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Supervised Learning: Support Vector Machine (Linear SVM)

Binary Outcome

Show two ways of splitting a group, ask which one is better? Why?

Increase the margin of errors

Assume that everything is labeled correctly

Want to put a border between the two groups

Goals: As wide as possible, while keeping them separate

Plane can be described by a plane with a normal vector and a scalar b

$w^T x + b = 0$, w^T (normal vector) is orientation and b (bias) is distance from origin

(normal vector is like the opposite of slope, also has a length)

Width of margin = $2/(||w||)$ or 2 divided by the length of the normal vector

Goal we have to maximize $2/(||w||) == \text{minimize}((||w||)/2)$

With the constraints of plus class above $\rightarrow w^T x + b \geq 1$

With the constraints of minus class below $\rightarrow w^T x + b \leq -1$

This system can be solved by calculus, I will point you to resources if you want to see how

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Supervised Learning: Logistic Regression

Binary Outcome

Point: Use sigmoid/logistic function to create a boundary

-- Want $0 \leq h(x) \leq 1$

-- $h(x) = g(\text{theta.transpose()} * x)$

-- using sigmoid/logistic function

-- $g(z) = 1/(1+e^{(-z)})$

-- so $h(x) = 1/(1+e^{(-\text{theta.transpose()} * x)})$

Create a decision boundary

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Dimension Reduction: Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

Will not explain the derivation, will explain what it does

Finds directions of maximal variance

After the first one it will find a component that is orthogonal instead of

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