Supervised Learning Methods: SVM, Neural Networks

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Lecture 20

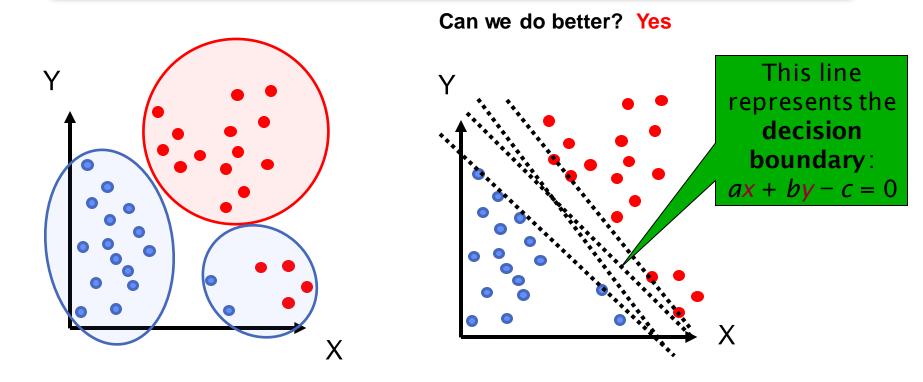
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Announcements

- MP3 Checkpoint 2 is due on Wednesday, Apr 17
- HW 4 on Factor graphs and HMM will be released on Wednesday, Apr 17

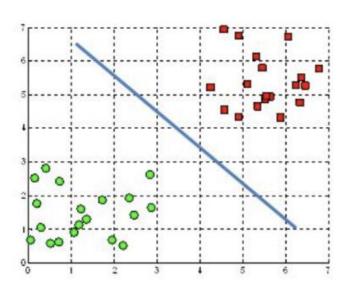
Unsupervised to Supervised Learning



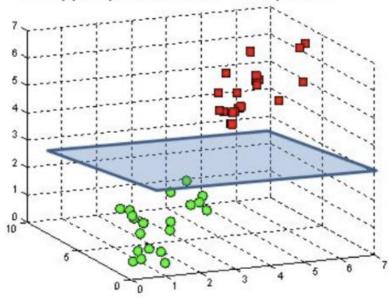
If in a classification task the data is linearly separable, a decision boundary with the same dimensionality as the data can be used to separate the data

Hyperplane as decision boundary

A hyperplane in \mathbb{R}^2 is a line



A hyperplane in \mathbb{R}^3 is a plane



Example of decision boundary in 2D space (line) and 3D space (plane).

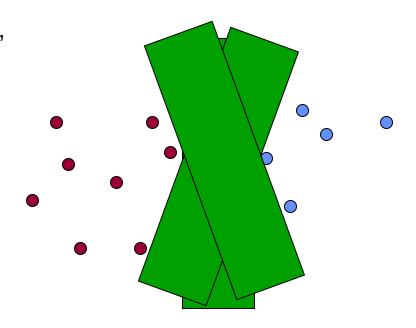
In *d* dimensional space, hyperplane is given by:

$$a_0 + a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + \dots + a_d x_d = 0$$

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Linear classifiers: Which Hyperplane?

- Lots of possible solutions for a, b, c.
- Some methods find a separating hyperplane, but not the optimal one [according to some criterion of goodness]
 - E.g., perceptron
- Support Vector Machine (SVM) finds an optimal* solution.
 - Maximizes the distance between the hyperplane and the "difficult points" close to decision boundary
 - SVMs maximize the *margin* around the separating hyperplane.
 - A.k.a. large margin classifiers
 - The decision function is fully specified by a subset of training samples, the support vectors.



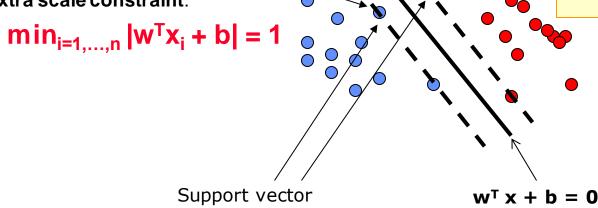
If you have to place a fat separator between classes, you have less choices, and so the capacity of the model has been decreased

Linear Support Vector Machine (SVM)

Assumption: Data is linearly separable

Let (x_0, y_0) be a point on $w^Tx+b=1$ Then its distance to the separating plane $w^Tx+b=0$ is: $|w^T(x_0, y_0) + b|/||w|| = 1/||w||$

Hyperplane
 w^Tx + b = 0
 w^Tx_b + b = -1
 Extra scale constraint:



Distance between $w^T x+b = +1$ and -1 is $\rho = 2$ / ||w||

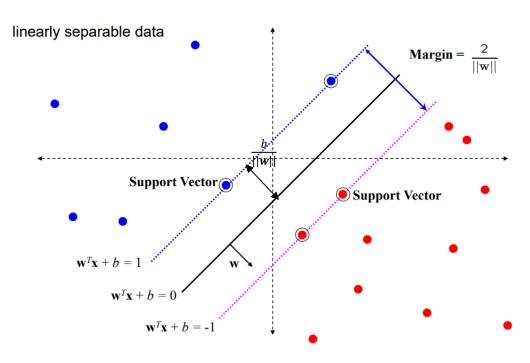
What we did:

 $\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x}_{\mathsf{a}} + \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{1}$

- Consider all possible w with different angles
- 2. Scale w such that the constraints are tight
- 3. Pick the one with largest margin/minimal size

SVM Optimization: Maximize: ρ or Minimize: $\frac{1}{2} ||\mathbf{w}||^2$

SVM: How to find such hyperplane?



Each training point: $x_i \in R^d \ \forall i \in \{1, ..., n\}$ Label: $y \in \{-1, 1\}$ $w \in R^d$

Maximum margins linear classifier:

Constraint and Objective:

1. Define the hyperplane via the following rule:

$$y_i(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) \ge 1$$

- -- Constraint
- 2. Maximize margin distance:

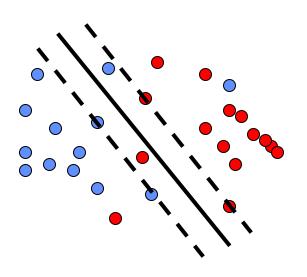
Margin distance
$$\frac{w^T x + b + 1 - (w^T x + b - 1)}{||w||} = \frac{2}{||w||}$$

$$\max \frac{2}{||w||} \Rightarrow \min ||w|| \Rightarrow \min \frac{\left||w|\right|^2}{2}$$

-- Objective

 $\underset{\boldsymbol{w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} ||\boldsymbol{w}||^2 \text{ such that } 1 \leq y_i(\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{x}_i + b) \quad \forall i \in \{1, ..., N\}$

Dataset with noise

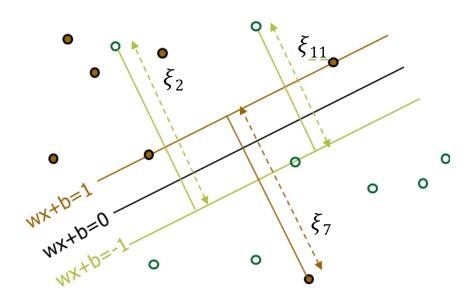


- Hard Margin: So far we require all data points be classified correctly
 - No training error
- What if the training set is noisy?
 - Solution: Use Soft Margin

The two red points and two blue points do not satisfy the criteria $y_i(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) \ge 1$

Soft Margin Classification

Slack variables $\xi_i \ge 0$ can be added to allow misclassification of difficult or noisy examples.



What should our optimization criterion be?

Minimize

$$\sqrt{\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{C}\sum_{j=1}^{k} \xi_{j}$$

The slack variables will be zero for the samples which can be classified correctly and a positive value for the remaining points.

Hard Margin v.s. Soft Margin

The old formulation:

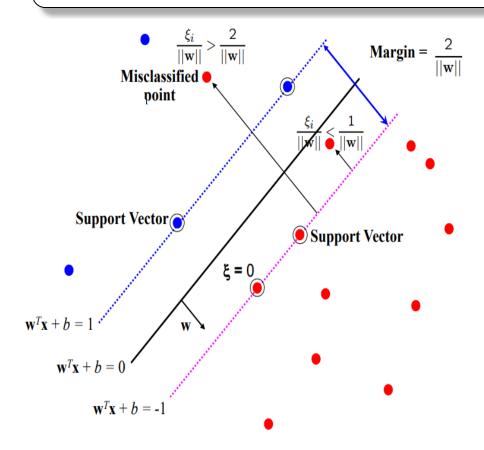
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Find w and b such that \sqrt[1]{2} \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{w} = \sqrt[1]{2} ||\mathbf{w}||^2 is minimized and for all \{(\mathbf{x_i}, y_i)\} y_i (\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x_i} + \mathbf{b}) \ge 1
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The new formulation incorporating slack variables:

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Find w and b such that \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{w} + C \Sigma \xi_{i} is minimized and for all \{(\mathbf{x_{i}}, y_{i})\} y_{i} (\mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{x_{i}} + b) \geq 1 - \xi_{i} and \xi_{i} \geq 0 for all i
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Parameter C can be viewed as a way to control overfitting.

SVM: Non-separable case

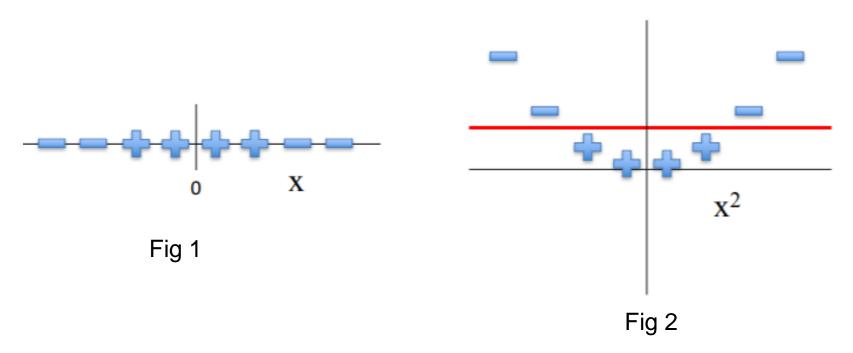


- $\xi_i \ge 0$
- $0 < \xi_i \le 1$: point is between margin and correct side of hyper plane
 - —margin violation
- $\xi_i > 1$: point is on the wrong side of margin
 - -misclassification

Maximum margins linear classifier:

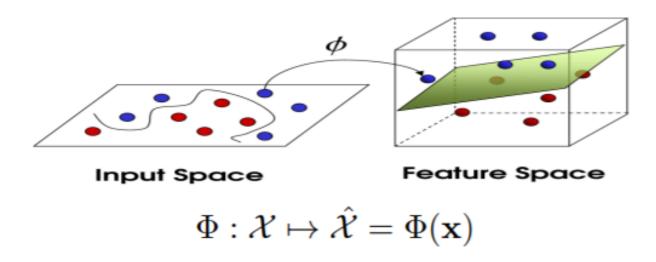
$$\underset{\boldsymbol{w},\xi_{I}\geq 0}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \big| |\boldsymbol{w}| \big|^{2} + C \sum_{i}^{N} \xi_{i} \text{ such that } 1 - \xi_{i} \leq y_{i} (\boldsymbol{w}^{T} \boldsymbol{x_{i}} + b) \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$$

Transformation to data



- Data points in Fig 1 cannot be separated using SVM
- Applying transformation $\Phi(x) = x^2$ gives data points in Fig 2
 - Can be separated by a line
- Apply SVM on transformed data

Mapping data to new feature space



- For example, if $x_i = [x_{i1}, x_{i2}]$, i.e., $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $\Phi(x) = [1, x_{i1}, x_{i2}, x_{i1}, x_{i2}, x_{i1}^2, x_{i2}^2]$
- Run SVM on $\Phi(x)$ instead of x

Kernels

- Define Kernel $K(x_i, x_j) = \Phi(x_i)^T \Phi(x_j)$
- Use $K(x_i, x_i)$ in SVM
- Because of the way the solution of SVM optimization problem is computed, it is easy to use $K(x_i, x_i)$

Example of commonly used Kernels $(x_i, x_j \in \mathbb{R})$

- Polynomial kernel of order 2: $K(x_i, x_j) = 1 + x_i + x_j + x_i^2 + x_j^2 + 2x_i x_j$
- Radial Basis Function: $K(x_i, x_j) = \exp\left(-\frac{(x_i x_j)^2}{2\gamma^2}\right)$

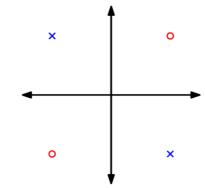
Neural Networks

Limitations in SVM Models

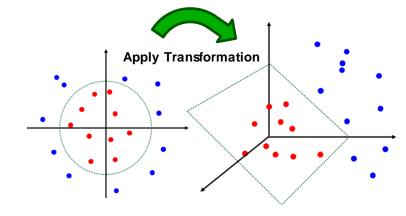
- Kernel-SVM can separate data using transformation $\phi(x)$, i.e., x is not linearly separable but $\phi(x)$ is linearly separable; think of $\phi(x)$ as the new feature
- Identifying the appropriate kernel is difficult
- Computation time for large problems

Neural Network

 Derive features of the data automatically as a constrained optimization problem

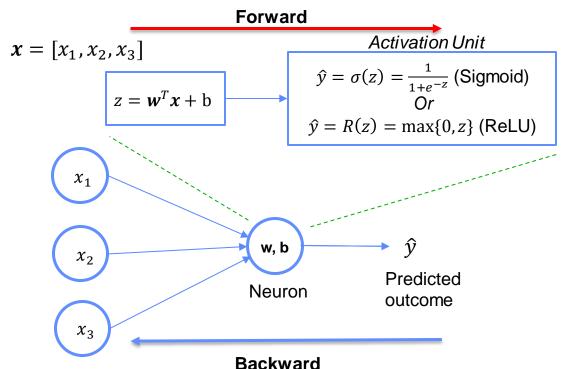


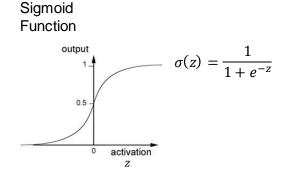
No linear separator classifies perfectly!

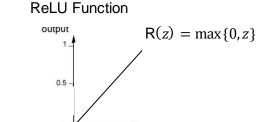


Perceptron Model

The core of the neural network is perceptron model







activation

$$w_{t+1} = w_t - \eta \nabla J(w_t)$$

$$\eta : \text{Learning rate}$$

Update Rule (Backward):

Loss

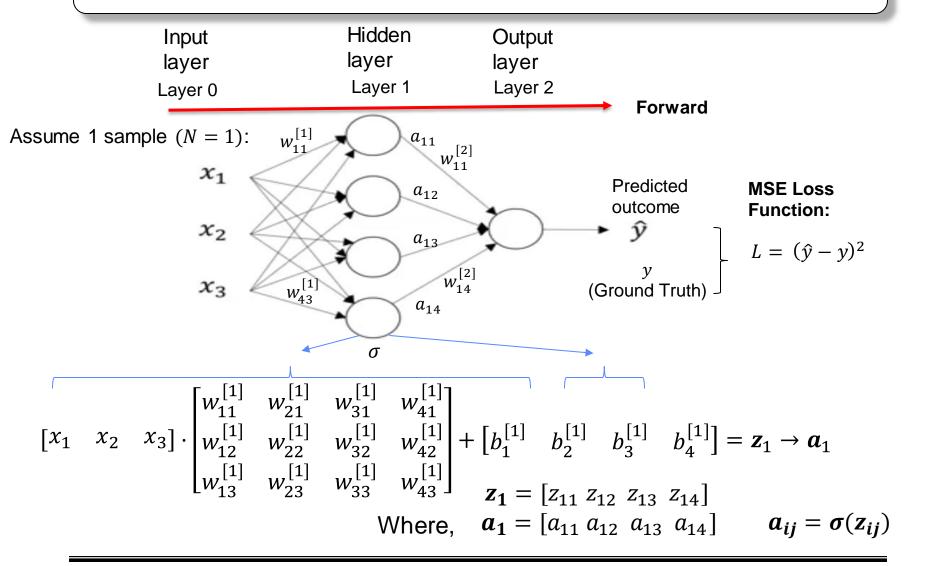
$$J(w) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} L(w.x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}) \qquad \nabla J(\mathbf{w}_0) = (\frac{\partial J(\mathbf{w})}{\partial w_0}, \frac{\partial J(\mathbf{w})}{\partial w_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial J(\mathbf{w})}{\partial w_n})_{\mathbf{w}_0}$$

Computing Gradient

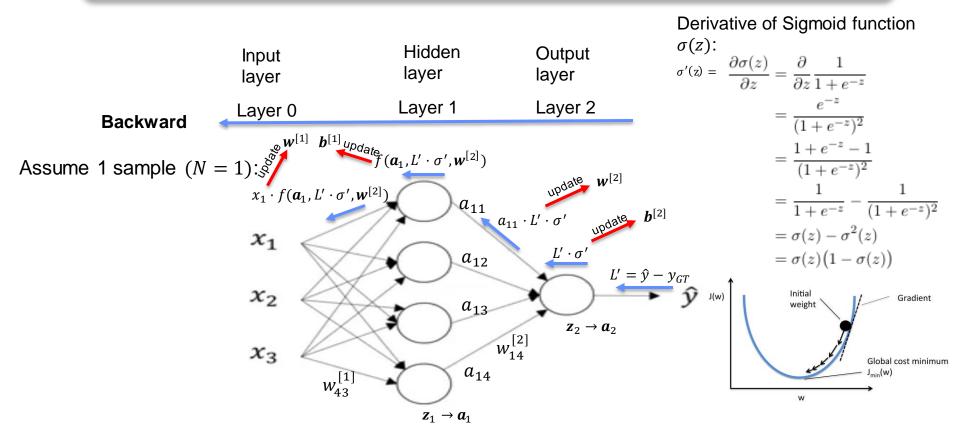
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N: number of samples $x^{(i)}$: feature of i^{th} sample

Neural Network (Forward)



Backpropagation: Gradient Descent



Purpose of backpropagation:

Apply chain rule of derivative to update parameters: $w^{[1]}$, $b^{[1]}$, $w^{[2]}$, $b^{[2]}$