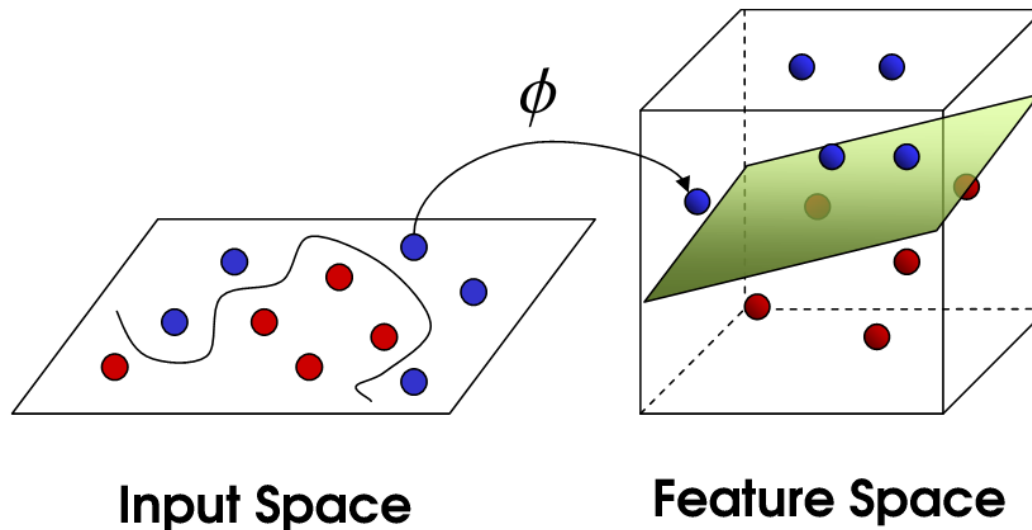


CS109 – Data Science

SVM, Performance evaluation

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Announcements

- Midterm 1 grading under way
- HW3 grading next week
- HW4 released tomorrow, due next Wed

Classification vs. Regression

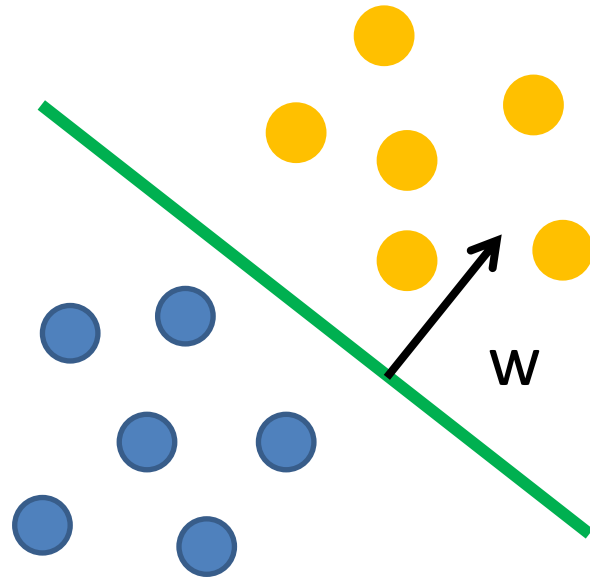
- What is the difference between classification and regression?
- Would you make a regression problem a classification problem?
- Would you make a classification problem a regression problem?

Some classifiers from last semester

- KNN
- Decision tree
- Random Forest
- Logistic regression
- Boosting ?
- Linear SVM

Separating Hyperplane

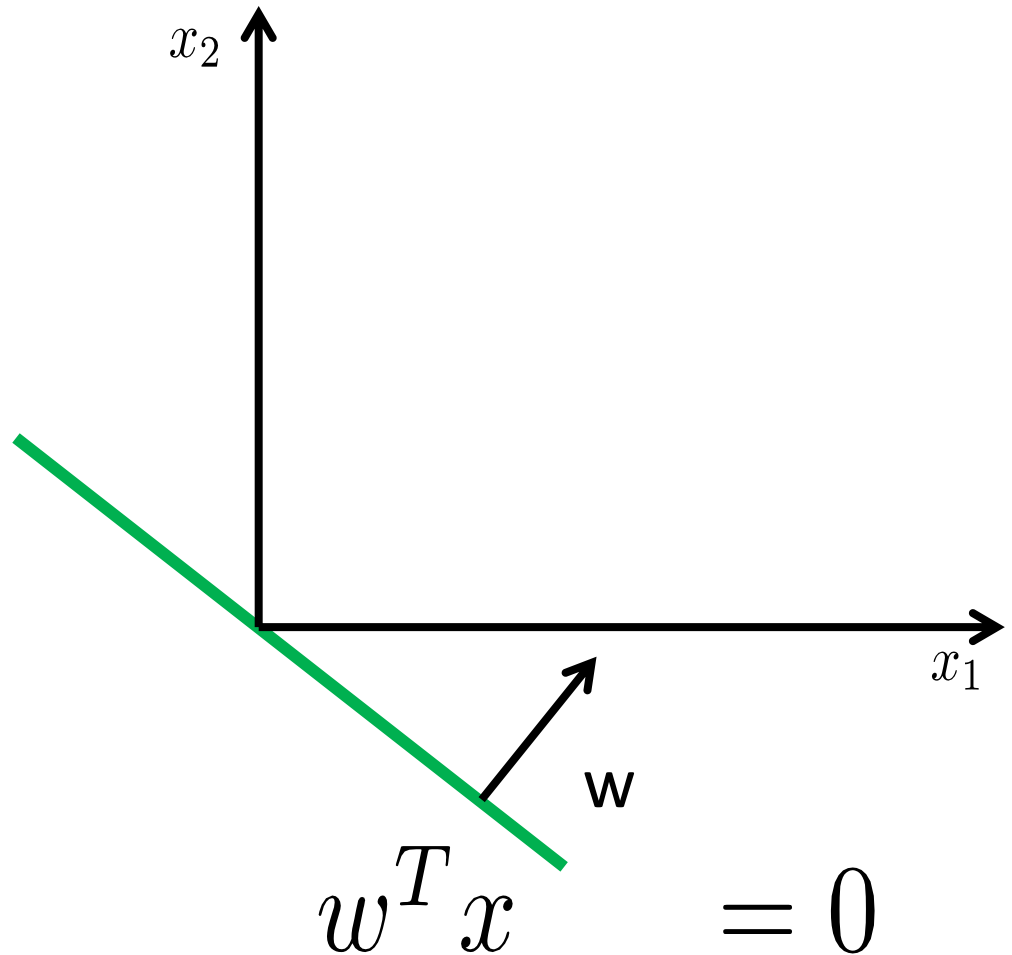
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- y : label $\in \{-1, +1\}$
- w : weight vector



$$w^T x = 0$$

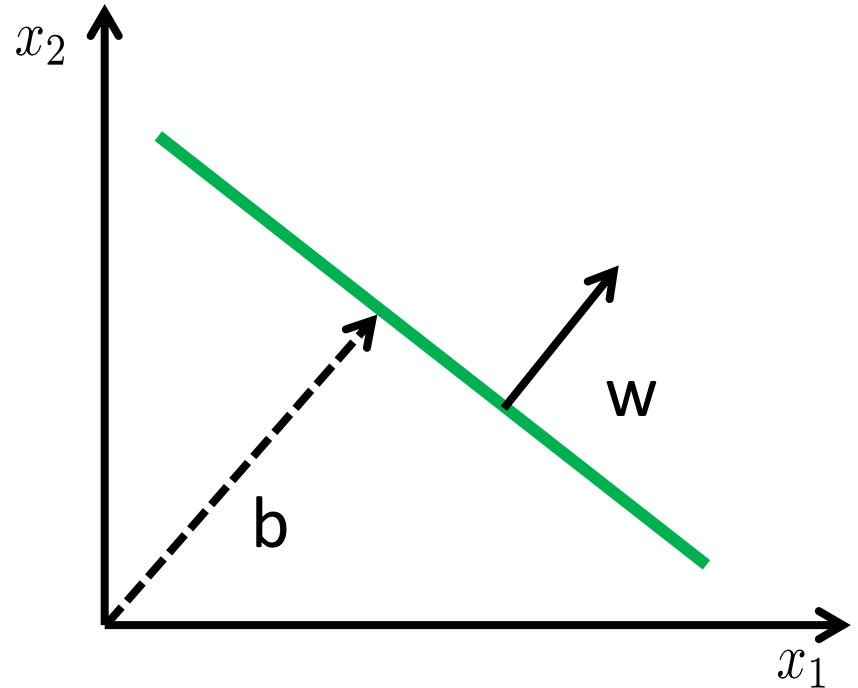
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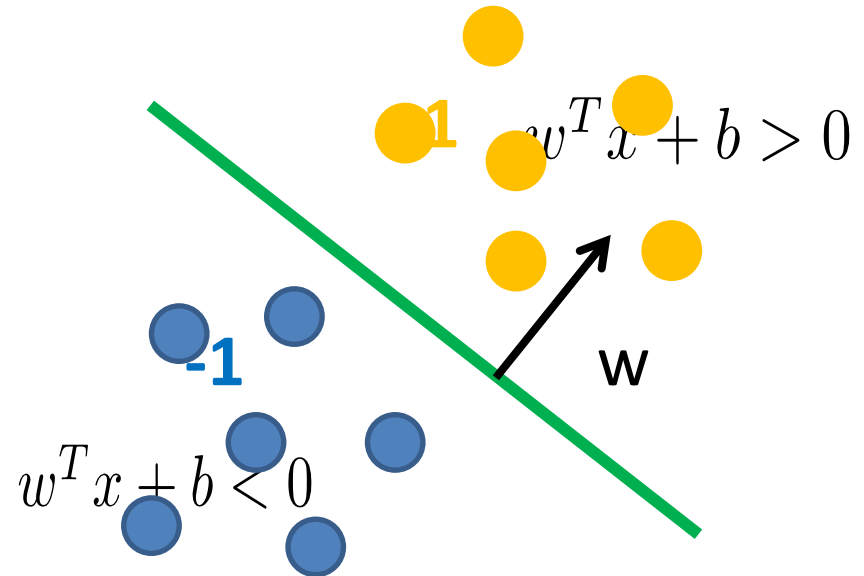
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- b : bias



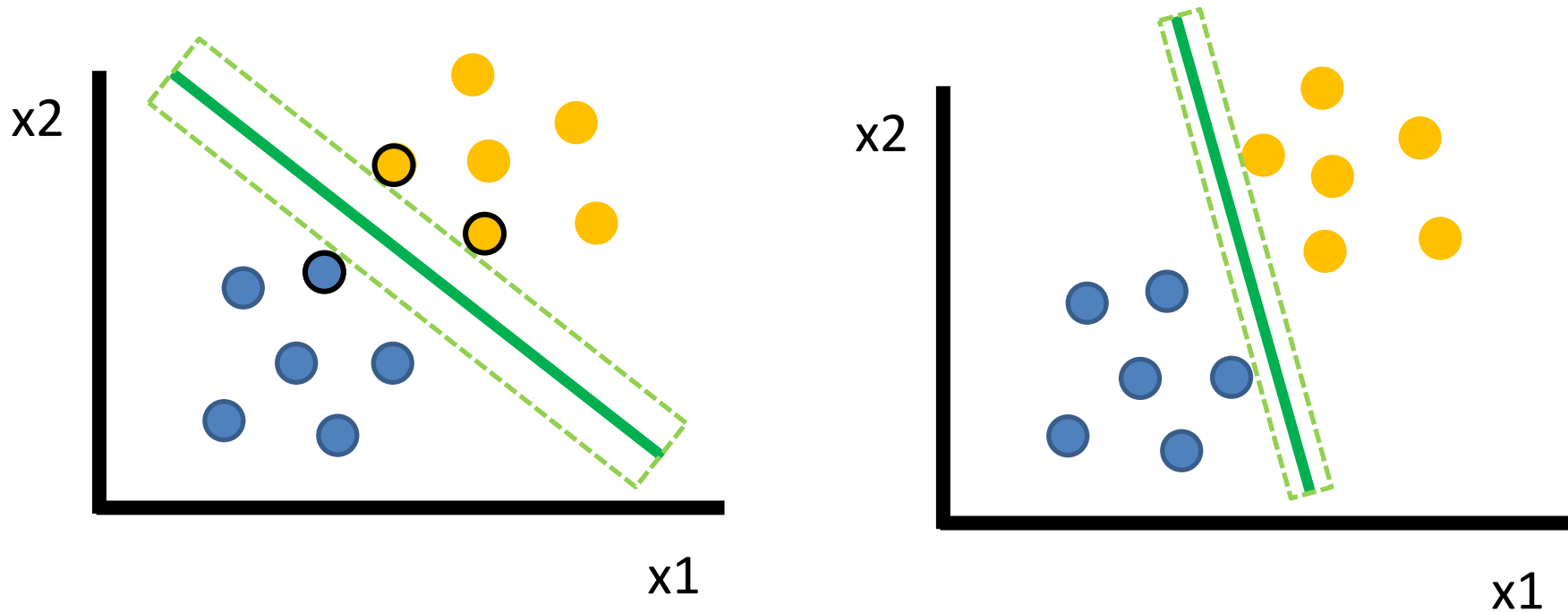
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Maximum Margin Classification



Solution depends only on the support vectors!

Maximum Margin Classification



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Support Vector Machine

- Widely used for all sorts of classification problems
- Some people say it is the best of the shelf classifier out there
- (But it is not that much of the shelf as we would like)

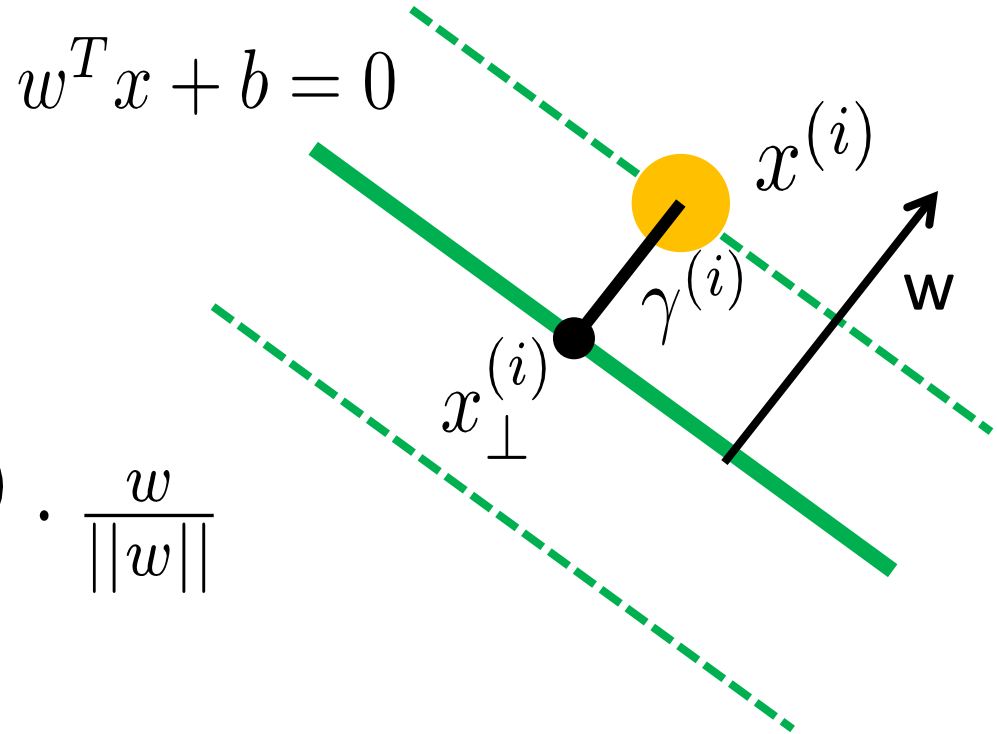
Maximum Margin Classification

margin:

$$x_{\perp}^{(i)} = x^{(i)} - \gamma^{(i)} \cdot \frac{w}{||w||}$$

$$w^T x_{\perp}^{(i)} + b = 0$$

➡ $\gamma^{(i)} = \left(\frac{w^T x^{(i)} + b}{||w||} \right)$



Maximum Margin Classification

$$\gamma^{(i)} = y^{(i)} \left(\frac{w^T x^{(i)} + b}{||w||} \right) \quad \text{geometrical margin}$$

$$\hat{\gamma}^{(i)} = y^{(i)} (w^T x + b) \quad \text{functional margin}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\gamma, w, b} \quad & \gamma \quad \leftarrow \text{minimal geometrical margin} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y^{(i)} (w^T x^{(i)} + b) \geq \gamma, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & ||w|| = 1. \quad \leftarrow \text{non-convex} \end{aligned}$$

Maximum Margin Classification

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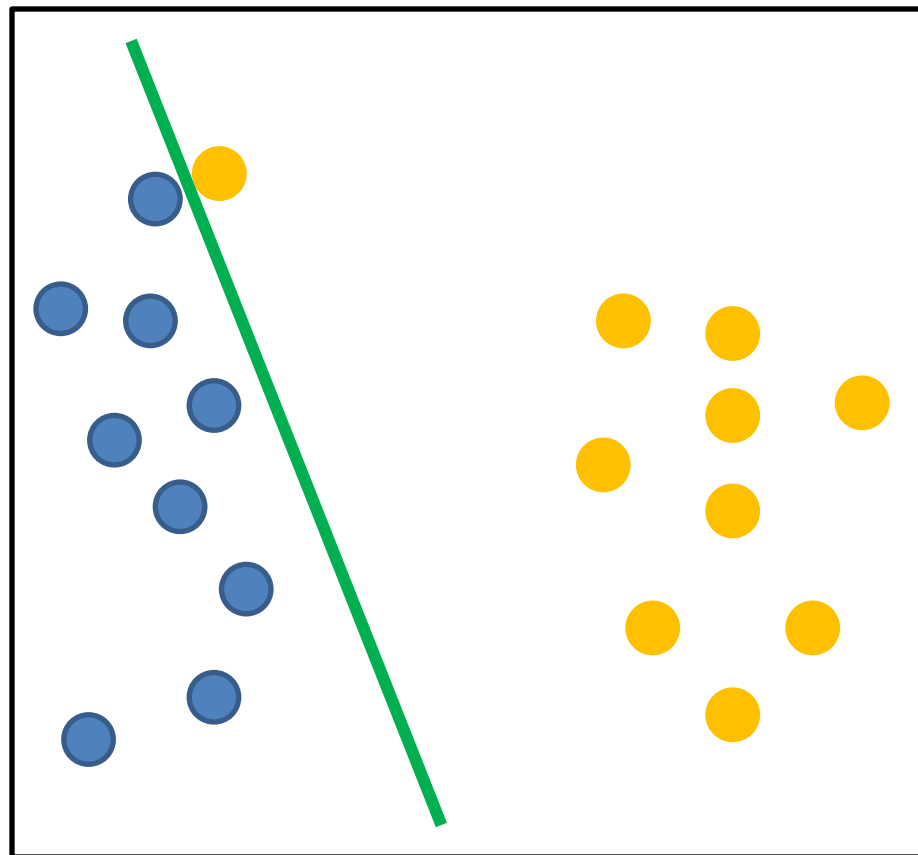
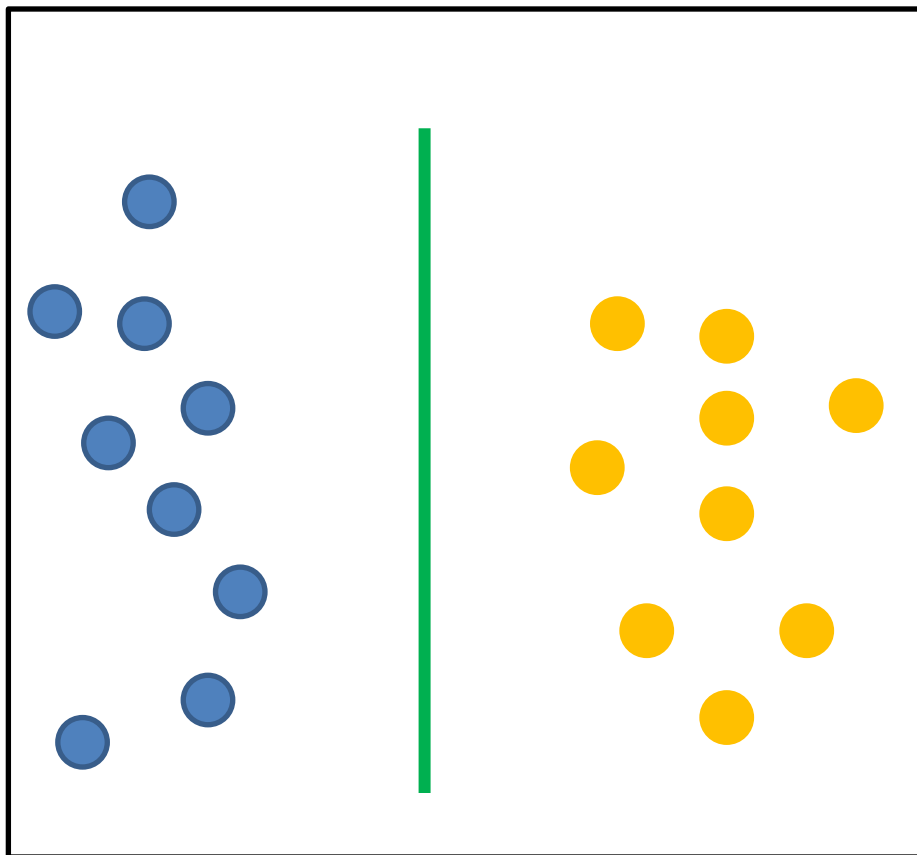
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functional margin is not normalized – can be arbitrarily scaled

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\gamma, w, b} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y^{(i)}(w^T x^{(i)} + b) \geq 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

Two Very Similar Problems



What about outliers?

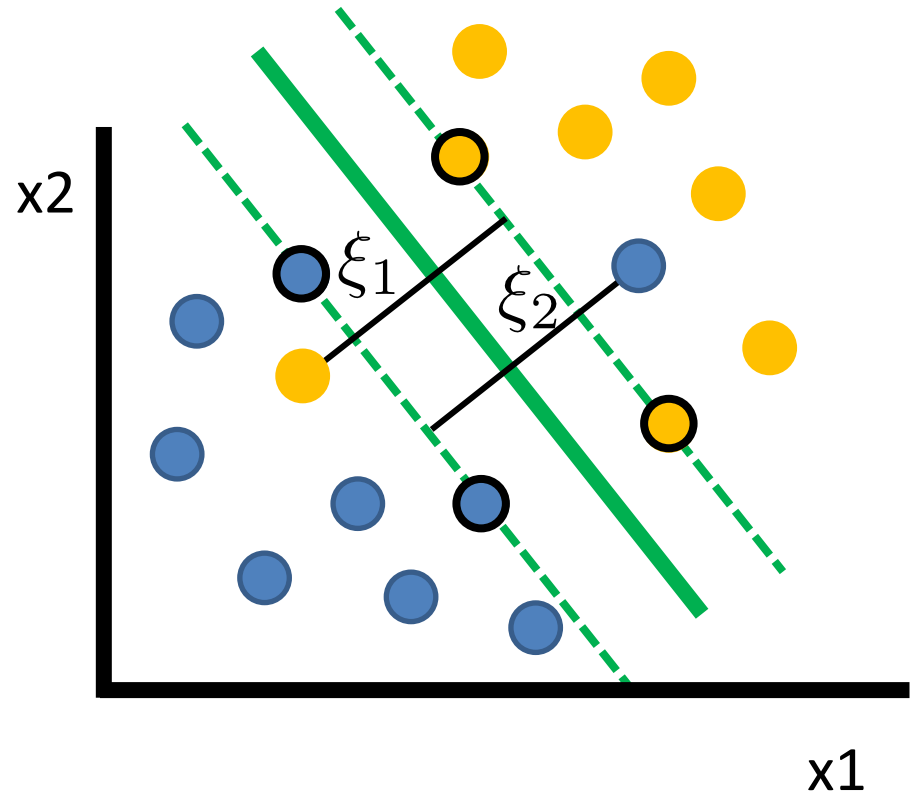
ξ_i : slack variables

$$\min_{w,b,\xi} \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2$$

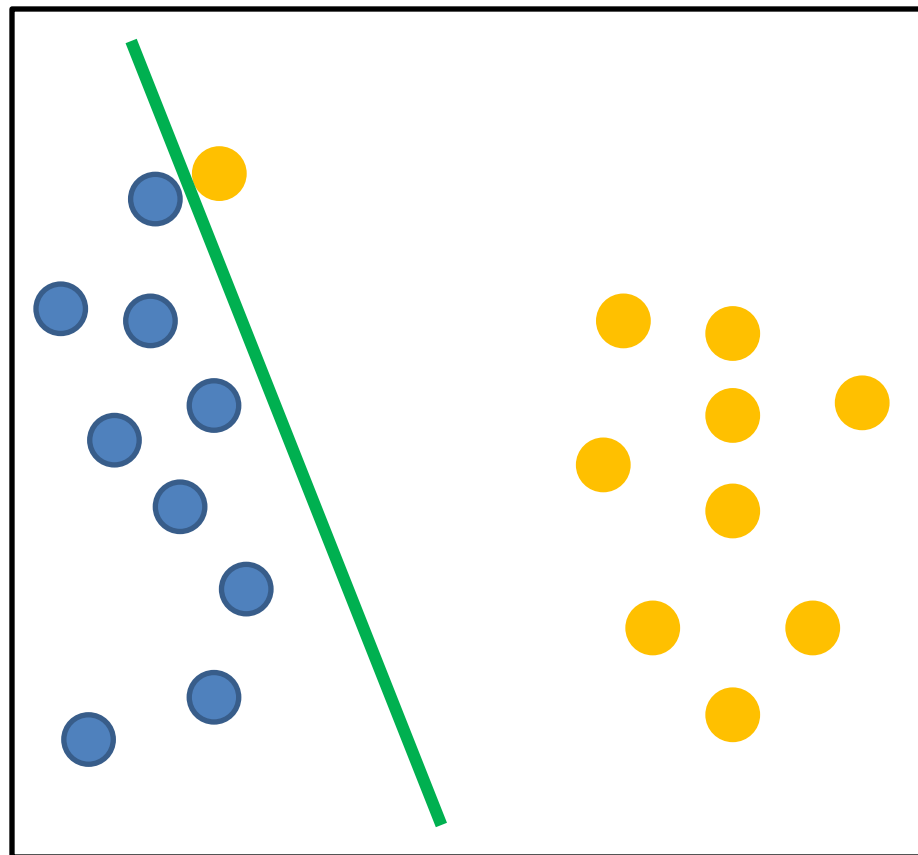
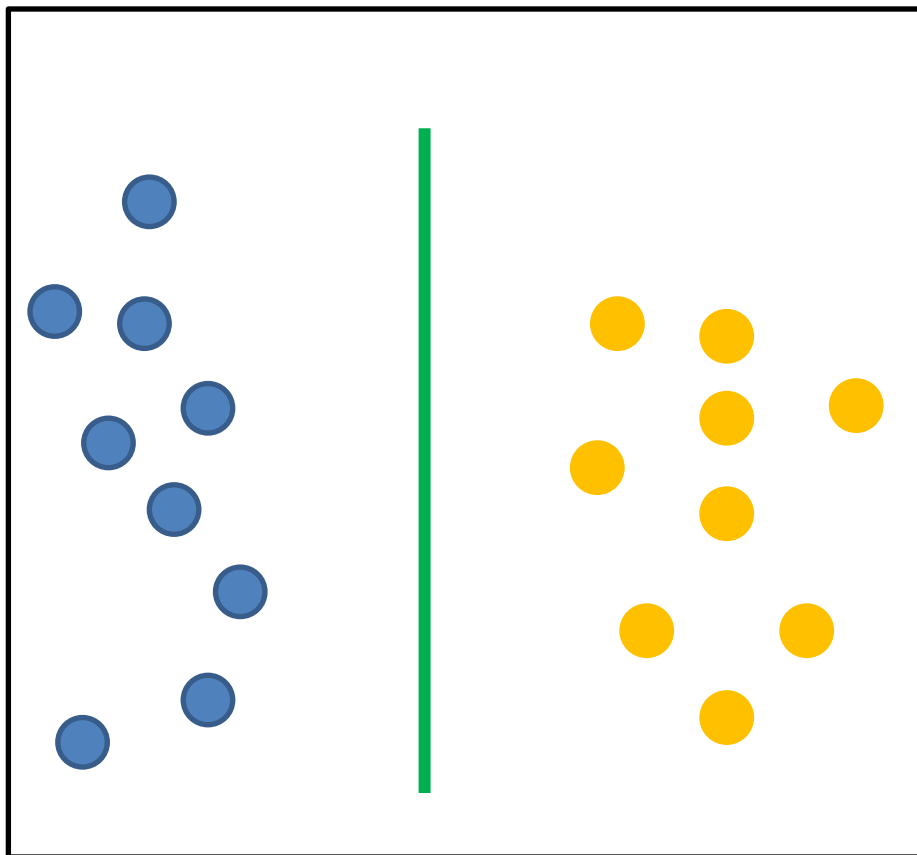
subject to:

$$y^{(i)}(w^T x^{(i)} + b) \geq 1$$

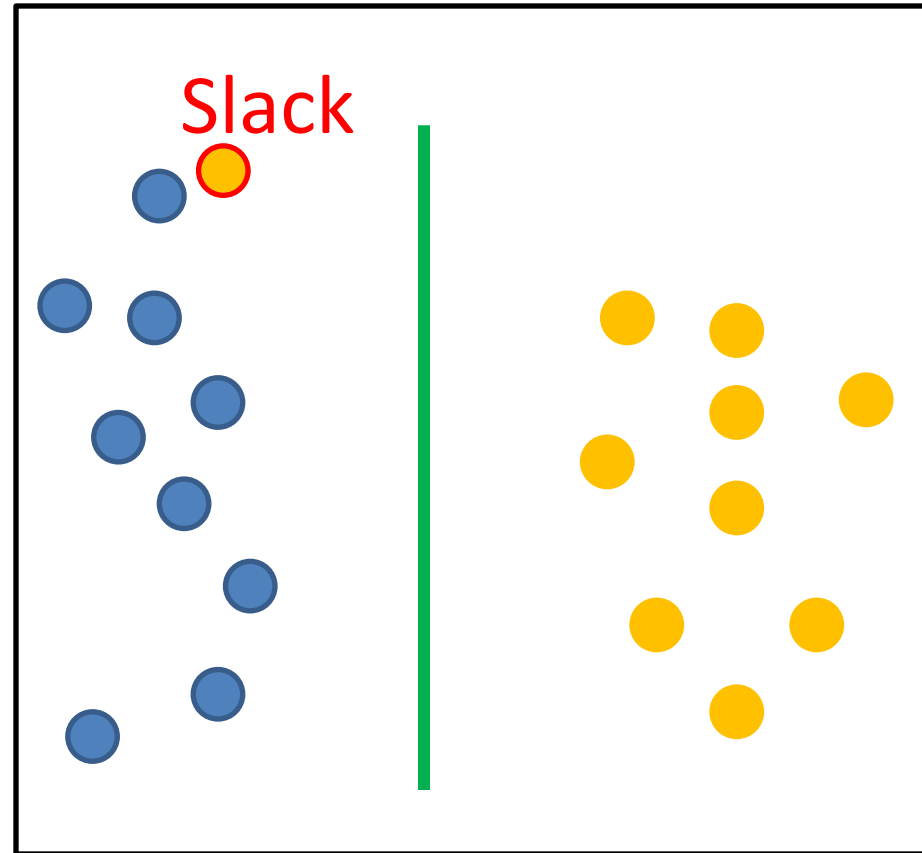
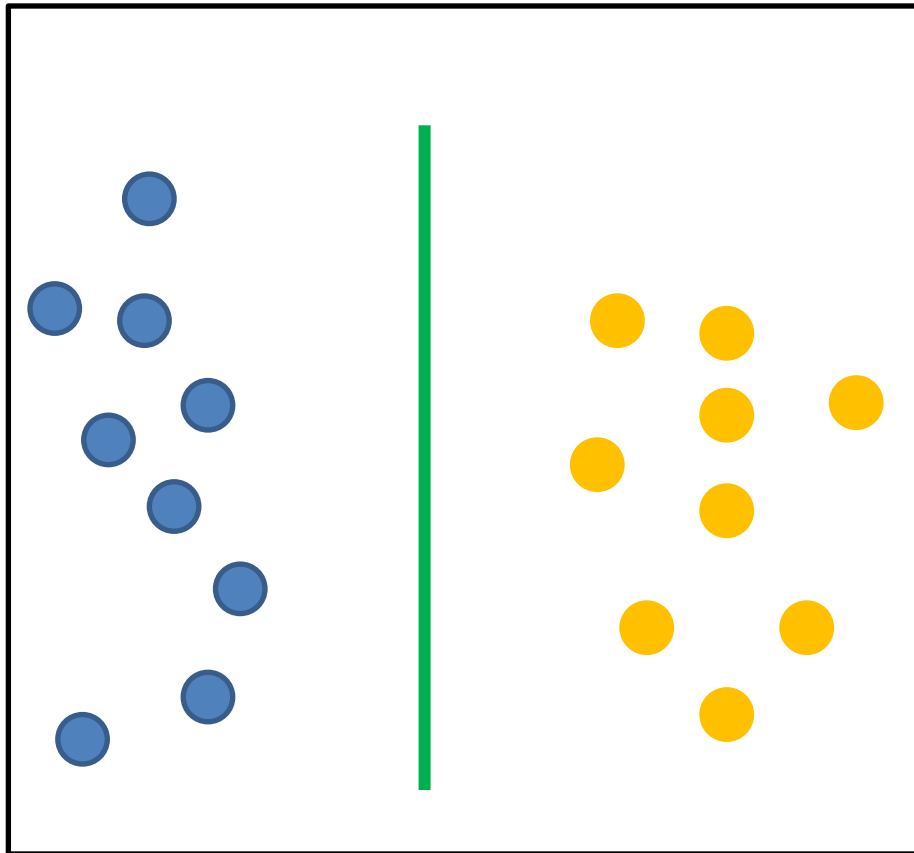
$$(i = 1, \dots, n)$$



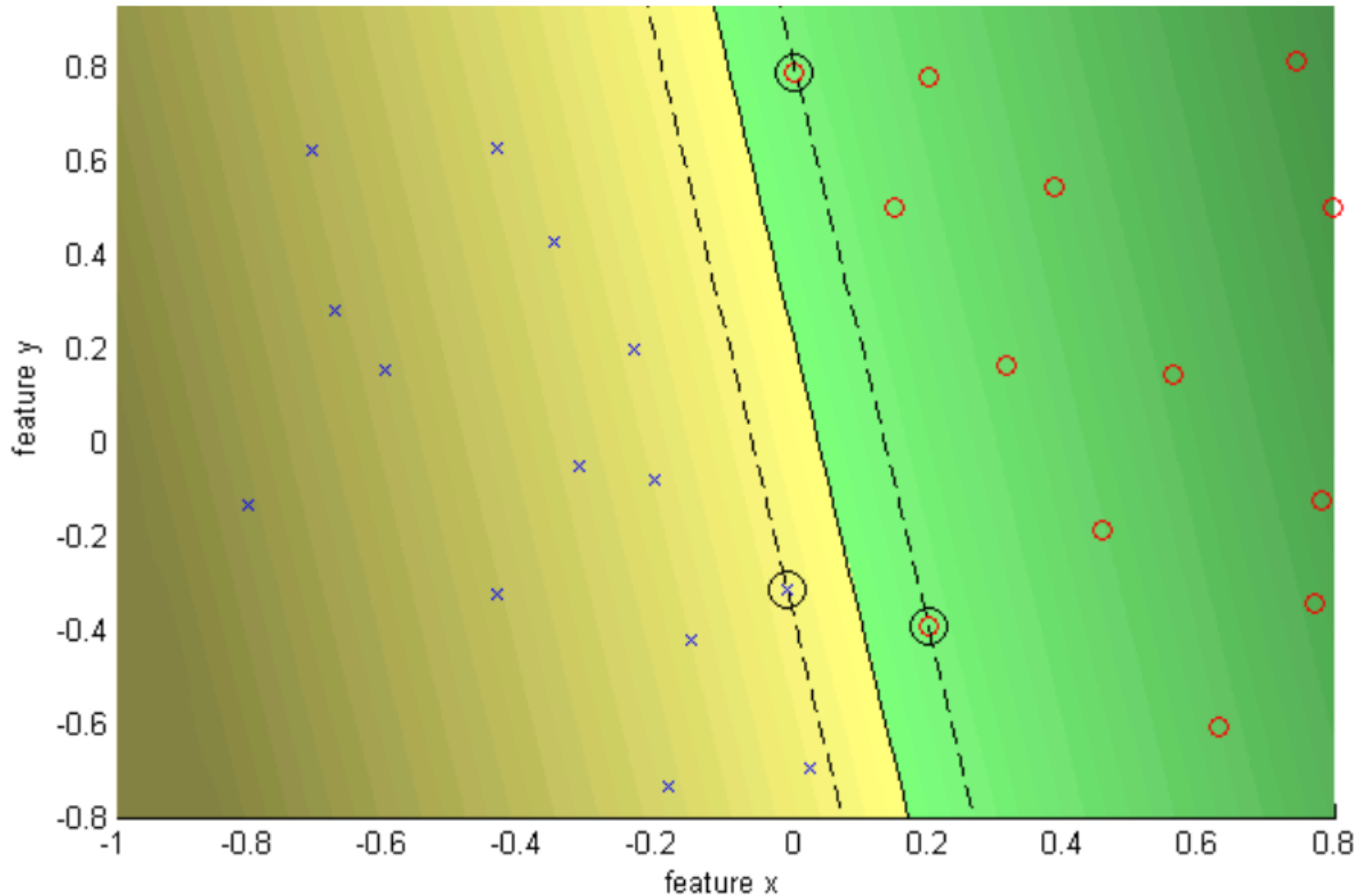
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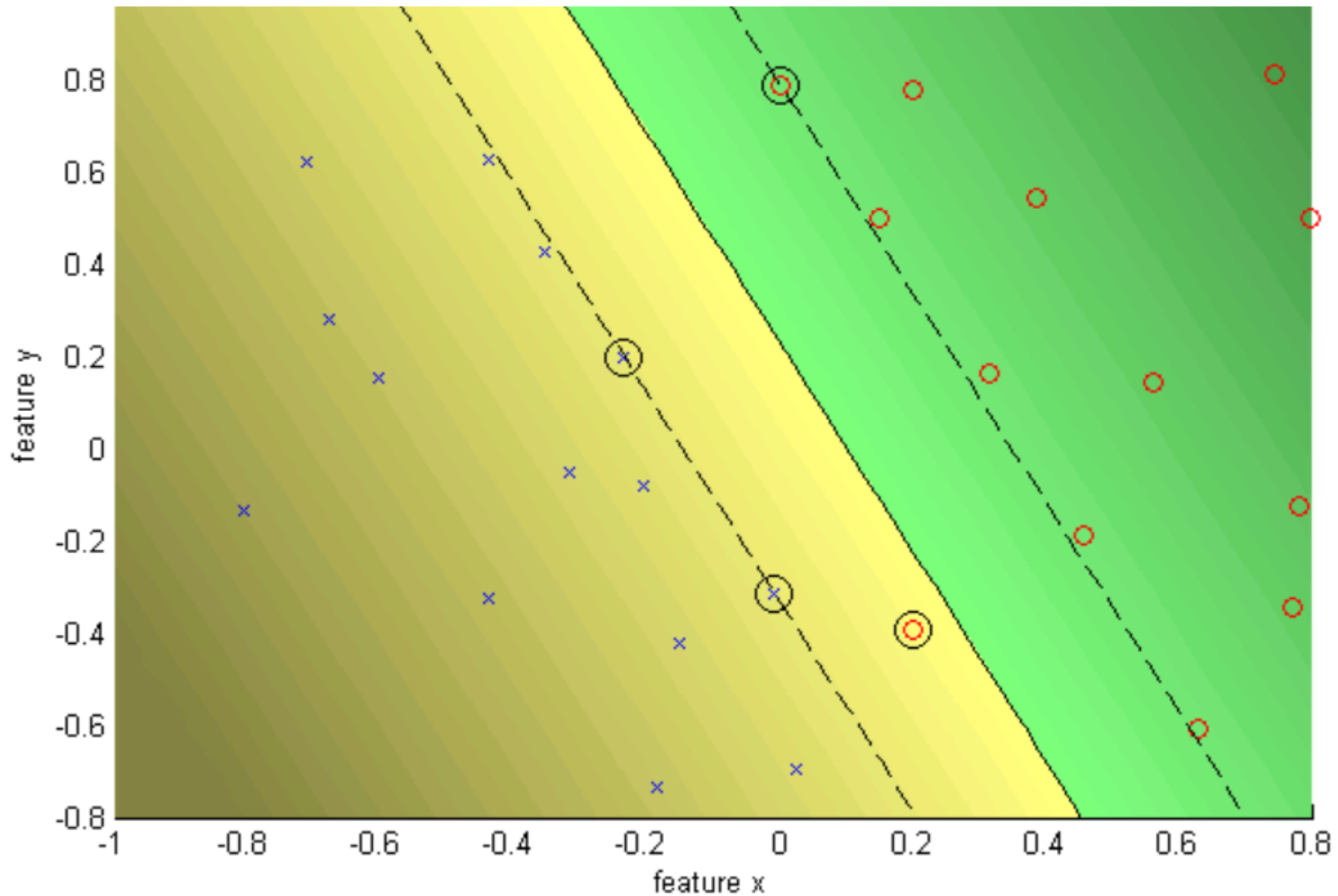
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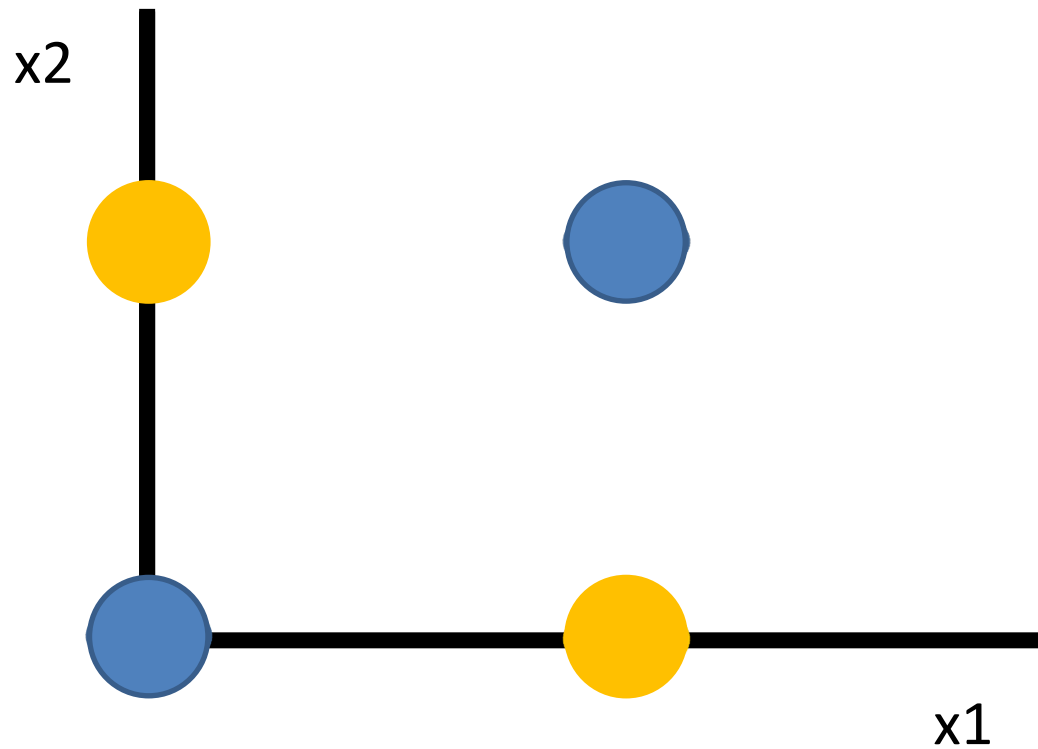
Hard Margin ($C = \text{Infinity}$)



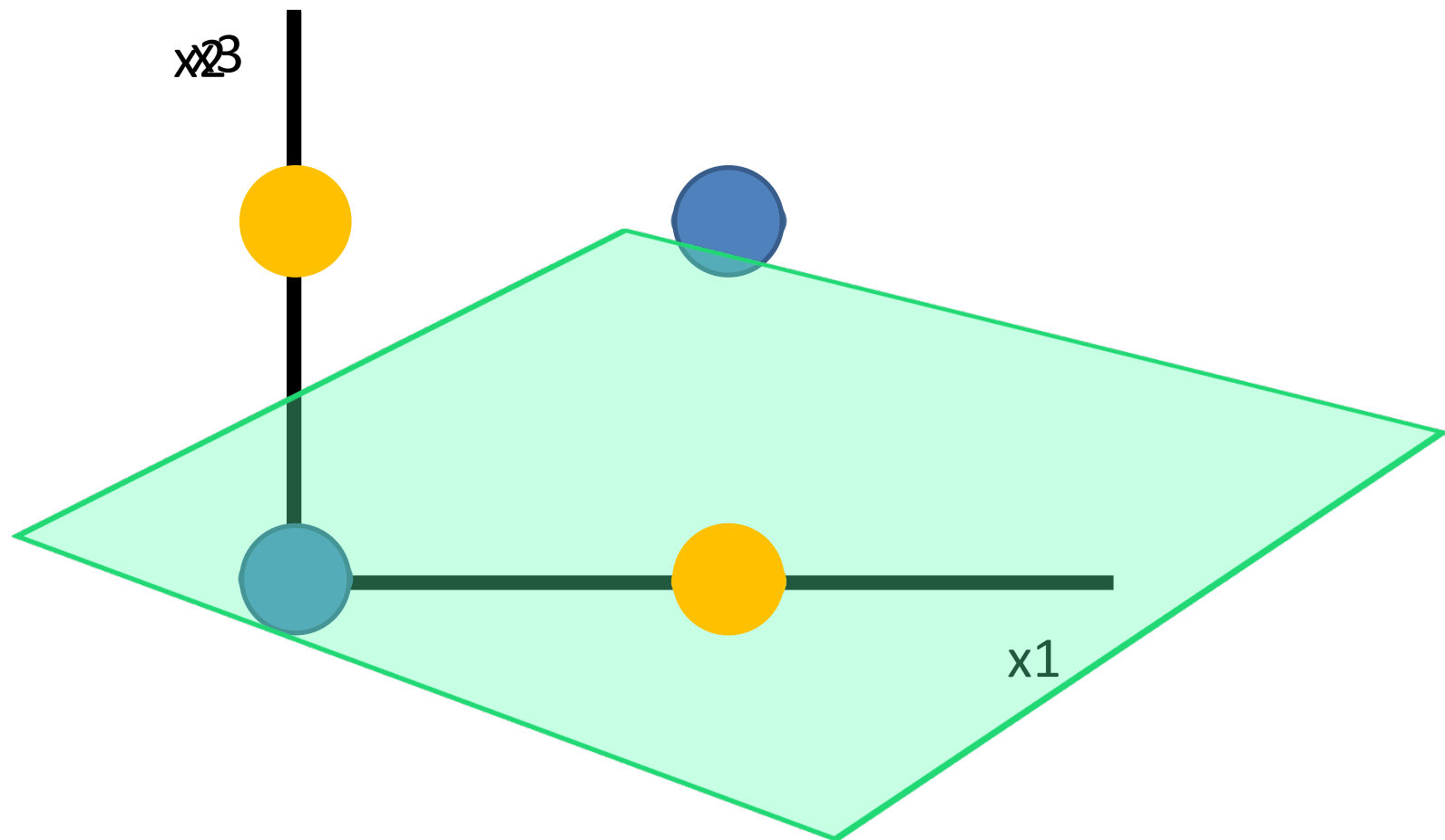
Soft Margin ($C = 10$)



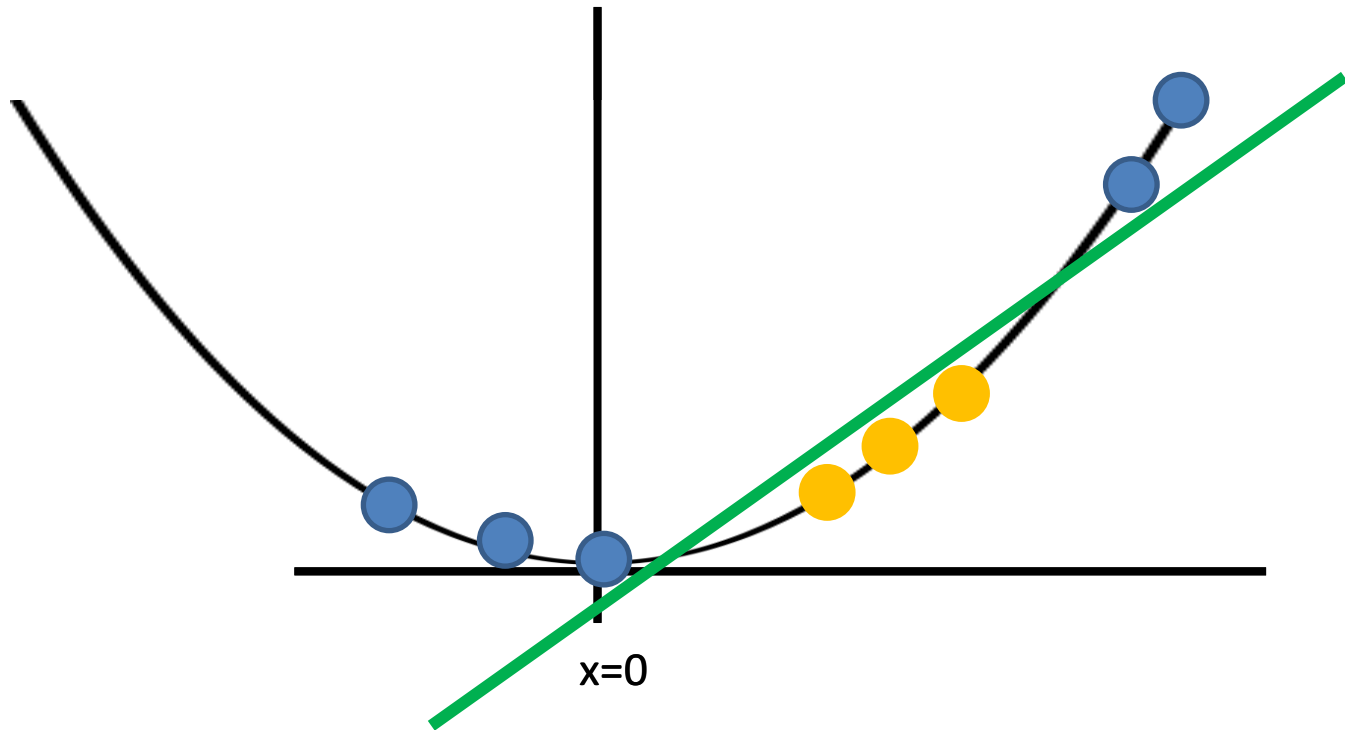
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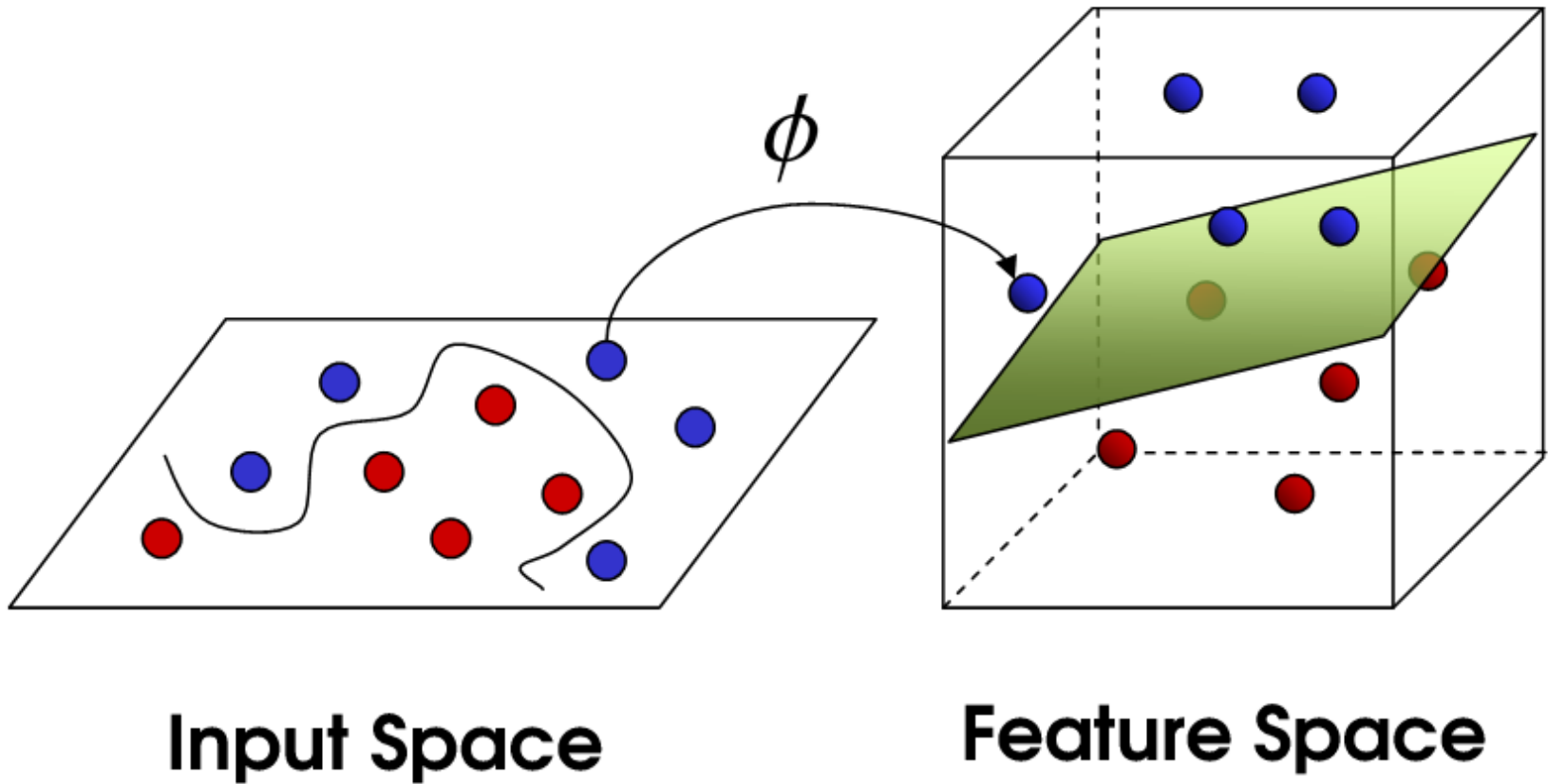


XOR problem revised



Did we add information to make the problem separable?

Non-Linear Decision Boundary



SVM with a polynomial Kernel visualization

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Quadratic Kernel

$$x = (x_1, x_2)$$

$$\Phi(x) = (1, \sqrt{2}x_1, \sqrt{2}x_2, x_1^2, x_2^2, \sqrt{2}x_1x_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi(x) \cdot \Phi(z) &= 1 + 2x_1z_1 + 2x_2z_2 + 2x_1z_1x_2z_2 \\ &\quad + x_1^2z_1^2 + x_2^2z_2^2\end{aligned}$$

$$= (1 + x \cdot z)^2$$

Kernel Functions

$$K(x, z) = \Phi(x) \cdot \Phi(z)$$

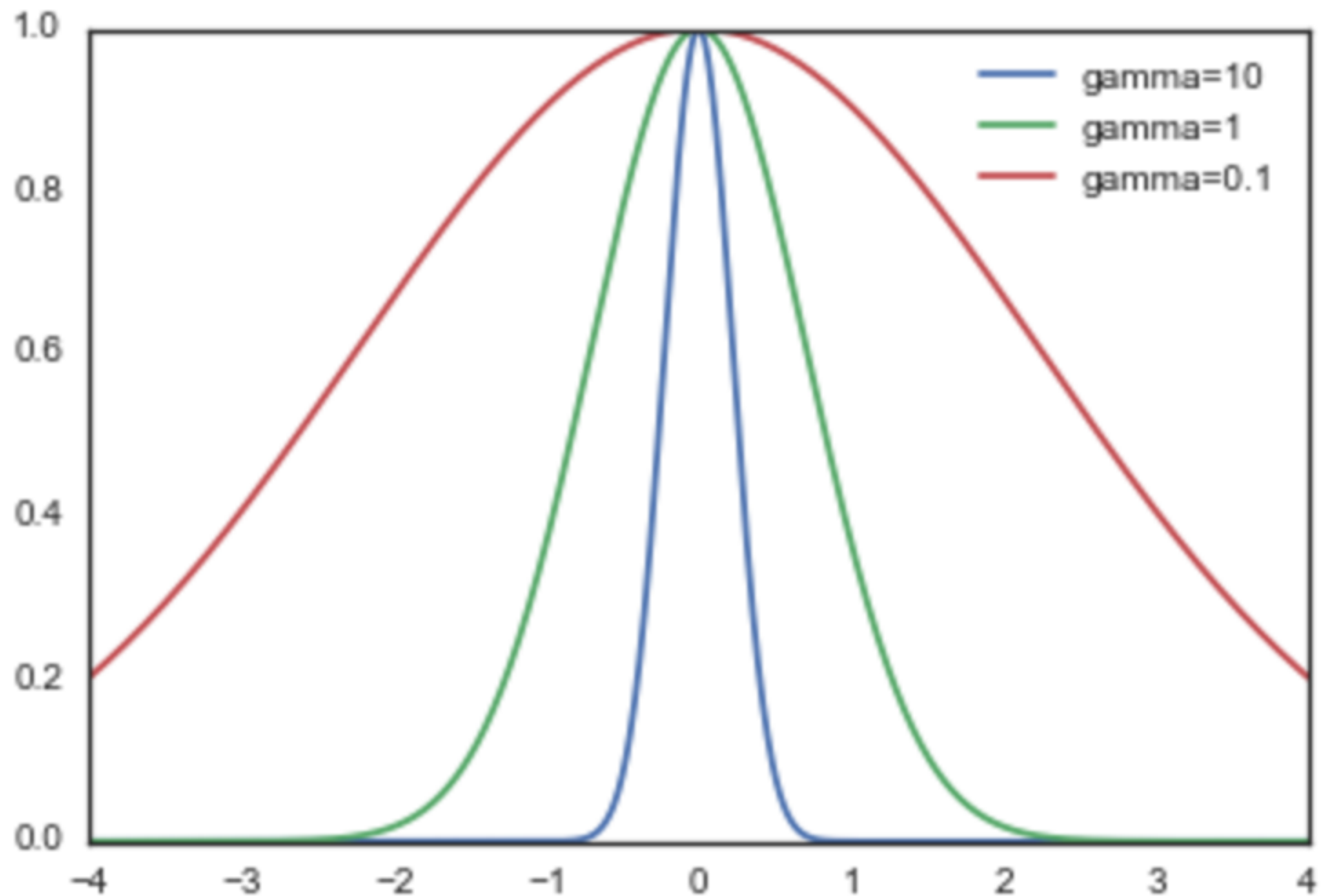
- Polynomial:

$$K(x, z) = (1 + x \cdot z)^s$$

- Radial basis function (RBF):

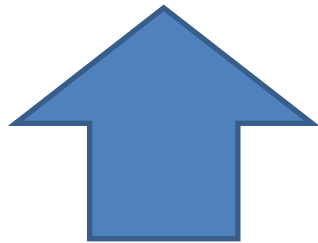
$$K(x, z) = \exp(-\gamma \|x - z\|^2)$$

RBF Kernel



So what is the excitement?

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\alpha} \quad & \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^m y^{(i)} y^{(j)} \alpha_i \alpha_j x^{(i)T} x^{(j)} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \alpha_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i y^{(i)} = 0 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \arg \min_{w,b} \quad & \frac{1}{2} ||w||^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y^{(i)} (w^T x^{(i)} + b) \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

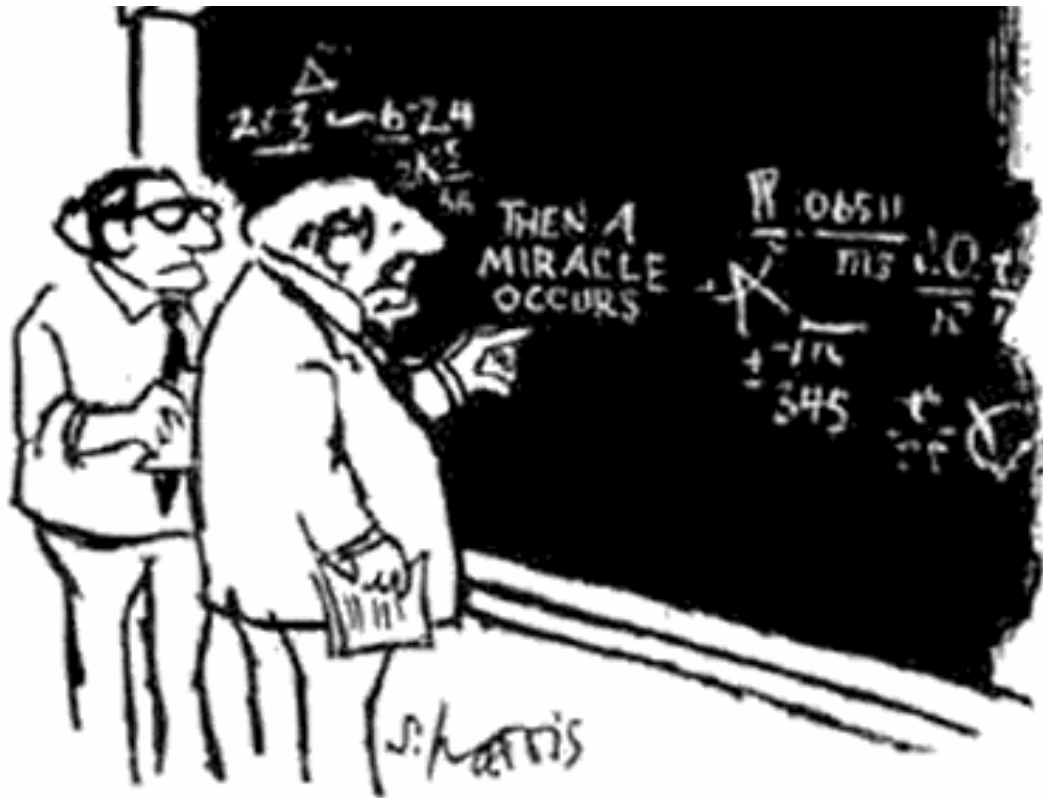
So what is the excitement?

$$\max_{\alpha} \sum$$

$$\text{s.t. } \alpha_i$$

$$\sum$$

$$(i)^T x(j)$$



$$\arg \min$$

$$\text{s.t. } y$$

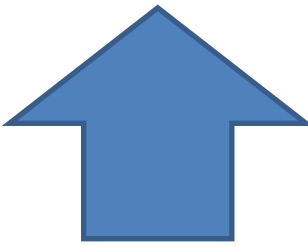
"I THINK YOU SHOULD BE MORE EXPLICIT
HERE IN STEP TWO."

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So what is the excitement?

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 $\boxed{K(x^{(i)}, x^{(j)})}$

Prediction

$$w^T x + b = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i y^{(i)} \langle x^{(i)}, x \rangle + b.$$

- Again we can use the kernel trick!
- Prediction speed depends on number of support vectors

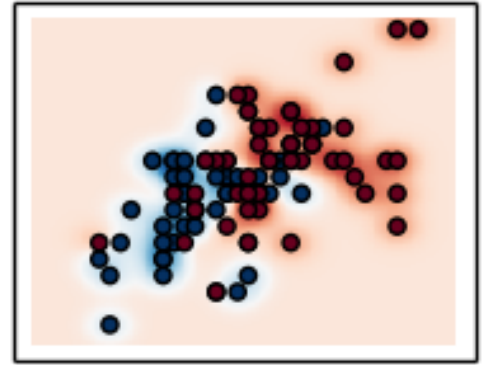
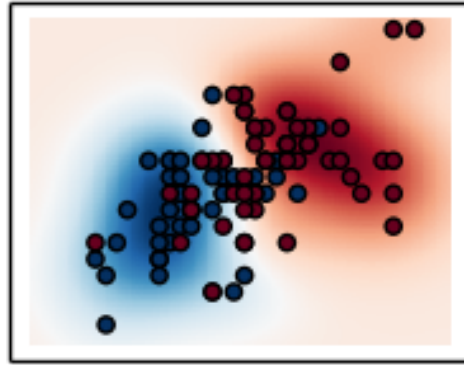
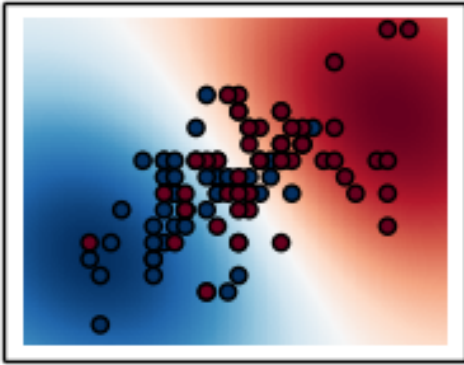
The Miracle Explained

- Andrew Ng does this really well
- <http://cs229.stanford.edu/notes/cs229-notes3.pdf>
- Course is also on Youtube, ItunesU, etc.

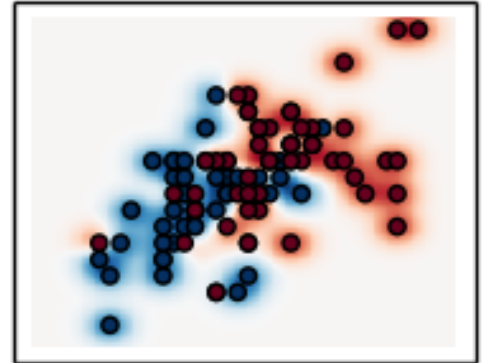
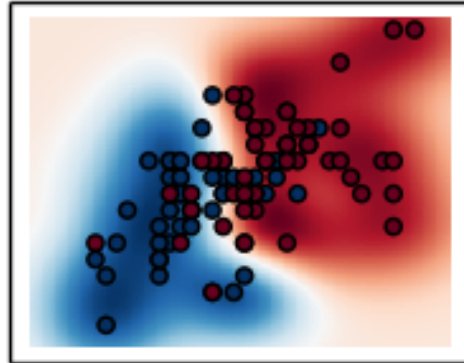
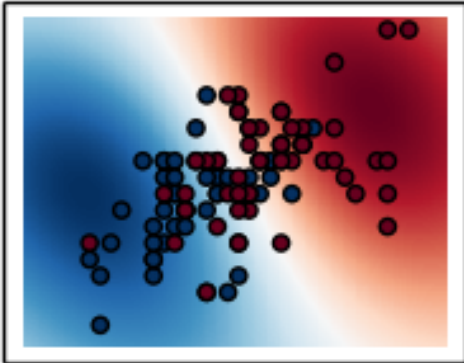
Kernel Trick for SVMs

- Arbitrary many dimensions
- Little computational cost
- Maximal margin helps with curse of dimensionality

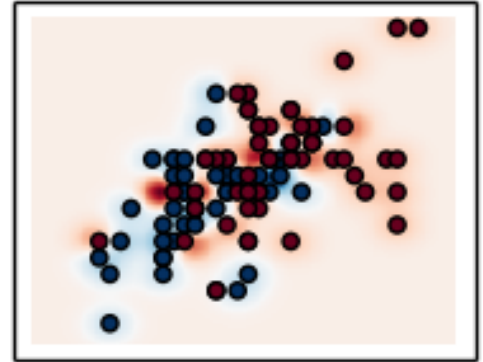
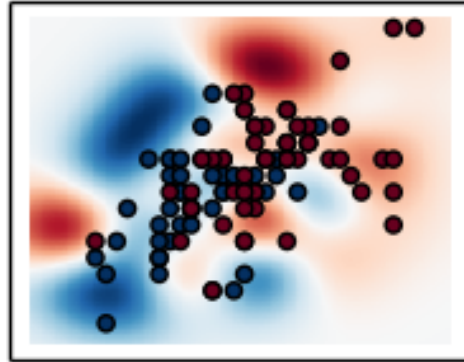
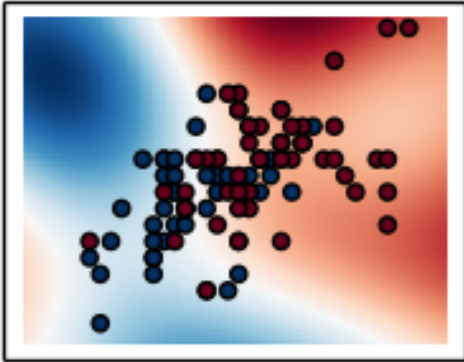
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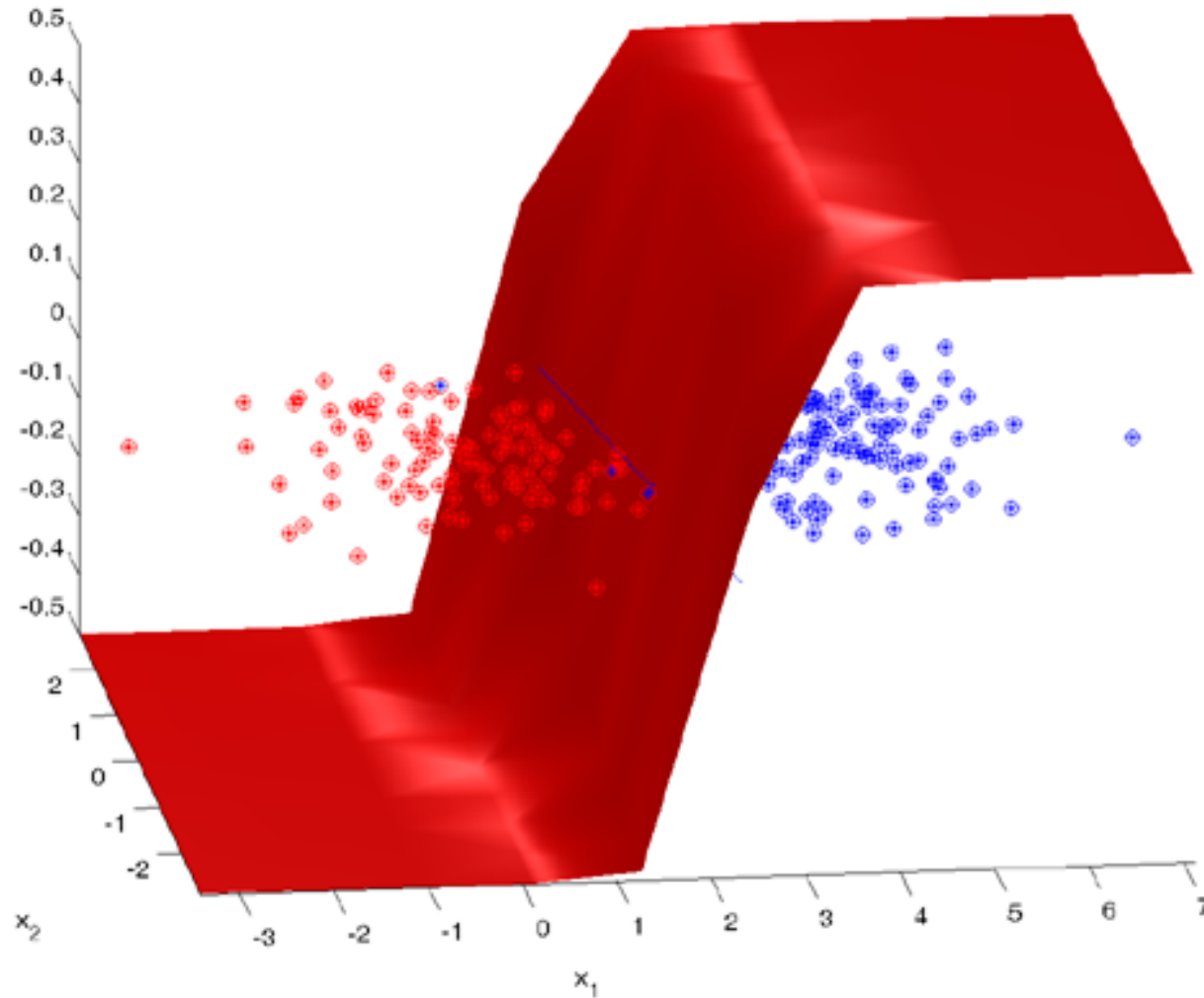
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Logistic Regression Recap



KLR vs SVM

- The classification performance is very similar.
- Has limiting optimal margin properties
- Provides estimates of the class probabilities.
- Generalizes naturally to multiclass problems

KLR vs SVM

- KLR is computationally more expensive $O(N^3)$ versus $O(N^2m)$, where m is the number of support points.
- In noisy problems, m can be large, approx $N/2$.
- SVMs are hot right now, while logistic regression is a traditional statistical tool.

Tips and Tricks

- SVMs are not scale invariant
- Check if your library normalizes by default
- Normalize your data
 - mean: 0 , std: 1
 - map to $[0,1]$ or $[-1,1]$
- Normalize test set in same way!

Tips and Tricks

- RBF kernel is a good default
- For parameters try exponential sequences
- Read:

Chih-Wei Hsu et al., “**A Practical Guide to Support Vector Classification**”,
Bioinformatics (2010)