

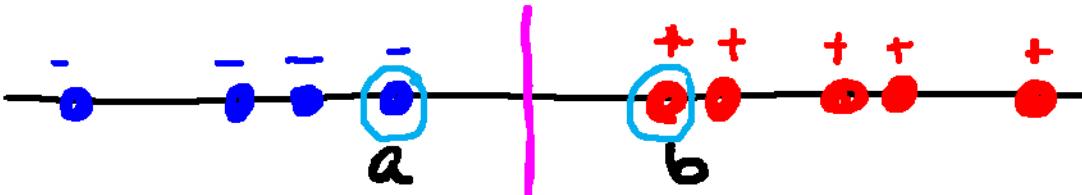
Support Vector Machines for Classification

Objectives

- Define margin for separable data
- Show Support vector machines
Maximize margin
- Use hinge loss to define support vector machines for non separable data

Maximize margin for separable training data 2

Example:



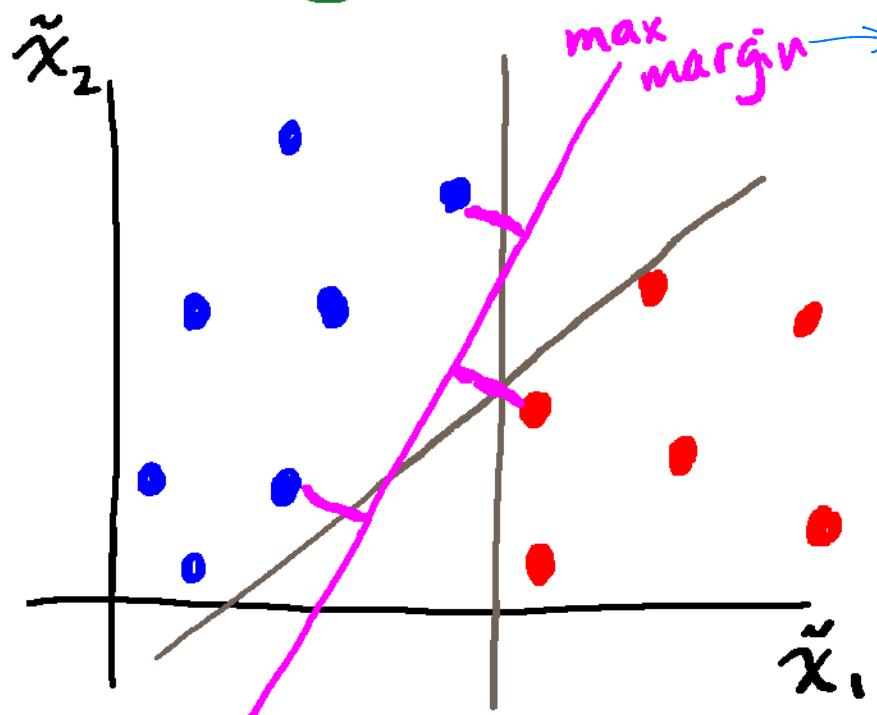
decision boundary?

margin: distance from boundary to nearest sample

max margin boundary: midpoint only a, b matter

(★ In order to shift the boundary away from the origin)

constant



decision boundary?

$$\underline{x}^T = [\tilde{x}^T \quad 1] \quad \text{Data feature}$$

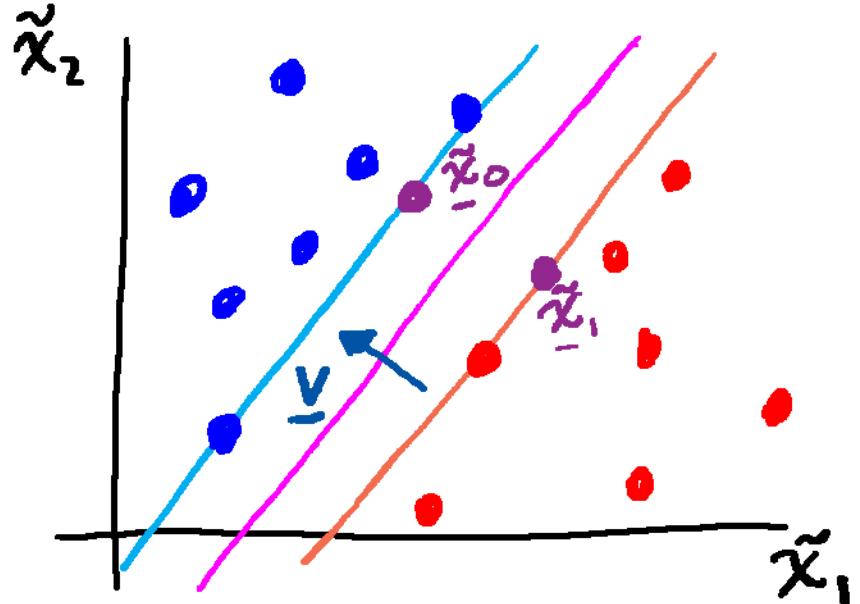
$$\underline{w}^T = [\tilde{w}^T \quad w_0] \quad \text{weights}$$

decision $\hat{d} = \text{sign}(\underline{x}^T \underline{w})$

$$\hat{d} = \begin{cases} 1 & \tilde{x}^T \tilde{w} + w_0 > 0 \\ -1 & \tilde{x}^T \tilde{w} + w_0 < 0 \end{cases}$$

Constant associated with the other above

Margin is determined by $\|\tilde{w}\|_2^{-1}$



label "-1": $\underline{x}^T \tilde{w} + w_0 \leq -1$

label "+1": $\underline{x}^T \tilde{w} + w_0 \geq 1$

boundary: $\underline{x}^T \tilde{w} + w_0 = 0$

margin: γ_2 distance between //
measure in direction v

Unit normal to boundary plane: $v = \frac{\tilde{w}}{\|\tilde{w}\|_2}$ (Normalized)

Margin $m = \frac{1}{2} \|\underline{x}_1 - \underline{x}_0\|_2$ $\underline{x}_1 = \underline{x}_0 + 2m v$

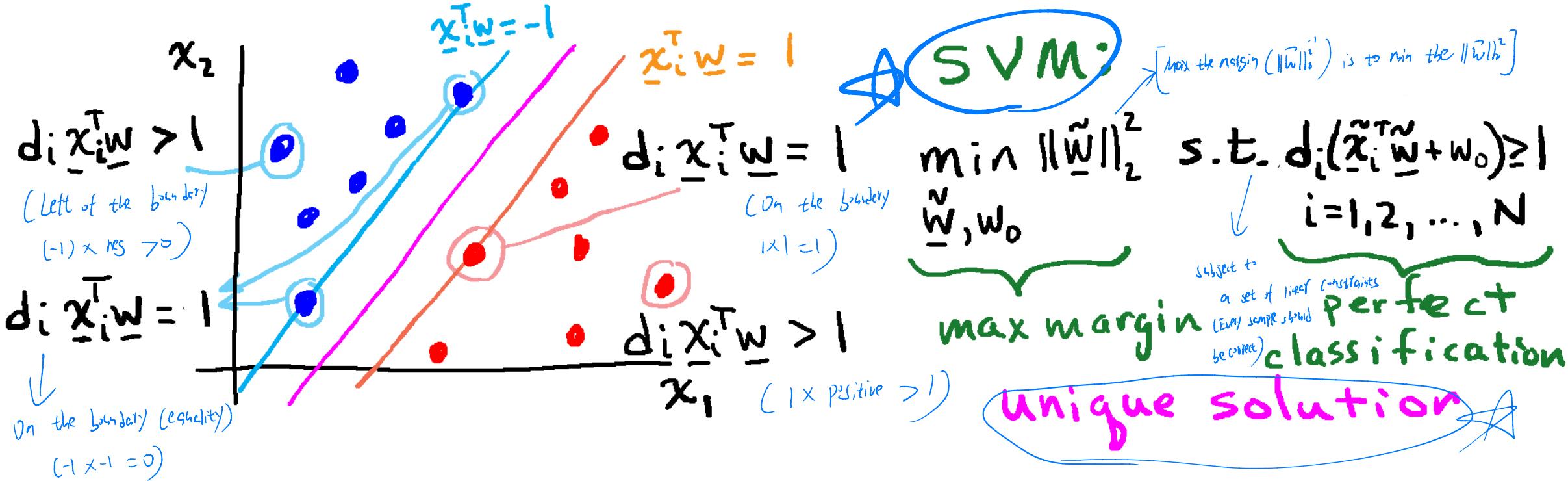
$1 = \underline{x}_1^T \tilde{w} + w_0 = \underline{x}_0^T \tilde{w} + 2m \frac{\tilde{w}^T \tilde{w}}{\|\tilde{w}\|_2} + w_0$

$\downarrow \underline{x}_1^T \tilde{w} + w_0 = -1$

\star but $\underline{x}_0^T \tilde{w} + w_0 = -1$
so $2 = 2m \|\tilde{w}\|_2$
 $m = \|\tilde{w}\|_2^{-1}$

Support Vector Machine maximizes margin 4

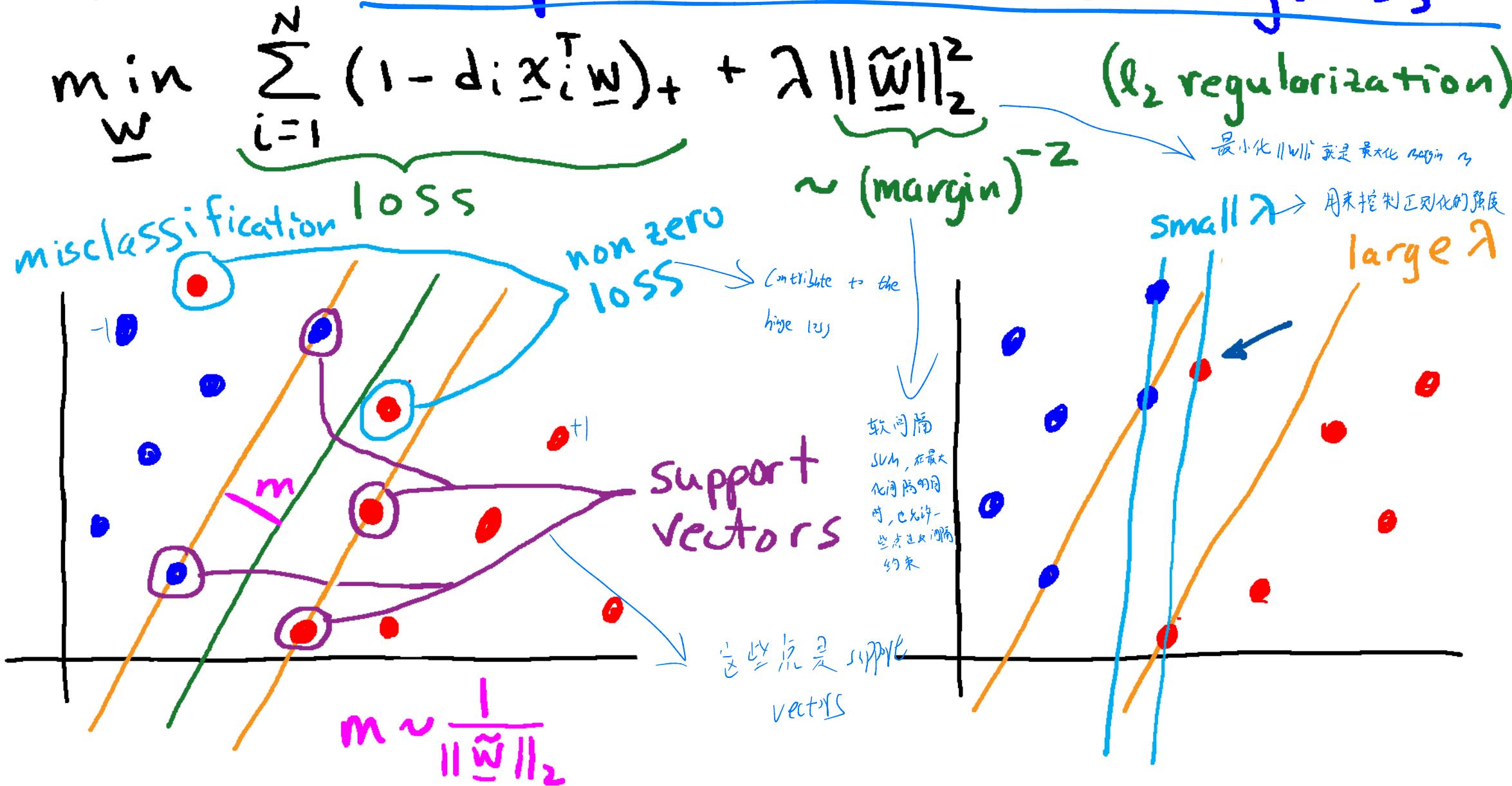
Correct classification: $d_i(\underline{\hat{x}}_i^T \underline{\hat{w}} + w_0) \geq 1$



Boundary defined by \underline{x}_i for which $d_i \underline{x}_i^T \underline{w} = 1$

Called Support Vectors → 3 SVs here in the example

SVM for non separable data uses hinge loss⁶



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