

Python - Supported Vector Machine (SVM) Cheat Sheet by DarioPittera (aggialavura) via cheatography.com/83764/cs/20045/

TO START

IMPORT DATA LIBRARIES
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
IMPORT VIS LIBRARIES
import matplo tli b.p yplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
%matpl otlib inline
IMPORT MODELLING LIBRARIES
from sklear n.m ode l_s ele ction import train_ tes t_split
from sklear n.svm import SVC
from sklear n.m etrics import classi fic ati on_ rep ort ,co nfu sio n_m atrix

TRAIN MODEL

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test_size=0.3)

...I FIT THE MODEL

svc= SVC() instatiate model svc.fit(X_train,y_train) train/fit the model

MAKE PREDICTIONS

pred = svm.predict(X_test)

✓ EVAUATE MODEL

print(confusion_matrix(y_test,pred))

print(classification_report(y_test,pred))

GRID SEARCH EXPLANATION

Finding the right parameters (like what C or gamma values to use) is a tricky task! But luckily, we can be a little lazy and just try a bunch of combinations and see what works best! This idea of creating a 'grid' of parameters and just trying out all the possible combinations is called a Gridsearch, this method is common enough that Scikit-learn has this functionality built-in with GridSearchCV! The CV stands for cross-validation which is the GridSearchCV takes a dictionary that describes the parameters that should be tried and a model to train. The grid of parameters is defined as a dictionary, where the keys are the parameters and the values are the settings to be tested..

C is the parameter for the soft margin cost function, which controls the influence of each individual support vector; this process involves trading error penalty for stability. C is the **cost of misclassification of training examples** against the simplicity of the decision surface. A large C gives low bias and high variance. Low bias because you penalize the cost of missclasification a lot. A **small C** gives you higher bias and lower variance.

Gamma is the parameter of a Gaussian Kernel (to handle non-linear classification). Gamma controls the shape of the "peaks" where you raise the points. A small gamma gives a pointed bump in the higher dimensions, a large gamma gives a softer, broader bump. So a small gamma will give you low bias and high variance while a large gamma will give you higher bias and low variance. You usually find the best C and Gamma hyper-parameters using Grid-Search.

Kernel will decide the hyperplane you will use to divide the points.

Refit an estimator using the best-found parameters on the whole dataset

Verbose controls the verbosity: the higher, the more messages.

SVM parameters

Following table should sum up the explanation for an SVM-

	Large Gamma	Small Gamma	Large C	Small C
Variance	Low	High	High	Low
Bias	High	Low	Low	High

The art is to choose a model with optimum variance and bias. Therefore you need to choose the values of C and Gamma accordingly.



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GRID SEARCH					
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV	import GridSearch				
param_grid = { 'C': [0.1,1, 10, 100, 1000], 'gamma': [1,0.1,0.01,0.001,0.0001], 'kernel': ['rbf']}	parameters, see info				
grid = GridSearchCV(SVC(), param_grid, refit=True, verbose=3)	parameters, see info				
grid.fit(X_train,y_train)					
grid.best_params_					
grid.best_estimator_					
grid_predictions = grid.predict(X_test)					
print(confusion_matrix(y_test,grid_predictions))					
print(classification_report(y_test,grid_predictions))					

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