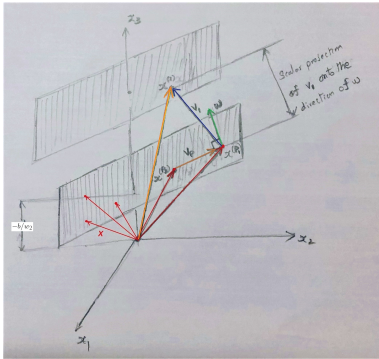


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The figure on the left hand side shows the following vectors:



$\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$: vector corresponding to the first sample in standard position,

\mathbf{x} : a generic vector in standard position representing a point on the bottom plane,

$\mathbf{x}^{(p_1)}$: vector corresponding to a point on the bottom plane in standard position,

$\mathbf{x}^{(p_2)}$: vector corresponding to another point on the bottom plane in standard position,

\mathbf{v}_p : a vector lying on the bottom plane,

\mathbf{v}_1 : vector connecting the first point on the bottom plane and tip of $x^{(1)}$,

w : vector from the head of $x^{(p_1)}$ such that it is perpendicular to the bottom plane.

1. Suppose $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $b = -4$. Let $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$. Solve the equation $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b = 0$ for the

unknown vector \mathbf{x} and fill in the missing entries below:

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \left\{ x_2 \begin{bmatrix} ? \\ ? \\ ? \end{bmatrix} + ? \begin{bmatrix} ? \\ ? \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} ? \\ ? \\ ? \end{bmatrix} \mid ?, ? \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

2. Go to the code `AML5204_MLPA_EvenSemester2024.CodingAssignment1.ipynb` and fill in the missing details in **Cell-1** for obtaining a grid of values for the components x_1, x_2 , and x_3 .
3. Fill in **Cell-2** for producing a scatter plot of the components created in the previous cell. The resulting points, calculated for many different values of the free variables, are, for example, represented by the head of **red vectors**. What is the shape of the resulting geometry formed by the points (which are solutions to the equation $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b = 0$)?
4. Using the \mathbf{w} and b given above, expand the equation $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b = 0$. There is a special relationship between the geometry of the points derived in the previous part and the vector \mathbf{w} . Confirm that relationship by filling in **Cell-3** and executing it several times.
5. The distance of the sample $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$ from the plane $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b = 0$ can be seen as the magnitude of the scalar projection of the vector \mathbf{v}_1 onto the direction of the (normal) vector \mathbf{w} . Show that the distance is $|\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{(1)} + b| / \|\mathbf{w}\|$. This distance is also referred to as the margin of sample $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$. Without the absolute value, it's called the directed distance of the sample.

6. Suppose we have samples $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \mathbf{x}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(n)}$ corresponding to output labels $y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(n)}$ that can be -1 or 1 . In SVM, the goal is find a plane (that is, find \mathbf{w} and b) that maximally separates the positive and negative samples. In other words, we want a maximum-margin separator. Suppose we decide that for positive samples $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b \geq 1$ and for negative samples $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b \leq -1$. Fill in the question marks below:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{maximize} \left(\text{minimum of } \frac{|\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)} + b|}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} \right) &= \text{maximize} \left(\frac{\underbrace{\text{minimum of } |\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)} + b|}_{=?}}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} \right) \\ &= \text{minimize } ?, \end{aligned}$$

subject to the conditions $y^{(i)} (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)} + b) \geq ?$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$.

6. Consider the equation of the straight line

$$x_2 = -2x_1 + 4.$$

The straight line can also be represented as a vector

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Write the vector \mathbf{x} as follows:

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} ? \\ ? \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} ? \\ ? \end{bmatrix}.$$

In one line, explain how the straight line can be visualized using the vector \mathbf{x} above.

6. Consider the following dataset for a binary classification problem:

$$\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}^{(1)} \quad \mathbf{x}^{(2)} \quad \mathbf{x}^{(3)} \quad \mathbf{x}^{(4)} \quad \mathbf{x}^{(5)}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 2 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 & 4 & -3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Consider the hyperplane $3x_1 - 4x_2 + 1 = 0$.

- (a) Calculate the unit vector normal to the hyperplane.
- (b) Calculate the full margin width of the hyperplane classifier.
- (c) Calculate the directed distance of each sample from the hyperplane. Which samples have the smallest and largest margins?