Optimization Project: Support Vector Machine

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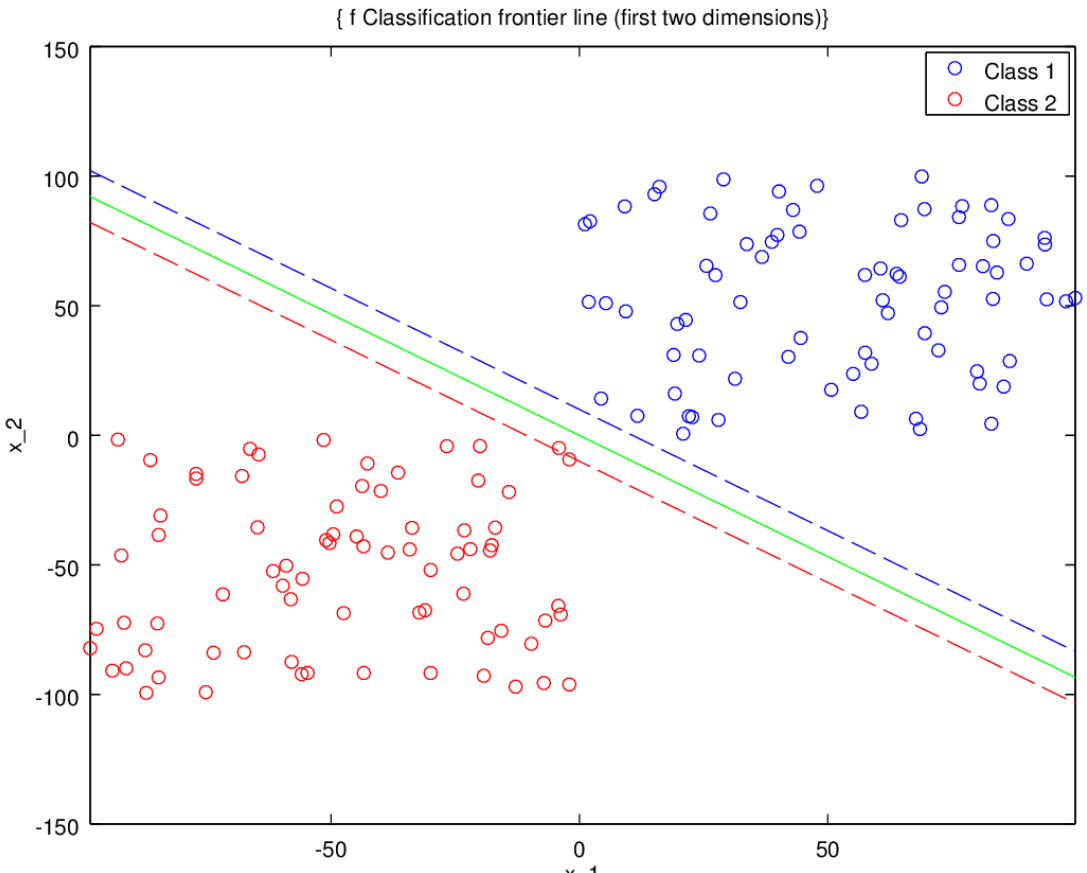

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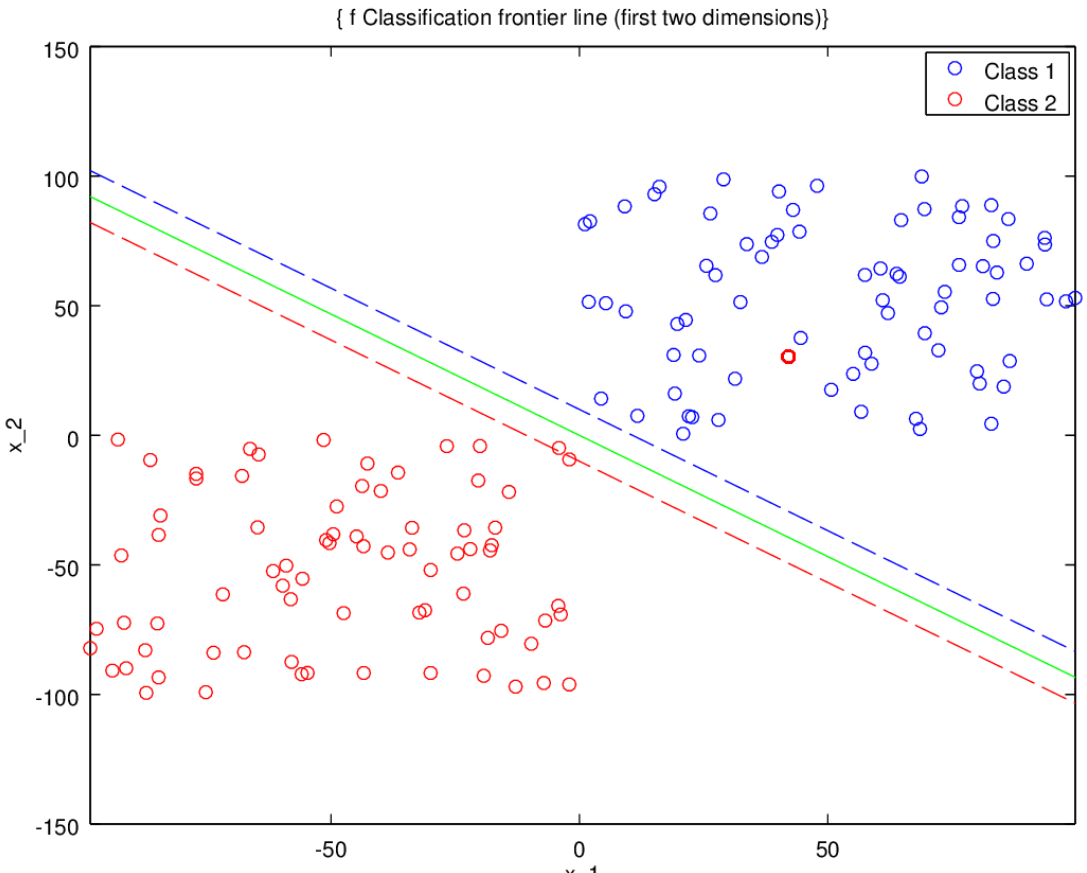

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Having the problem **convex** and always **feasible**

Penalty for **classification errors** with $(z_i)_i$ and C :

$$min_{\omega,z} \ \frac{1}{2}\|\omega\|^2 + C\sum_{i\leq m} z_i$$
$$\text{subject to}$$
$$\forall i, z_i \geq 0$$
$$\forall i, y_i \times (\omega^T x_i) \geq 1 - z_i$$

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Get **primal solution** from **dual solution**

$$\omega^* = \sum_i \lambda_i^* y_i x_i$$

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Use the **kernel trick** :

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Let K be $X^T X$ (**linear kernel**):

$$max\ -\frac{1}{2}\lambda^T diag(y) K diag(y)\lambda + \mathbf{1}^T\lambda$$
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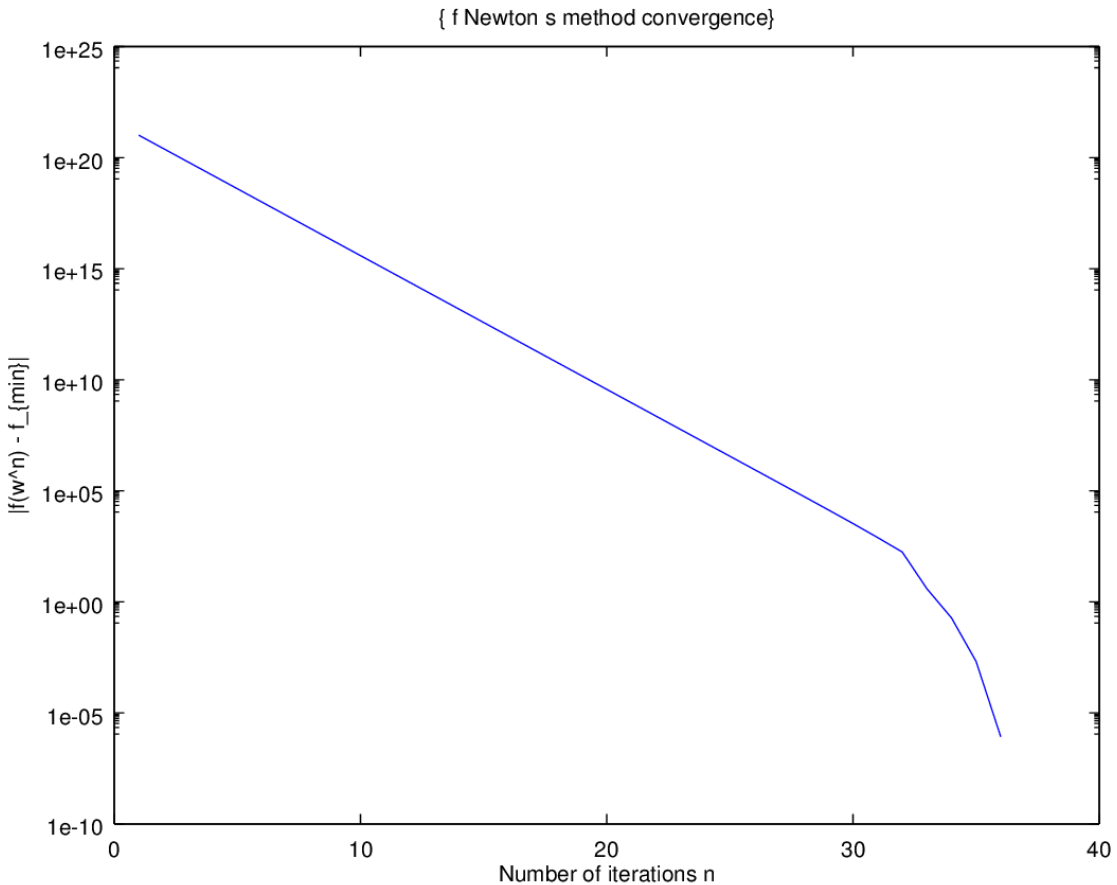
Final optimization problem

$$max\ -\frac{1}{2}\lambda^T diag(y)Kdiag(y)\lambda + \mathbf{1}^T\lambda + \Phi(\lambda)$$

Testing the implementation

Newton's method convergence



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Dependance on the sample size

Table: Time complexity dependance

Set	C	d	n	Iteration number	Time (s)
1	5	40000	10	11	0.315
1	5	40	100	12	0.715
1	5	40	1000	large	$>$ 1,000

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Speeding of convergence when C increases

Performed on the same sample set:

Table: Computation time & Performance in function of C

C	Time (s)	Training Error	Val Error	Test Error
0.5	122.712	1	4	3
1	83.176	1	4	3
5	0.627719	1	4	3
10	0.637	1	4	3

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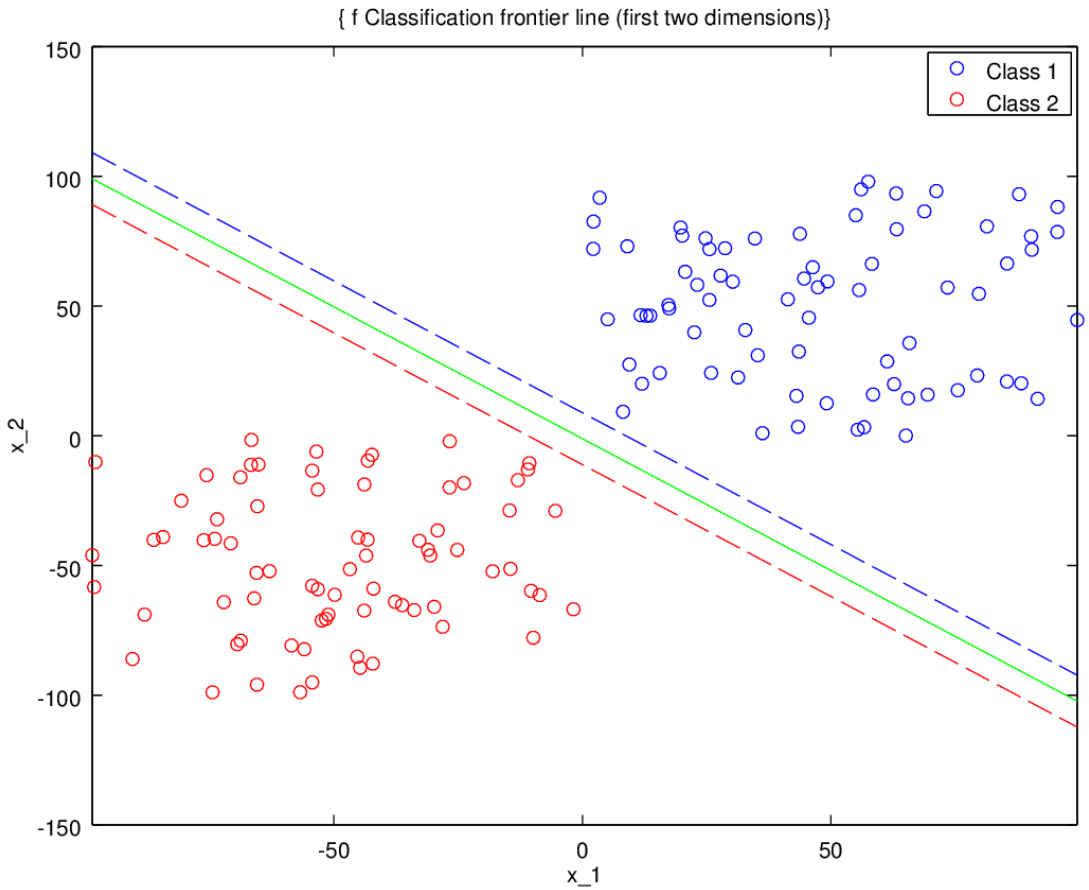

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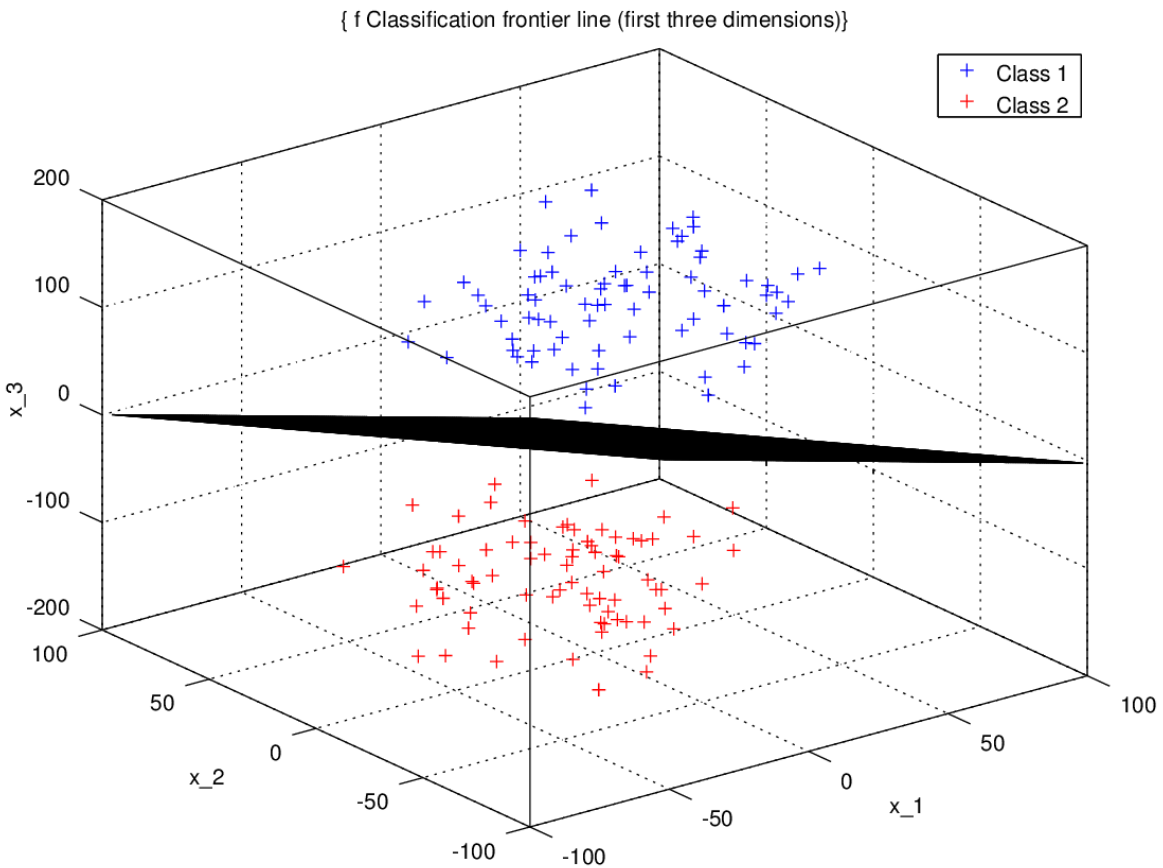

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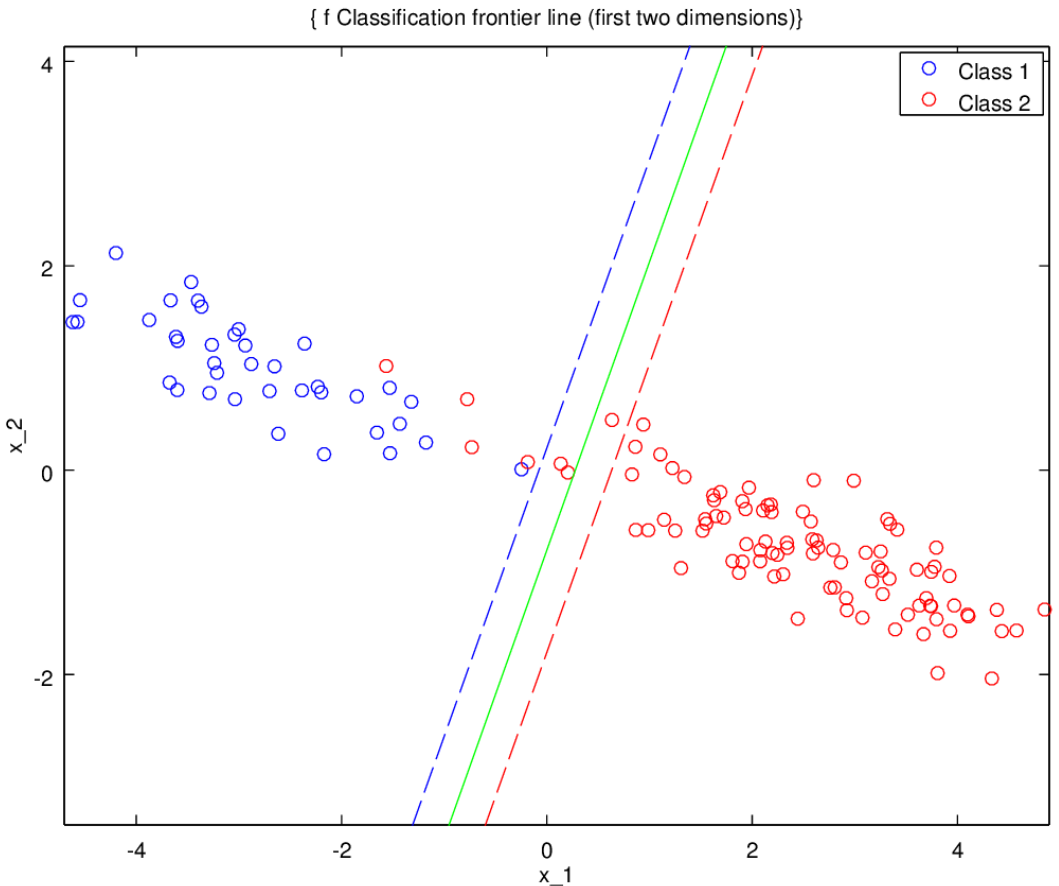

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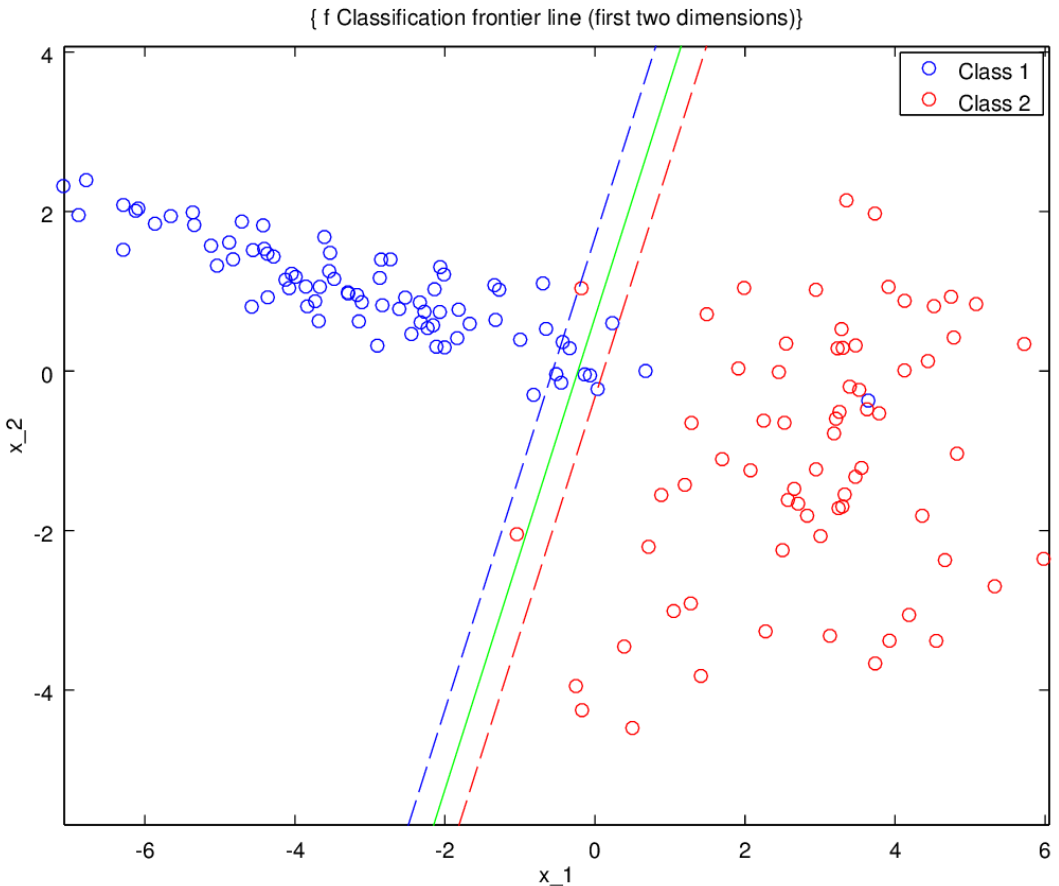

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Leave-one-out technique

Having a sample size of size n, for each value of C to test:

1. for $i \in [1, n]$
2. **Leave out sample** i
3. Train the SVM on other samples
4. Test the SVM on sample i
5. Get the **Mean-Squared Error** for the n loops
6. If it is the minimum MSE computed so far
7. Then update the best value of C

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Reminder: Coordinate Descent

for $i, j \in [1, d]$, and iteration k

$$a_i^{k+1} = argmin_{a_i} f(a_1, a_2, ..., a_i, ..., a_d)$$
$$a_j^{k+1} = a_j^k \text{ for } j \neq i$$

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Reminder: ACCPM

1. Compute the **analytic center of constraint polyhedron**
2. Compute the objective value and the gradient
3. While objective value is evolving greatly enough
4. Add an inequality to constraint polyhedron
5. Optional: **Constraint Dropping**

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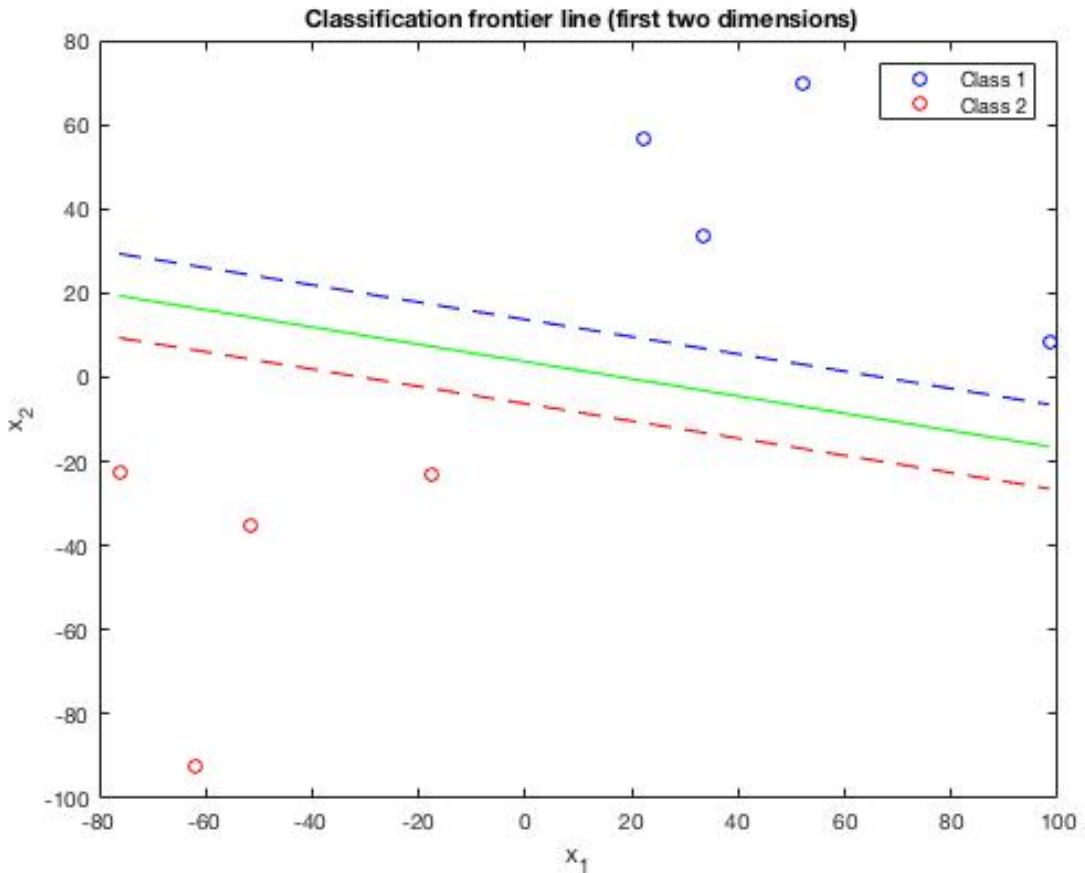
Figure: For data of size 8, and dimension 2



Demo of the SVM