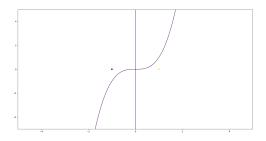
Homework 12

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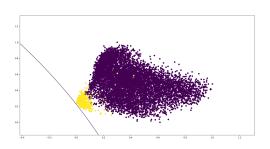
1. (a) | (b) 2. (a) (b) (c) 3. (a) The optimal hyperplane is $x_1 = 0$.

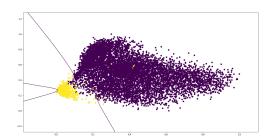
- - (b) i. The data points are (1,0) and (-1,0)
 - ii. The optimal hyperplane is $z_1 = 0$.



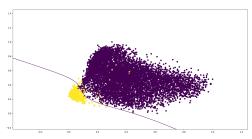
(c)

- (d) $K(x,y) = (x_1^3 x_2)(y_1^3 y_2) + x_1x_2y_1y_2$.
- (e) The decision boundary is $x_1^3 x_2 = 0$.
- 4. (a) Here is the decision boundaries for a small C of 0.01 and 1000000 respectively.





(b) The parameter C says how much margin the decision boundary should give data points. When C is small it gives a large boundary yielding a more simple less complex boundary. When C is large, it gives a small margin yielding a more curvy and complex function.



(c) This uses C = 100.

5. The linear model performs the worst with a test error of 0.0299. The KNN performs exceptionally well at a test error of 0.00644. The RBF network performs similarly at 0.00722. The neural network also performs poorly at test error of 0.012. Finally, the SVM performs best at a test error of 0.005.

The SVM is very successful. Unfortunately it is a cubic algorithm and thus may not scale well to larger datasets. The Neural Network's linear complexity may allow it to outperform the SVM for very large datasets.