

Support Vector Machines: loss function

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What we learned until now

(a brief summary)

- By now you have seen a range of different machine learning algorithms
 - Linear regression / classification
 - Logistic regression
 - Artificial Neural Networks

Parametric models Goal: $h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})$, $\boldsymbol{\theta}$

 Regularization, bias-variance tradeoff, evaluation and diagnosing machine learning systems

Support Vector Machines (SVM)

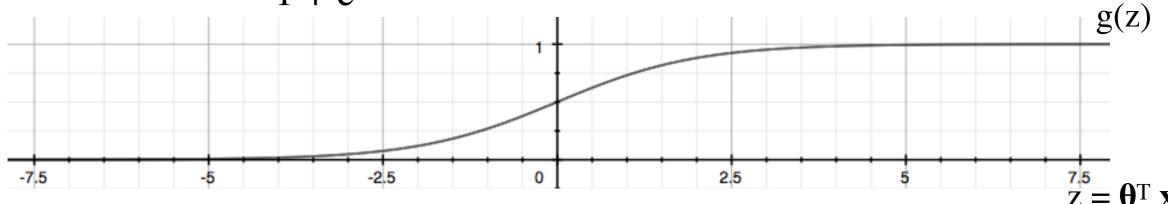
- SVM is a very powerful and popular algorithm
 - It is a <u>supervised learning</u> algorithm usually used for classification (but can be used also for regression)
 - It is a <u>non-probabilistic</u> (binary) classifier, although there are methods such as Platt scaling to give a probabilistic interpretation of the SVM output
 - It is a <u>linear classification</u> model but SVM can efficiently perform non-linear classification using the *kernel trick*

Another view on Logistic Regression

Hypothesis representation:

$$h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = g(\mathbf{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\mathbf{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x}}}$$

where
$$g(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$
 (Sigmoid or Logistic function)



Interpretation (i.e. what we'd like logistic regression to do):

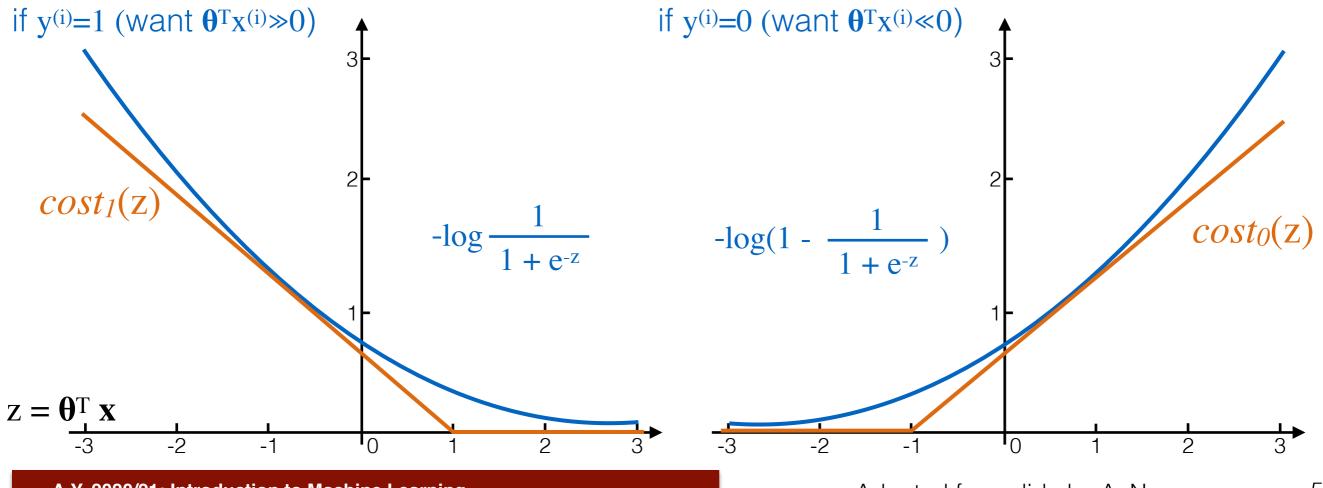
If y = 1, we want
$$h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \approx 1$$
, $\mathbf{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x} \gg 0$

If
$$y = 0$$
, we want $h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \approx 0$, $\mathbf{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} \ll 0$

Another view on Logistic Regression

- Loss function: $J(\theta) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} cost(h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}), y^{(i)})$ where:
 - If we take the definition for $h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})$ and plug it in, we get:

$$cost(\cdot) = -y^{(i)} \cdot \log(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-\theta^{T} x^{(i)}}}) - (1 - y^{(i)}) \cdot \log(1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\theta^{T} x^{(i)}}})$$



SVM: optimization objective

• (Regularized) Logistic Regression:

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \frac{1}{m} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{m} -y^{(i)} \cdot \log(h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})) - (1 - y^{(i)}) \cdot \log(1 - h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})) \right] + \frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \theta_{j}^{2}$$

Support Vector Machine:

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \frac{1}{m} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{m} \mathbf{y}^{(i)} \cdot cost_{I}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T}\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) + (1-\mathbf{y}^{(i)}) \cdot cost_{O}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T}\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \right] + \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \theta_{j}^{2}$$

$$C \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} \quad , \quad C = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

$$\longrightarrow \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} C \sum_{i=1}^{m} \left[y^{(i)} \cdot (cost_{l}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T}x^{(i)})) + (1-y^{(i)}) \cdot (cost_{0}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T}x^{(i)})) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \theta_{j}^{2}$$

SVM: large margin intuition

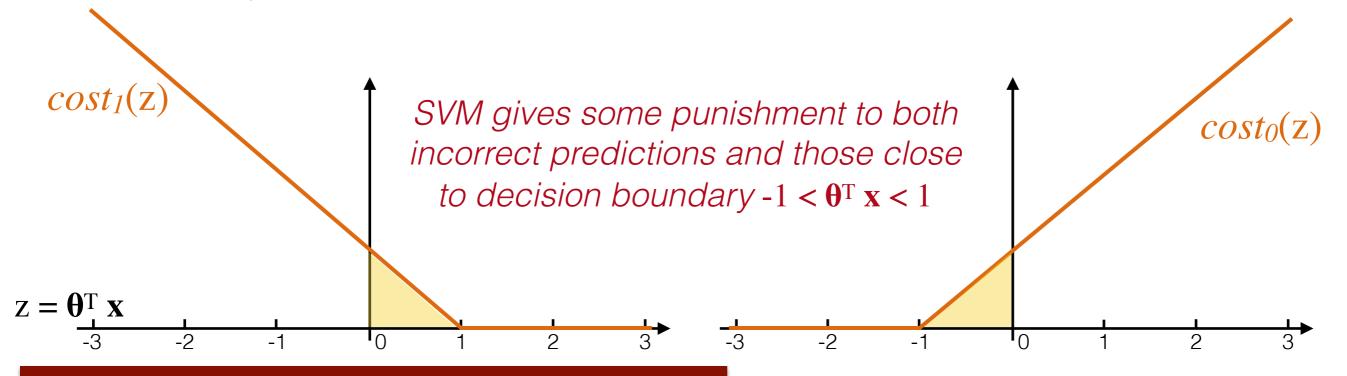
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If
$$y^{(i)} = 1$$
, we want $\theta^T x^{(i)} \ge 1$ (not just ≥ 0)

If $y^{(i)} = 0$, we want $\theta^T x^{(i)} \le -1$ (not just < 0)

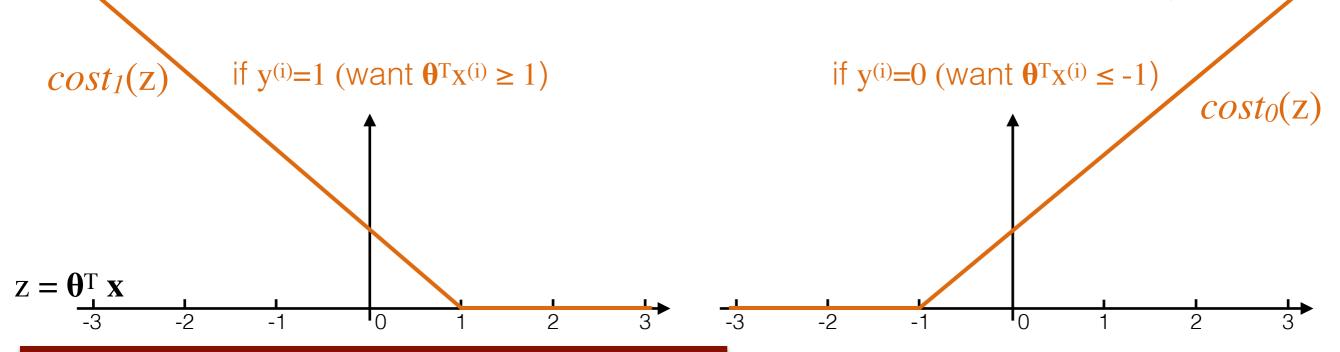


SVM: hypothesis and loss function

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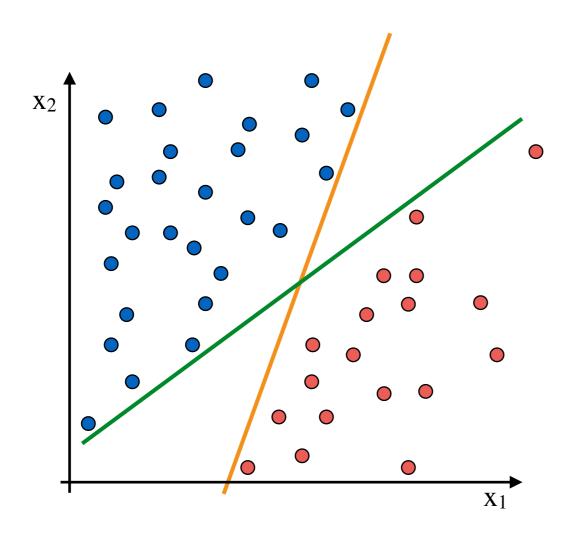
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- Let's write the SVM's loss: $J(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} cost(h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}), y^{(i)})$
 - Hinge loss: $cost(h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}), \mathbf{y}^{(i)}) = \begin{cases} max(0, 1 \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)}) & \text{if } \mathbf{y}^{(i)} = 1 \\ max(0, 1 + \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)}) & \text{if } \mathbf{y}^{(i)} = 0 \end{cases}$



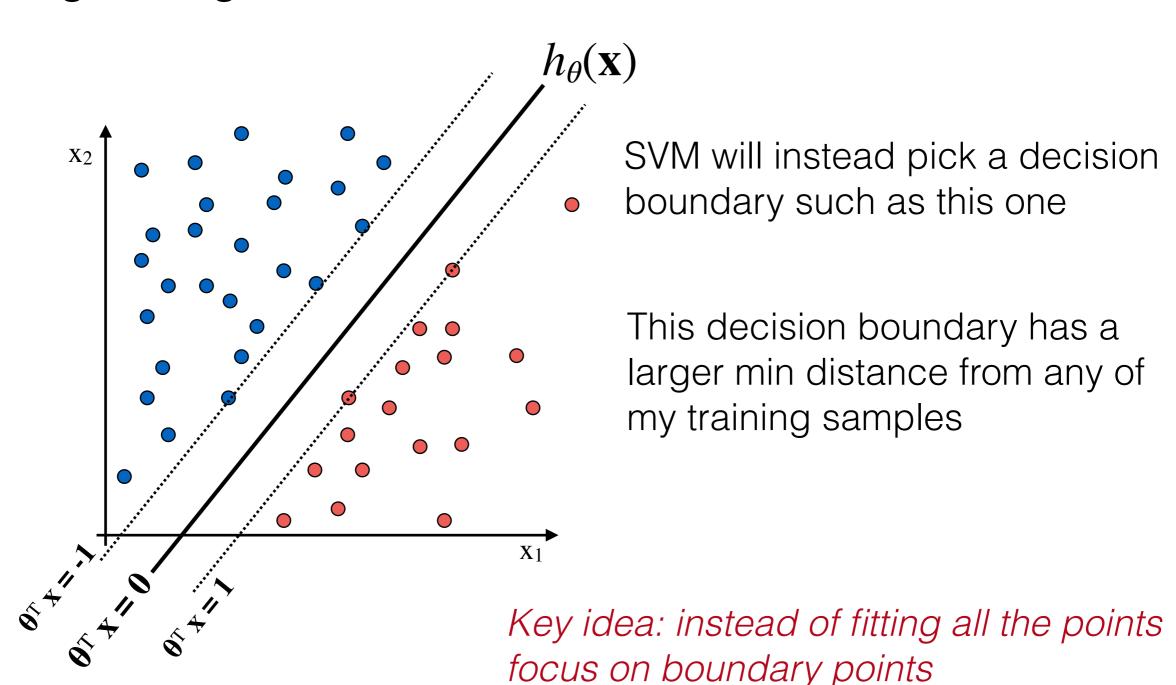
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(Linearly separable case)



Let's start with two possible lines...

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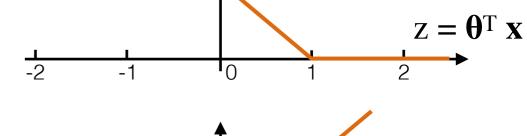
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$$e.g. C \approx 10^{5}$$

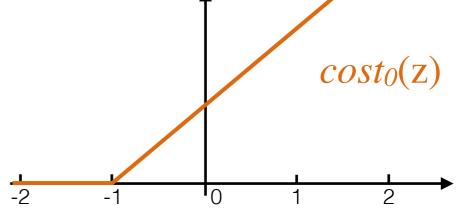
$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \ \theta_{j}^{2} \quad \text{s.t. } \boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \ \mathbf{x}^{(i)} \ge 1 \text{ if } \mathbf{y}^{(i)} = 1$$
$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \ \mathbf{x}^{(i)} \le -1 \text{ if } \mathbf{y}^{(i)} = 0$$

Whenever $y^{(i)} = 1$: $\theta^T x^{(i)} \ge 1$



 $cost_1(\mathbf{z})$

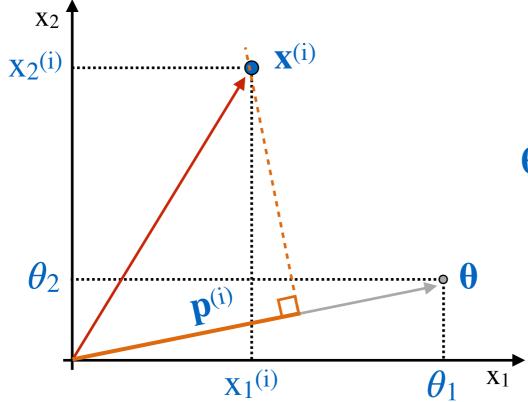
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Optimization objective:

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \theta_{j}^{2} = \frac{1}{2} (\theta_{1}^{2} + \theta_{1}^{2}) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(\theta_{1}^{2} + \theta_{1}^{2})} = \frac{1}{2} \|\boldsymbol{\theta}\|^{2}$$

s.t.
$$\mathbf{p}^{(i)} \| \mathbf{\theta} \| \ge 1$$
 if $\mathbf{y}^{(i)} = 1$
 $\mathbf{p}^{(i)} \| \mathbf{\theta} \| < -1$ if $\mathbf{v}^{(i)} = 0$



$$\mathbf{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x}^{(\mathrm{i})} = \mathbf{p}^{(\mathrm{i})} \|\mathbf{\theta}\|$$

Thus we can write our optimization objective w.r.t. **p**(i)

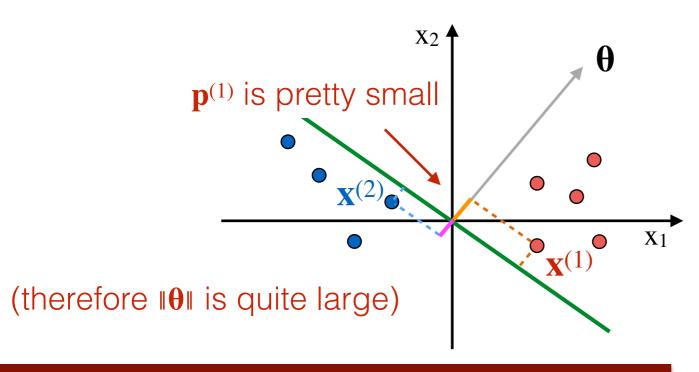
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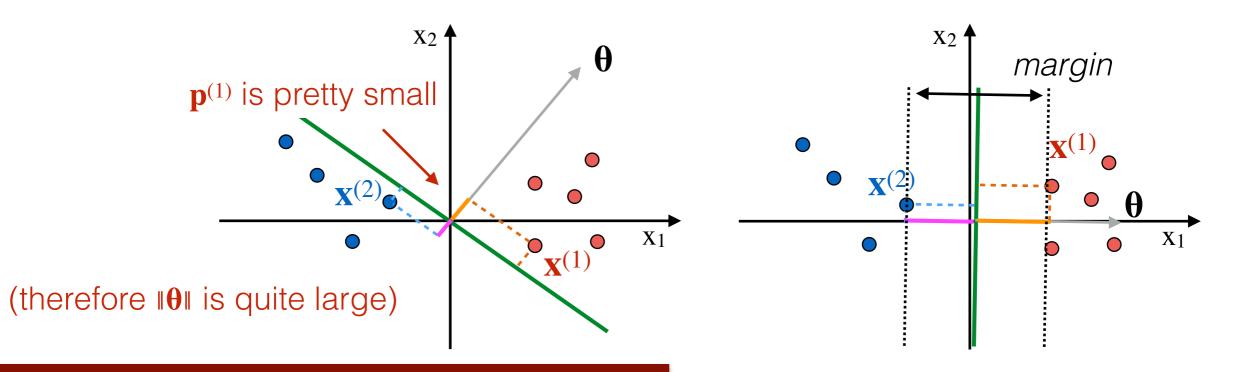
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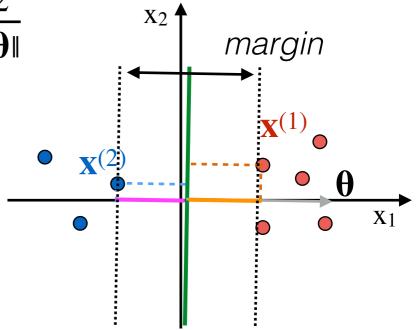
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 - Geometrically, the margin is: $M = \frac{2}{\|\mathbf{\theta}\|}$
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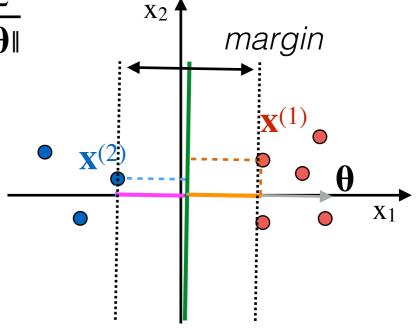
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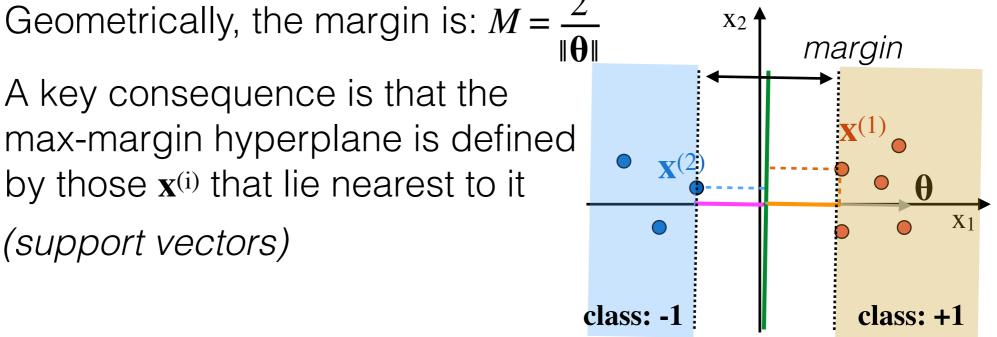
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This is called the *primal formulation* of Support Vector Machines

s.t. $y^{(i)}(\mathbf{p}^{(i)} \| \mathbf{\theta} \|) \ge 1$

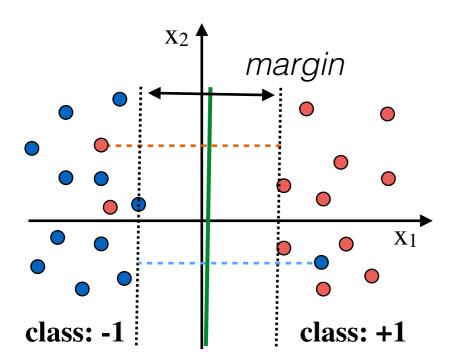
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What if data is not linearly separable?

- What we have seen until know is called hard-margin
- What about examples that lies on the wrong side?



α trades off training error vs model complexity

- Introduce the slack variable $\xi^{(i)}$
- New optimization objective:

$$\begin{split} \min_{\pmb{\theta}} \ \frac{1}{2} \ \| \pmb{\theta} \|^2 + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^m \xi^{(i)} \\ \text{s.t.} \ \xi^{(i)} \ge 0 \ , \ \forall i \colon \ y^{(i)}(\pmb{p}^{(i)} \ \| \pmb{\theta} \|) \ge 1 - \xi^{(i)} \end{split}$$

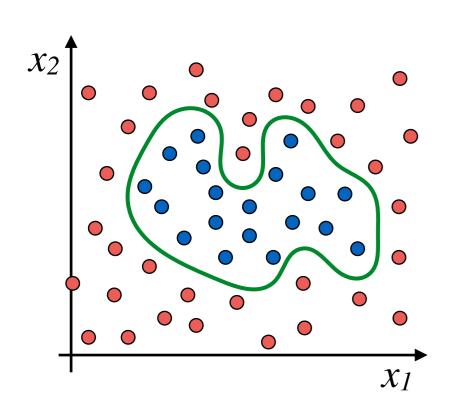
- $\sum_{i=1}^{m} \xi^{(i)}$ bounds num. of training errors
- This is called soft-margin extension

Hinge Loss and soft-margins

- The soft-margin extension leads to the definition of the hinge loss (that we have previously seen)
 - Hinge loss: $\mathcal{C}(h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}), \mathbf{y}^{(i)}) = \max(0, 1 \mathbf{y}^{(i)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)})$ where $\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)} = \mathbf{p}^{(i)} \|\boldsymbol{\theta}\|$, i.e. $\mathbf{p}^{(i)}$ is the projection of $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$ onto the vector $\boldsymbol{\theta}$
 - The hinge loss $\mathcal{E}(\cdot)$, is a convex function and can be optimized using gradient descent
 - Interpretation:
 - ▶ When $y^{(i)}$ and $p^{(i)}$ have the same sign and $|y^{(i)}| \ge 1$, $\ell(\cdot) = 0$
 - When they have opposite sign, ℓ increases linearly with $y^{(i)}$
 - Similarly, if ly⁽ⁱ⁾I<1 (it has the same sign: correct prediction but not by enough margin) € increases linearly with y⁽ⁱ⁾

Non-linear Classification

 We introduced a trick to adapt linear regression (or classification) models to non-linear data:



- Negative class
- Positive class

Predict y = 1 if:

$$\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_1 x_2 + \theta_4 x_1^2 + \theta_5 x_2^2 + \dots \ge 0$$

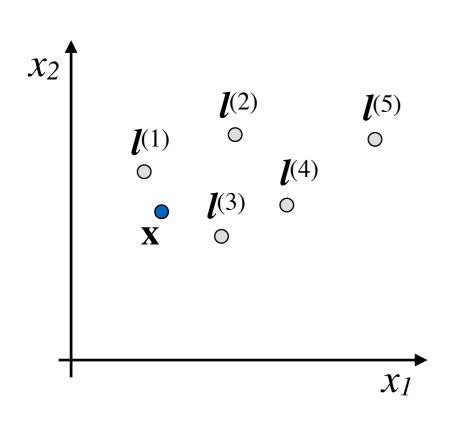
$$h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \theta_0 + \theta_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + \theta_2 \mathbf{x}_2 + \dots \ge 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\theta_0 + \theta_1 f_1 + \theta_2 f_2 + \theta_3 f_3 + \theta_4 f_4 + \theta_5 f_5 + \dots$$

where $f_1=x_1$, $f_2=x_2$, $f_3=x_1x_2$, $f_4=x_1^2$, $f_5=x_2^2$, ...

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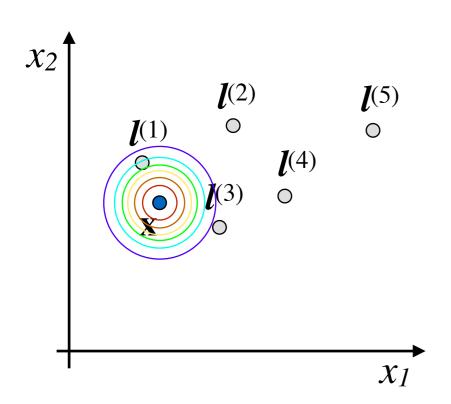
Given \mathbf{x} , compute features \mathbf{f} depending on proximity to landmarks $\mathbf{l}^{(1)}$, $\mathbf{l}^{(2)}$, ...

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 \vdots

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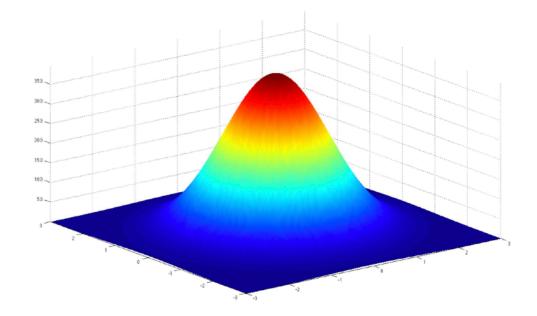
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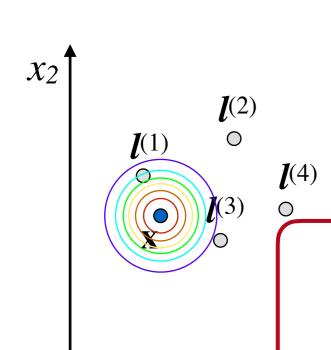
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e.g.
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Note: this is the popular RBF kernel, i.e.

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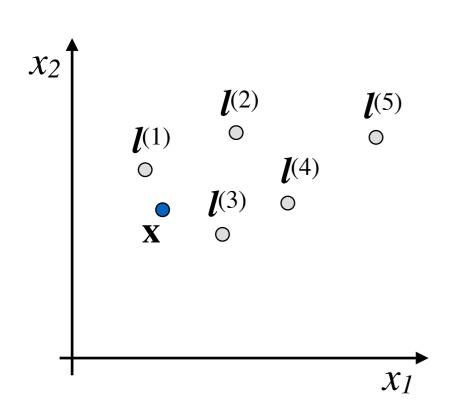
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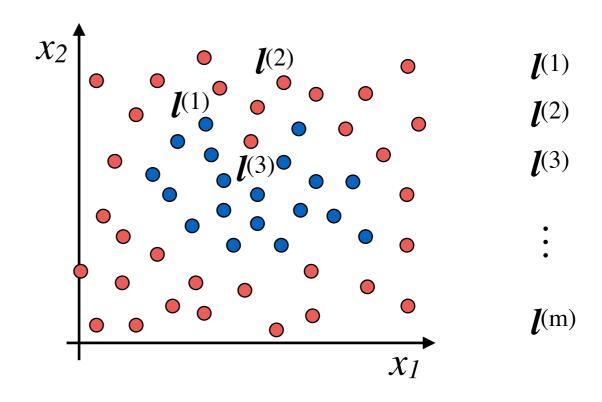
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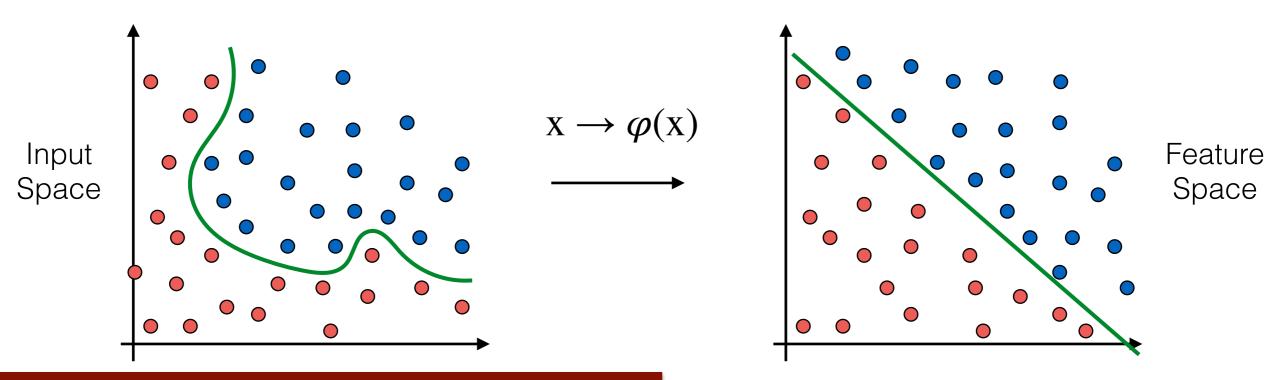
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Where to get the landmarks $l^{(1)}, l^{(2)}, \dots$?



Kernel Methods

- Goal: transform/map raw data into feature vectors
 - Instead of using explicit user-specified feature maps, rely on a similarity function (kernel) over pairs of data points
 - ▶ A kernel is a function φ : $\mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ which maps $x \to \varphi(x)$
 - Then, given this mapping, we try to find a linear decision boundary in the feature space



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Kernels give a way to compute dot products in some feature space without even knowing what this space is and what is φ

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Let's see an example (polynomial kernel):

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = (1 + \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{y})^{2}$$
 assuming $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^{2}$, i.e. $\mathbf{x} = (x_{1}, x_{2}), \mathbf{y} = (y_{1}, y_{2})$
 $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = (1 + x_{1}y_{1} + x_{2}y_{2})^{2} = 1 + x_{1}^{2}y_{1}^{2} + x_{2}^{2}y_{2}^{2} + 2x_{1}y_{1} + 2x_{2}y_{2} + 2x_{1}x_{2}y_{1}y_{2}$

Note that this is nothing else but a dot product between vectors:

$$\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = (1, x_{1}^{2}, x_{2}^{2}, \sqrt{2}x_{1}, \sqrt{2}x_{2}, \sqrt{2}x_{1}x_{2})$$
, $\varphi(\mathbf{y}) = (1, y_{1}^{2}, y_{2}^{2}, \sqrt{2}y_{1}, \sqrt{2}y_{2}, \sqrt{2}y_{1}y_{2})$

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