

Hard-margin SVM primal form

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{w, b} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|w\|_2^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y_i (w^T x_i + b) \geq 1, \forall i \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Dual form derive

According to Lagrangian:  $\min_x f(x)$  (2) Lagrangian function

$$\text{s.t. } g_i(x) \leq 0 \quad L(x, \mu_i) = f(x) + \sum \mu_i g_i(x)$$

from (1), (2):  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \|w\|_2^2$ ,  $g_i(x) = 1 - y_i (w^T x_i + b)$

hence, Lagrangian function  $L(w, b, \mu_i) = \frac{1}{2} \|w\|_2^2 + \sum \mu_i (1 - y_i (w^T x_i + b))$  (3)

When  $g_i(x) = 1 - y_i (w^T x_i + b) > 0$ , then  $\max_{\mu_i} (L(w, b, \mu_i)) = \frac{1}{2} \|w\|_2^2 + \infty = \infty$  (4)

When  $g_i(x) = 1 - y_i (w^T x_i + b) \leq 0$ , then  $\max_{\mu_i} (L(w, b, \mu_i)) = \frac{1}{2} \|w\|_2^2 + 0 = \frac{1}{2} \|w\|_2^2$  (5)

combine (4), (5):  $\min_{w, b} \max_{\mu_i} L(w, b, \mu_i) = \min_{w, b} \left\{ \infty, \frac{1}{2} \|w\|_2^2 \right\} = \min_{w, b} \frac{1}{2} \|w\|_2^2$

hence,  $\min_{w, b} \frac{1}{2} \|w\|_2^2$  same as  $\min_{w, b} \max_{\mu_i} L(w, b, \mu_i)$  (6)

$$\text{s.t. } y_i (w^T x_i + b) \geq 1$$

derivative in (6):  $\frac{\partial L(w, b, \mu_i)}{\partial w} = w - \sum \mu_i y_i x_i = 0 \Rightarrow w = \sum \mu_i y_i x_i$  (7)

$\frac{\partial L(w, b, \mu_i)}{\partial b} = \sum \mu_i y_i = 0$  (8)

combine (3) (6) (7) (8):  $\min_{w, b} \max_{\mu_i} L(w, b, \mu_i) = \max_{\mu_i} \left( \frac{1}{2} (\sum \mu_i y_i x_i)^T (\sum \mu_i y_i x_i) + \sum \mu_i (1 - y_i ((\sum \mu_i y_i x_i)^T x_i + b)) \right)$

$$= \max_{\mu_i} \left( \frac{1}{2} (\sum \mu_i y_i x_i^T) (\sum \mu_i y_i x_i) + \sum \mu_i - (\sum \mu_i y_i x_i^T) (\sum \mu_i y_i x_i) - \sum \mu_i b \right)$$

$$= \max_{\mu_i} \left( -\frac{1}{2} (\sum \mu_i y_i x_i^T) (\sum \mu_i y_i x_i) + \sum \mu_i \right) = \min_{\mu_i} \left( \frac{1}{2} (\sum \mu_i y_i x_i^T) (\sum \mu_i y_i x_i) - \sum \mu_i \right)$$

hence, hard-margin svm dual formation is

$$\min_{u_i} \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_i u_i y_i x_i^T \right) \left( \sum_i u_i y_i x_i \right) - \sum_i u_i \right)$$

$$\text{s.t. } u_i \geq 0$$

$$\sum_i u_i y_i = 0$$