

# CS4801 : Perceptron and SVM

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- 1.Linear separability
- 2.Perceptron loss
- 3.Perceptron algorithm

# Multi classes case

Choose class  $K$  to be the “reference class” and represent each of the other classes as a logistic function of the odds of class  $k$  versus class  $K$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\log \frac{P(y = 1 | \mathbf{x})}{P(y = K | \mathbf{x})} &= \mathbf{w}_1 \mathbf{T} \mathbf{x} \\ \log \frac{P(y = 2 | \mathbf{x})}{P(y = K | \mathbf{x})} &= \mathbf{w}_2 \mathbf{T} \mathbf{x} \\ &\vdots \\ \log \frac{P(y = K - 1 | \mathbf{x})}{P(y = K | \mathbf{x})} &= \mathbf{w}_{K-1} \mathbf{T} \mathbf{x}\end{aligned}$$

$$P(y = k | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}_k \mathbf{T} \mathbf{x})}{1 + \sum_{l=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_l \mathbf{T} \mathbf{x})}$$

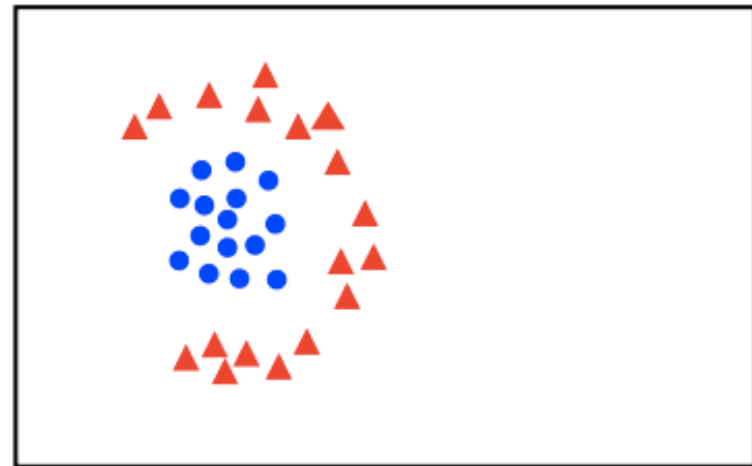
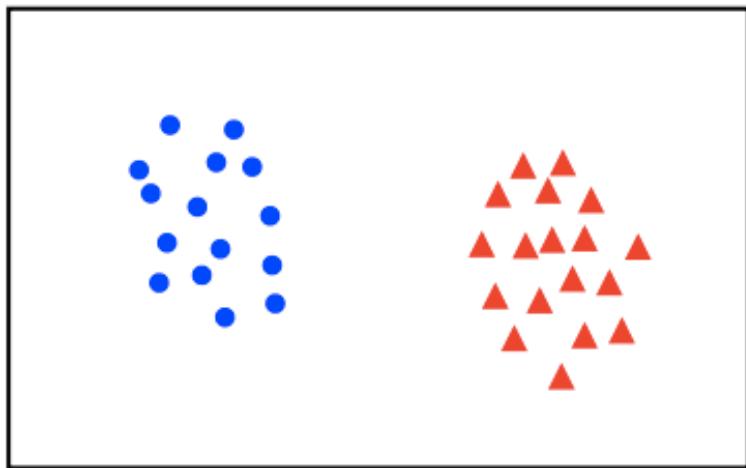
$$P(y = K | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{l=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_l \mathbf{T} \mathbf{x})}$$

# Classification

Given training data  $(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)$  for  $i = 1 \dots N$ , with  $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $y_i \in \{-1, 1\}$ , learn a classifier  $f(\mathbf{x})$  such that

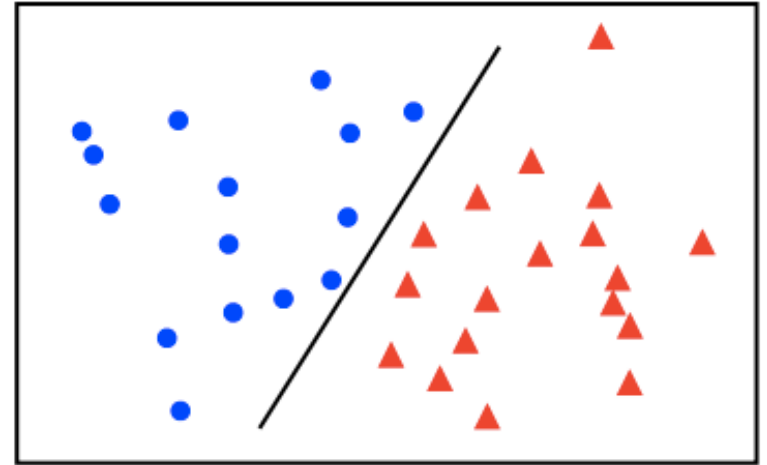
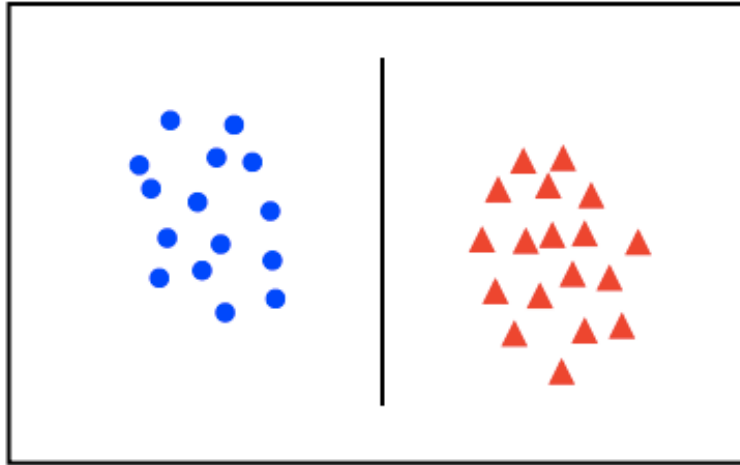
$$f(\mathbf{x}_i) \begin{cases} \geq 0 & y_i = +1 \\ < 0 & y_i = -1 \end{cases}$$

i.e.  $y_i f(\mathbf{x}_i) > 0$  for a correct classification.

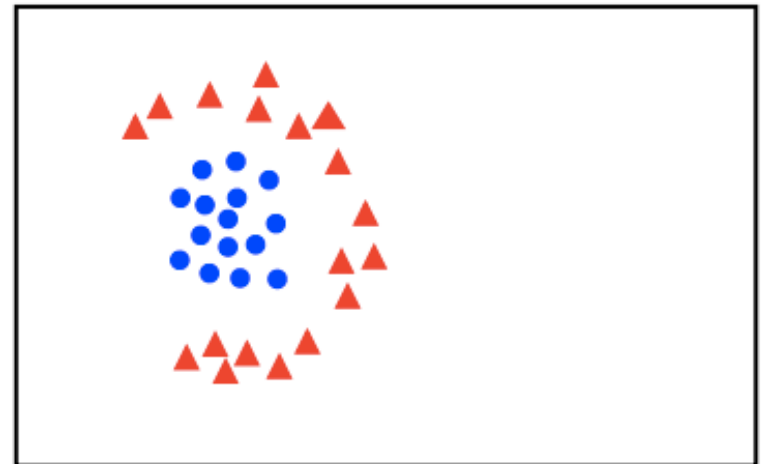
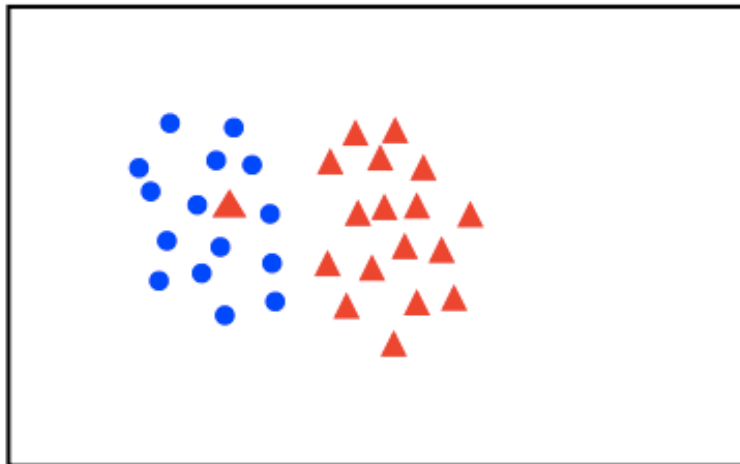


# Linear Separability

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separable



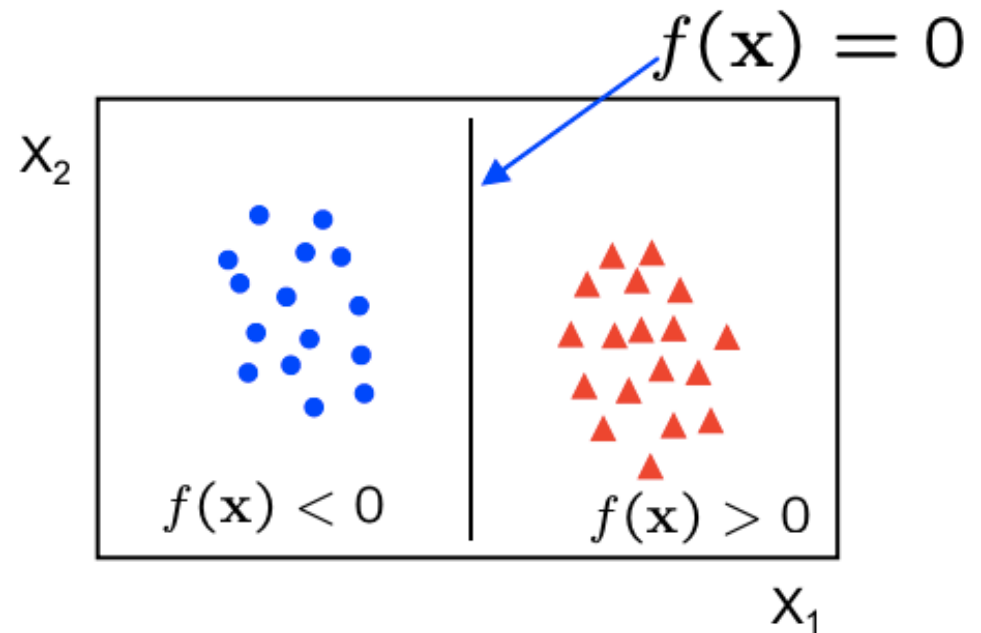
not  
linearly  
separable



# Linear Classifier

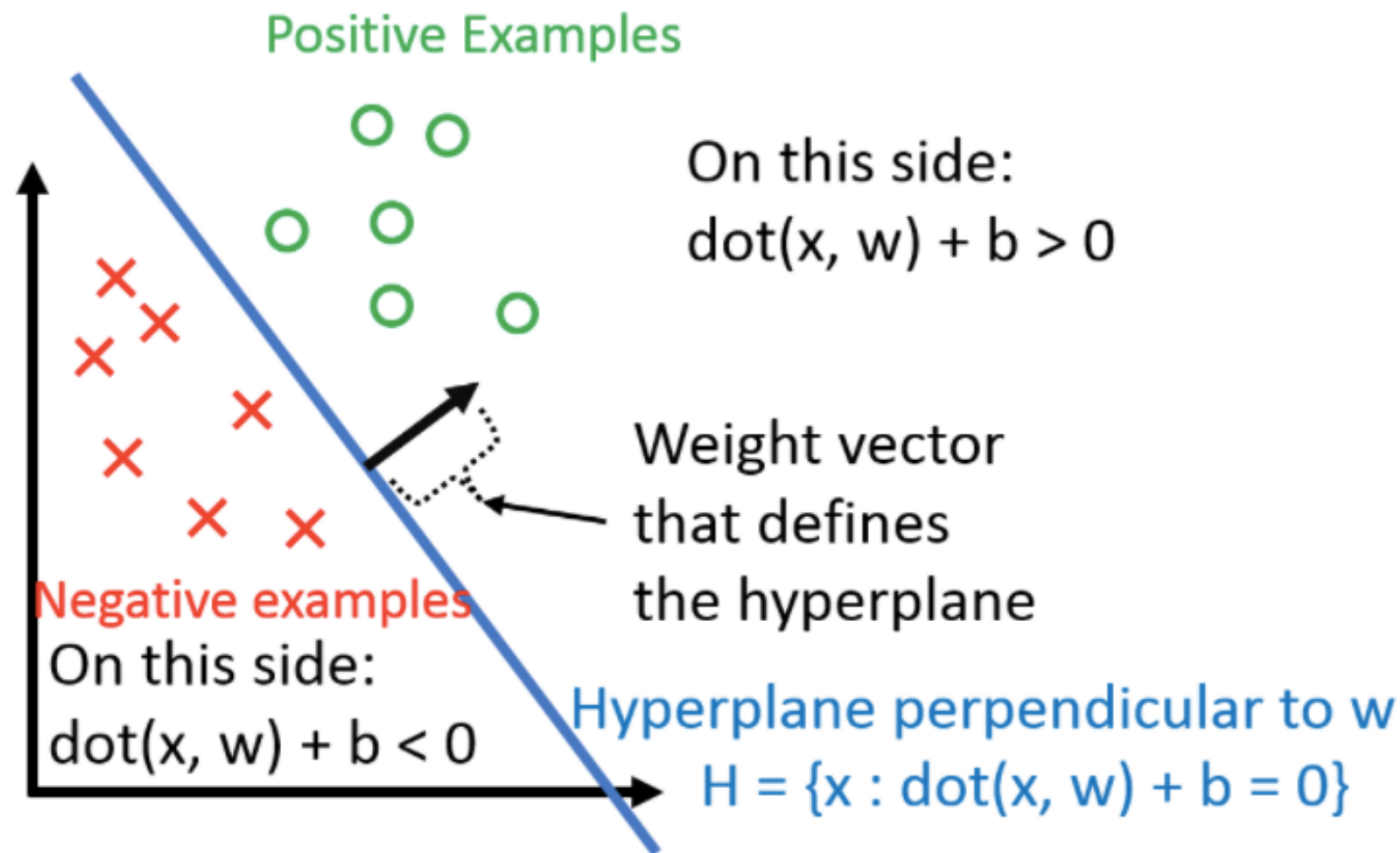
A linear classifier has the form

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x} + b$$



- in 2D the discriminant is a line
- $\mathbf{W}$  is the **normal** to the line, and  $b$  the **bias**
- $\mathbf{W}$  is known as the **weight vector**

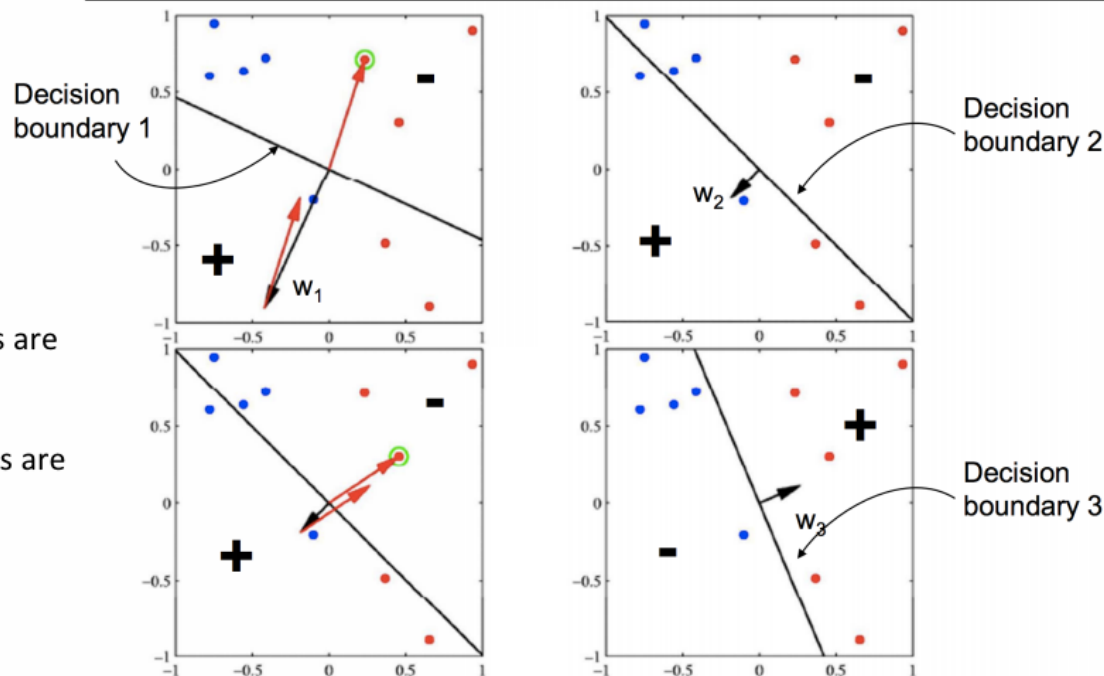
Linear Classifier :weight vector that define the hyper plane



# Perceptron

$$\text{perceptron loss} = \sum_i \max\{0, -y_i \cdot w^T x_i\}$$

When an error is made, moves the weight in a direction that corrects the error



## Perceptron Algorithm

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Initialize  $\vec{w} = \vec{0}$ 
while TRUE do
     $m = 0$ 
    for  $(x_i, y_i) \in D$  do
        if  $y_i(\vec{w}^T \cdot \vec{x}_i) \leq 0$  then
             $\vec{w} \leftarrow \vec{w} + y_i \vec{x}_i$ 
             $m \leftarrow m + 1$ 
        end if
    end for
    if  $m = 0$  then
        break
    end if
end while
    
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Disadvantage : Will not converge for linearly non-separable data

Non-unique solution (few solutions have high generalisation error)

# Perceptron: convergence

Assume,

For all  $i$ ,  $\|x_i\| < R$

There exists a  $w^*$  such that for all  $i$ ,

$$y_i w^{*T} x_i \geq \gamma > 0$$

$$\|w^*\| = 1$$

The Perceptron Learning Algorithm makes at most  $R^2 / \gamma^2$  updates (after which it returns a separating hyperplane).

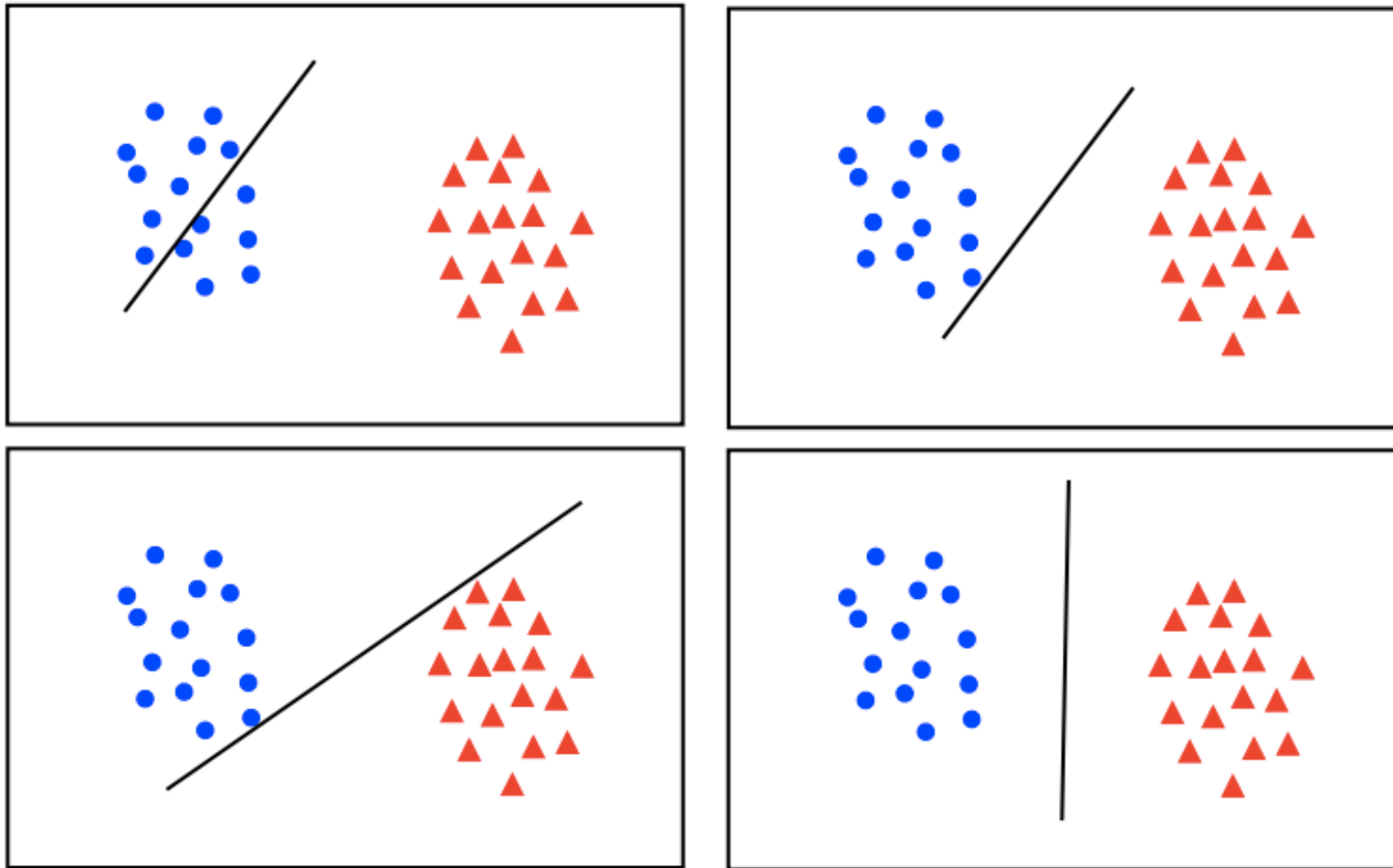


# CS4801 : Support Vector Machine

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1. Margin for SVM
2. Loss function for SVM
3. Slack : linearly non separable data set
4. Pegasus : gradient based SVM solver

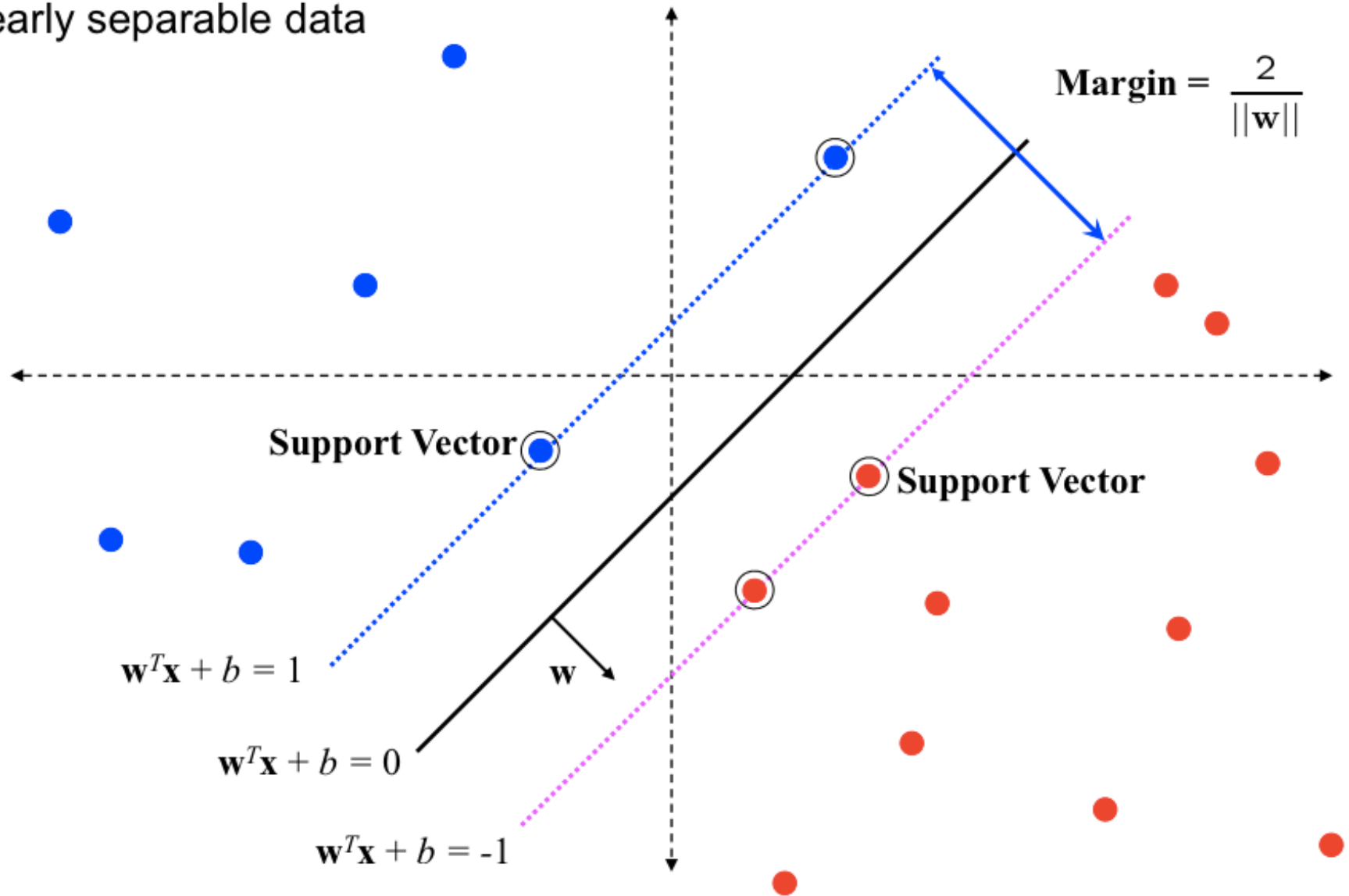
# Maximum Margin



- **maximum margin** solution: most stable under perturbations of the inputs  
and hence better generalisation performance

# Margin

linearly separable data



# Margin

- Since  $\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x} + b = 0$  and  $c(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x} + b) = 0$  define the same plane, we have the freedom to choose the normalization of  $\mathbf{w}$
- Choose normalization such that  $\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_+ + b = +1$  and  $\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_- + b = -1$  for the positive and negative support vectors respectively
- Then the **margin** is given by distance between two parallel line  
 $\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_+ + b = +1$  and  $\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_- + b = -1$

$$\frac{|+1 - b - (-1 - b)|}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} = \frac{2}{\|\mathbf{w}\|}$$

# Perceptron with margin

The optimization problem becomes

$$\min_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2.$$

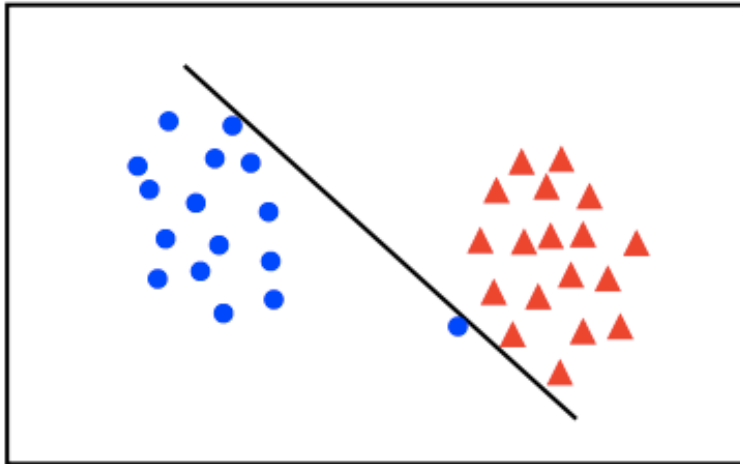
subject to

$$y_i (\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) \geq 1 \quad \text{for } i = 1 \dots N$$

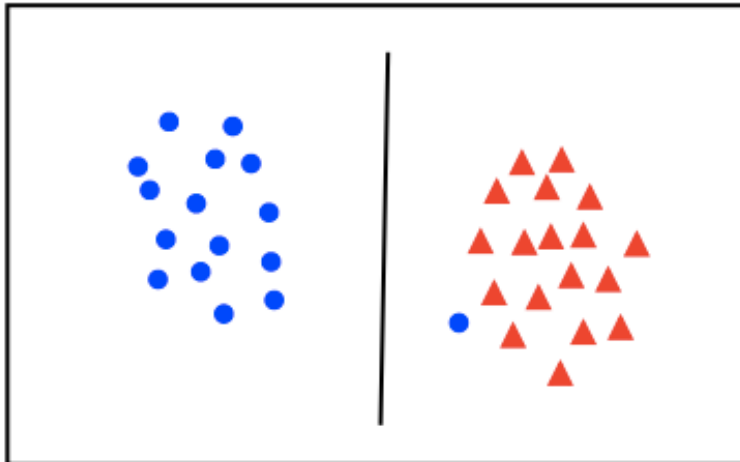
- This is now optimizing a *quadratic* function subject to *linear* constraints
- Quadratic optimization problems are a well-known class of mathematical programming problem, and many (intricate) algorithms exist for solving them (with many special ones built for SVMs)

DisAdvantage : Will not converge for linearly non-separable data

# SVM: Trade off



- the points can be linearly separated but there is a very narrow margin



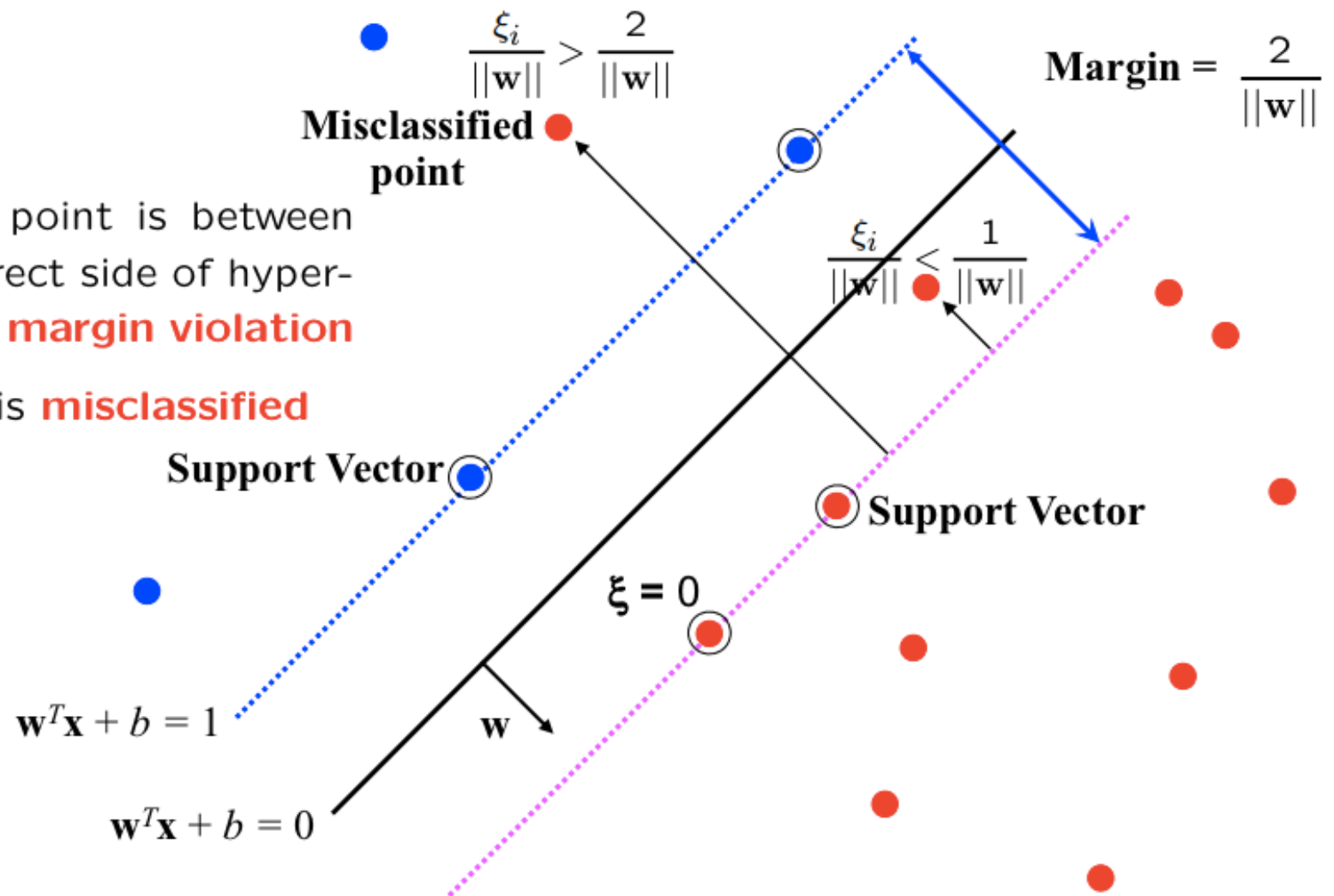
- but possibly the large margin solution is better, even though one constraint is violated

In general there is a trade off between the margin and the number of mistakes on the training data

# SVM: soft margin

$$\xi_i \geq 0$$

- for  $0 < \xi \leq 1$  point is between margin and correct side of hyper-plane. This is a **margin violation**
- for  $\xi > 1$  point is **misclassified**



# SVM: Support Vector Machine

The optimization problem becomes

$$\min_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \xi_i \in \mathbb{R}^+} ||\mathbf{w}'||^2 + C \sum_i^N \xi_i$$

subject to

$$y_i (\mathbf{w}' \mathbf{x}_i + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i \text{ for } i = 1 \dots N$$
$$\xi_i \geq 0$$

- Every constraint can be satisfied if  $\xi_i$  is sufficiently large
- $C$  is a regularization parameter:
  - small  $C$  allows constraints to be easily ignored  $\rightarrow$  large margin
  - large  $C$  makes constraints hard to ignore  $\rightarrow$  narrow margin
  - $C = \infty$  enforces all constraints: hard margin
- This is still a quadratic optimization problem and there is a unique minimum. Note, there is only one parameter,  $C$ .