

## 8.5 Wavelets and VC-dim

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### Sufficiency conditions for orthogonal wavelets

Lemma 11.7 If  $b_k = (-1)^k c_{d-1-k}$ , then  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(x) \Psi(2^j x - l) dx = 0 \quad \forall j, l$ .

proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(x) \Psi(x-k) dx &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} c_i \phi(2x-i) \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} b_j \phi(2x-2k-j) dx \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} c_i b_j \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(2x-i) \phi(2x-2k-j) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} c_i b_j \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(y) \phi(y+i-2k-j) dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} (-1)^j c_i c_{d-1-j} \delta(i-2k-j) \quad (i=2k+j) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} (-1)^j c_{2k+j} c_{d-1-j} \end{aligned}$$

(because  $d$  is even)

$$= \frac{1}{2} [c_{2k} c_{d-1} - c_{2k+1} c_{d-2} + \dots + c_{d-2} c_{2k-1} - c_{d-1} c_{2k}] = 0.$$

Thus,  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(2^j x - m) \Psi(2^j x - k) dx = 0 \quad \forall m, k$  by substitution.

Note that  $\phi(x)$  can be expressed as a linear combination of  $\phi(2^j x - m)$  for some  $m$ .

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(x) \Psi(2^j x - k) dx &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_m \phi(2^j x - m) \Psi(2^j x - k) dx \\ &= \sum_m \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(2^j x - m) \Psi(2^j x - k) dx = 0. \end{aligned}$$



Lemma 11.8 If  $b_k = (-1)^k c_{d-1-k}$ , then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j} \Psi(2^j x - k) \cdot \frac{1}{2^l} \Psi(2^l x - m) dx = \delta(j-l) \delta(k-m).$$

proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi(x) \Psi(x-k) dx &= \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} b_i b_j \delta(i-2k-j) = \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} b_i b_{i-2k} \quad (\text{same scale}) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} (-1)^i c_{d-1-i} \cdot (-1)^{i-2k} c_{d-1-i+2k} = \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} c_{d-1-i} c_{d-1-i+2k} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $j = d-1-i$



If  $f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{jk} \phi_{jk}(x)$  where  $\phi_{jk} \dots$

then  $a_{jk} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \phi_{jk}(x) dx$  by orthogonality.

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \sum_{m=0}^{d-1} c_m \phi_{j+1, 2k+m}(x) dx$$

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$$= \sum_{m=0}^{d-1} c_m a_{j+1, 2k+m}$$

Let  $n = 2k+m$ , so  $m = n - 2k$ .

$$\Rightarrow a_{jk} = \sum_{n=2k}^{d-1} c_{n-2k} a_{j+1, n}$$

This gives us a formula for moving up the tree to compute coefficients of the scale function from high resolution "samples".

But, of course, using that we can compute coefficients in the wavelet basis.

## Statistical classification

Define: A set system  $(X, \mathcal{H})$  consists of a set  $X$  and a class  $\mathcal{H}$  of subsets of  $X$ .

Ex.  $X =$  set of all possible emails

$\mathcal{H} = \{h_0, h_1, h_2, \dots\}$  where  $h_0 \subseteq X$  is the set of all spam emails  
 $h_1 \subseteq X$  is the set of marketing emails  
 $\vdots$

Define: A set system  $(X, \mathcal{H})$  shatters a set  $A$  if each subset of  $A$  can be expressed as  $A \cap h$  for some  $h \in \mathcal{H}$ .

Define: The Vapnik-Chervonenkis (VC) dimension of  $\mathcal{H}$  is the size of the largest set shattered by  $\mathcal{H}$ .

Ex. Let  $X = \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\mathcal{H} = \{\text{axis-parallel rectangles}\}$



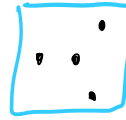
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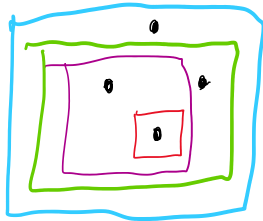
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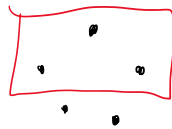
Again, we can always shatter 3 points



We can't get the subset of size 3 containing just the outer points



But there does exist a subset we can shatter. We can get any subset of these 4 points with axis-parallel rectangles.



Can you shatter a set of 5 points?

Consider a rectangle containing all points, and shrink to try to get all sets of 4.

$$\Rightarrow VC(\{\text{axis-parallel rectangles}\}) = 4.$$

Ex.  $X = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{H} = \{[a, b] \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .  $VC(\mathcal{H}) = 2.$

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Ex.  $X = \mathbb{R}$   $\mathcal{H} = \{A \subseteq \mathbb{R} \mid |A| < \infty\}$   $VC(\mathcal{H}) = \infty$

Ex.  $X = \mathbb{R}$   $\mathcal{H} = \{\text{convex polygons}\}$   $VC(\mathcal{H}) = \infty$  (via circle)

Ex.  $X = \mathbb{R}^d$   $\mathcal{H} = \{\vec{x} \mid \vec{w}^T \vec{x} \geq t\}$   $VC(\mathcal{H}) = d+1$   
affine half-spaces

Lemma:  $VC(\mathcal{H}) \geq d+1$ , where  $\mathcal{H} = \{\vec{x} \mid \vec{w}^T \vec{x} \geq t\}$ .

Let  $S = \{0, e_1, e_2, \dots, e_d\}$  where  $e_i = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)^T$   
 $\uparrow$  pos  $i$

Let  $A \subseteq S$  be a subset. WLOG, assume  $0 \in A$ .

Let  $\vec{w} = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T - \sum_{a \in A} A$ .

Then  $A \subseteq \{\vec{x} \mid \vec{w}^T \vec{x} \leq 0\}$  and  $S-A \subseteq \{\vec{x} \mid \vec{w}^T \vec{x} > 0\}$ .



Let  $w = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Then  $A = \{\vec{x} \mid w^T \vec{x} \leq 0\}$  and  $S-A = \{\vec{x} \mid w^T \vec{x} > 0\}$ .

So  $\mathcal{H}$  shatters a  $d+1$  pt set  $\Leftrightarrow VC(\mathcal{H}) \geq d+1$ . 

Thm 5.9 (Radon): Any set  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$  with  $|S| \geq d+2$  can be partitioned into two disjoint subsets  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $\text{convex}(A) \cap \text{convex}(B) \neq \emptyset$ .

proof. WLOG, assume  $|S| = d+2$ , with  $S = \{\vec{a}_1, \dots, \vec{a}_{d+2}\}$

Let  $A = [\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2, \vec{a}_3, \dots, \vec{a}_{d+2}] \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times (d+2)}$ .

Let  $B = \begin{bmatrix} A \\ \mathbf{1}^T \end{bmatrix}$ .  $\text{rank}(B) \leq d+1$ , so columns are lin. dep. Let  $B = [\vec{b}_1, \dots, \vec{b}_{d+2}]$ .

Let  $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{d+2})^T$  s.t.  $B\vec{x} = 0$ .

WLOG, say  $x_1, \dots, x_s \geq 0$  and  $x_{s+1}, \dots, x_{d+2} < 0$ .

Normalize  $\vec{x}$  s.t.  $\sum_{i=1}^s |x_i| = 1$ .

$$\text{Then } \sum_{i=1}^s |x_i| \vec{b}_i = \sum_{i=s+1}^{d+2} |x_i| \vec{b}_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^s |x_i| \vec{a}_i = \sum_{i=s+1}^{d+2} |x_i| \vec{a}_i \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^s |x_i| = \sum_{i=s+1}^{d+2} |x_i| = 1$$

Thus, both sides are convex combinations of disjoint columns of  $A$ .

The convex hulls of the two sets of corresponding pts intersect. 

But then it is impossible to have a linear separator of these two sets, so half-planes cannot shatter a  $(d+2)$ -pt set.

$$\Rightarrow VC(\mathcal{H}) < d+2$$

$$\Rightarrow VC(\mathcal{H}) = d+1.$$

Ex.  $X = \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\mathcal{H} = \{\vec{x} \mid \|\vec{x} - \vec{v}\| \leq r\}$  spheres

Ex.  $X = \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\mathcal{G} = \{ \vec{x} \mid |\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0| \leq r \}$  spheres.

$VC(\mathcal{G}) < d+2$  because if we can put spheres around two disjoint sets, then those sets are also divided by a hyperplane, and  $VC(\{\text{half-spaces}\}) = d+1$ .

$VC(\mathcal{G}) \geq d+1$  by the same construction as half-spaces.

Let  $S = \{ \vec{0}, \vec{e}_1, \dots, \vec{e}_d \}$ .

Given a subset  $A \subseteq S$ , choose the ball center  $\vec{a}_0 = \sum_{a \in A} \vec{a}$ .

Then  $|\vec{a}_0 - a| = \sqrt{|A| - 1} \quad \forall a \in A \text{ and } a \neq 0$

$|\vec{a}_0 - a| = \sqrt{|A| + 1} \quad \forall a \notin A \text{ and } a \neq 0$ .

$|\vec{a}_0| = \sqrt{|A|}$ .

So we can choose a radius so that this ball contains exactly  $A$ .

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