

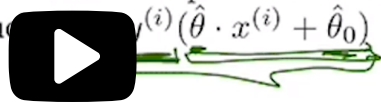
## 4. Linear Separation

### Linear Separation

#### Linear separation

##### Definition:

Training examples  $S_n = \{(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})\}, i = 1, \dots, n\}$  are linearly separable if there exists a parameter vector  $\hat{\theta}$  and offset parameter  $\hat{\theta}_0$  such that  $y^{(i)}(\hat{\theta} \cdot x^{(i)} + \hat{\theta}_0) > 0$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .



the sign of this, would agree with the corresponding label  $y$ .

So if there is a linear classifier

in the set that would correctly classify those training points,

then the training points are said to be linearly separable.

And we've already seen cases where that linear separation

does not succeed.

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Given  $\theta$  and  $\theta_0$ , a **linear classifier**  $h : X \rightarrow \{-1, 0, +1\}$  is a function that outputs  $+1$  if  $\theta \cdot x + \theta_0$  is positive,  $0$  if it is zero, and  $-1$  if it is negative. In other words,  $h(x) = \text{sign}(\theta \cdot x + \theta_0)$ .

### Basics 1

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As described in the lecture above,  $h$  is a linear classifier which is defined by the boundary  $\theta \cdot x = 0$  (where  $\theta$  is a vector perpendicular to the plane.) The  $i$ th training data is  $(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$ , where  $x^{(i)}$  is a vector and  $y^{(i)}$  is a scalar quantity. If  $\theta$  is a vector of the same dimension as  $x^{(i)}$ , what are  $y^{(i)}$  and  $\text{sign}(\theta \cdot x^{(i)})$  respectively?

- ☐ output of the classifier  $h$ , label
- ☐ label, dimension of the feature vector
- ☐ label, distance of the point from the linear classifier
- ☒ label, output of the classifier  $h$  ✓

**Solution:**

By definition,  $y^{(i)}$  is the label of  $x^{(i)}$ . Also, by the definition of a linear classifier  $h(x) = \text{sign}(\theta \cdot x^{(i)})$ , the output of  $h$  is given by  $\text{sign}(\theta \cdot x^{(i)})$ .

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### Basics 2

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For the  $i$ th training data  $(x^i, y^i)$ , what values can  $y^{(i)}$  take, **conventionally** (in the context of linear classifiers)? Choose all those apply.

☒  $-1$  ✓

☒  $+1$  ✓

☐  $0$

☐  $+10$



**Solution:**

By the convention of linear classification, because  $y^{(i)}$  is a label, it can take  $-1$  or  $+1$ . Note that  $0$  is not a possible value.

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### Basics 3

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For the  $i$ th training data  $(x^i, y^i)$ , what values can  $\text{sign}(\theta \cdot x^{(i)})$  take? Choose all those apply.

☒  $-1$  ✓

☒  $+1$  ✓

☒  $0$  ✓

☐  $+10$



**Solution:**

By definition the  $\text{sign}(\theta \cdot x^{(i)})$  function can only take one of  $0, -1, +1$  as its value. Remember that a linear classifier outputs one of  $-1, 0, 1$ .

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### When the Product is Positive

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When does  $y^{(i)} (\theta \cdot x^{(i)}) > 0$  happen? Choose all those apply.

- ☒  $y^{(i)} > 0$  and  $\theta \cdot x^{(i)} > 0$  ✓
- ☐  $y^{(i)} < 0$  and  $\theta \cdot x^{(i)} > 0$
- ☐  $y^{(i)} > 0$  and  $\theta \cdot x^{(i)} < 0$
- ☒  $y^{(i)} < 0$  and  $\theta \cdot x^{(i)} < 0$  ✓



Solution:

$y^{(i)} (\theta \cdot x^{(i)}) > 0$  is true if and only if  $y^{(i)}$  and  $(\theta \cdot x^{(i)})$  are both positive both negative. In other words, they have the same sign.

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### Intuitive Meanings of Positive Product

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What is the intuitive meaning of  $y^{(i)} (\theta \cdot x^{(i)}) > 0$ ?

- ☒  $x^i$  label and classified result match ✓
- ☐  $x^i$  label and classified result do not match
- ☐  $x^i$  is on the boundary of the classifier
- ☐ training error is positive

Solution:

$y^{(i)} (\theta \cdot x^{(i)}) > 0$  is true if and only if  $y^{(i)}$  and  $(\theta \cdot x^{(i)})$  are both positive both negative. In other words, they have the same sign.

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### Intuitive Meanings of Negative Product

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What is the intuitive meaning of  $y^{(i)} (\theta \cdot x^{(i)}) < 0$ ?

- ☐  $x^i$  label and classified result match
- ☒  $x^i$  label and classified result do not match ✓
- ☐  $x^i$  is on the boundary of the classifier
- ☐ training error is negative

Solution:

$y^{(i)} (\theta \cdot x^{(i)}) < 0$  is true if and only if  $y^{(i)}$  and  $(\theta \cdot x^{(i)})$  have different signs.

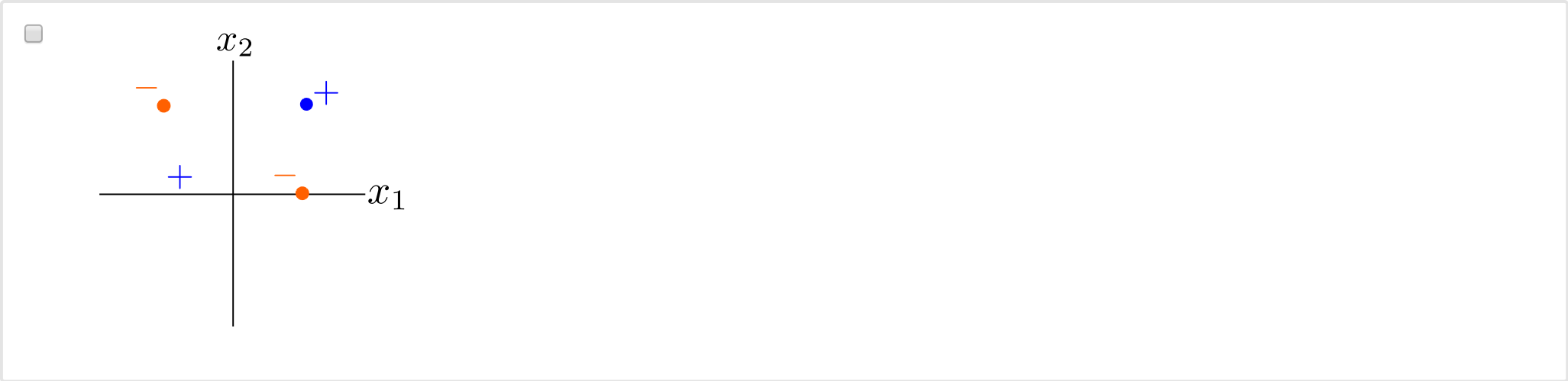
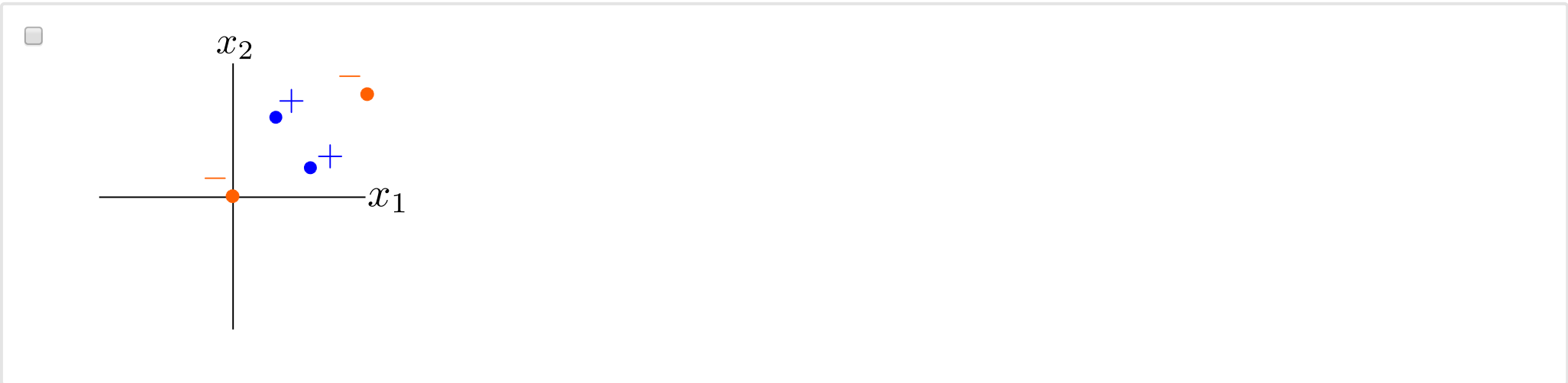
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Linear Separation 1

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Of the following, which is linearly separable? Choose all those apply.



Solution:

Linearly separable data can be separated with + labels on one side of the line and - labels on the other side, by some line on the plane.

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# Linear Separation 2

1/1 point (graded)

A set of Training examples is illustrated in the table below, with the classified result by some linear classifier  $h$  and the label  $y^i$ . Is it linearly separable?

	$h(x^i)$	$y^i$
example 1	-1	-1
example 2	1	1
example 3	1	1
example 4	-1	-1
example 5	-1	-1

☒ yes 

☐ no

## Solution:

For linearly separable data, a linear classifier can perfectly separate the data. The provided classifier  $h(x)$  classifies all the given points correctly.

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