

# Linear Regression and Support Vector Regression

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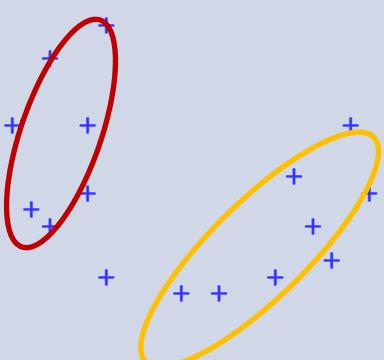
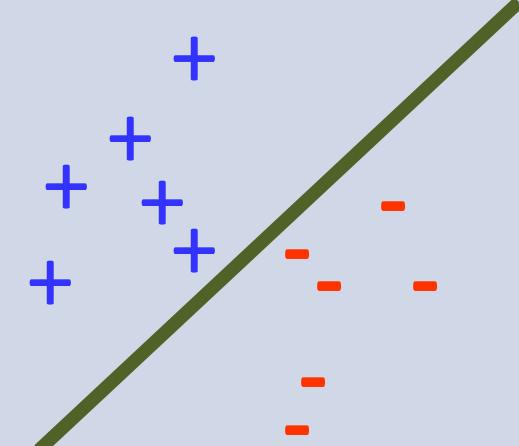
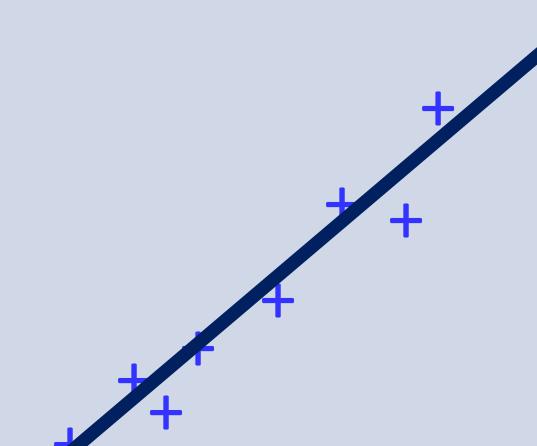
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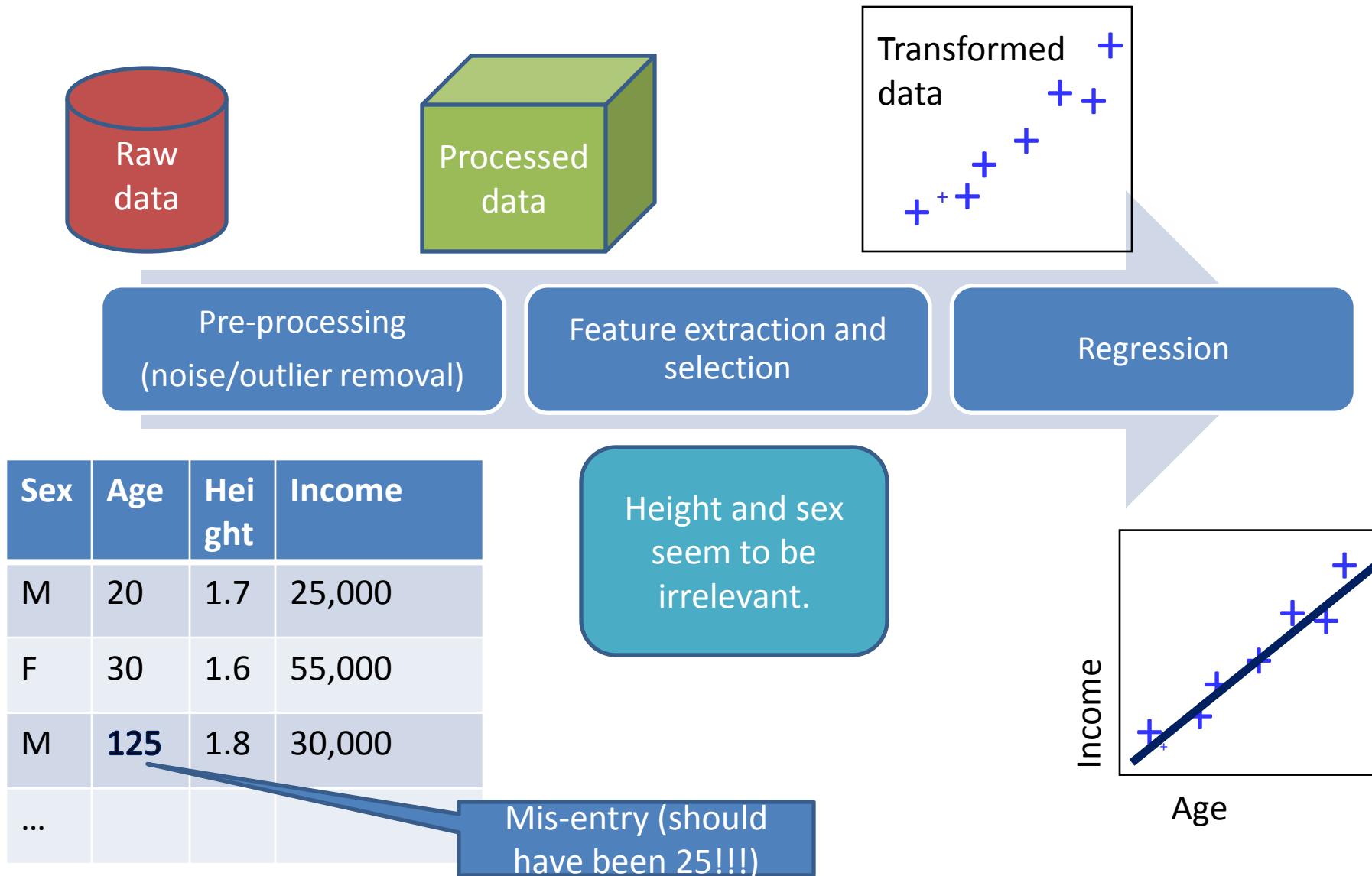
# Outlines

- Regression overview
- Linear regression
- Support vector regression
- Machine learning tools available

# Regression Overview

CLUSTERING	CLASSIFICATION	REGRESSION (THIS TALK)
		
K-means	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Decision tree</li><li>• Linear Discriminant Analysis</li><li>• Neural Networks</li><li>• Support Vector Machines</li><li>• Boosting</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Linear Regression</li><li>• Support Vector Regression</li></ul>
Group data based on their characteristics	Separate data based on their labels	Find a model that can explain the output given the input

# Data processing flowchart (Income prediction)



# Linear Regression

- Given data with n dimensional variables and 1 target-variable (real number)

$$\{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), (\mathbf{x}_2, y_2), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_m, y_m)\}$$

Where  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

- The objective: Find a function  $f$  that returns the best fit.  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- Assume that the relationship between X and y is approximately linear. The model can be represented as (w represents coefficients and b is an intercept)

$$f(w_1, \dots, w_n, b) = y = \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x} + b + \varepsilon$$

# Linear Regression

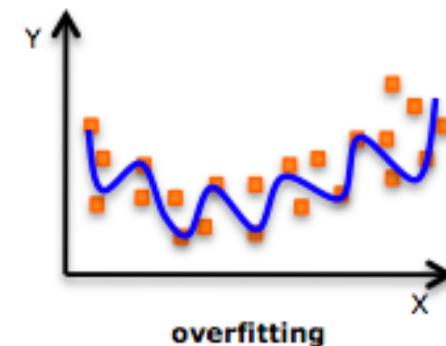
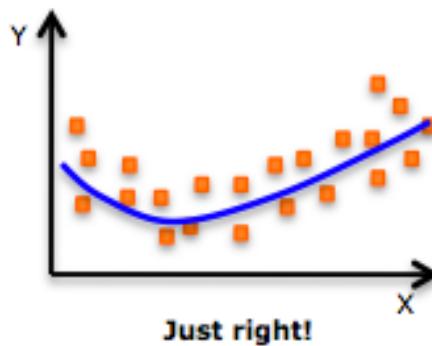
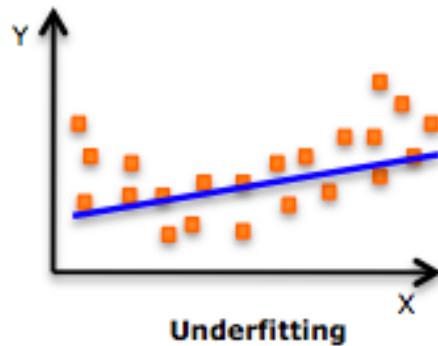
- To find the best fit, we minimize the sum of squared errors → Least square estimation

$$\min \sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i + b))^2$$

- The solution can be found by solving
$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$$
(By taking the derivative of the above objective function w.r.t.  $\mathbf{w}$  - Proof on the whiteboard)
- In MATLAB, the back-slash operator computes a least square solution.

# Linear Regression

$$\min \sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - (\hat{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i + \hat{b}))^2$$



- To avoid over-fitting, a regularization term can be introduced (minimize a magnitude of w)

- LASSO:

$$\min \sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i - b)^2 + C \sum_{j=1}^n |w_j|$$

- Ridge regression:

$$\min \sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i - b)^2 + C \sum_{j=1}^n |\mathbf{w}_j|^2$$

# Support Vector Regression

- Find a function,  $f(x)$ , with at most  $\varepsilon$ -deviation from the target  $y$

The problem can be written as a convex optimization problem

$$\min \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2$$

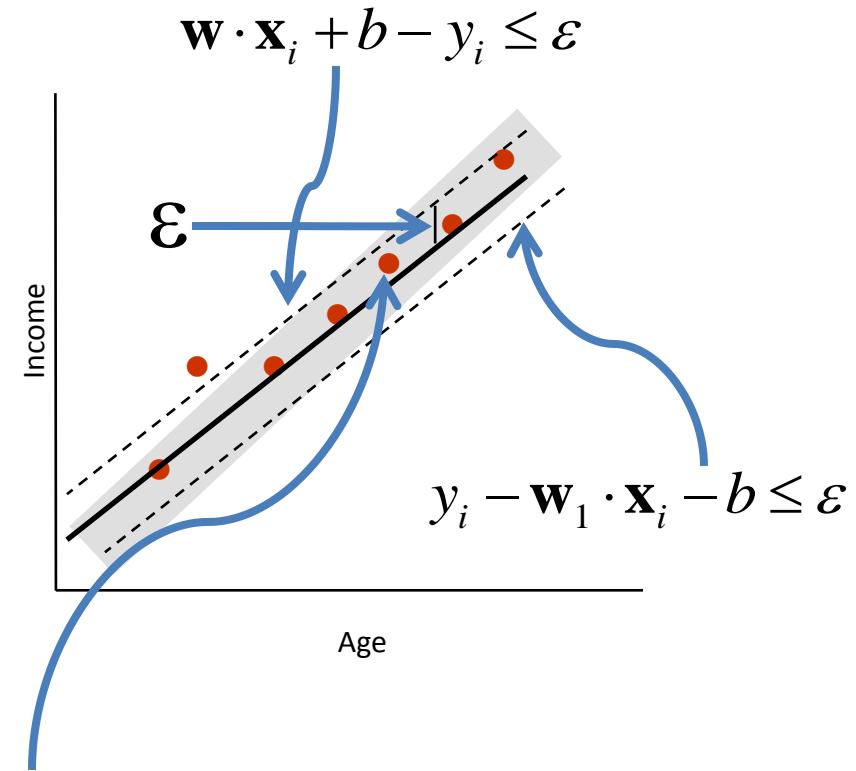
$$s.t. y_i - \mathbf{w}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_i - b \leq \varepsilon;$$

$$\mathbf{w}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_i + b - y_i \leq \varepsilon;$$

C: trade off the complexity

What if the problem is not feasible?

We can introduce slack variables  
(similar to soft margin loss function).

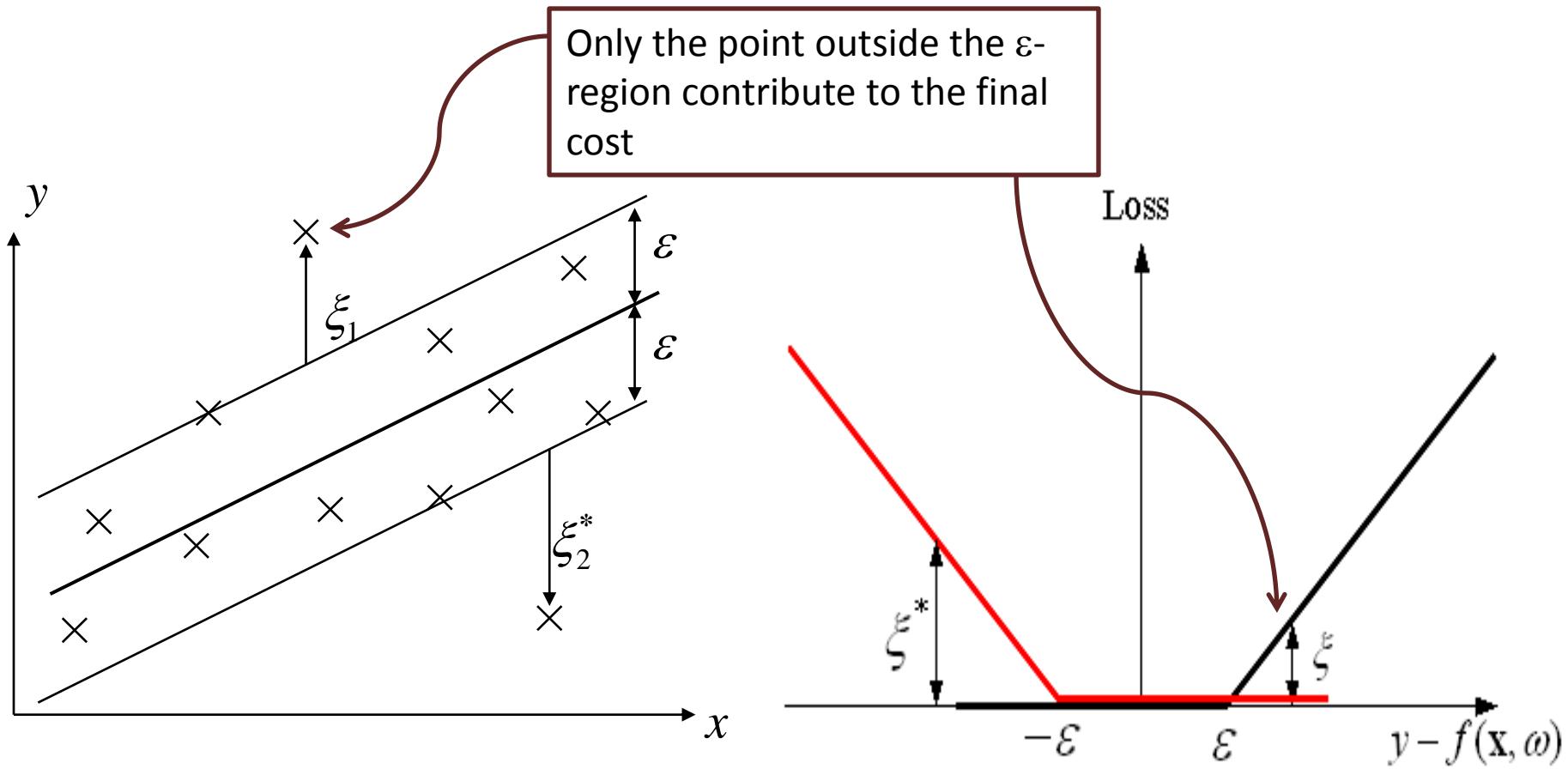


We do not care about errors as long as they are less than  $\varepsilon$

# Support Vector Regression

Assume linear parameterization

$$f(\mathbf{x}, \omega) = \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x} + b$$



$$L_\varepsilon(y, f(\mathbf{x}, \omega)) = \max(|y - f(\mathbf{x}, \omega)| - \varepsilon, 0)$$

# Soft margin

Given training data

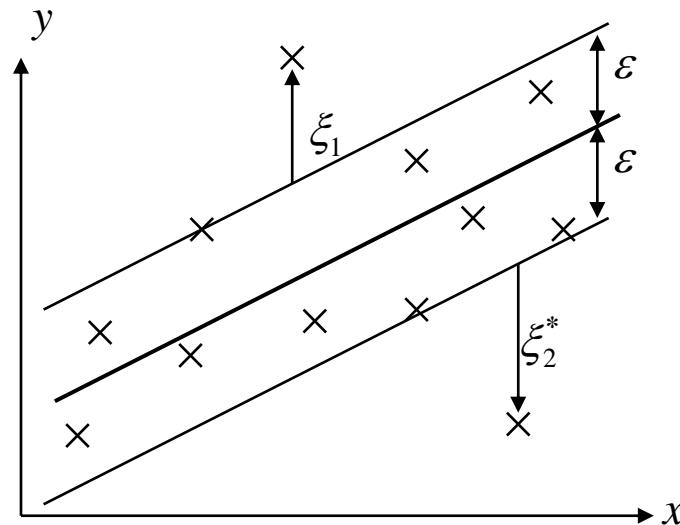
$$(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i) \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

Minimize

$$\frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^m (\xi_i + \xi_i^*)$$

Under constraints

$$\begin{cases} y_i - (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i) - b \leq \varepsilon + \xi_i \\ (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i) + b - y_i \leq \varepsilon + \xi_i^* \\ \xi_i, \xi_i^* \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, m \end{cases}$$



# Dual problem derivation – whiteboard

- Primal

$$\min \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^m (\xi_i + \xi_i^*)$$

s.t.  $\begin{cases} y_i - (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i) - b \leq \varepsilon + \xi_i \\ (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i) + b - y_i \leq \varepsilon + \xi_i^* \\ \xi_i, \xi_i^* \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, m \end{cases}$

- Dual

$$\max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^m (\alpha_i - \alpha_i^*)(\alpha_j - \alpha_j^*) \langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j \rangle \\ - \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^m (\alpha_i + \alpha_i^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m y_i (\alpha_i - \alpha_i^*) \end{array} \right.$$

s.t.  $\sum_{i=1}^m (\alpha_i - \alpha_i^*) = 0; 0 \leq \alpha_i, \alpha_i^* \leq C$

Primal variables:  $w$  for each feature dim

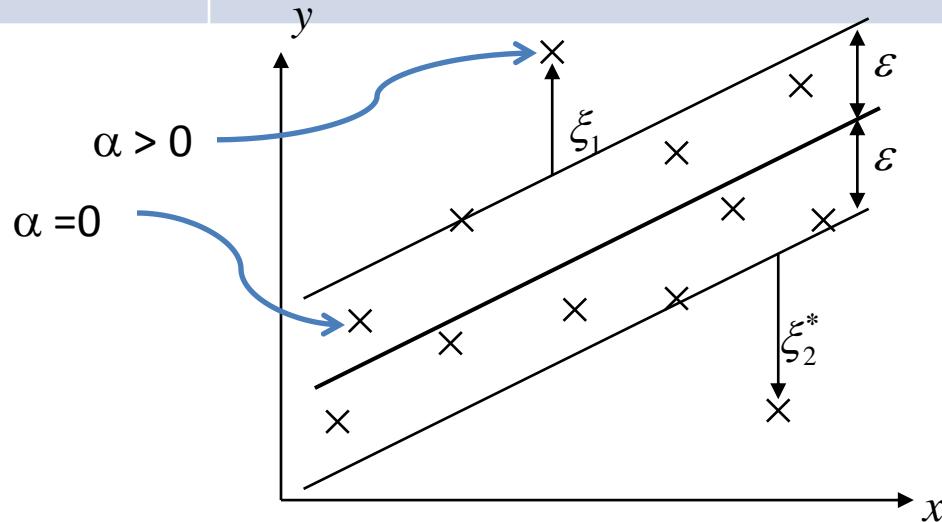
Dual variables:  $\alpha, \alpha^*$  for each data point

Complexity: the dim of the input space

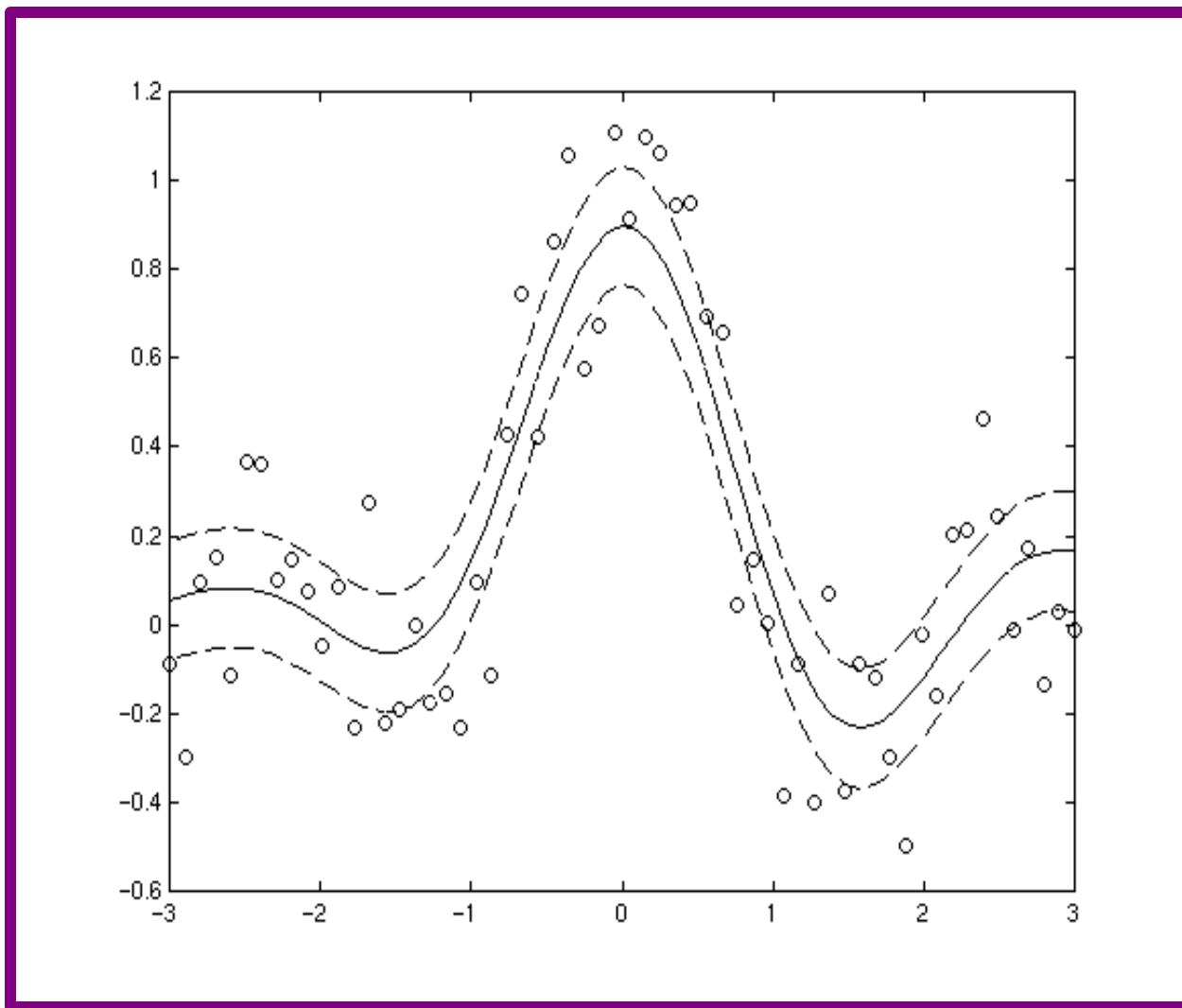
Complexity: Number of support vectors

## KKT condition

$$\mathbf{w} = \sum_{i=1}^m (\alpha_i - \alpha_i^*) \mathbf{x}_i$$



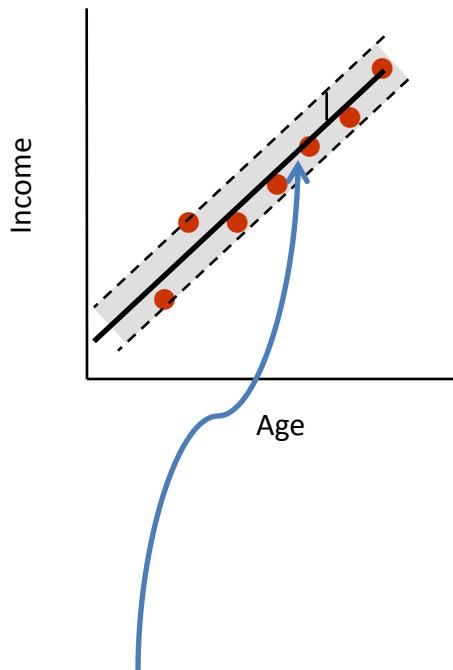
# How about a non-linear case?



# Linear versus Non-linear SVR

- Linear case

$$f : \text{age} \rightarrow \text{income}$$

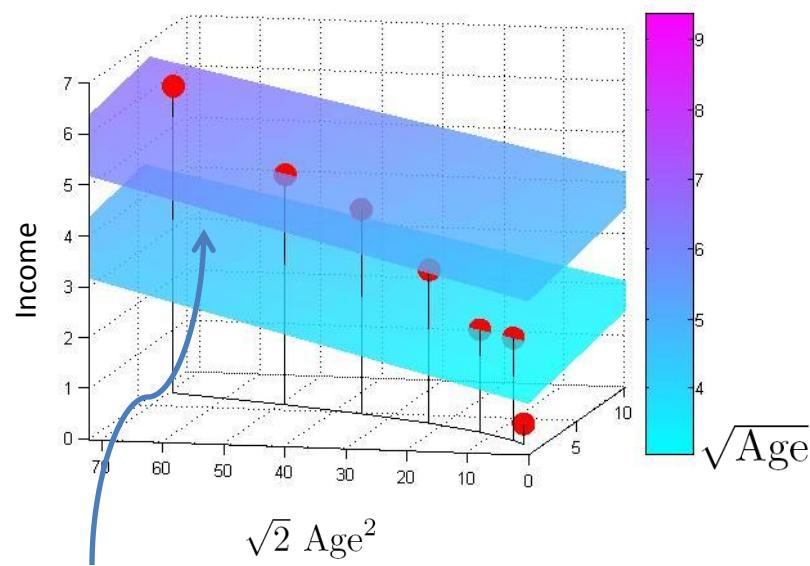


$$y_i = \mathbf{w}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_i + b$$

- Non-linear case

- Map data into a higher dimensional space, e.g.,

$$f : (\sqrt{\text{age}}, \sqrt{2}\text{age}^2) \rightarrow \text{income}$$



$$y_i = \mathbf{w}_1 \sqrt{\mathbf{x}_i} + \mathbf{w}_2 \sqrt{2\mathbf{x}_i^2} + b$$

# Dual problem

- Primal

$$\min \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^m (\xi_i + \xi_i^*)$$

s.t.  $\begin{cases} y_i - (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i) - b \leq \varepsilon + \xi_i \\ (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i) + b - y_i \leq \varepsilon + \xi_i^* \\ \xi_i, \xi_i^* \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, m \end{cases}$

- Dual

$$\max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^m (\alpha_i - \alpha_i^*)(\alpha_j - \alpha_j^*) \langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j \rangle \\ - \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^m (\alpha_i + \alpha_i^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m y_i (\alpha_i - \alpha_i^*) \end{array} \right.$$

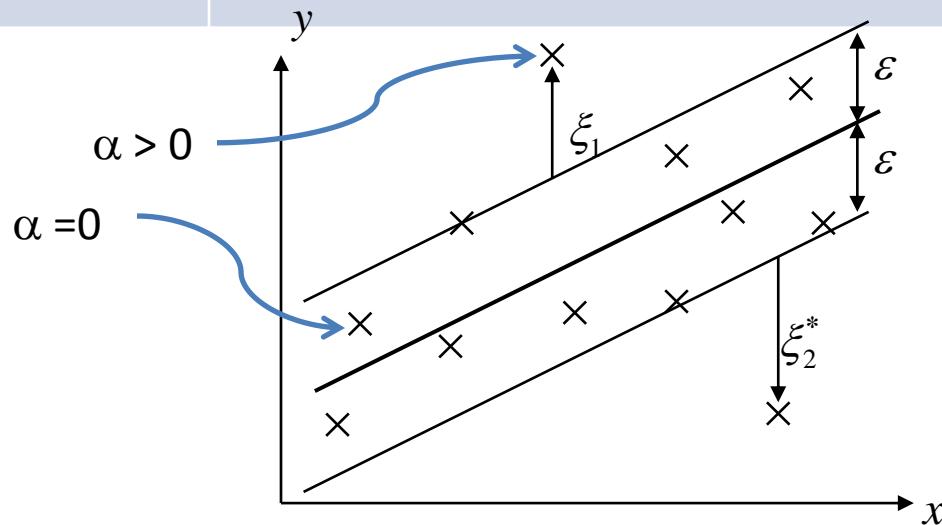
s.t.  $\sum_{i=1}^m (\alpha_i - \alpha_i^*) = 0; 0 \leq \alpha_i, \alpha_i^* \leq C$

Primal variables:  $w$  for each feature dim

Dual variables:  $\alpha, \alpha^*$  for each data point

Complexity: the dim of the input space

Complexity: Number of support vectors



# Kernel trick

- Linear:  $\langle x, y \rangle$
- Non-linear:  $\langle \varphi(x), \varphi(y) \rangle = K(x, y)$

Note: No need to compute the mapping function,  $\varphi(\cdot)$ , explicitly. Instead, we use the kernel function.

## Commonly used kernels:

- Polynomial kernels:  $K(x, y) = (x^T y + 1)^d$

- Radial basis function (RBF) kernels:

$$K(x, y) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \|x - y\|^2\right)$$

Note: for RBF kernel,  $\dim(\varphi(\cdot))$  is infinite

# Dual problem for non-linear case

- Primal

$$\min \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^m (\xi_i + \xi_i^*)$$

s.t.  $\begin{cases} y_i - (\mathbf{w} \cdot \varphi(\mathbf{x}_i)) - b \leq \varepsilon + \xi_i \\ (\mathbf{w} \cdot \varphi(\mathbf{x}_i)) + b - y_i \leq \varepsilon + \xi_i^* \\ \xi_i, \xi_i^* \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, m \end{cases}$

- Dual

$$\max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^m (\alpha_i - \alpha_i^*)(\alpha_j - \alpha_j^*) \langle \varphi(\mathbf{x}_i), \varphi(\mathbf{x}_j) \rangle \\ - \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^m (\alpha_i + \alpha_i^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m y_i (\alpha_i - \alpha_i^*) \end{array} \right.$$

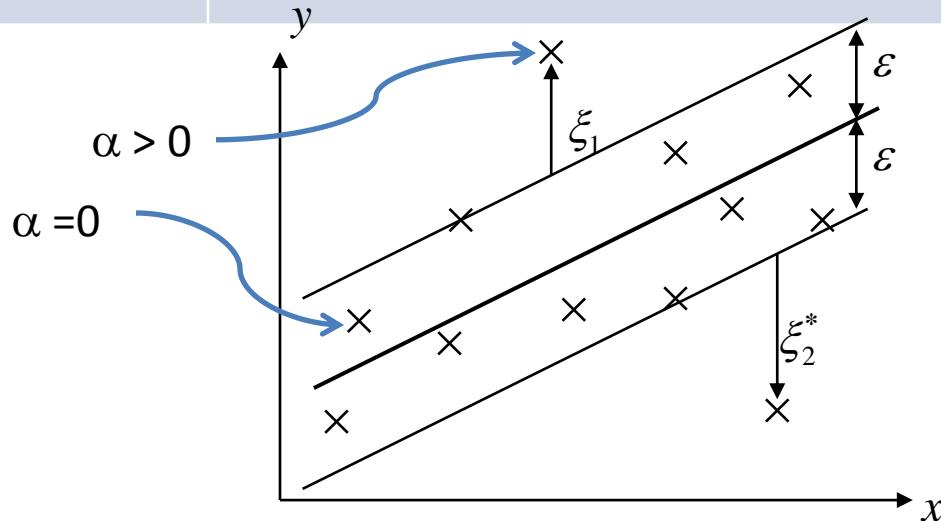
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Primal variables:  $w$  for each feature dim

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# How to choose SVR parameters?

$$\max \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^m (\alpha_i - \alpha_i^*)(\alpha_j - \alpha_j^*) K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) \\ -\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^m (\alpha_i + \alpha_i^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m y_i (\alpha_i - \alpha_i^*) \end{cases}$$

$$s.t. \sum_{i=1}^m (\alpha_i - \alpha_i^*) = 0; \quad 0 \leq \alpha_i, \alpha_i^* \leq C$$

Cross-validation

Trade off parameter: **C**

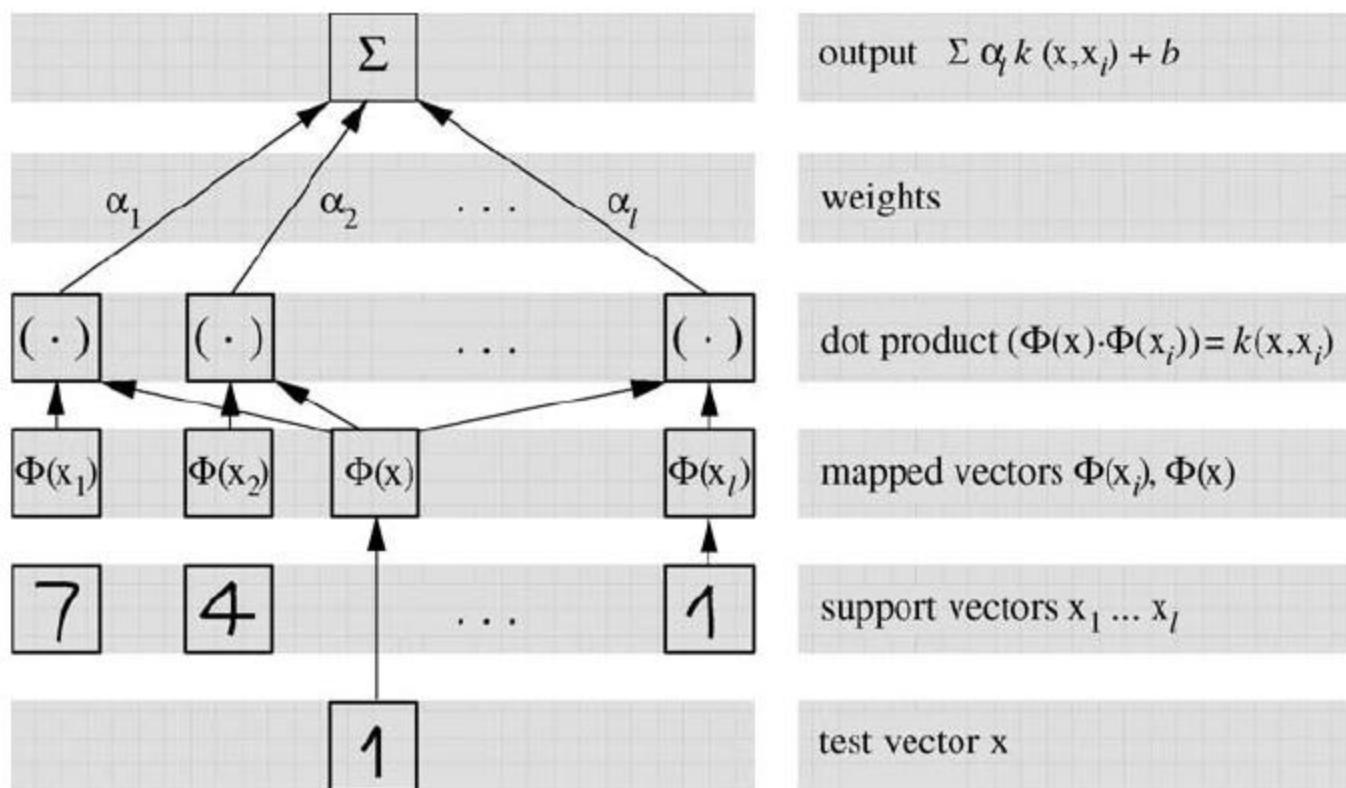
Kernel parameter: **d** (Polynomial) and  **$\sigma$**  (RBF)

- Polynomial kernels:  $K(x, y) = (x^T y + 1)^d$
- Radial basis function (RBF) kernels:

$$K(x, y) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \|x - y\|^2\right)$$

# SVR Applications

## Optical Character Recognition (OCR)



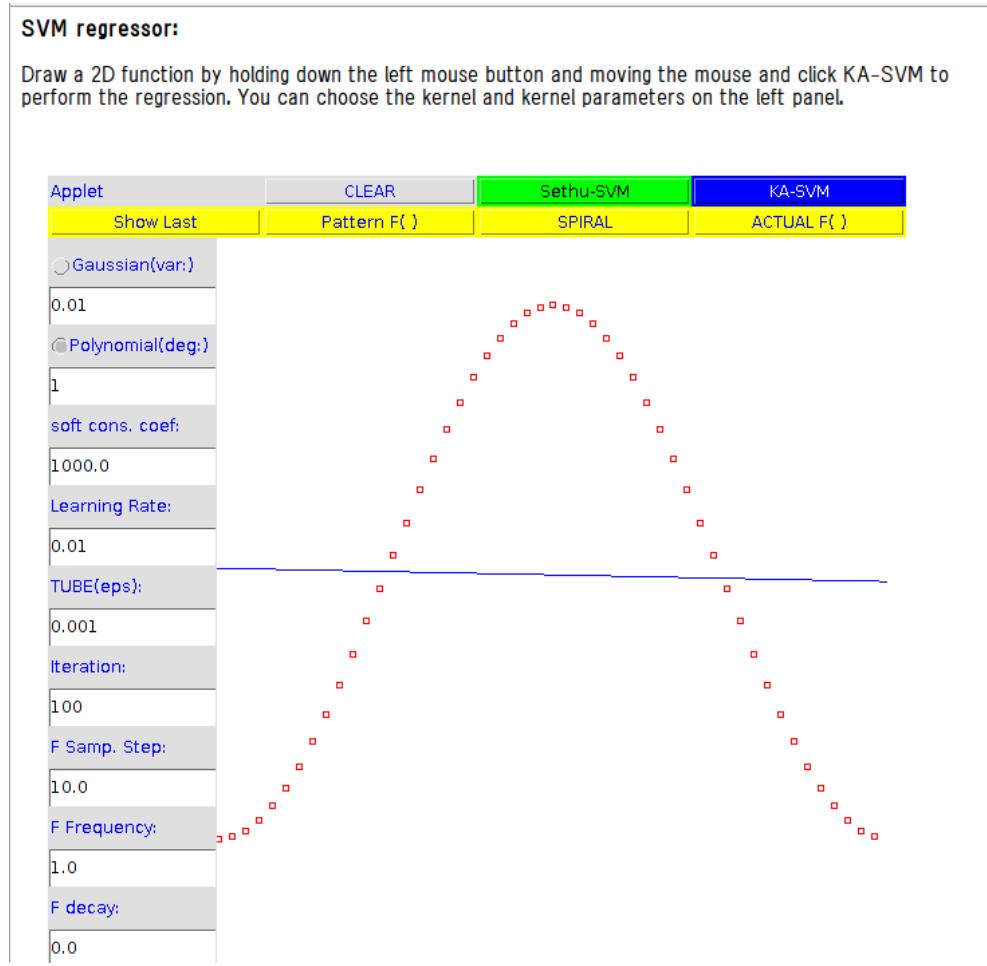
# SVR Applications

- Stock price prediction



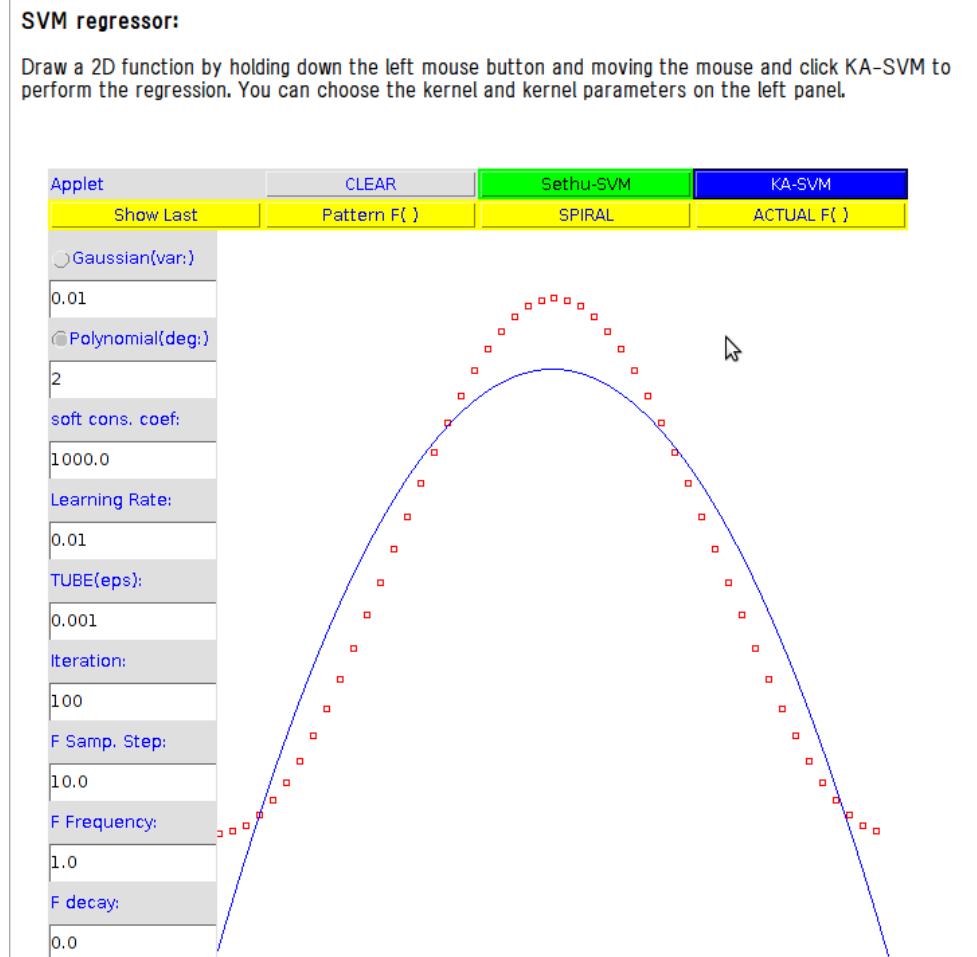
# SVR Demo (Linear) :

<http://www.cns.atr.jp/~erhan/SVMreg/SVM.html>



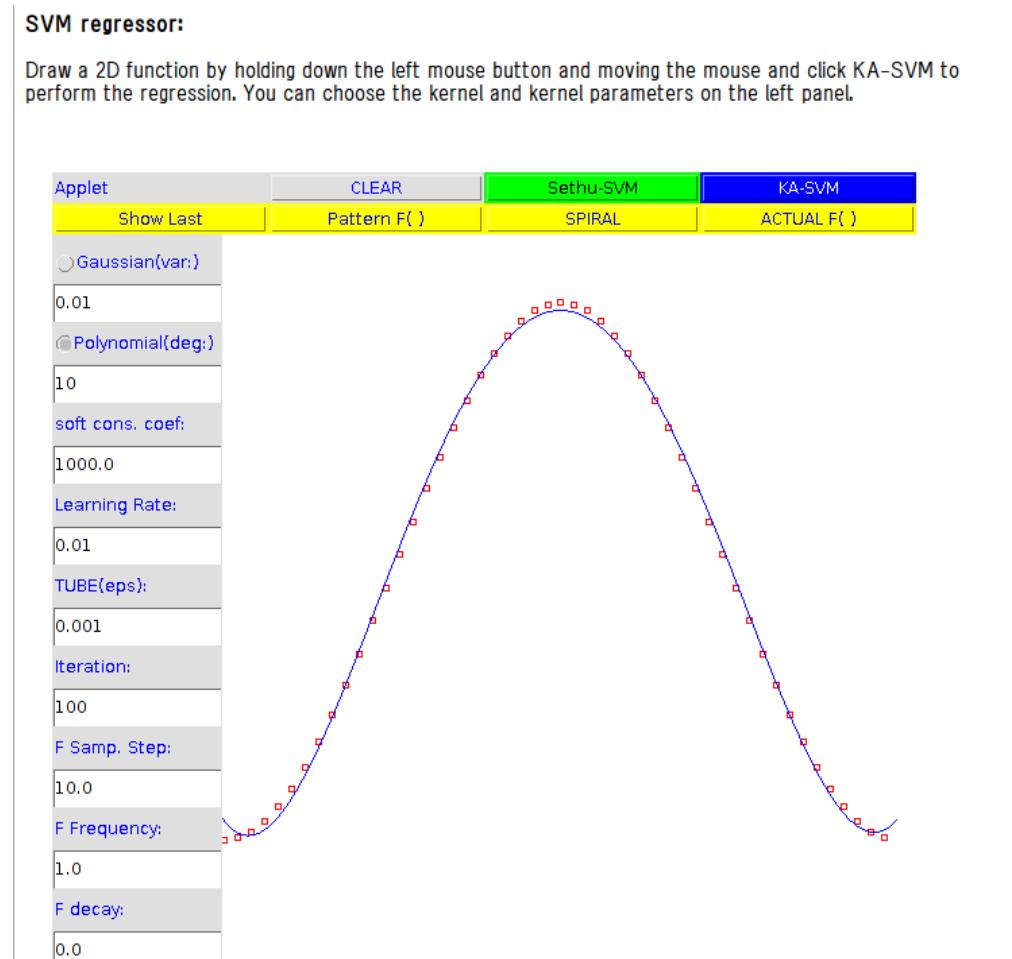
# SVR Demo (Polynomial degree 2):

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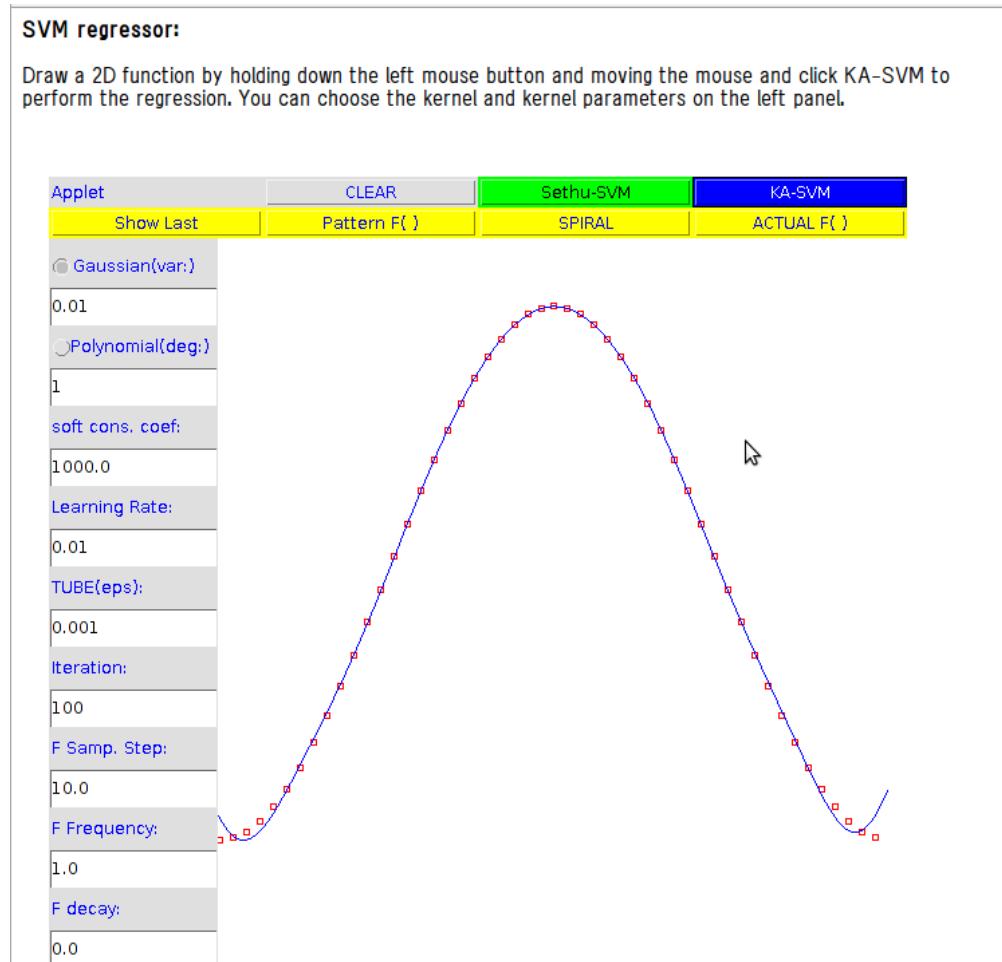
# SVR Demo (Polynomial degree 10):

<http://www.cns.atr.jp/~erhan/SVMreg/SVM.html>



# SVR Demo (RBF):

<http://www.cns.atr.jp/~erhan/SVMreg/SVM.html>



# WEKA and linear regression

- Software can be downloaded from  
<http://www.cs.waikato.ac.nz/ml/weka/>
- Data set used in this experiment: Computer hardware
- The objective is to predict CPU performance based on these given attributes:
  - Machine cycle time in nanoseconds (MYCT)
  - Minimum main memory in kilobytes (MMIN)
  - Maximum main memory (MMAX)
  - Cache memory in kilobytes (CACH)
  - Minimum channels in units (CHMIN)
  - Maximum channels in units (CHMAX)
- Output is expressed as a linear combination of the attributes. Each attribute has a specific weight.
  - Output =  $w_1a_1 + w_2a_2 + \dots + w_na_n + b$

# Evaluation

- Root mean-square error

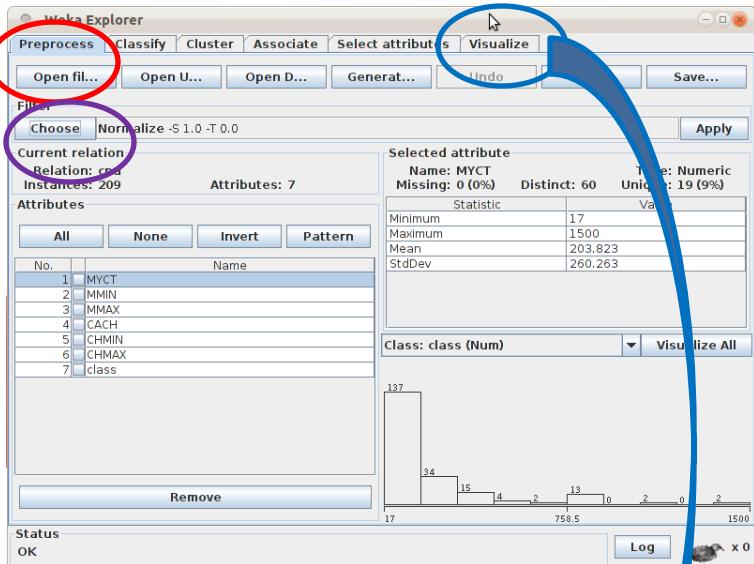
$$\sqrt{\frac{(y_1 - \hat{y}_1)^2 + (y_2 - \hat{y}_2)^2 + \dots + (y_m - \hat{y}_m)^2}{n}}$$

- Mean absolute error

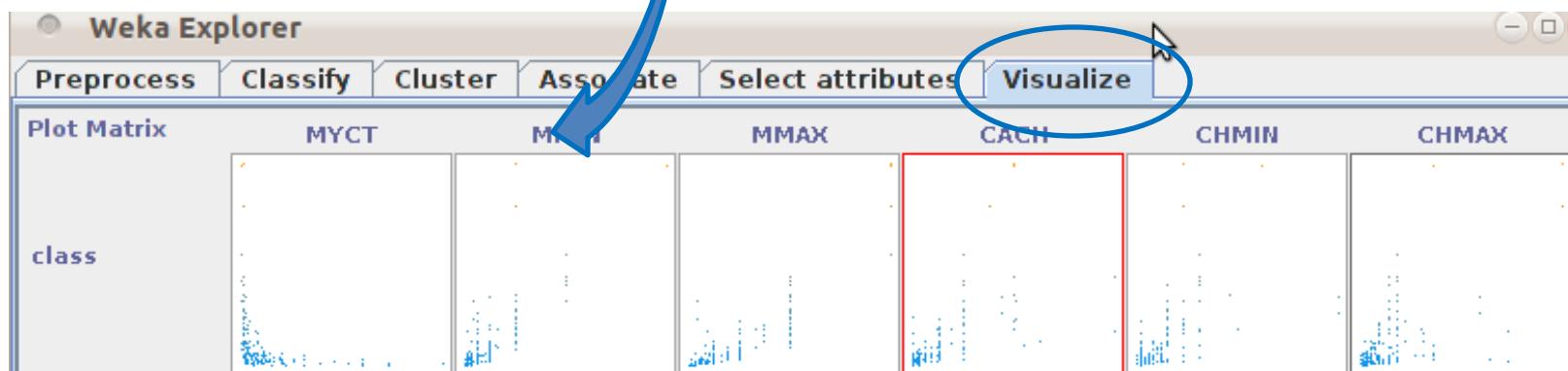
$$\frac{|y_1 - \hat{y}_1| + |y_2 - \hat{y}_2| + \dots + |y_m - \hat{y}_m|}{n}$$

# WEKA

Load data and normalize each attribute to [0, 1]



Data visualization



# WEKA (Linear regression)

Weka Explorer

Preprocess Classify Cluster Associate Select attributes Visualize

Classifier

Choose LinearRegression -S 0 -R 1.0E-8

Use training set  
 Supplied test set Set...  
 Cross-validation Folds 10  
 Percentage split % 66  
More options...

(Num) class

Start Stop

Result list (right-click for options)  
11:09:03 - functions.LinearRegression  
11:15:28 - functions.LinearRegression

Classifier output

```
Linear Regression Model
class =
72.8347 * MYCT +
484.8001 * MMIN +
355.5867 * MMAX +
161.2349 * CACH +
256.9383 * CHMAX +
-53.9126
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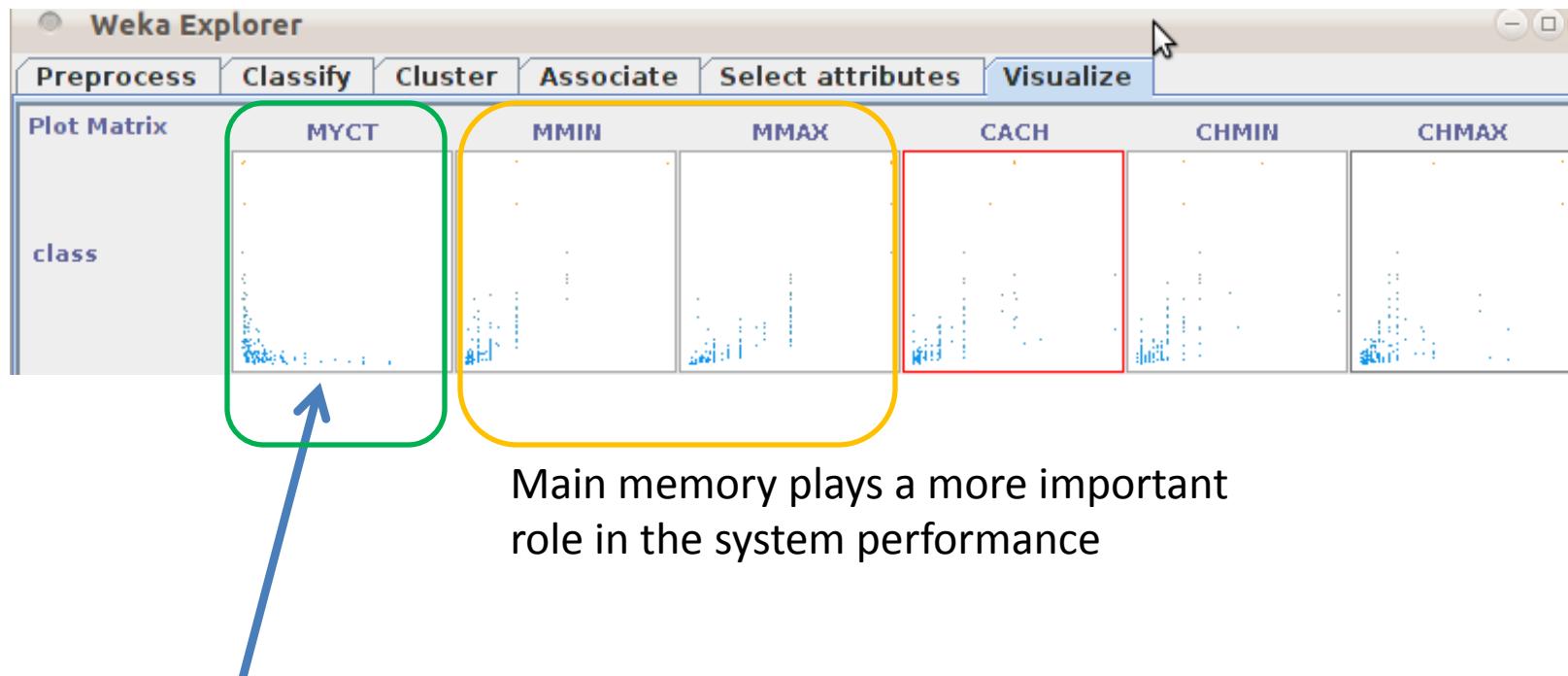
Time taken to build model: 0 seconds

==== Cross-validation ====  
==== Summary ====  

Correlation coefficient	0.9012
Mean absolute error	41.0886
Root mean squared error	69.556
Relative absolute error	42.6943 %
Root relative squared error	43.2421 %
Total Number of Instances	209

# WEKA (Linear Regression)

$$\text{Performance} = (72.8 \times \text{MYCT}) + (484.8 \times \text{MMIN}) + (355.6 \times \text{MMAX}) + (161.2 \times \text{CACH}) + (256.9 \times \text{CHMAX}) - 53.9$$



Large Machine cycle time (MYCT) does not indicate the best performance

Main memory plays a more important role in the system performance

# WEKA (linear SVR)

Weka Explorer

Preprocess Classify Cluster Associate Select attributes Visualize

Classifier

Choose SMOreg -S 0.001 -C 1.0 -T 0.001 -P 1.0E-12 -N 0 -K "weka.classifiers.functions.supportVector.PolyKernel -C 25

Test options

Use training set  
 Supplied test set Set...  
 Cross-validation Folds 10  
 Percentage split % 66  
More options...

(Num) class

Start Stop

Result list (right-click for options)  
21:04:57 - functions.SMOreg

Compare to Linear Regression

Performance =  $(72.8 \times \text{MYCT}) + (484.8 \times \text{MMIN}) + (355.6 \times \text{MMAX}) + (161.2 \times \text{CACH}) + (256.9 \times \text{CHMAX}) - 53.9$

Classifier output

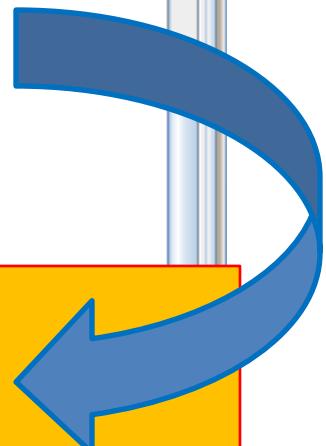
Kernel used:  
Linear Kernel:  $K(x,y) = \langle x,y \rangle$

Machine Linear: showing attribute weights (normalized) class =  
not support vectors.  
0.0105 \* (normalized) MYCT  
+ 0.4364 \* (normalized) MMIN  
+ 0.1786 \* (normalized) MMAX  
+ 0.1169 \* (normalized) CACH  
+ 0.0997 \* (normalized) CHMIN  
+ 0.0246 \* (normalized) CHMAX  
- 0.017

Number of kernel evaluations: 21945 (100 % cached)

Mean absolute error 54.9692  
Root mean squared error 78.8572  
Relative absolute error 36.3357 %  
Root relative squared error 49.0245 %

Status OK Log x 0



# WEKA (non-linear SVR)

Weka Explorer

Preprocess Classify Cluster Associate Select attributes Visualize

Classifier

Choose SMOreg -S 0.001 -C 1.0 -T 0.001 -P 1.0E-12 -N 0 -K "weka.classifiers.functions.supportVector.RBFKernel -C 25

**Test options**

Use training set  
 Supplied test set Set...  
 Cross-validation Folds 10  
 Percentage split % 66  
More options...

(Num) class

Start Stop

**Result list (right-click for options)**

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21:07:28 - functions.SMOreg  
21:14:11 - functions.SMOreg  
21:14:22 - functions.SMOreg  
21:15:37 - functions.SMOreg  
21:17:18 - functions.SMOreg

**Classifier output**

Kernel used:  
RBF kernel:  $K(x, y) = e^{-(1.0 * \langle x-y, x-y \rangle^2)}$

Support Vector Expansion :  
(normalized) class =  
-0.2958 \* K[X(0), X]  
+ 1 \* K[X(1), X]  
+ -1 \* K[X(2), X]  
+ -1 \* K[X(3), X]  
+ -1 \* K[X(4), X]  
+ 1 \* K[X(5), X]  
+ -1 \* K[X(6), X]  
+ 1 \* K[X(7), X]  
+ -0.8307 \* K[X(8), X]  
+ 0.8076 \* K[X(9), X]  
+ 1 \* K[X(10), X]  
+ 1 \* K[X(11), X]  
+ -0.4708 \* K[X(12), X]  
+ 1 \* K[X(13), X]  
+ -1 \* K[X(14), X]  
+ -1 \* K[X(15), X]  
+ -1 \* K[X(16), X]  
+ -1 \* K[X(17), X]  
+ 1 \* K[X(18), X]  
+ -1 \* K[X(19), X]  
+ -1 \* K[X(20), X]

A list of support vectors

Status OK Log x 0

# WEKA (Performance comparison)

Method	Mean absolute error	Root mean squared error
Linear regression	41.1	69.55
SVR (Linear) C = 1.0	35.0	78.8
SVR (RBF) C = 1.0, gamma = 1.0	28.8	66.3

**Parameter C (for linear SVR) and  $\langle C, \gamma \rangle$  (for non-linear SVR) need to be cross-validated for a better performance.**

# Other Machine Learning tools

- Shogun toolbox (C++)
  - <http://www.shogun-toolbox.org/>
- Shark Machine Learning library (C++)
  - <http://shark-project.sourceforge.net/>
- Machine Learning in Python (Python)
  - <http://pyml.sourceforge.net/>
- Machine Learning in Open CV2
  - <http://opencv.willowgarage.com/wiki/>
- LibSVM, LibLinear, etc.