}{llll}
9 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\
1 & 9 & 1 & 1 \\
1 & 1 & 9 & 1 \\
1 & 1 & 1 & 9
\end{array}\right] \\
& L=\alpha_{1}+\alpha_{2}+\alpha_{3}+\alpha_{4} \\
& -\frac{1}{2}\left(9 \alpha_{1}^{2}+9 \alpha_{2}^{2}+9 \alpha_{3}^{2}+9 \alpha_{4}^{2}\right. \\
& -\alpha_{1} \alpha_{2}-\alpha_{1} \alpha_{3}-\alpha_{1} \alpha_{4} \\
& -\alpha_{2} \alpha_{3}-\alpha_{2} \alpha_{4} \\
& \left.-\alpha_{3} \alpha_{4}\right)
\end{aligned} \quad L=\sum_{i} \alpha_{i}-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} \sum_{j} \alpha_{i} \alpha_{j} y_{i} y_{j} k\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}, \mathbf{x}_{j}\right) \text { ) }
$$

## Example (cont.)

$9 \alpha_{1}-\alpha_{2}-\alpha_{3}+\alpha_{4}=1$
$-\alpha_{1}+9 \alpha_{2}+\alpha_{3}-\alpha_{4}=1$
$-\alpha_{1}+\alpha_{2}+9 \alpha_{3}-\alpha_{4}=1$
$\alpha_{1}-\alpha_{2}-\alpha_{3}+9 \alpha_{4}=1$
$\alpha_{1}=\alpha_{2}=\alpha_{3}=\alpha_{4}=\frac{1}{8} \quad>=0$

$$
y=<\mathbf{w}, \phi(\mathbf{x})>=-x_{1} x_{2}
$$

$\mathbf{w}=\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \phi\left(\mathbf{X}_{i}\right)=\frac{1}{8}\left[-\phi\left(\mathbf{X}_{1}\right)+\phi\left(\mathbf{X}_{2}\right)+\phi\left(\mathbf{X}_{3}\right)-\phi\left(\mathbf{X}_{4}\right)\right]$
$=\frac{1}{8}\left[\left[\left[\begin{array}{c}1 \\ 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ 1 \\ -\sqrt{2} \\ -\sqrt{2}\end{array}\right]+\left[\begin{array}{c}1 \\ 1 \\ -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 \\ -\sqrt{2} \\ -\sqrt{2}\end{array}\right]+\left[\begin{array}{c}1 \\ 1 \\ -\sqrt{2} \\ 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ -\sqrt{2}\end{array}\right]+\left[\begin{array}{c}1 \\ 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{2}\end{array}\right]\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}0 \\ 0 \\ -\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0\end{array}\right]\right.$

## Example: 5 1D data points



## Example

$\% 5$ 1D data points
$\square x_{1}=1, x_{2}=2, x_{3}=4, x_{4}=5, x_{5}=6$, with $1,2,6$ as class 1 and 4,5 as class $2 \Rightarrow y_{1}=1, y_{2}=1, y_{3}=-1, y_{4}=-1$, $y_{5}=1$
$\therefore$ We use the polynomial kernel of degree 2
$\square K(x, y)=(x y+1)^{2}$
$\square \mathrm{C}$ is set to $100 \quad \max . \sum_{i=1}^{5} \alpha_{i}-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{5} \sum_{j=1}^{5} \alpha_{i} \alpha_{j} y_{i} y_{j}\left(x_{i} x_{j}+1\right)^{2}$
$\therefore$ We first find $\alpha_{i}(i=1, \ldots, 5)$ by
subject to $100 \geq \alpha_{i} \geq 0, \sum_{i=1}^{5} \alpha_{i} y_{i}=0$

## Example

$\therefore$ By using a QP solver, we get

$$
\alpha_{1}=0, \alpha_{2}=2.5, \alpha_{3}=0, \alpha_{4}=7.333, \alpha_{5}=4.833
$$

$\square$ Verify (at home) that the constraints are indeed satisfied
$\square$ The support vectors are $\left\{x_{2}=2, x_{4}=5, x_{5}=6\right\}$
The discriminant function is

$$
\begin{aligned}
f(y) & =2.5(1)(2 y+1)^{2}+7.333(-1)(5 y+1)^{2}+4.833(1)(6 y+1)^{2}+b \\
& =0.6667 x^{2}-5.333 x+b \\
& y_{i}\left(\mathbf{w}^{T} \phi(z)+b\right)=1
\end{aligned}
$$

$\star b$ is recovered by solving $f(2)=1$ or by $f(5)=-1$ or by $f(6)=1$, as $x_{2}, x_{4}, x_{5}$ lie on $f(y)$ and all give $b=9$ with

$$
f(y)=0.6667 x^{2}-5.333 x+9
$$

## Software

$\%$ A list of SVM implementation can be found at http://www.kernelmachines.org/software.html
*Some implementation (such as LIBSVM) can handle multi-class classification
$*$ SVMLight is among one of the earliest implementation of SVM
*Several Matlab toolboxes for SVM are also available

## Evaluation: Classic Reuters Data Set

* Most (over)used data set
* 21578 documents
* 9603 training, 3299 test articles
* 118 categories
- An article can be in more than one category
- Learn 118 binary category distinctions
* Average document: about 90 types, 200 tokens
* Average number of classes assigned
- 1.24 for docs with at least one category
* Only about 10 out of 118 categories are large
- Earn $(2877,1087)$

Common categories (\#train, \#test)

- Acquisitions $(1650,179)$
- Money-fx $(538,179)$
- Grain $(433,149)$
- Crude $(389,189)$
- Trade $(369,119)$
- Interest $(347,131)$
- Ship $(197,89)$
- Wheat $(212,71)$
- Corn (1824 56)


## Reuters Text Categorization data set (Reuters-21578) document

<REUTERS TOPICS="YES" LEWISSPLIT="TRAIN" CGISPLIT="TRAINING-SET" OLDID="12981" NEWID="798">
<DATE> 2-MAR-1987 16:51:43.42</DATE>
<TOPICS><D>livestock</D><D>hog</D></TOPICS>
<TITLE>AMERICAN PORK CONGRESS KICKS OFF TOMORROW</TITLE>
<DATELINE> CHICAGO, March 2 - </DATELINE><BODY>The American Pork Congress kicks off tomorrow, March 3, in Indianapolis with 160 of the nations pork producers from 44 member states determining industry positions on a number of issues, according to the National Pork Producers Council, NPPC.

Delegates to the three day Congress will be considering 26 resolutions concerning various issues, including the future direction of farm policy and the tax law as it applies to the agriculture sector. The delegates will also debate whether to endorse concepts of a national PRV (pseudorabies virus) control and eradication program, the NPPC said.

A large trade show, in conjunction with the congress, will feature the latest in technology in all areas of the industry, the NPPC added. Reuter

## New Reuters: RCV1: 810,000 docs

## * Top topics in Reuters RCV1



## Good practice department: <br> Confusion matrix

This ( $i, j$ ) entry means 53 of the docs actually in class $i$ were put in class $j$ by the classifier.

Class assigned by classifier


* In a perfect classification, only the diagonal has non-zero entries


## Per class evaluation measures

*Recall: Fraction of docs in class $i$ classified correctly:


* Precision: Fraction of docs assigned class $i$ that are actually about class $i$ :

*"Correct rate": (1- error rate) Fraction of docs classified correctly:



# Dumais et al. 1998 : 

## Reuters - Accuracy

|  | Rocchio | NBayes | Trees | LinearSVM |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| earn | $92.9 \%$ | $95.9 \%$ | $97.8 \%$ | $98.2 \%$ |  |
| acq | $64.7 \%$ | $87.8 \%$ | $89.7 \%$ | $92.8 \%$ |  |
| money-fx | $46.7 \%$ | $56.6 \%$ | $66.2 \%$ | $74.0 \%$ |  |
| grain | $67.5 \%$ | $78.8 \%$ | $85.0 \%$ | $92.4 \%$ |  |
| crude | $70.1 \%$ | $79.5 \%$ | $85.0 \%$ | $88.3 \%$ |  |
| trade | $65.1 \%$ | $63.9 \%$ | $72.5 \%$ | $73.5 \%$ |  |
| interest | $63.4 \%$ | $64.9 \%$ | $67.1 \%$ | $76.3 \%$ |  |
| ship | $49.2 \%$ | $85.4 \%$ | $74.2 \%$ | $78.0 \%$ |  |
| wheat | $68.9 \%$ | $69.7 \%$ | $92.5 \%$ | $89.7 \%$ |  |
| corn | $48.2 \%$ | $65.3 \%$ | $91.8 \%$ | $91.1 \%$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Avg Top 10 | $64.6 \%$ | $81.5 \%$ | $88.4 \%$ | $91.4 \%$ |  |
| Avg All Cat | $61.7 \%$ | $75.2 \%$ | na |  | $86.4 \%$ |

Recall: \% labeled in category among those stories that are really in category
Precision: \% really in category among those stories labeled in category
B eak Even: (Recall + Precision) / 2

## Reuters ROC - Category Grain



## Precision

Recall: \% labeled in category among those stories that are really in category Prellision: \% really in category among those stories labeled in category

## ROC for Category - Crude



## Linear Programming

## $*$ Standard max $\quad *$ Standard min

maximize $\boldsymbol{c}^{\boldsymbol{T}} \boldsymbol{x}$
subject to the constraints $\boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{x} \leq \boldsymbol{b}$ and $\boldsymbol{x} \geq 0$
minimize $\boldsymbol{y}^{\top} \boldsymbol{b}$
subject to the constraints $\boldsymbol{y}^{\top} \boldsymbol{A} \geq \boldsymbol{c}^{\top}$ and $\boldsymbol{y} \geq 0$

## Standard Max Example

: (x1,x2): (\#pants, \#shirts)

* (b1,b2): (\#buttons, \#zippers)
* (c1,c2): (profit/pant, profit/shirt)
* (y1, y2): (\$/button, \$/zipper) <- shadow price
* Aij: i:(buttons, zippers), j:(pants, shirts) use $\max [c 1, c 2]\left[\begin{array}{l}x 1 \\ x 2\end{array}\right]$
Subject to $\left[\begin{array}{ll}b n 1 & b n 2 \\ z p 1 & z p 2\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}x 1 \\ x 2\end{array}\right] \leq\left[\begin{array}{l}b 1 \\ b 2\end{array}\right] \quad \min \quad[y 1, y 2]\left[\begin{array}{l}b 1 \\ b 2\end{array}\right]$
$\mathrm{x} 1 \geq 0, \mathrm{x} 2 \geq 0$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Subject to }[y 1, y 2]\left[\begin{array}{ll}
b n 1 & b n 2 \\
z p 1 & z p 2
\end{array}\right] \geq\left[\begin{array}{ll}
c 1 & c 2
\end{array}\right] \\
& \mathrm{y} 1 \geq 0, \mathrm{y} 2 \geq 0
\end{aligned}
$$

## Standard Max

- Max is primal
- Make pants/shirts by yourself
* Max profits for you
* Stay within available buttons and zippers
- Min is dual
* Sell your material to a buyer
* Min costs for buyer
* Buyer must offer more than what you can earn by making things yourself


## Standard Min Example

* $(\mathrm{y} 1, \mathrm{y} 2)$ : (pound of meat, pound of veggi)
* (b1,b2): (\$/pound meat, \$/pound veggi)
* (c1,c2): (required calorie, required protein)
* Aij: i:(meat, veggi), j:(calorie, protein) provided
* (x1, x2): (\$/1 calorie supplement, $\$ / 1$ protein supplement) <- shadow price

$$
\underset{\min }{c e}[y 1, y 2]\left[\begin{array}{l}
b 1 \\
b 2
\end{array}\right]
$$

Subject to $[y 1, y 2]\left[\begin{array}{ll}c / \text { pmeat } & p / \text { pmeat } \\ \text { c/pveggi } & p / \text { pveggi }\end{array}\right] \geq\left[\begin{array}{ll}c 1 & c 2\end{array}\right]$ $\mathrm{y} 1 \geq 0, \mathrm{y} 2 \geq 0$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \max [c 1, c 2]\left[\begin{array}{l}
x 1 \\
x 2
\end{array}\right] \\
& \text { Subject to }\left[\begin{array}{ll}
c / \text { meat } & p / \text { meat } \\
c / \text { veggi } & p / \text { veggi }
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
x 1 \\
x 2
\end{array}\right] \leq\left[\begin{array}{l}
b 1 \\
b 2
\end{array}\right] \\
& \mathrm{x} 1 \geq 0, \mathrm{x} 2 \geq 0
\end{aligned}
$$

## Standard Min

* Min is primal
* Buy meat and veggi * Aliens sell you to provide calorie magic calorie and and protein
* Min cost for you
* Supply enough nutrient
protein pills
* Max is dual
* Max profits for seller
* seller must offer less than what you pay to buy for yourself


## Some Facts about LP

* All linear programming problems can be transformed into either standard max or standard min
* If max if feasible then min if feasible and vice versa
* Optimal max is also the optimal min (no gap)


## Conversion from Primal to Dual

$$
\min [y 1, y 2]\left[\begin{array}{c}
b 1 \\
b 2
\end{array}\right]
$$

Subject to $[y 1, y 2]\left[\begin{array}{cc}a 11 & a 12\end{array}\right] \geq\left[\begin{array}{ll}c 1 & c 1-\mathrm{a} 11 * \mathrm{y} 1-\mathrm{a} 21 * \mathrm{y} 2 \leq 0 \\ a 21 & a 22\end{array}\right]$ Subject to $[y 1, y 2]\left[\begin{array}{ll}11 \\ a 21 & a 22\end{array}\right] \geq\left[\begin{array}{ll}c 1 & c 2\end{array}\right] \Rightarrow c 2-\mathrm{a} 12 * \mathrm{y} 1-\mathrm{a} 22 * \mathrm{y} 2 \leq 0$ $\mathrm{y} 1 \geq 0, \mathrm{y} 2 \geq 0$
$\max _{x 1, x 2} \min _{y 1, y 2} \mathrm{~b} 1 * \mathrm{y} 1+\mathrm{b} 2 * \mathrm{y} 2$
$+\mathrm{x} 1 *(\mathrm{c} 1-\mathrm{a} 11 * \mathrm{y} 1-\mathrm{a} 21 * \mathrm{y} 2) \quad \max _{x 1, x 2} \min _{y 1, y 2} c 1 * x 1+c 2 * x 2$ $+\mathrm{x} 2 *(\mathrm{c} 2-\mathrm{a} 12 * \mathrm{y} 1-\mathrm{a} 22 * \mathrm{y} 2) \quad+\mathrm{y} 1 *(\mathrm{~b} 1-\mathrm{a} 11 * \mathrm{x} 1-\mathrm{a} 12 * \mathrm{x} 2)$

$$
+\mathrm{y} 2 *(\mathrm{~b} 2-\mathrm{a} 21 * \mathrm{x} 1-\mathrm{a} 22 * \mathrm{x} 2)
$$

$\max [c 1, c 2]\left[\begin{array}{l}x 1 \\ x 2\end{array}\right]$
Subject to $\left[\begin{array}{ll}a 11 & a 12 \\ a 21 & a 22\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}x 1 \\ x 2\end{array}\right] \leq\left[\begin{array}{l}b 1 \\ b 2\end{array}\right]$ $\mathrm{x} 1 \geq 0, \mathrm{x} 2 \geq 0$

