

Indeed, we have $\epsilon_i \alpha_i = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, p$ and $\xi_j \beta_j = 0$ for $j = 1, \dots, q$. Also, if $\lambda_i > 0$, then corresponding constraint is active, and similarly if $\mu_j > 0$. Since $\lambda_i + \alpha_i = K$, it follows that $\epsilon_i \alpha_i = 0$ iff $\epsilon_i(K - \lambda_i) = 0$, and since $\mu_j + \beta_j = K$, we have $\xi_j \beta_j = 0$ iff $\xi_j(K - \mu_j) = 0$. Thus if $\epsilon_i > 0$, then $\lambda_i = K$, and if $\xi_j > 0$, then $\mu_j = K$. Consequently, if $\lambda_i < K$, then $\epsilon_i = 0$ and u_i is correctly classified, and similarly if $\mu_j < K$, then $\xi_j = 0$ and v_j is correctly classified.

We have a classification of the points u_i and v_j in terms of λ and μ obtained from the classification given in Section 54.1 by replacing δ with 1. Since it is so similar, it is omitted. Let us simply recall that the vectors u_i on the blue margin and the vectors v_j on the red margin are called *support vectors*; these are the vectors u_i for which $w^\top u_i - b - 1 = 0$ (which implies $\epsilon_i = 0$), and the vectors v_j for which $w^\top v_j - b + 1 = 0$ (which implies $\xi_j = 0$). Those support vectors u_i such that $\lambda_i = 0$ and those support vectors such that $\mu_j = 0$ are called *exceptional support vectors*.

We also have the following classification of the points u_i and v_j terms of ϵ_i (or ξ_j) obtained by replacing δ with 1.

- (1) If $\epsilon_i > 0$, then by complementary slackness $\lambda_i = K$, so the i th equation is active and by (2) above,

$$w^\top u_i - b - 1 = -\epsilon_i.$$

Since $\epsilon_i > 0$, the point u_i is within the open half space bounded by the blue margin hyperplane $H_{w,b+1}$ and containing the separating hyperplane $H_{w,b}$; if $\epsilon_i \leq 1$, then u_i is classified correctly, and if $\epsilon_i > 1$, then u_i is misclassified.

Similarly, if $\xi_j > 0$, then v_j is within the open half space bounded by the red margin hyperplane $H_{w,b-1}$ and containing the separating hyperplane $H_{w,b}$; if $\xi_j \leq 1$, then v_j is classified correctly, and if $\xi_j > 1$, then v_j is misclassified.

- (2) If $\epsilon_i = 0$, then the point u_i is correctly classified. If $\lambda_i = 0$, then by (3) above, u_i is in the closed half space on the blue side bounded by the blue margin hyperplane $H_{w,b+\eta}$. If $\lambda_i > 0$, then by (1) and (2) above, the point u_i is on the blue margin.

Similarly, if $\xi_j = 0$, then the point v_j is correctly classified. If $\mu_j = 0$, then v_j is in the closed half space on the red side bounded by the red margin hyperplane $H_{w,b-\eta}$, and if $\mu_j > 0$, then the point v_j is on the red margin. See Figure 54.5 (3).

Vectors u_i for which $\lambda_i = K$ and vectors v_j such that $\xi_j = K$ are said to *fail the margin*.

It is shown in Section 54.4 how the dual program is solved using ADMM from Section 52.6. If the primal problem is solvable, this yields solutions for λ and μ .

Remark: The hard margin Problem (SVM_{h2}) corresponds to the special case of Problem (SVM_{s2}) in which $\epsilon = 0$, $\xi = 0$, and $K = +\infty$. Indeed, in Problem (SVM_{h2}) the terms