## Métodos de kernel

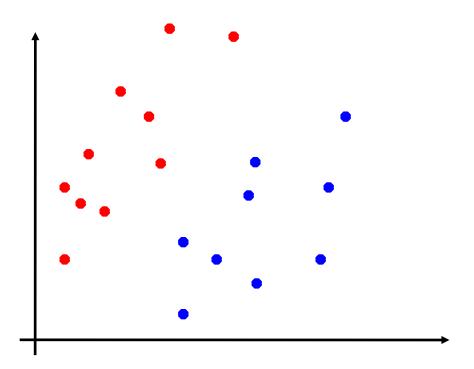
#### Resumen

- SVM motivación
- SVM no separable
- Kernels
- Otros problemas
- Ejemplos

Muchas slides de Ronald Collopert

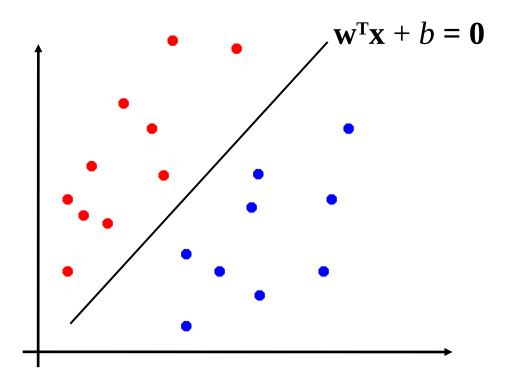
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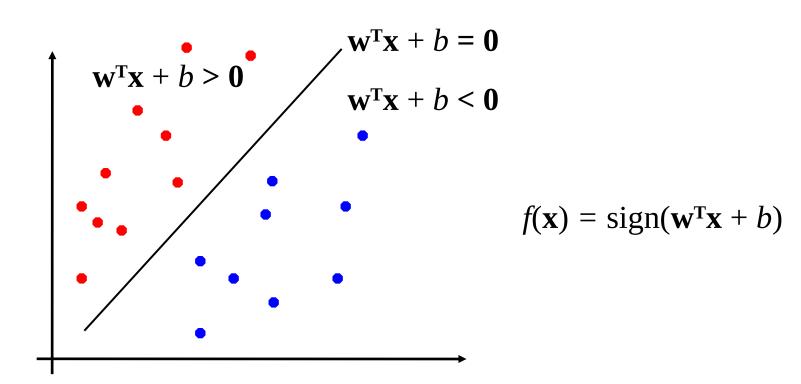
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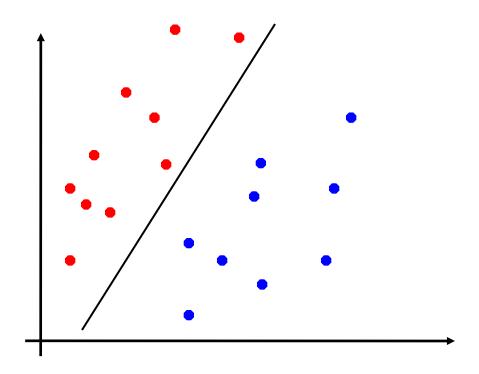
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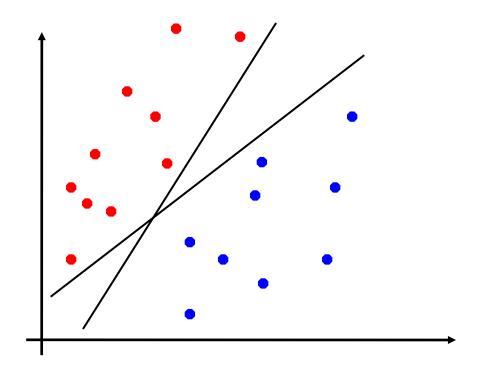
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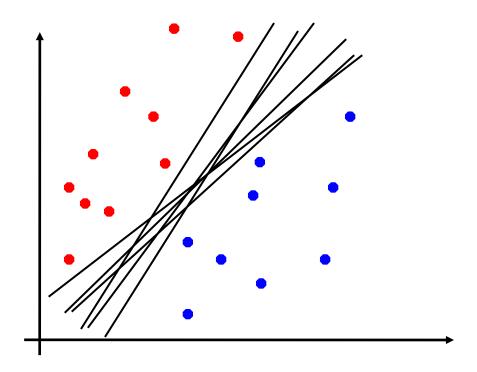
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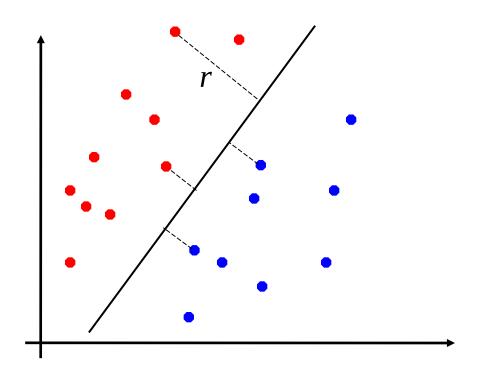
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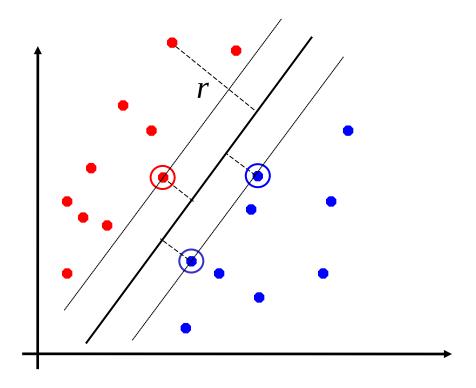
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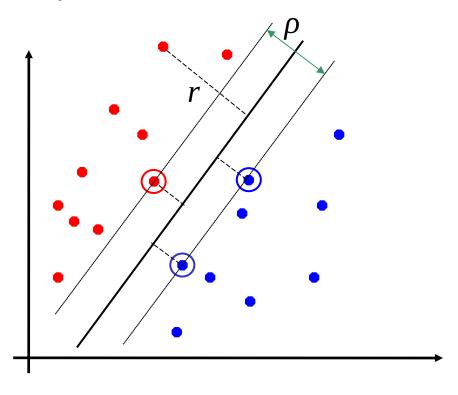
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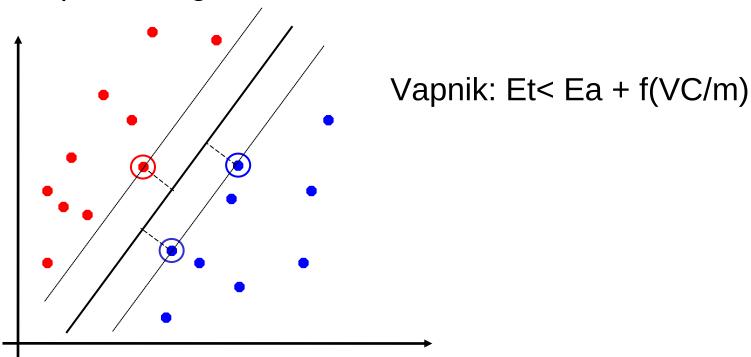
vectors.



## **Maximum Margin Classification**

Maximizing the margin is good according to intuition and learning theory.

Implies that only support vectors matter; other training examples are ignorable.



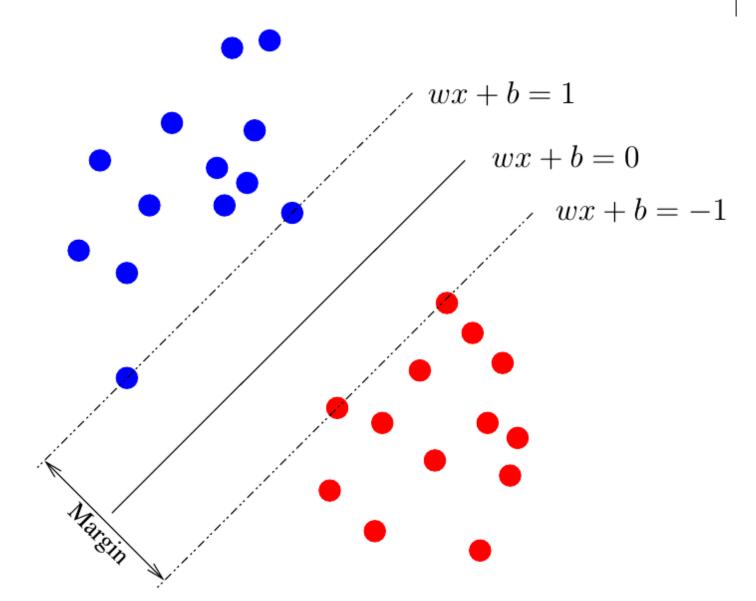
• Training set:

$$(x_t, y_t)_{t=1...T} \in \mathbb{R}^d \times \{-1, 1\}$$

• We would like to find *one* hyperplane

$$wx + b = 0 \quad (w \in \mathbb{R}^d, \ b \in \mathbb{R})$$

which separates the two classes and maximizes the margin.



• Margin to maximize:

$$dist(wx + b = 1, wx + b = -1) = \frac{2}{\|w\|}$$

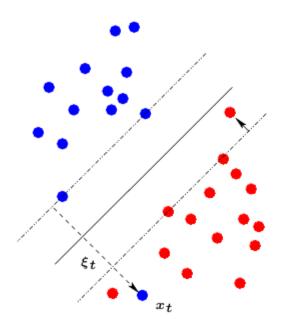
• We would like to minimize:

$$J(w, b) = \frac{\|w\|^2}{2}$$

Under the constraints:

$$y_t(wx_t + b) \ge 1 \quad \forall t$$

This minimization problem does not have any solution if the two classes are not separable.



- Relax the constraints: use a soft margin instead of a hard margin.
- We would like to minimize:

$$J(w, b, \xi) = \frac{\|w\|^2}{2} + C \sum_{t=1}^{T} \xi_t$$

Under the constraints:

$$y_t(wx_t + b) \ge 1 - \xi_t \quad \forall t$$
  
 $\xi_t \ge 0 \quad \forall t$ 

• We want to find u such that:

$$J(u) = \inf_{v \in U} J(v)$$
 
$$u \in U = \{ v \in \mathbb{R}^n : \varphi_i(v) \le 0 \ \forall i \}$$

• Introduce the Lagrangian:

$$L(v, \mu) = J(v) + \sum_{i} \mu_{i} \varphi_{i}(v) \qquad (\mu_{i} \ge 0)$$

• Theorem: If  $(u, \lambda)$  is a saddle point of the Lagrangian L, then  $(u, \lambda)$  is a solution of the constrained minimization problem.

•  $(u, \lambda)$  is a saddle point of the function L if u is a minimum for the function  $v \mapsto L(v, \lambda)$  and  $\lambda$  is a maximum for the function  $\mu \mapsto L(u, \mu)$ .

Our Lagrangian:

$$\begin{split} L(w, \, b, \, \xi, \, \frac{\alpha}{\alpha}, \, \mu) &= J(w, \, b, \, \xi) + \sum_{t} \frac{\alpha_{t}}{1 - \xi_{t}} - y_{t}(wx_{t} + b)] - \sum_{t} \frac{\mu_{t}}{\xi_{t}} \\ &= \frac{\|w\|^{2}}{2} + C \sum_{t=1}^{T} \xi_{t} + \sum_{t} \frac{\alpha_{t}}{1 - \xi_{t}} - y_{t}(wx_{t} + b)] - \sum_{t} \frac{\mu_{t}}{\xi_{t}} \\ &\qquad \qquad (\alpha_{t} \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mu_{t} \geq 0) \end{split}$$

• Look for  $(w, b, \xi)$  minimum of L:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad w = \sum_{t} \alpha_{t} y_{t} x_{t}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial b} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \sum_{t} \alpha_{t} y_{t} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \xi} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad C - \alpha_{t} - \mu_{t} = 0$$

• Insert in the Lagrangian:

$$L = \sum_{t} \alpha_{t} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{s,t} \alpha_{s} \alpha_{t} y_{s} y_{t} x_{s} x_{t}$$

$$0 \le \alpha_{t} \le C$$

$$\sum_{t} \alpha_{t} y_{t} = 0$$

$$w = \sum_{t} \alpha_{t} y_{t} x_{t}$$

• Look for  $(\alpha, \mu)$  maximum of L:

$$\frac{\alpha_t}{[1 - \xi_t - y_t(wx_t + b)]} = 0$$

$$\frac{\mu_t \xi_t}{[1 - \xi_t - y_t(wx_t + b)]} = 0$$

Finaly, we "just" have to minimize

$$\alpha \mapsto \frac{1}{2} \alpha^{\mathbf{T}} Q \alpha - \alpha^{\mathbf{T}} 1$$

where

$$Q_{ij} = y_i y_j \, x_i x_j$$

Under the constraints

$$0 \le \alpha_t \le C \text{ and } \sum_t \alpha_t y_t = 0$$

• Then we obtain w and b with

$$w = \sum_{t} \frac{\alpha_t y_t \, x_t}{}$$

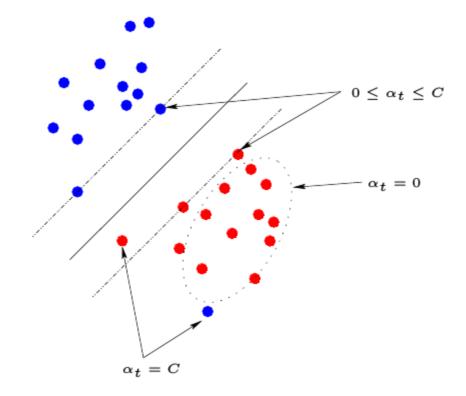
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#### **SVM formulation - end**

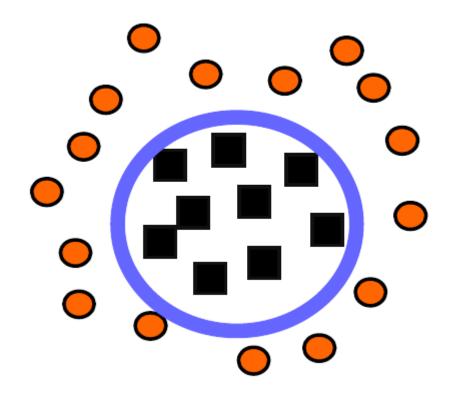
Note that the decision function could be rewritten as:

$$x \mapsto \sum_{t} \alpha_t y_t x_t x + b$$

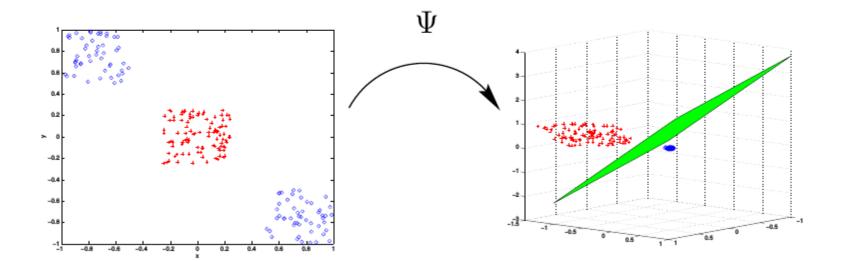
• Training examples  $x_t$  with  $\alpha_t \neq 0$  are support vectors.



What about this problem?



- Project the data into a higher dimensional space: it should be easier to separate the two classes.
- Given a function  $\Psi : \mathbb{R}^d \to F$ , work with  $\Psi(x_t)$  instead of working with  $x_t$ .



- Note that we have only dot products  $\Psi(x_s)\Psi(x_t)$  to compute.
- Unfortunately, it could be expensive in a high dimensional space.
- Use instead a kernel: a function  $(x, z) \mapsto k(x, z)$  which represents a dot product in a "hidden" feature space.

$$k(x, z) = \Psi(x)\Psi(z)$$

• Example: instead of

$$\Psi(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^2 \\ \sqrt{2}x_1x_2 \\ x_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

use

$$k(x, z) = (xz)^2$$

Polynomial:

$$k(x, z) = (u xz + v)^p \quad (u \in \mathbb{R}, \ v \in \mathbb{R}, \ p \in \mathbb{N}_+^*)$$

Gaussian:

$$k(x, z) = \exp\left(-\frac{\|x - z\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \quad (\sigma \in \mathbb{R}_+^*)$$

• 

The function

$$k(x, z) = \tanh(u xz + v)$$

is not a kernel!

• Any symmetric positive-definite kernel f(u,v) is a dot product in some space. Not matter what is the space.

 Kernel algebra → linear combinations of kernels are kernels

Open door: kernels for non-vectorial objects

## **Using SVMs**

- Choose a kernel k().
- Minimize

$$\alpha \mapsto \frac{1}{2} \alpha^{\mathbf{T}} Q \alpha - \alpha^{\mathbf{T}} 1$$

where

$$Q_{ij} = y_i y_j \, k(x_i, \, x_j)$$

Under the constraints

$$0 \le \alpha_t \le C \text{ and } \sum_t \alpha_t y_t = 0$$

• For  $0 < \alpha_t < C$ , compute b using

$$1 - y_t \left[ \sum_s \alpha_s y_s \, k(x_s, \, x_t) + b \right] = 0$$

## **Using SVMs**

• The decision function will be

$$x \mapsto \operatorname{sign}\left(\sum_{t} \alpha_{t} y_{t} k(x_{t}, x) + b\right)$$

### **Summary**

- SVMs maximize the margin (in the feature space)
- Use the soft margin trick
- Project the data into a higher dimensional space for non-linear relations
- Kernels simplify the computation
- A Lagrangian method leads to a "nice" quadratic minimization problem under constraints.

## In practice

- In order to tune the capacity, the kernel is the most important parameter to choose.
  - Polynomial kernel: increasing the degree will increase the capacity.
  - Gaussian kernel: increasing  $\sigma$  will decrease the capacity.
- Tune C, the trade-off between the margin and the errors.
  - For non-noisy data sets, C usually has not much influence.
  - Carefully choose C for noisy data sets: small values usually give better results.

# Otros problemas con kernels

#### Other methods

 Any Machine Learning method that only depends on inner products of the data can use kernels

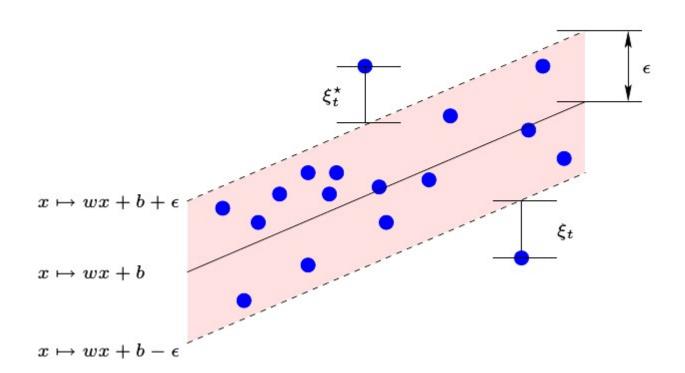
 Lots of methods: kernel-pca, kernel regression, kernel-...

#### **Multiclass classification**

- Use ensembles: OVA, OVO. Ovo is more efficient
- There are some direct multiclass SVM formulations, not better than OVO.
- Lots of papers, diverse results

## Regression

• We are looking for an hyperplane  $x \mapsto wx + b$  such that...



## Regression

We would like to minimize

$$\frac{1}{2}||w||^2 + C\sum_{t}|wx_t + b - y_t|_{\epsilon}$$

where

$$|u|_{\epsilon} = \max(0, |u| - \epsilon)$$

- "Epsilon insensitive loss": we "ignore" errors lower than  $\epsilon$ .
- Equivalent to minimize

$$\frac{1}{2}||w||^2 + C\sum_{t}(\xi_t + \xi_t^*)$$

under the constraints

$$(wx_t + b) - y_t \le \epsilon + \xi_t$$
$$y_t - (wx_t + b) \le \epsilon + \xi_t^*$$
$$\xi_t, \, \xi_t^* \ge 0$$

## Regression

Non-linear regression via kernels

A new parameter to set: the tube

## **Novelty detection**

 Classical: use a density function, points below a threshold are outliers

Two kernel versions

## **Novelty detection**

 Tax & Duin: Find the minimal hypersphere that contains all the data, points outside are outliers

$$\min_{\substack{R,z,a \\ s.t.}} R^{2} + \frac{1}{mv} \sum_{i=1}^{m} z_{i} \\
(x_{i} - a)^{T} (x_{i} - a) \leq R^{2} + z_{i} \\
z_{i} \geq 0 \quad i = 1,..., m$$

$$\min_{\alpha} -\sum_{i=1}^{m} \alpha_{i} K(x_{i}, x_{i}) + \sum_{i,j=1}^{m} \alpha_{i} \alpha_{j} K(x_{i}, x_{j}) \\
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$$\frac{1}{mv} \geq \alpha_{i} \geq 0 \quad i = 1,..., m$$

Outlier: 
$$K(v,v) - 2\sum_{i=1}^{m} \alpha_i K(v,x_i) + \sum_{i,j=1}^{m} \alpha_i \alpha_j K(x_i,x_j) - R^2 \ge 0$$

## **Novelty detection**

 Scholkopf et al.: Only for Gaussian Kernel, find the hyperplane with max distance to the origin that left all points in one side.

$$\min_{\alpha} \sum_{i,j=1}^{m} \alpha_{i} \alpha_{j} K(x_{i}, x_{j})$$

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#### Code

Some examples in classification (R code)