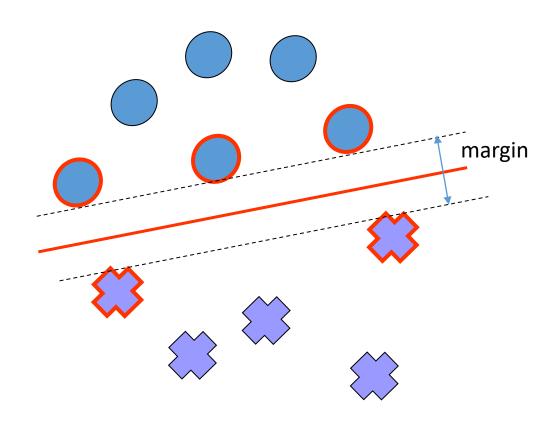
Support Vector Machine SVM

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SVM (Support vector machines)

 the method to find a border plane to classify two kinds of data

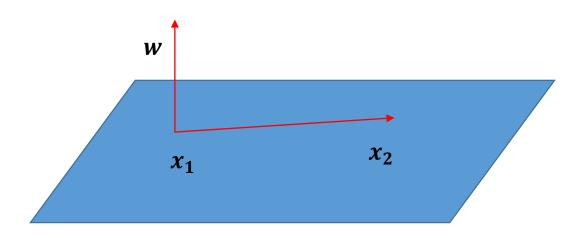


First order equations

- First order equations express flat things!
 - Line: 2x + 3y = 1
 - Plane: 2x + 3y + z = 1
 - Hyper plane: 2x + 3y + z w = 1
- Using vectors and their inner product, we can express them easily:

Notice

• Vector w is perpendicular to the line/plane $w \cdot x + b = 0$



* If $w \cdot a = 0$, then w and a are perpendicular to each other.

Problem setting in SVM

• Classify data in two groups in advance, and assign labels $\{y_i|y_i=\pm 1\}$ to each of data

$$\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{i}} = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_1^{(i)} & \chi_2^{(i)} & \dots & \chi_n^{(i)} \end{pmatrix}^T$$

- The data need to be linearly separable
 - SVM can be extended to allow margins or the cases with separable by other shapes

Inequality constraint in SVM

Points having $y_i = +1$ are expressed as \mathbf{x}_i^+

Points having $y_i = -1$ are expressed as \mathbf{x}_i^-

It is possible to find a small positive number ϵ to satisfy

$$\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{i}^{+} + b \ge \epsilon$$
 for $y_{i} = +1$
 $\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{i}^{-} + b \le -\epsilon$ for $y_{i} = -1$

Because rescaling coefficient does not change the plane, if we rescale $\mathbf{w} \to \epsilon \mathbf{w}$ and $b \to \epsilon b$, we have

$$\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{i}^{+} + b \ge 1$$
 for $y_{i} = +1$
 $\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{i}^{-} + b \le -1$ for $y_{i} = -1$

$$y_{i}(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{i} + b) \ge 1$$

Exercise

 Let us consider the case we have four points and a line:

$$\mathbf{x}_{1}^{+} = (0 \quad 0.5)^{T} \quad \text{for } y_{1} = +1$$
 $\mathbf{x}_{2}^{+} = (3 \quad 1)^{T} \quad \text{for } y_{2} = +1$
 $\mathbf{x}_{3}^{-} = (-1 \quad 0.5)^{T} \quad \text{for } y_{3} = -1$
 $\mathbf{x}_{4}^{-} = (-2 \quad -4)^{T} \quad \text{for } y_{4} = -1$
 $2x + y + 1 = 0$

• Let's find a vector ${\bf w}$ and a scalar b satisfying

$$y_i(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x_i} + b) \ge 1$$

SVM

• Find a hyperplane whose margins μ from both \mathbf{x}_i^+ and \mathbf{x}_i^- are maximized:

$$\mu = \frac{|\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{i}^{+} + b|}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} + \frac{|\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{i}^{-} + b|}{\|\mathbf{w}\|}$$

$$= \frac{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{i}^{+} + b}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} + \frac{-(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{i}^{-} + b)}{\|\mathbf{w}\|}$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} + \frac{-(-1)}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} = \frac{2}{\|\mathbf{w}\|}$$
 (should be maximized)



Minimize $\frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2$ subject to

$$y_i(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x_i} + b) \ge 1$$

Let's consider the following optimization problem...

• Consider the problem we need to find (x^*, y^*) :

$$(x^*, y^*) = \arg \min_{x,y} f(x, y)$$

under the condition

$$g(x,y) \geq 0.$$

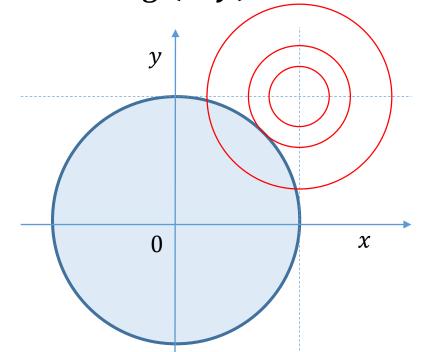
Example

Consider a problem to minimize

$$f(x,y) = (x-1)^2 + (y-1)^2 = k$$

where x and y satisfy

$$g(x,y) = 1 - x^2 - y^2 \ge 0$$



Which circle has the least k?

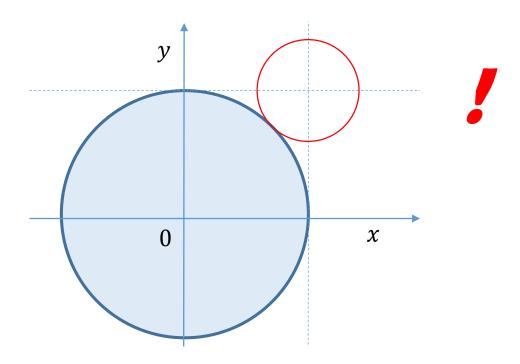


Answer

The circle tangent to the border

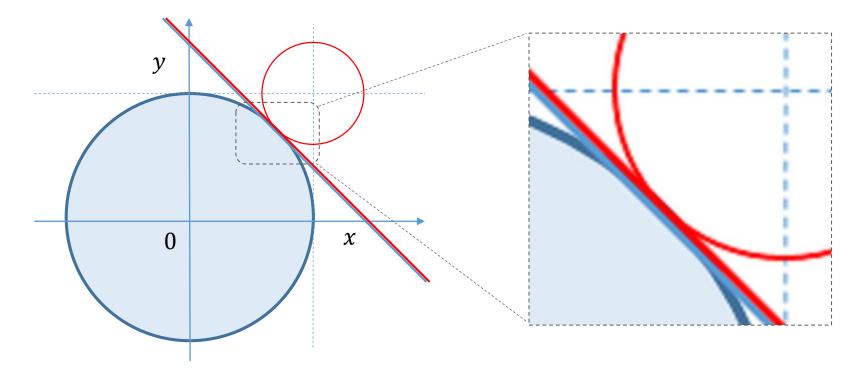
$$g(x,y) = 1 - x^2 - y^2 = 0$$

has the least k



The important thing is...

- The points where two objects (circle-line/circle-circle) were tangent to each other were important.
- At those points, they share the same tangent lines.



Tangent lines

• Around the tangent point (x_0, y_0) ,

$$g(x_0, y_0) = 0.$$

 These two tangent lines needs to express the same line:

$$\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)\right)(x - x_0) + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)\right)(y - y_0) = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)\right)(x - x_0) + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)\right)(y - y_0) = 0$$

 Since there is a redundancy of coefficients in an equation to express a line,

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0) = \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0) \qquad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0) = \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)$$

The constraint of λ

- Let the region G^+ be a set of points satisfying the condition $g(x,y) \ge 0$.
- If a point $(x', y') \in G^+$ is close to the tangent point (x_0, y_0) , $g(x', y') g(x_0, y_0) \cong \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)\right)(x x_0) + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)\right)(y y_0) \geq 0$, since $g(x', y') \geq 0$ and $g(x_0, y_0) = 0$.
- Since $f(x_0, y_0)$ is less than any f(x', y'),

$$f(x',y') - f(x_0,y_0) \cong \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0,y_0)\right)(x-x_0) + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0,y_0)\right)(y-y_0) \geq 0.$$

This leads λ to be positive.

In summary...

• To solve a problem to minimize f(x, y) where x and y satisfy $g(x, y) \ge 0$, we should solve

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x,y) - \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(x,y) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x,y) - \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x,y) = 0$$

$$\lambda > 0$$

$$g(x,y) = 0.$$

• Notice that the point (x, y) minimizing f(x, y) without conditions sits outside G^+ .

Another case we need to consider

- Consider the case that the point (x, y) minimizing f(x, y) without conditions sits inside G^+ .
- It's super easy!! We can use a USUAL differential technique.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x,y) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x,y) - \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(x,y) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x,y) = 0$$

$$g(x,y) > 0$$

$$\lambda = 0$$

$$g(x,y) > 0$$

Kuhn-Tucker conditions

• In the case we need to find (x^*, y^*) : $(x^*, y^*) = \arg\min_{x,y} f(x, y)$

under the condition $g(x,y) \ge 0$, we find it by solving

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x^*, y^*) - \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(x^*, y^*) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x^*, y^*) - \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x^*, y^*) = 0$$

$$\lambda \ge 0$$

$$\lambda \cdot g(x^*, y^*) = 0.$$

Or...

• Define a function $L(x, y, \lambda) = f(x, y) - \lambda g(x, y)$, then the equations to be solved are:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x}(x^*, y^*, \lambda^*) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial y}(x^*, y^*, \lambda^*) = 0$$

$$\lambda^* \cdot \frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda}(x^*, y^*, \lambda^*) = 0$$

$$\lambda^* \ge 0$$

More generally...

Using a vector x, define a function

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = f(\mathbf{x}) - \sum_{i} \lambda_{i} g_{i}(\mathbf{x}),$$

then the equations to be solved are:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}^*, \boldsymbol{\lambda}^*) = 0$$

$$\lambda_i^* \cdot \frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda_i}(\mathbf{x}^*, \boldsymbol{\lambda}^*) = 0$$

$$\lambda_i^* \ge 0$$

Then we can extend the discussion to a space whose dimension is more than two.

Dual theory

To solve it,

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \boldsymbol{h}(\boldsymbol{\lambda})$$

- If we consider the case $\lambda_i > 0$, we solve $g_i(h(\lambda)) = 0$ to find $(\mathbf{x}^*, \lambda^*)$.
- Dual function is defined as

$$\theta(\lambda) = L(\mathbf{h}(\lambda), \lambda) = f(\mathbf{h}(\lambda)) - \sum_{i} \lambda_{i} g_{i}(\mathbf{h}(\lambda))$$

$$\frac{\partial \theta(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda_{i}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \Big|_{\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{h}} \frac{d\mathbf{h}}{d\lambda_{i}} - g_{i}(\mathbf{h}(\lambda)) = -g_{i}(\mathbf{h}(\lambda)) \le \mathbf{0}$$

Dual theory (cont')

• Let λ^* be a solution of $\frac{\partial \theta(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} = 0$. Then $\theta(\lambda^*)$ takes a maximal value:

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$$\theta(\lambda^*) = \theta(\lambda) + \frac{\partial \theta(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda_i} (\lambda_i^* - \lambda_i) \ge \theta(\lambda)$$

• Since $f(h(\lambda)) \ge f(h(\lambda)) - \sum_i \lambda_i g_i(h(\lambda)) = \theta(\lambda)$, $f(h(\lambda^*)) = \theta(\lambda^*)$. The $f(h(\lambda^*))$ takes a minimum value, because

$$\left. \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{h}(\lambda^*)} = \mathbf{0} \text{ and } \left. \frac{\partial \theta(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda_i} \right|_{\lambda = \lambda^*} = -g_i(\mathbf{h}(\lambda^*)) = \mathbf{0}$$

Differential by a vector

- Let a vector denote $\mathbf{x} = (x_1 \quad x_2 \quad \cdots \quad x_n)^T$
 - \mathbf{x}^T is a transposed vector (matrix) of \mathbf{x} .
- Definition:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \end{pmatrix}^T$$

Examples

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{w}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1} \sum_{i} w_i^2 & \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2} \sum_{i} w_i^2 & \dots & \frac{\partial}{\partial w_n} \sum_{i} w_i^2 \end{pmatrix}^T$$
$$= (2w_1 \quad 2w_2 \quad \dots \quad 2w_n)^T = 2\mathbf{w}$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{x}$$

Application of Kuhn-Tucker cond.

Define $L = \frac{1}{2} ||\mathbf{w}||^2 - \sum_i \alpha_i \{y_i(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i + b) - 1\}$, then KT condition is:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{w}} = \mathbf{w} - \sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \mathbf{x}_{i} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial b} = -\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} = 0$$

$$\alpha_{i} \ge 0$$

$$\alpha_{i} \{ y_{i} (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{i} + b) - 1 \} = 0$$

Dual expression of SVM

• Inserting $\mathbf{w} = \sum_i \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x_i}$ into L, we get a dual expression based on Kuhn-Tucker condition, which should be maximized is:

$$\theta(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \sum_{i} \alpha_{i} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \alpha_{j} y_{j} (\mathbf{x}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{j})$$

$$\alpha_{i} \geq 0$$

$$\alpha_{i} \{ y_{i} (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{i} + b) - 1 \} = 0$$

$$\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} = 0$$

$$\alpha_{i} \neq 0 \text{ requires } \mathbf{x}_{i} \text{ to satisfy}$$

$$y_{i} (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{i} + b) - 1 = 0$$
(support vectors)

After obtaining a solution

We can calculate coefficients of the hyperplane:

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

$$b = -\frac{\min(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i^+) + \max(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i^-)}{2}$$

ullet A class for new data old x is given by the value

$$H(x) = sign\left(\sum_{i}^{3} \alpha_{i} y_{i}(\mathbf{x}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{x}) + b\right)$$

After obtaining a solution

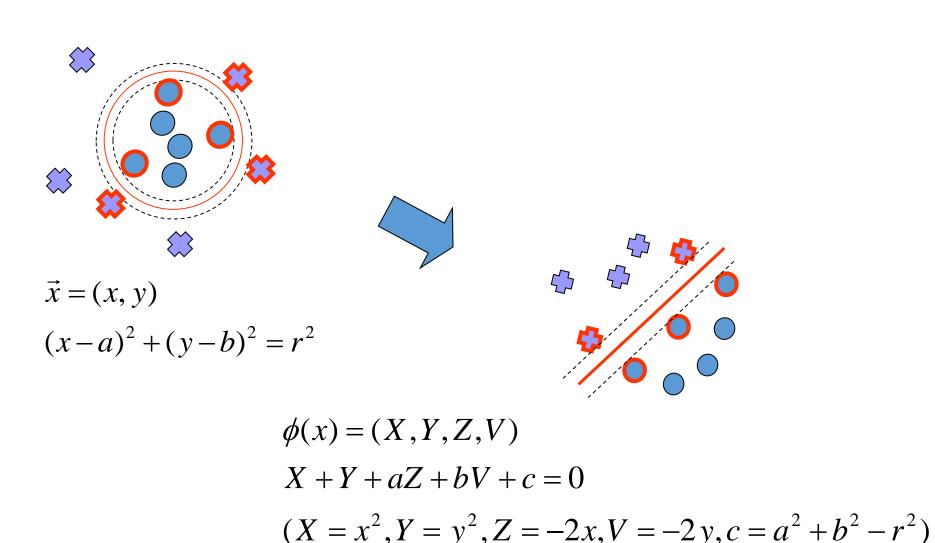
 We can calculate coefficients of the hyperplane and get w and b.

A class for new data x is given by the value

$$H(\mathbf{x}) = sign(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x} + b)$$

$$sign(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & (x \ge 0) \\ -1(x < 0) \end{cases}$$

Extension to a high dimensional space



Generalization

 If we can map x to a higher dimensional space $X = \phi(x)$

and data in two classes are separable by a hyper plane, the problem is to find the hyper plane:

$$\boldsymbol{W}\cdot\boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x})+b=0,$$

which maximizes margin between the two classes.

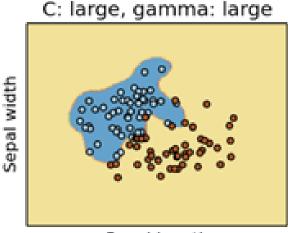
ullet By the detail discussion (see Appendix), $oldsymbol{W}$ is given

as
$$\mathbf{W} = \sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_{i})$$
.
$$H(\mathbf{x}) = sign\left(\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_{i}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}) + b\right)$$

RBF kernel

- The properties of a kernel $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{y})$ needs to have are:
 - $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) \geq 0$
 - $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = K(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x})$
- The most used kernel is RBF (radial based function) kernel defined as

$$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \exp(-\gamma \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2)$$



Sepal length