

# Lecture 8: Supervised Learning Pt. 2

Linear Classifiers and Cross Validation  
INFO 1998: Introduction to Machine Learning



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# Agenda

1. Linear Classifiers: Perceptron
2. Support Vector Machines (SVMs)
  - Kernelization
3. Cross Validation (K-Fold)



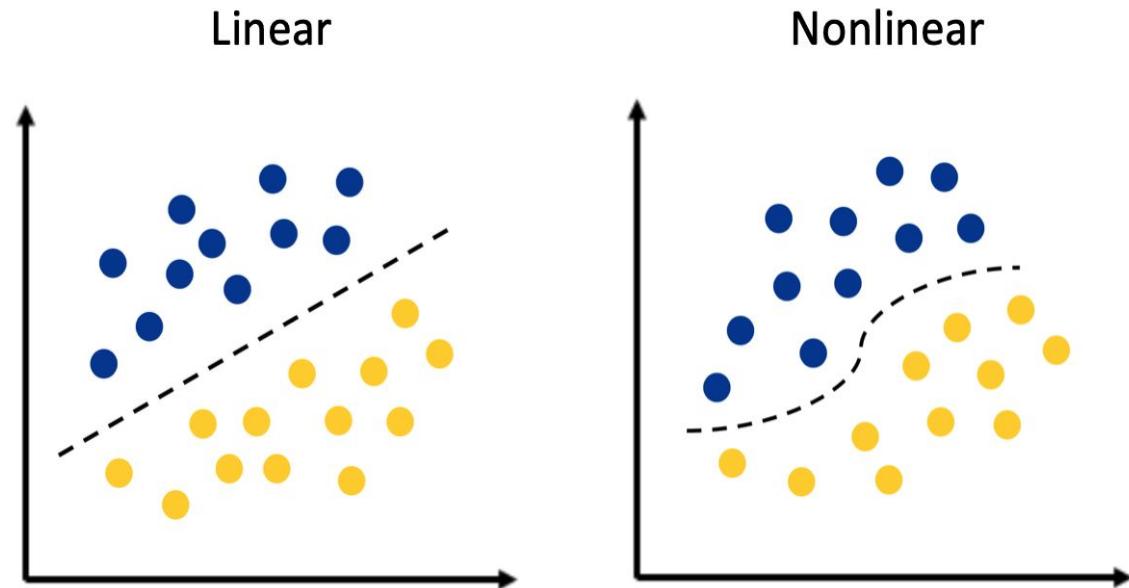
# Linear Classifiers



# Linear Classifiers

A linear classifier is a hyper plane that is used to classify our data points

A hyperplane is our **decision boundary** and our goal is to find the best hyper plane for our data.



# History of the Perceptron

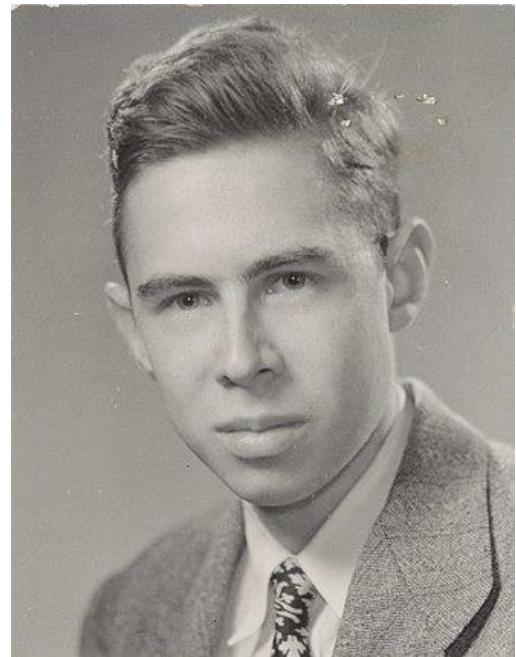
Frank Rosenblatt was first to implement perceptron!

→ Cornell lecturer and alum PHD '56 🐾 !

Gave him the title of 'Father of Deep Learning'

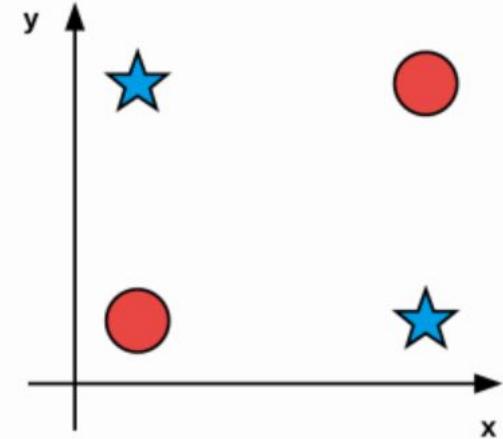
Deep Learning

→ Neural Networks a.k.a. Multilayer Perceptrons



# History of the Perceptron

In 1969 Marvin Minsky shows XOR dataset not separable  
→ Led to the “AI winter”



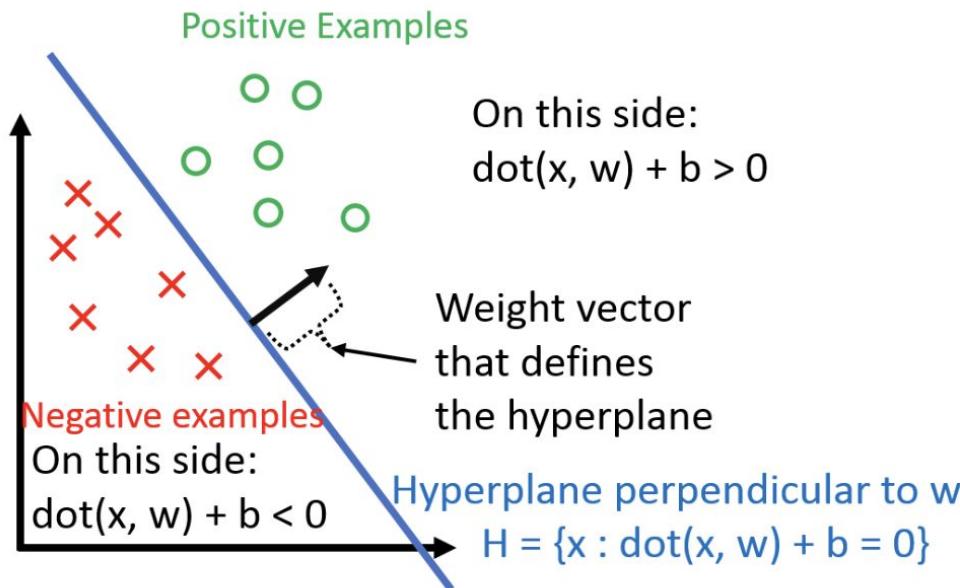
1990s saw a revival in AI due to decision trees, **SVMs** (today!)

Perceptrons/Deep Learning would not be fully adopted until 2010s!



# Perceptron intuition

$$h(\mathbf{x}_i) = \text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b)$$



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Initialize  $\vec{w} = \vec{0}$ 
while TRUE do
     $m = 0$ 
    for  $(x_i, y_i) \in D$  do
        if  $y_i(\vec{w}^T \cdot \vec{x}_i) \leq 0$  then
             $\vec{w} \leftarrow \vec{w} + y_i \vec{x}$ 
             $m \leftarrow m + 1$ 
        end if
    end for
    if  $m = 0$  then
        break
    end if
end while

```



# Perceptron Learning Algorithm

Goal: find a normal vector  $w$  that perfectly classifies all the points in our data set

Algorithm:

Initialize classifier as some random hyperplane

While there exists a misclassified point  $x$ :

    Adjust classifier slightly so that it classifies  $x$  correctly  
        (or, is a little closer to classifying  $x$  correctly)

End While

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*“Use your mistakes as your stepping stones”*



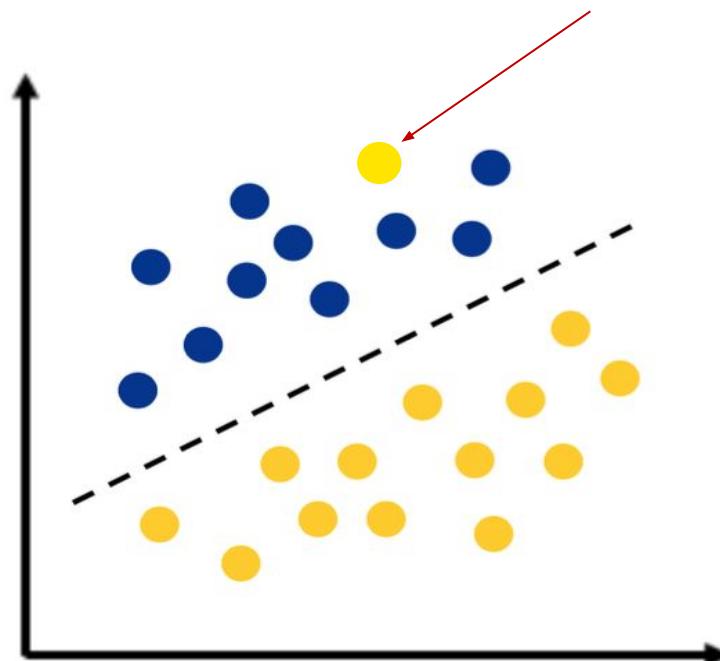
# Linearly Separable

In this example, we cannot partition our dataset into yellow and purple with a linear decision boundary.

This means that our data is **not linearly separable**.

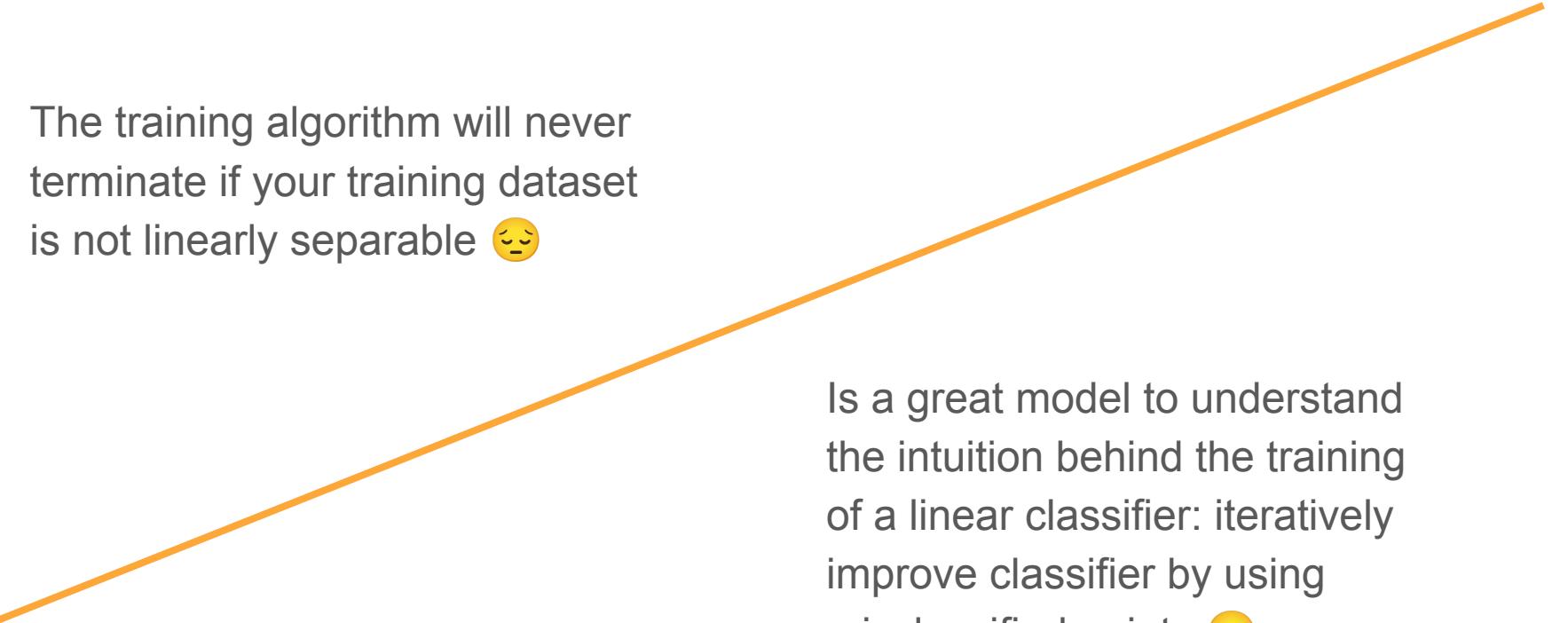
**Outliers** are frequently the reason a data set is not linearly separable.

This data set is not linearly separable because of an outlier



## Limitations of Perceptron

The training algorithm will never terminate if your training dataset is not linearly separable 😞



Is a great model to understand the intuition behind the training of a linear classifier: iteratively improve classifier by using misclassified points 😊



# Demo



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*Attendance!*

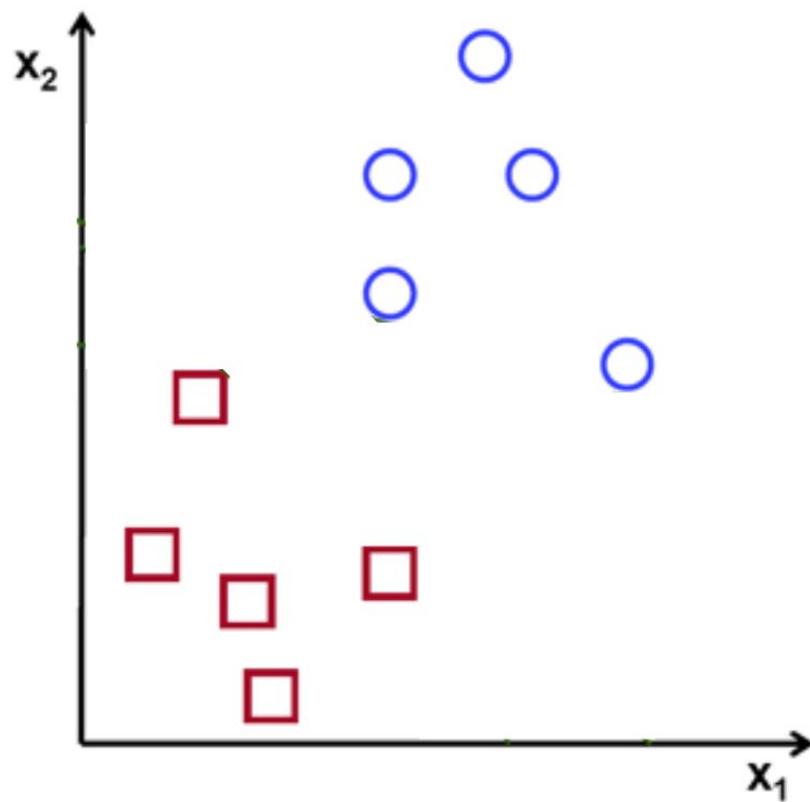


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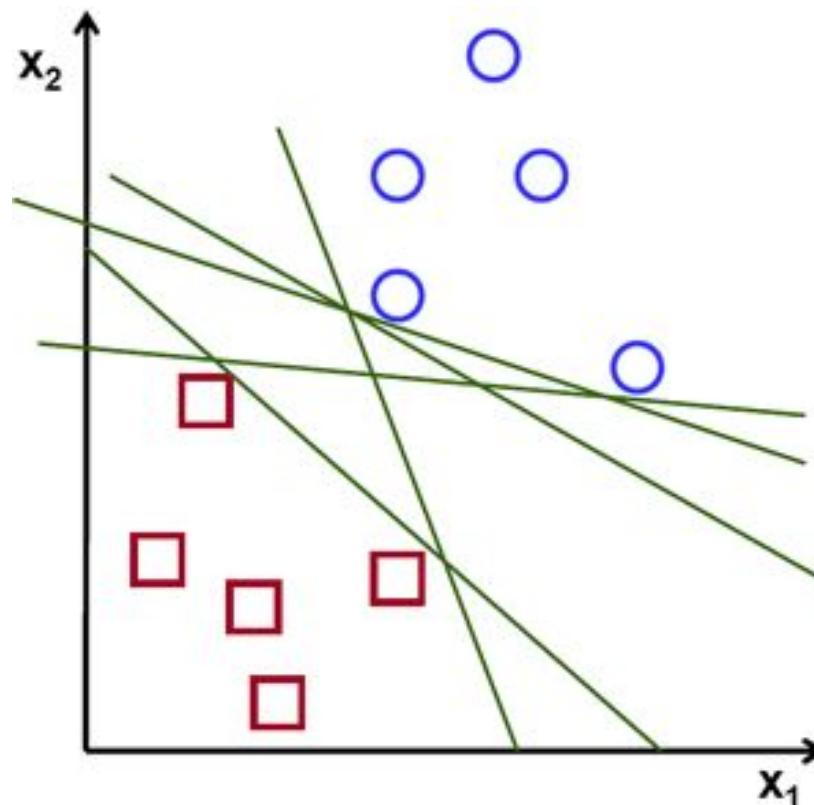
# Support Vector Machines



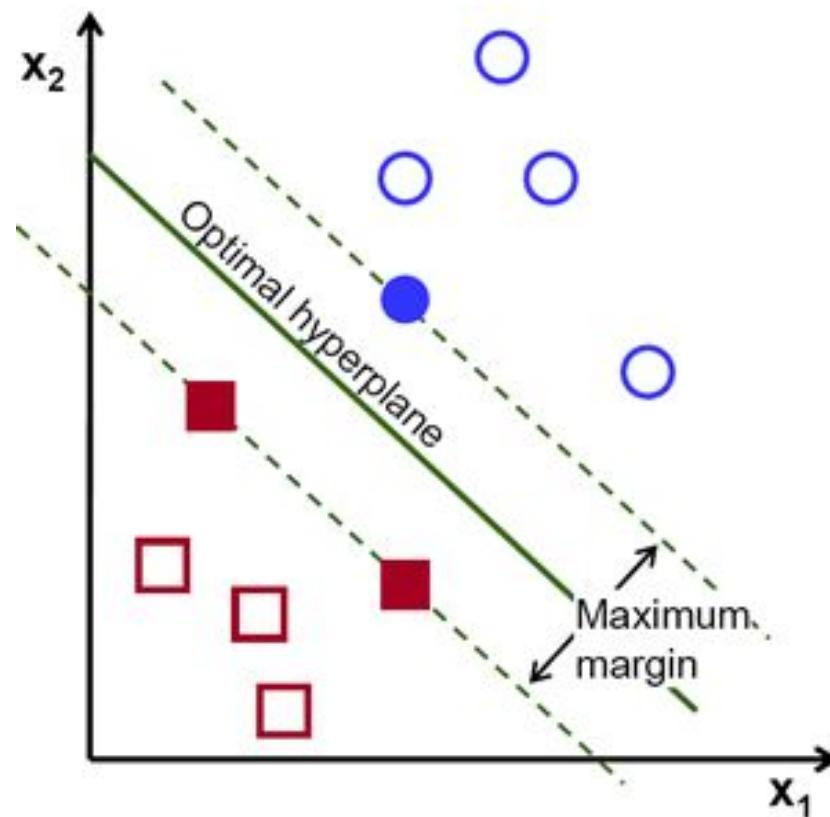
## Classify (+) and (-)



## Which Hyperplane?



# Optimal Hyperplane



# Support Vector Machine

Memory  
efficient

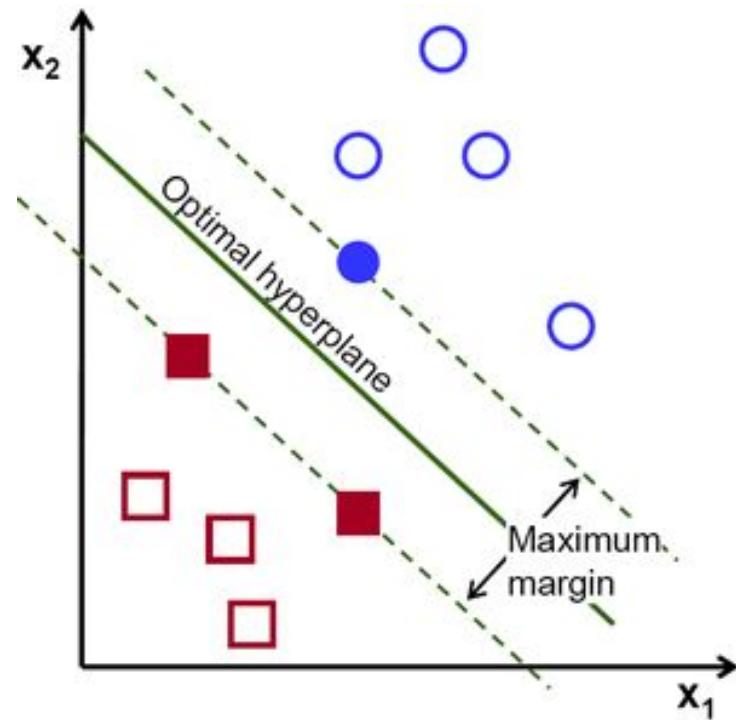
Effective  
in a higher  
dimensions

Slow  
calculation  
time

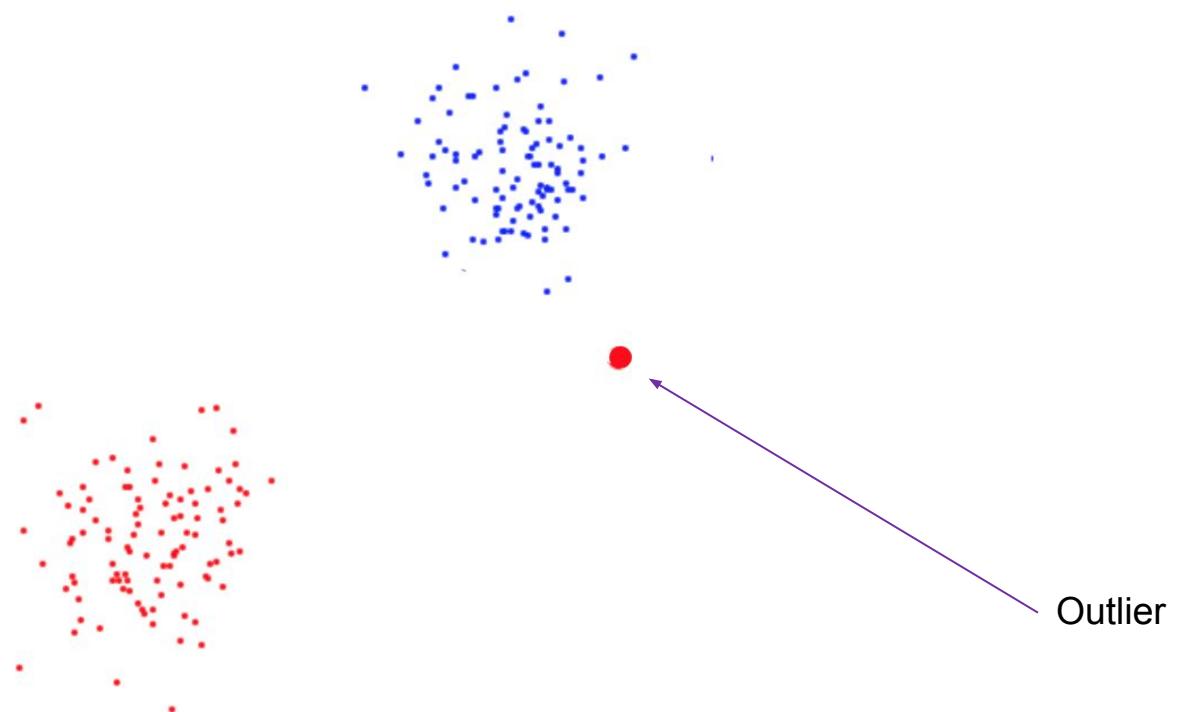


# Maximal Margin Classifier

- We want to find a **separating hyperplane**
- Once we find candidates for the hyperplane, we try to maximize the **margin**, the normal distance from borderline points
  - Only **Support Vectors** matter



# What if...

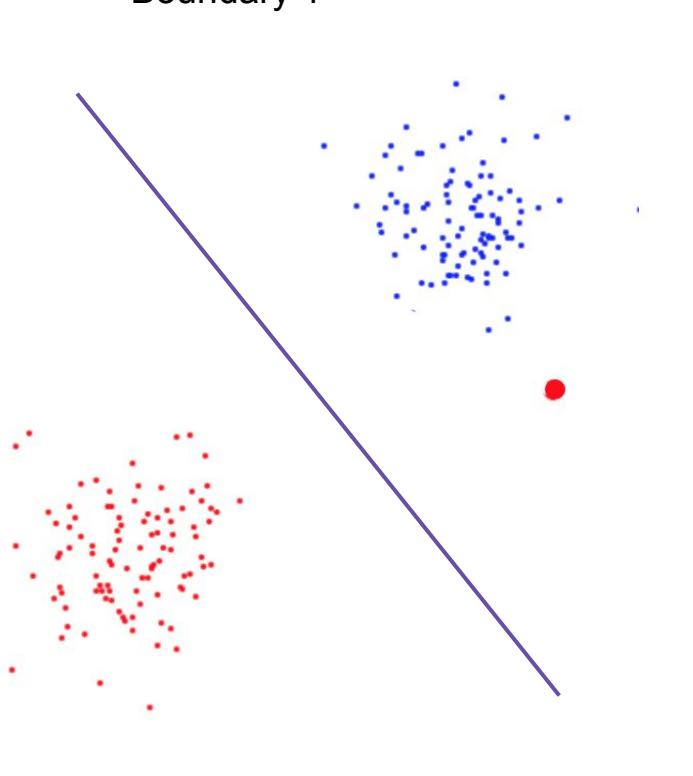


Outlier

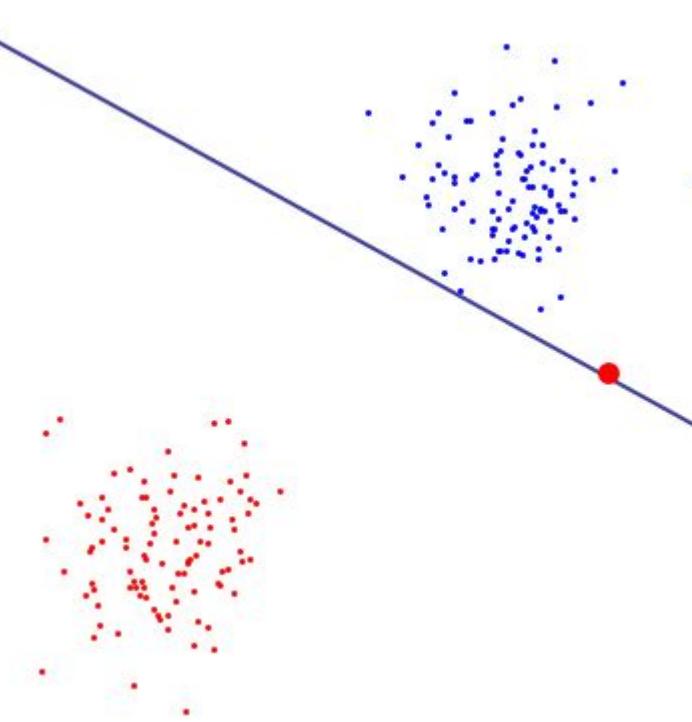


# Which Decision Boundary is better?

Boundary 1



Boundary 2



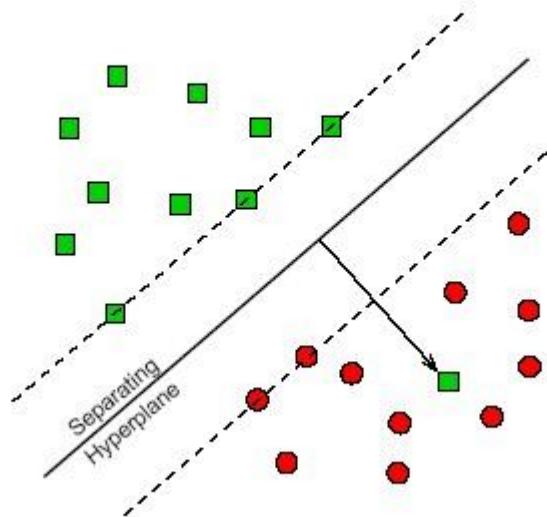
# Margins

Use cost function to penalize misclassified points

Choice of cost function makes margin “hard” vs. “soft”

## Non-separable training sets

Use linear separation, but admit training errors.

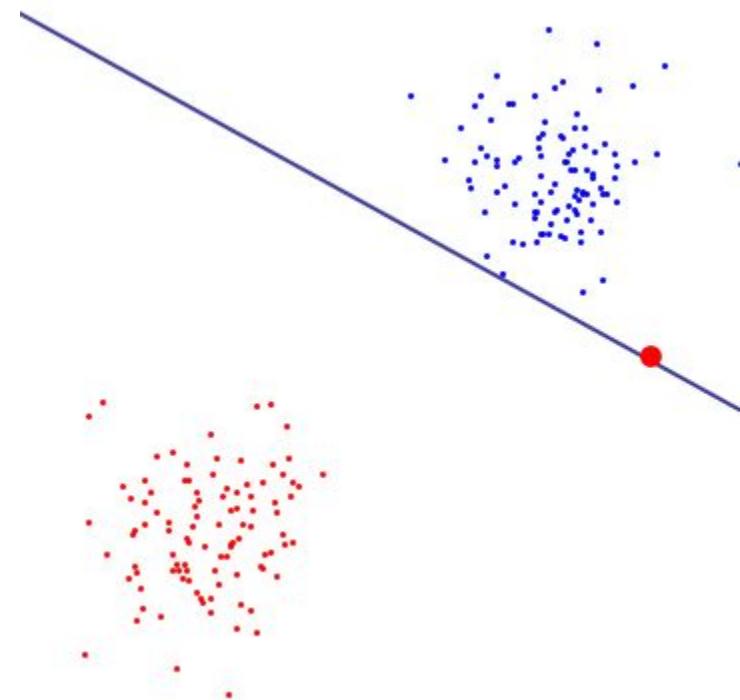


Penalty of error: distance to hyperplane multiplied by *error cost*  $C$ .



## Hard Margins

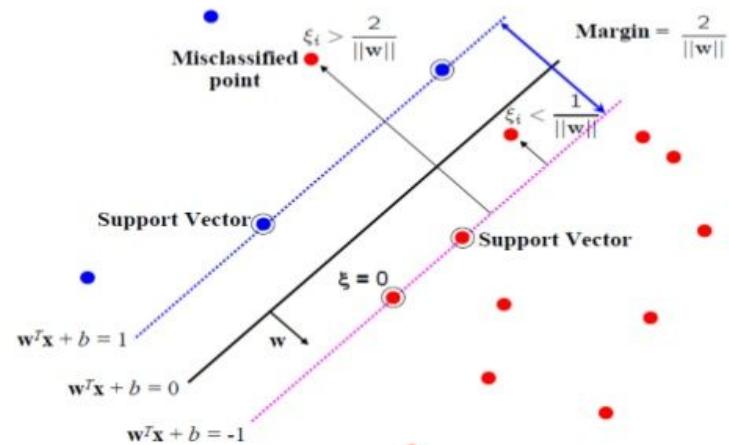
- High penalty value
- The hyperplane can be dictated by a single outlier



# Soft Margins

- Used in non-linearly separable datasets
- Allow for misclassification
- Can account for “dirty” boundaries

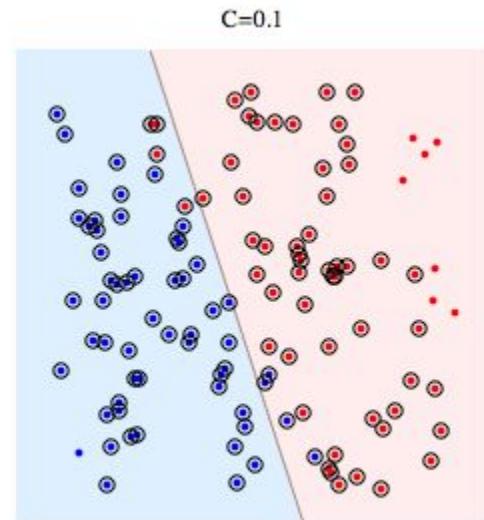
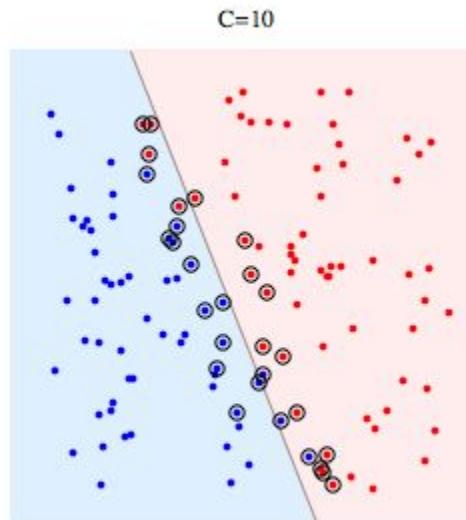
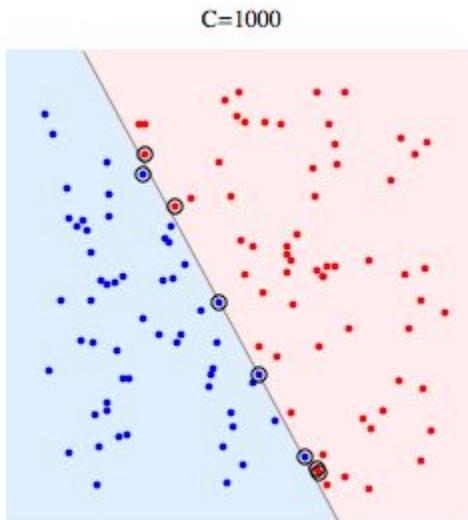
## Soft- margin SVM



$$y_i(w^T x_i + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, M \dots\dots (7)$$

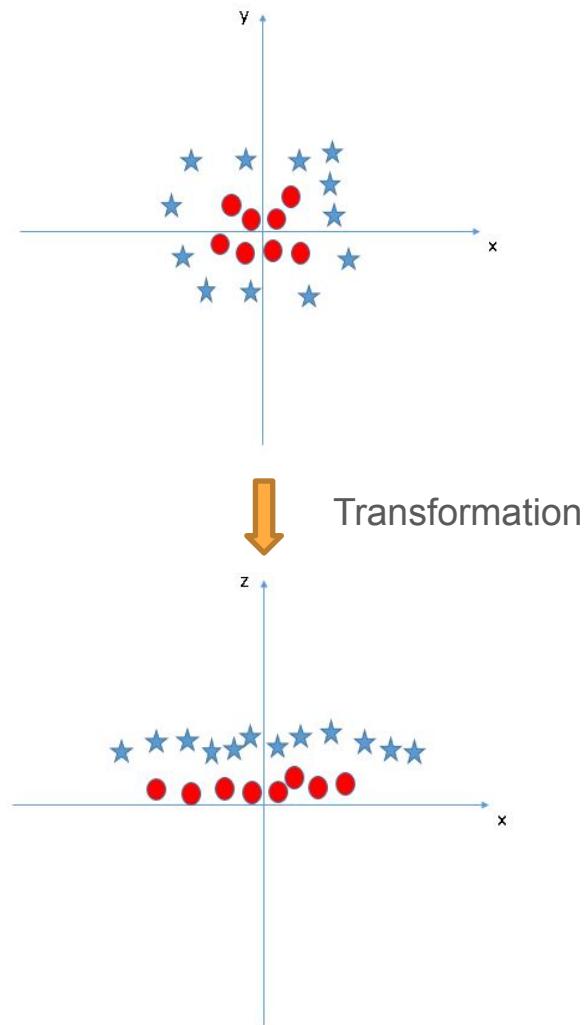


# Misclassification Penalty C

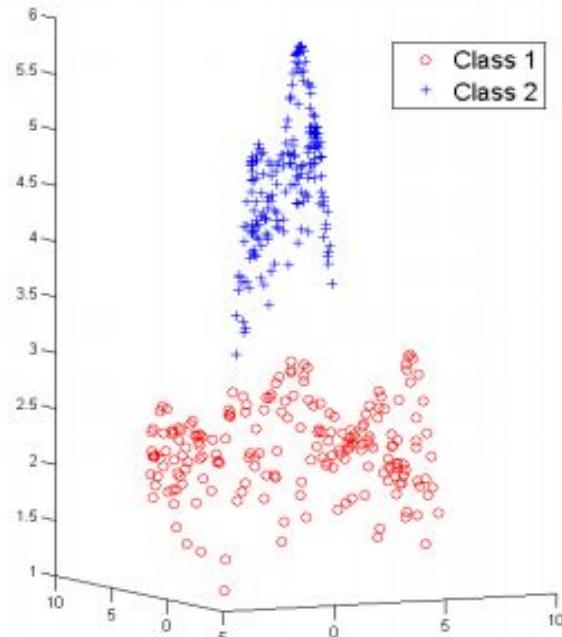
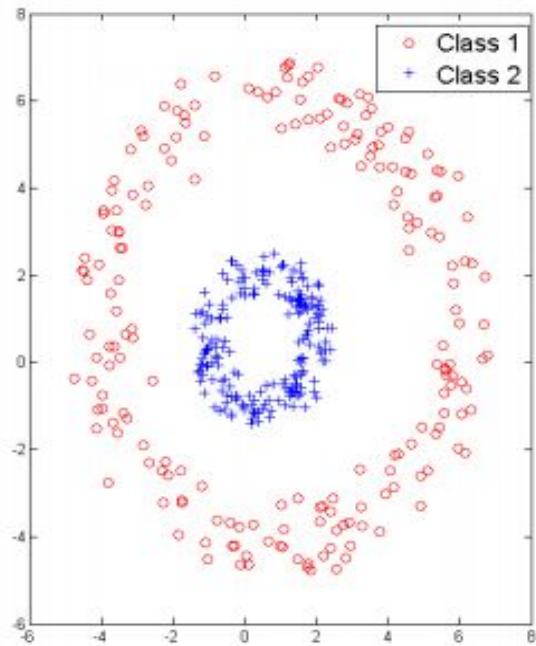


# Kernels

- You cannot linearly divide the 2 classes on the  $xy$  plane at right
- Introduce new feature,  $z = x^2 + y^2$  (**radial kernel**)
- Map 2 dimensional data onto 3 dimensional data. Now a hyperplane is easy to find.



# Kernels



# SVM has MANY Hyperparameters

## SVM

C

The “penalty cost”  
for misclassifications  
(soft margins)

Gamma

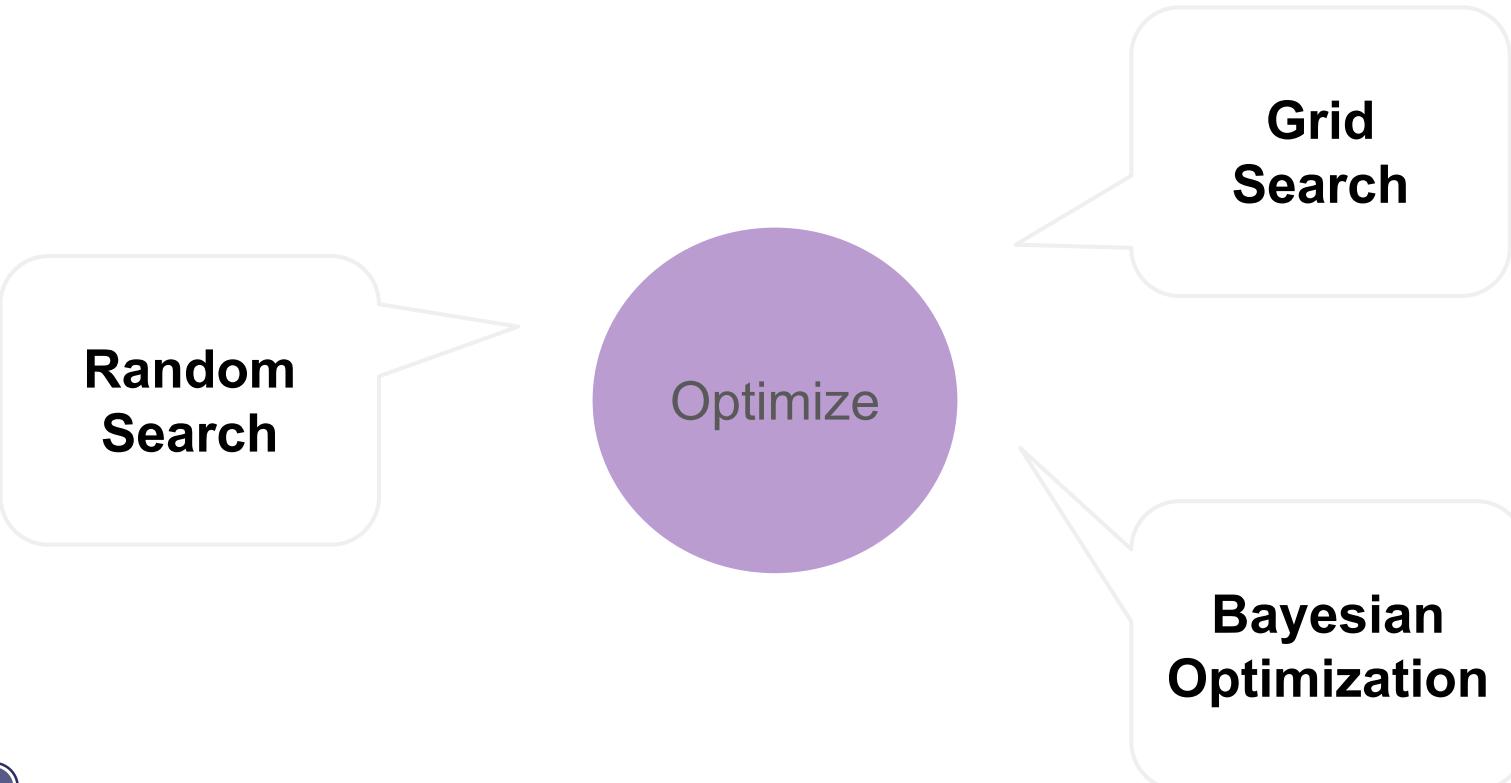
How far the  
influence of a single  
training example  
reaches

Kernels

Method of  
transforming our  
data set

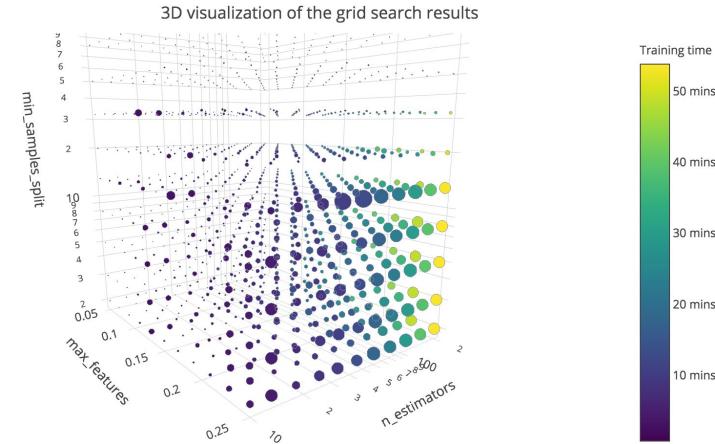
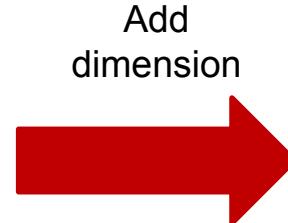
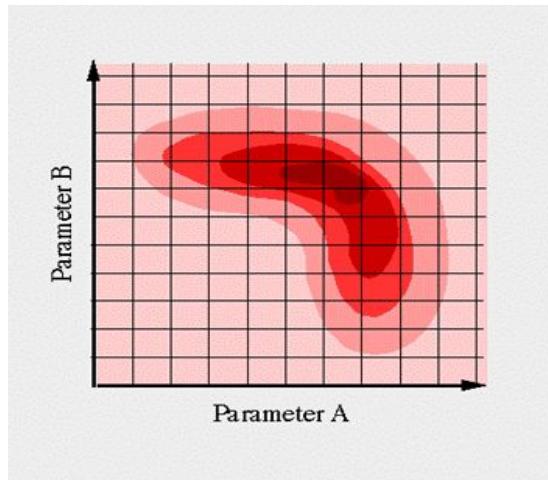


# Finding the Best Hyper Parameters



# Curse of Dimensionality

Our search space for the optimal hyper-parameters increases **exponentially** as the number of hyper parameters we are considering increases



# Overview

Perceptron	SVM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A very simple model</li><li>• Will perform poorly if data is not linearly separable</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• More complex model because we have to choose the “penalty cost” associated with misclassifications</li><li>• Can transform feature space by choosing a Kernel</li></ul>



# Demo



# Cross Validation



# K-fold Cross Validation



Often used in practice  
with  $k=5$  or  $k=10$ .

Create equally sized  $k$  partitions, or **folds**, of training data

For each fold:

- Treat the  $k-1$  other folds as training data.
- Test on the chosen fold.

The average of these errors is the validation error



# **K-fold Cross Validation**

**Dataset**

**Suppose  $K = 5$ ,  
5-Fold CV**



# K-fold Cross Validation

Fold 1

Fold 2

Fold 3

Fold 4

Fold 5



# K-fold Cross Validation



**Calculate MSE = mse1**



# K-fold Cross Validation



**Calculate MSE = mse2**



# K-fold Cross Validation



**Calculate MSE = mse3**



## K-fold Cross Validation

And so on



# K-fold Cross Validation

Fold 1

Fold 2

Fold 3

Fold 4

Fold 5

$$\text{MSE} = \text{Avg}(\text{mse1...5})$$



# K-fold Cross Validation

Matters less  
how we divide  
up

Selection bias  
not present



# Leave-1-Out Cross Validation

For each sample:

- Treat all other data as training data.
- Test on that one sample

The average of these errors is the validation error

**Pro:** Better on small datasets

**Pro:** More realistic (trained on most of the data)

**Con:** Takes longer to run



# Coming Up

- **Assignment 7:** Due tonight at 11:59pm
- **Assignment 8:** Due next Wednesday at 11:59pm
- **Next Lecture:** Unsupervised Learning 



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