

Question 4.

For the SVM that is applied to data, which is linearly separable, we have made the following derivations

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\alpha} W(\alpha) &= \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^m y_i y_j \alpha_i \alpha_j x_i^T x_j \\ \text{s.t. } \alpha_i &\geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i y^{(i)} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

But, for some cases it is not clear to see a hyper plane separating the data, since it is highly susceptible to outliers etc.

Therefore to make the model more robust to deal with these issues we need to reformulate the regularization.

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{w,b,\xi} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^m \xi_i \\ \text{s.t. } \quad & y_i (w^T x_i + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & \xi_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

In making the above change, the only affect in our dual problem is that our initial constraint of $\alpha \geq 0$, now becomes $0 \leq \alpha \leq C$. And in this case, the training points are segregated into three types which are described as follows,

- $\alpha = 0$: non-interesting points
- $C > \alpha > 0$; $\beta = 0$: a support vector on the margin line, no slack variable.
- $\alpha = C$; $\beta > 0$: a support vector, inside the side (or even misclassified)

Question 5.

$$y = wx + b;$$

$$w = -1;$$

$$b = 1.5$$

Margin ~ 0.5

