## CS 4602

# Introduction to Machine Learning

**Linear Classifiers** 

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## Roadmap

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Perceptron Algorithm

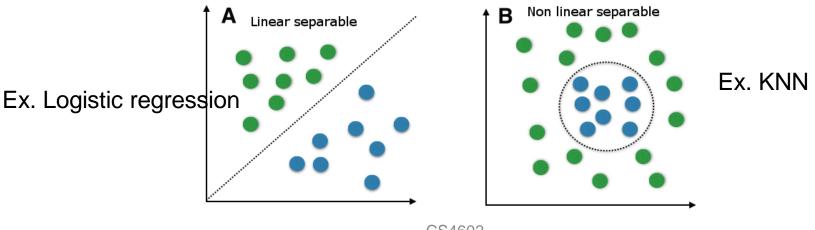
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Fisher's Linear Discriminant

#### Recall

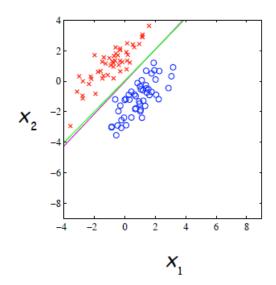
- In regression, we are modeling the relationship between a continuous input variable x and a continuous target variable y.
- In classification, the input variable x may still be continuous, but the target variable is discrete.



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#### Linear Models for Classification

- Linear models for classification separate input vectors into classes using linear (hyperplane) decision boundaries.
- Example:
  - $\square$  2D Input vector  $\mathbf{x} = (x1, x2)$
  - Two discrete classes C1 (red) and C2 (blue)



#### Two Class Discriminant Function

u < 0

$$y(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{x} + W_0$$

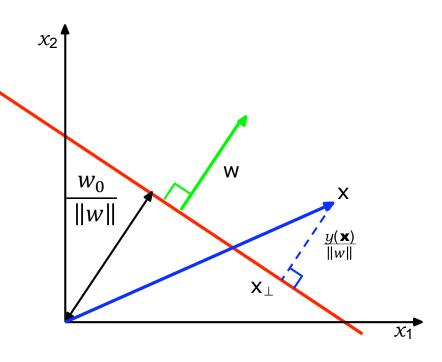
 $y(\mathbf{x}) \ge 0$  **x** assigned to  $C_1$ 

 $y(\mathbf{x}) < 0 \mathbf{x}$  assigned to  $C_2$ 

 $y(\mathbf{x}) = 0$  defines the decision boundary

Let

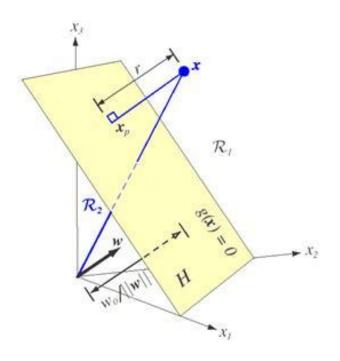
$$\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \dots w_M \end{bmatrix}^t \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} w_0 & w_1 \dots w_M \end{bmatrix}^t$$
$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \dots x_M \end{bmatrix}^t \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \dots x_M \end{bmatrix}^t$$



$$y(X) = W^T X$$

## Hyperplane

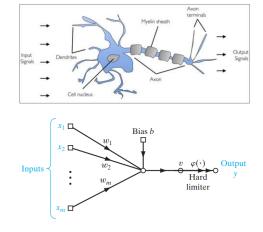
- Decision boundary g(x) is a hyperplane
- A hyperplane is
  - a point in 1D
  - a line in 2D
  - a plane in 3D

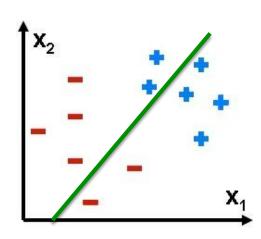


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- The perceptron algorithm was invented by Frank Rosenblatt (1962).
- The strategy is to start with a random guess at the weights w, and to then iteratively change the weights to move the hyperplane in a direction that lowers the classification error.







- As we change the weights continuously, the classification error changes in discontinuous, piecewise constant fashion.
- Thus we cannot use the classification error as our objective function to minimize.
- What would be a better objective function?

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- we seek w such that
  - $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} \ge 0$  when t = +1
  - $w^T x < 0$  when t = -1
- □ In other words, we would like

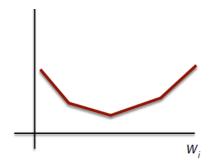
$$\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{n}}\mathbf{t}_{\mathrm{n}}\geq0$$
,  $\forall$ n

Thus we seek to minimize

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = -\sum_{n \in M} \mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{n} t_{n}$$

M is the set of misclassified inputs

- E(w) is always non-negative.
- E(w) is continuous and piecewise linear, and thus easier to minimize.



Again, we can use gradient descent!

$$\mathbf{w}^{\theta+1} = \mathbf{w}^{\theta} - \eta \nabla E(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{w}^{\theta} + \eta \sum_{n \in M} \mathbf{x}_n t_n$$

If an input from  $C_1(t=+1)$  is misclassified, we need to make its projection on **w** more positive.

#### Not Monotonic

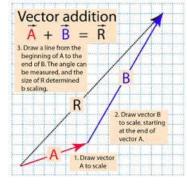
- While updating with respect to a misclassified input n will lower the error for that input, the error for other misclassified inputs may increase.
- Also, new inputs that had been classified correctly may now be misclassified.
- The result is that the perceptron algorithm is not guaranteed to reduce the total error monotonically at each stage.



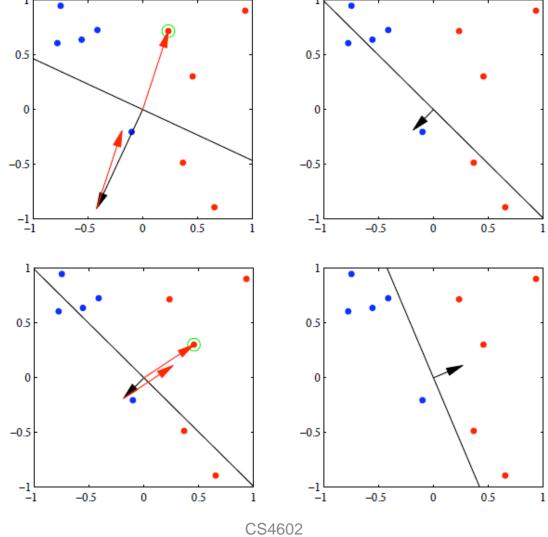
if in fact the data are linearly separable, then the algorithm is guaranteed to find an exact solution in a finite number of steps

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# Example

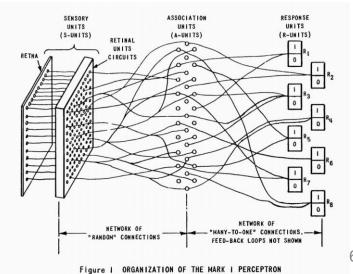


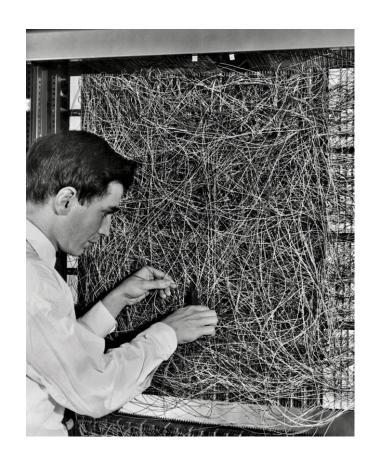
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# Mark 1 Perceptron Hardware (1960)







#### Limitation

- The Perceptron Convergence Theorem is an important result. However, there are practical limitations:
  - Convergence may be slow
  - If the data are not separable, the algorithm will not converge.
  - We will only know that the data are separable once the algorithm converges.
  - The solution is in general not unique, and will depend upon initialization, scheduling of input vectors, and the learning rate  $\eta$ .

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# Dealing with Non-Linearly Separable Inputs

- The perceptron algorithm fails when the training data are not perfectly linearly separable.
- Let's now turn to methods for learning the parameter vector w of a perceptron (linear classifier) even when the training data are not linearly separable.

### Learning the Parameters

$$y(X) = W^T X$$

Training dataset  $(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{t}_n)$ , n = 1, ..., N

where we use the 1-of-K coding scheme for  $\mathbf{t}_n$ 

Let **T** be the  $N \times K$  matrix whose  $n^{th}$  row is  $\mathbf{t}_n$ 

Let **X** be the  $N \times (D + 1)$  matrix whose  $n^{th}$  row is  $\mathbf{x}_n$ 

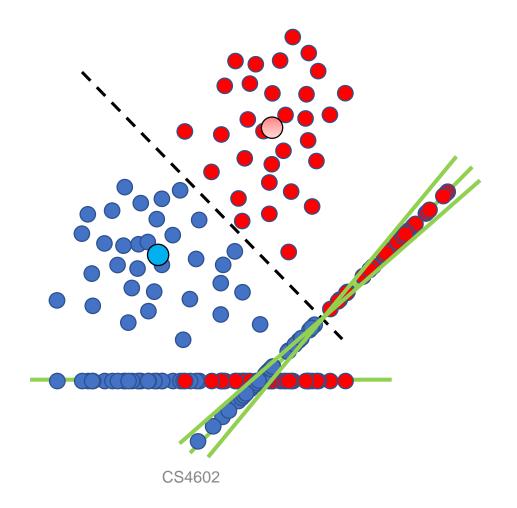
Let R(W)=XW-T

We define the error as  $E(\mathbf{W}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} R_{i,j}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Tr} \{ R(\mathbf{W})^T R(\mathbf{W}) \}$ 

Setting derivative wrt **W** to 0 yields:

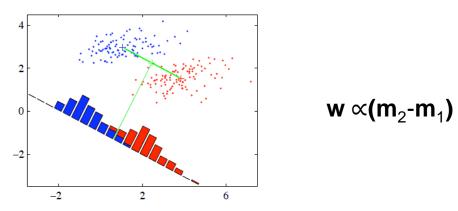
$$\mathbf{W} = (\mathbf{X}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{T}$$

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#### Fisher's Linear Discriminant

- Another way to view linear discriminants: find the 1D subspace that maximizes the separation between the two classes.
- Let  $\mathbf{m}_1 = \frac{1}{N_1} \sum_{n \in C_1} \mathbf{x}_n$ ,  $\mathbf{m}_2 = \frac{1}{N_2} \sum_{n \in C_2} \mathbf{x}_n$
- We might choose w to maximize  $\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}}(\mathbf{m}_2-\mathbf{m}_1)$ , subject to  $||\mathbf{w}||=1$



Not optimal if conditional distributions are not isotropic!

#### Fisher's Linear Discriminant

Let  $m_1 = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{m}_1$ ,  $m_2 = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{m}_2$  be the conditional means on the 1D subspace.

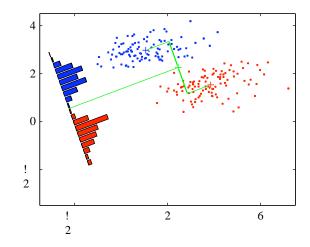
Let  $s_k^2 = \sum_{n \in C_k} (y_n - m_k)^2$  be the within-class variance on the subspace for class  $C_k$ 

The Fisher criterion is then  $J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{\left(m_2 - m_1\right)^2}{s_1^2 + s_2^2}$ 

This can be rewritten as  $J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{\mathbf{w}^t \mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{w}}{\mathbf{w}^t \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{w}}$ 

where

$$\mathbf{S}_{B} = (\mathbf{m}_{2} - \mathbf{m}_{1})(\mathbf{m}_{2} - \mathbf{m}_{1})^{t}$$
 is the between-class variance

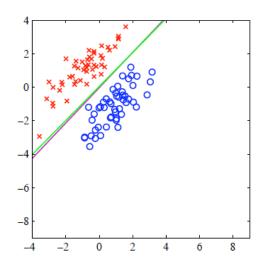


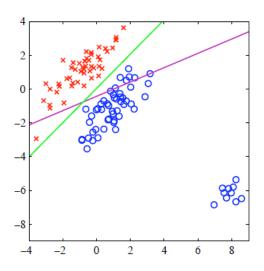
$$\mathbf{S}_{W} = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{C}_{1}} (\mathbf{x}_{n} - \mathbf{m}_{1}) (\mathbf{x}_{n} - \mathbf{m}_{1})^{t} + \sum_{n \in \mathcal{C}_{2}} (\mathbf{x}_{n} - \mathbf{m}_{2}) (\mathbf{x}_{n} - \mathbf{m}_{2})^{t} \text{ is the within-class variance}$$

$$J(\mathbf{w})$$
 is maximized for  $\mathbf{w} \propto \mathbf{S}_W^{-1} \left( \mathbf{m}_2 - \mathbf{m}_1 \right)$ 

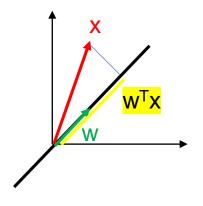
### Limitation

Sensitivity to outliers

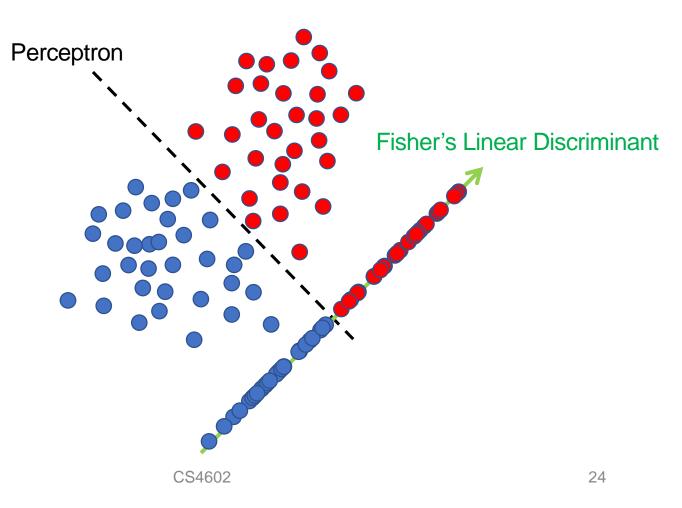




## Perceptron vs LD



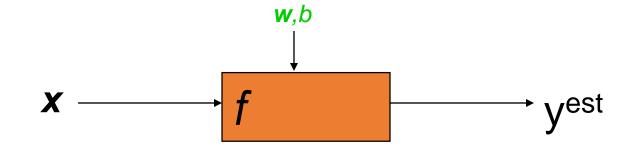
w<sup>T</sup>x is the projection of X into a 1-dimensional subspace spanned by w



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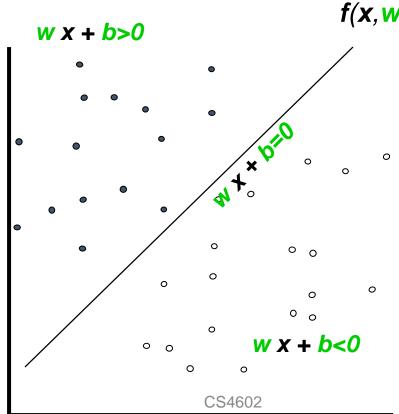
#### **SVM: Motivation**

- The perceptron algorithm is guaranteed to provide a linear decision surface that separates the training data, if one exists
- What if it doesn't exist? (back to this later)
- There are an infinite number of solutions, and the solution returned by the perceptron algorithm depends on the <u>initial conditions</u>, the <u>learning rate</u> and the order in which training data are processed.
- While all solutions achieve a <u>perfect</u> score on the training data, they won't all necessarily generalize as well to new inputs.



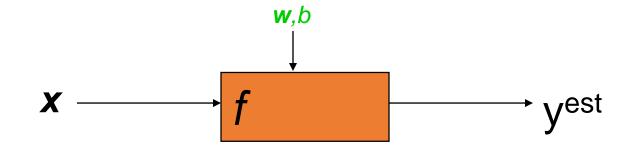
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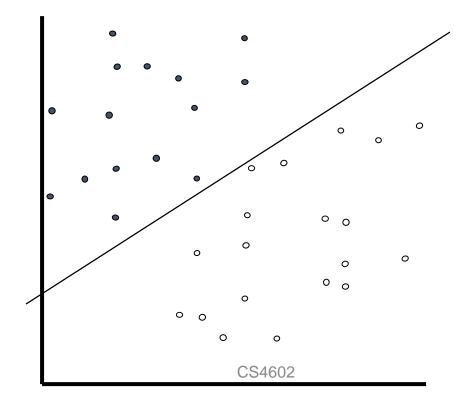
 $f(x, \mathbf{w}, b) = sign(\mathbf{w} \ \mathbf{x} + b)$ 

How would you classify this data?

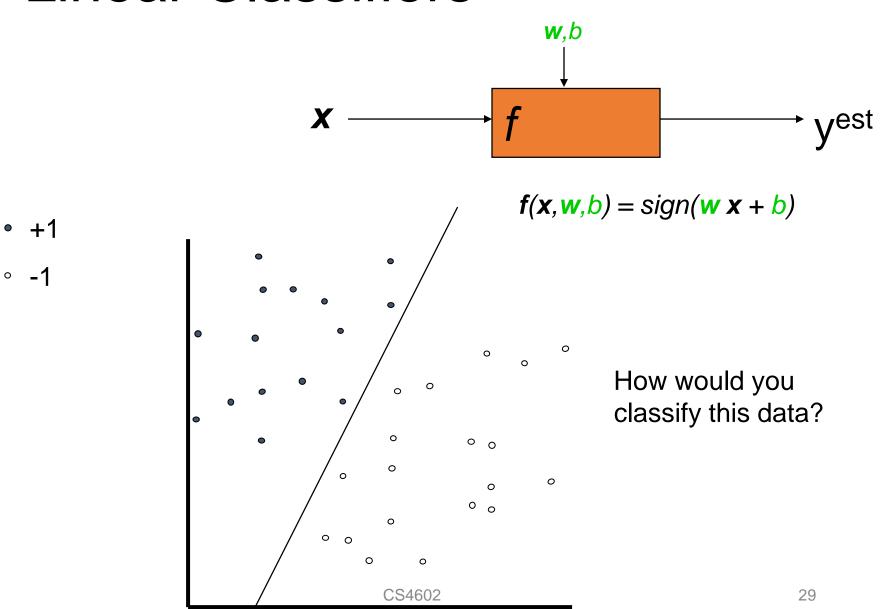


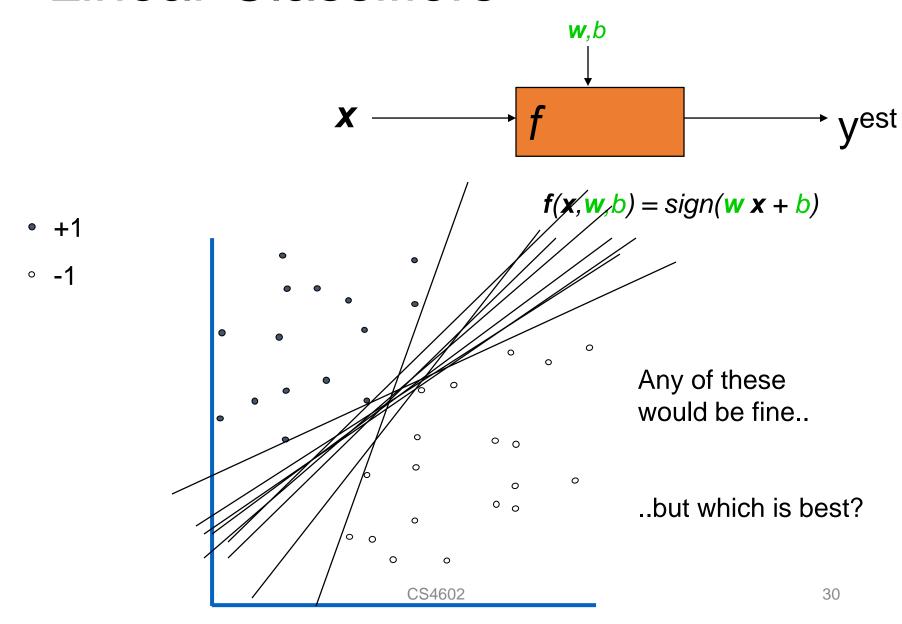
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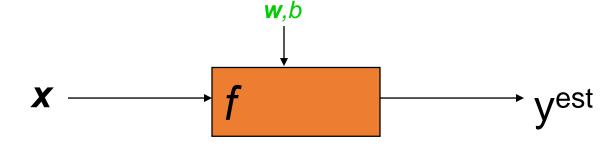


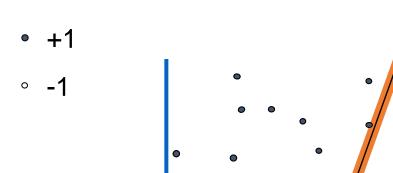


## Support Vector Machine

- Which hyperplane to "best" separate data?
- What if it is impossible to separate the data by a hyperplane?

## Classifier Margin





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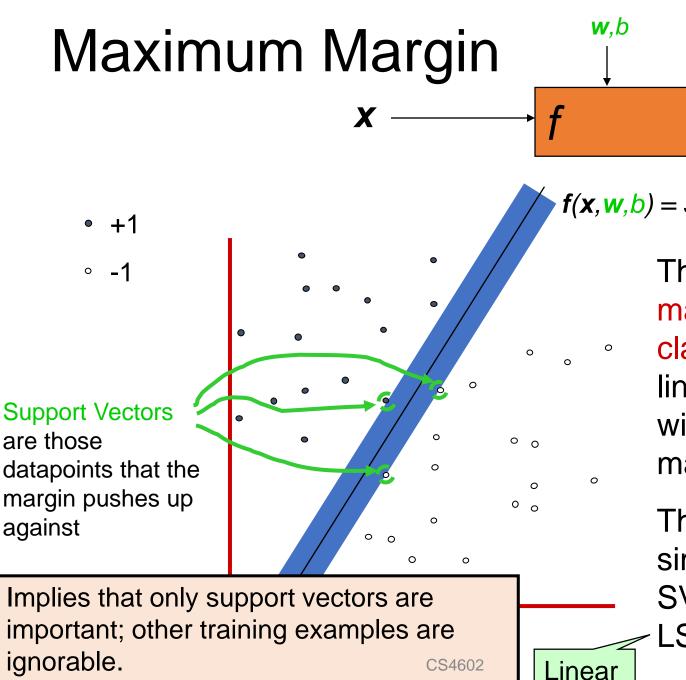
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$$f(x, w, b) = sign(w x + b)$$

Define the margin of a linear classifier as the width that the boundary could be increased by before hitting a datapoint.

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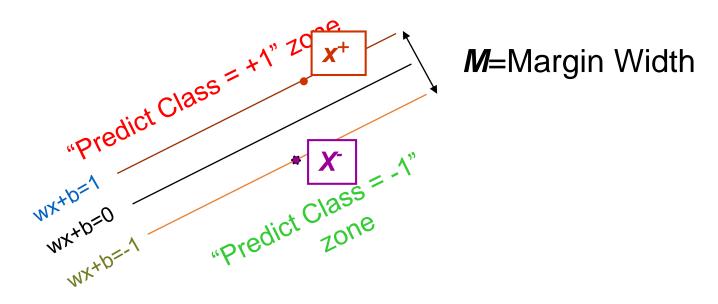


 $f(x, \mathbf{w}, b) = sign(\mathbf{w} \ \mathbf{x} + b)$ 

The maximum margin linear classifier is the linear classifier with the maximum margin.

This is the simplest kind of SVM (Called an LSVM)

## Linear SVM Mathematically



#### What we know:

• 
$$w x^+ + b = +1$$

• 
$$w x^- + b = -1$$

• 
$$\mathbf{w} (\mathbf{x}^+ - \mathbf{x}^-) = 2$$

$$M = \frac{(x^{+} - x^{-}) \cdot w}{|w|} = \frac{2}{|w|}$$

## Linear SVM Mathematically

Goal: 1) Correctly classify all training data

$$wx_i + b \ge 1 \qquad \text{if } y_i = +1 \\ wx_i + b \le -1 \qquad \text{if } y_i = -1 \\ y_i(wx_i + b) \ge 1 \qquad \text{for all i } 2$$
2) Maximize the Margin 
$$M = \frac{2}{|w|}$$
 same as minimize 
$$\frac{1}{2}w^t w$$

- We can formulate a Quadratic Optimization Problem and solve for w and b
- Minimize  $\Phi(w) = \frac{1}{2} w^t w$ subject to  $y_i(wx_i + b) \ge 1 \forall i$

#### The Dual Problem

max. 
$$W(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1,j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j$$
 subject to  $\alpha_i \geq 0, \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i = 0$ 

- This is a quadratic programming (QP) problem
  - A global maximum of  $\alpha_{\text{i}}$  can always be found
- w can be recovered by

$$\mathbf{w} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i$$

## Support Vector Machine

- Which hyperplane to separate data?
- What if it is impossible to separate the data by a hyperplane?

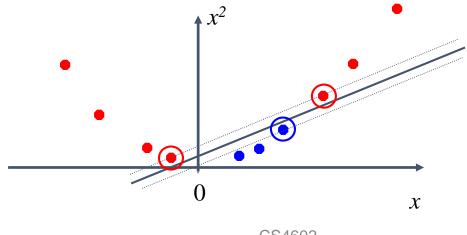
## Linear SVM Mathematically

Datasets that are linearly separable with some noise work out great:

But what are we going to do if the dataset is just too hard?

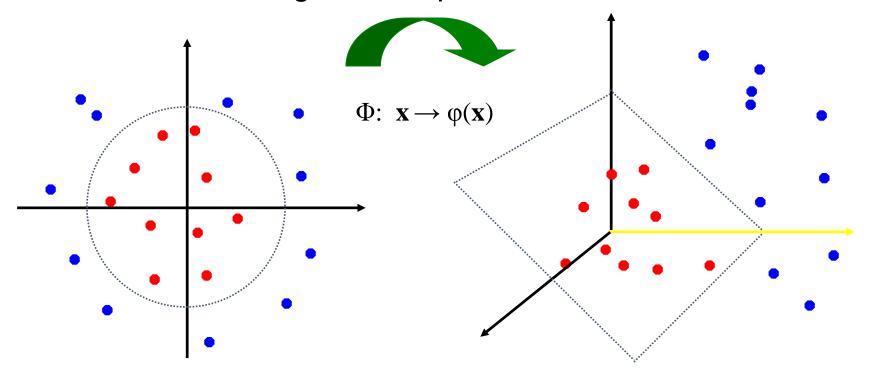


How about... mapping data to a higher-dimensional space:



## Non-linear SVMs: Feature spaces

 General idea: the original input space can always be mapped to some higher-dimensional feature space where the training set is separable:



What if we add a dimension which represents the distance to the origin?

#### The "Kernel Trick"

Avoids the **explicit mapping** to learn a nonlinear function or decision boundary!

- The linear classifier relies on dot product between vectors  $K(x_i,x_j)=x_i^Tx_j$
- If every data point is mapped into high-dimensional space via some transformation  $\Phi$ :  $x \to \phi(x)$ , the dot product becomes:

$$K(x_i,x_j) = \phi(x_i)^T \phi(x_i)$$

- A kernel function is some function that corresponds to an inner product in some expanded feature space.
- Example:

2-dimensional vectors  $\mathbf{x} = [x_1 \ x_2]$ ; let  $K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = (1 + \mathbf{x}_i^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{x}_j)^2$ , Need to show that  $K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)^\mathsf{T} \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$ :

$$K(x_{i},x_{j})=(1+x_{i}^{T}x_{j})^{2},$$

$$=1+x_{i1}^{2}x_{j1}^{2}+2x_{i1}x_{j1}x_{i2}x_{j2}+x_{i2}^{2}x_{j2}^{2}+2x_{i1}x_{j1}+2x_{i2}x_{j2}$$

$$=[1 x_{i1}^{2} \sqrt{2} x_{i1}x_{i2} x_{i2}^{2} \sqrt{2} x_{i1}\sqrt{2} x_{i2}]^{T}[1 x_{j1}^{2} \sqrt{2} x_{j1}x_{j2} x_{j2}^{2} \sqrt{2} x_{j1}\sqrt{2} x_{j2}]$$

$$=\varphi(x_{i})^{T}\varphi(x_{i}), \text{ where } \varphi(x)=[1 x_{1}^{2} \sqrt{2} x_{1}x_{2} x_{2}^{2} \sqrt{2} x_{1}\sqrt{2} x_{2}]$$

## **Examples of Kernel Functions**

- Linear:  $K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j$
- Polynomial of power p:  $K(\mathbf{x_i}, \mathbf{x_j}) = (1 + \mathbf{x_i}^T \mathbf{x_j})^p$
- Gaussian (radial-basis function network):

$$K(\mathbf{x_i}, \mathbf{x_j}) = \exp(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x_i} - \mathbf{x_j}\|^2}{2\sigma^2})$$

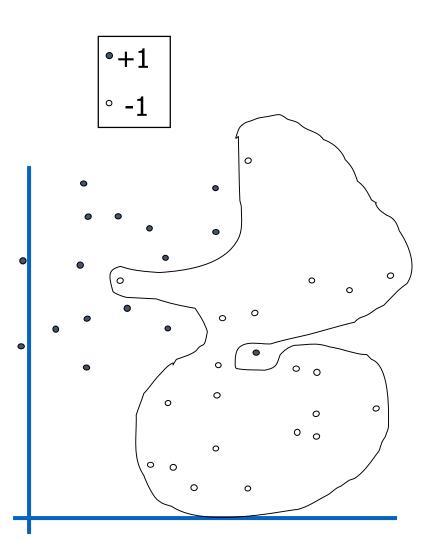
• Sigmoid:  $K(\mathbf{x_i}, \mathbf{x_j}) = \tanh(\beta_0 \mathbf{x_i}^T \mathbf{x_j} + \beta_1)$ 

Nonlinear!

## Nonlinear SVM - Recap

- SVM locates a separating hyperplane in the feature space and classify points in that space.
- It does not need to represent the space explicitly, simply by defining a kernel function.
- The kernel function plays the role of the dot product in the feature space.

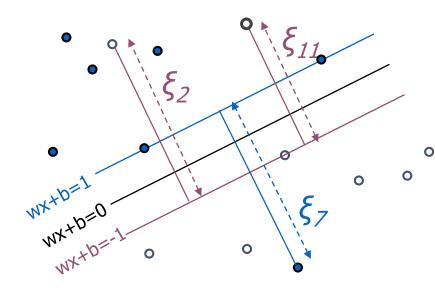
#### Data noise



- Hard Margin: So far we require all data points be classified correctly
  - No training error
- What if the training set is noisy?
  - use very powerful kernels

## Soft Margin Classification

Slack variables  $\xi i$  can be added to allow misclassification of difficult or noisy examples.



What should our quadratic optimization criterion be?

**Minimize** 

$$\frac{1}{2}W \cdot W + C \sum_{k=1}^{M} \xi_k$$

The old formulation:

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

#### Some Issues

- Choice of kernel
  - Gaussian or polynomial kernel is default
- Choice of kernel parameters
  - e.g. σ in Gaussian kernel
  - In the absence of reliable criteria, applications rely on the use of a validation set or cross-validation to set such parameters.
- Optimization criterion Hard margin v.s. Soft margin
  - a lengthy series of experiments in which various parameters are tested

#### Questions?

A: Can I copy your HW?

B: Yeah, just change it up a bit so it doesn't look obvious you copied.

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if(count > 10){
   total += 15;
}
else{
   total += 0;
}
```

A: Is it okay?

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total += (count>10?15:0)
```

B:



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