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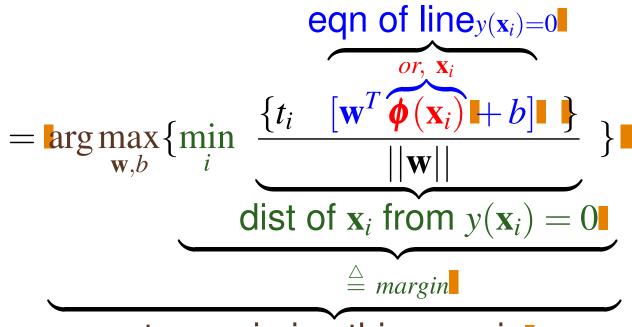
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margin: min dist frm a point in either class: symI

Interpretation of: 
$$\max_{\mathbf{w},b} \{ \frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||} \min_{i} \{ t_i [\mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i) + b] \} \}$$



to maximise this margin

- Margin =  $\pm \frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||}$ : particularly elegant
- This is just a scaling. Scaling w and b by  $\kappa$  leave the margin unchanged (shown later)



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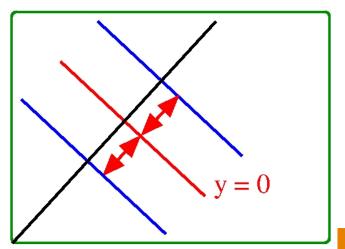
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Three Men in a Boat: Three Lines, Eqns



- y = 0: decision boundary
- Implicit form  $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}_i) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b = 0$
- Slope: w, dist from origin  $\frac{b}{||\mathbf{w}||}$
- | lines: same slope, diff dist
- 2 lines normalised dist  $\frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||}$
- 'Near line': same slope, closer than dec boundary
- closer by  $\frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||}$ : from origin:  $\frac{b}{||\mathbf{w}||} \frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||}$ :coeff = (b-1)
- $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + (b-1) = 0 \implies \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b = +1 \implies y = +1 \implies$
- 'Far line': same slope, farther than dec boundary
- farther by  $\frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||}$ : from origin:  $\frac{b}{||\mathbf{w}||} + \frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||}$ : coeff = (b+1)
- $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + (b+1) = 0 \implies \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b = -1 \implies y = -1$



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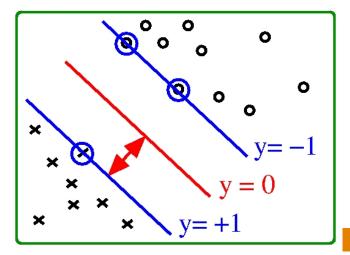


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- Maximum margin solution:  $\arg \max_{\mathbf{w},b} \{ \frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||} \min_i \{ t_i [\mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) + b] \} \}$
- 'min' comes from 'margin'
- Find w,b to max the margin
- Now let us look at  $y = \pm 1$
- Consider  $\phi(\mathbf{x}_i) = \mathbf{x}_i$  (simplicity, no feature xform)
- $y(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b$  is a hyperplane/line in  $\mathbf{x}$  space
- w measures the slope/inclination. Why?
- $w_2x_2 + w_1x_1 + b = 0$ :  $\frac{x_2}{(-b/w_2)} + \frac{x_1}{(-b/w_1)} = 1$
- $\frac{b}{||\mathbf{w}||}$ : distance from the origin. Vary b: || lines
- If somehow we know the direction w, fit a red line equidistant from the two lines: decision boundary
- How do we know? Oracle/QP solver for w (& b)
- The distance of a point from the decision boundary is unchanged on a scaling of  $\mathbf{w}$  & b by  $\kappa$  each



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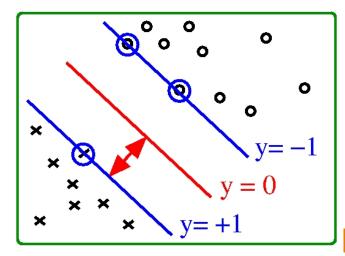
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- The distance of a point from the decision boundary is unchanged on a scaling of  $\mathbf{w}$  & b by  $\kappa$  each
- =  $\frac{t_i \kappa \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + \kappa b}{\kappa ||\mathbf{w}||} = \frac{t_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b}{||\mathbf{w}||}$  (property)
- 'Nice' formulation: Consider total margin =  $2/||\mathbf{w}||$



|b||w|| |b||w|| |b||w|| |b||w|| |b||w|| |b||w|| |b||w|| |b||w||

- Maximum margin solution:  $\arg \max_{\mathbf{w},b} \{ \frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||} \min_i \{ t_i \ \mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) + b \} \}$
- 'min' comes from 'margin'
- Find w,b to max the margin
- Now, the  $y = \pm 1$  part:
- 2 blue lines @dist $\pm \frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||} \Longrightarrow \mathbb{I}$
- coeff  $\pm 1$ :  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + (b \pm 1) = 0$
- $y = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b = \mp 1$ .  $b + \mathbf{v}$
- 'near' line:  $y = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b = +1$
- 'far' line:  $y = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b = -1$



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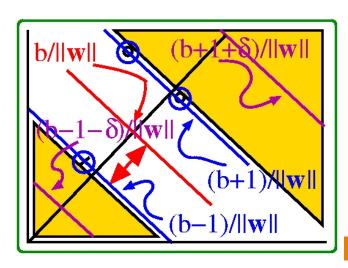


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- We want the golden regions:
  2-class data, well-separated
- Consider a magenta line to the right of the blue 'far' line
- Consider 4 dists from origin
- Hence for this region  $\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x} + b < -1$  || | Iy the other
- 2 regions:  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b < -1 \& \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b > +1 \ (t_i = \mp 1)$
- $t_i = -1 : \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b < -1 \& t_i = +1 : \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b > +1$
- Generalised Canonical Rep<sup>n</sup>:  $t_i \left[ \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}) + b \right] > +1$
- Recap:  $\phi(x)$  is a feature space xform/kernel fn, for a linear decision boundary in xform space
- SVs: closest to d'boundary vis-a-vis margin
- Optimal margin: linear combo of SVs



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- Max margin:  $\arg \max_{\mathbf{w},b} \{ \frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||} \min_i \{ t_i [\mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i) + b] \} \}$
- $\min_i \{ t_i [\mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i) + b] \}$ : margin. So opt:  $\max \frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||}$
- $\max \frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||} \equiv \min ||\mathbf{w}|| \equiv \min \frac{1}{2} ||\mathbf{w}||^2$ .  $\frac{1}{2}$ : convenience in derivative, square: gets rid of the root in  $||\mathbf{w}||$
- $\arg\min_{\mathbf{w},b} \frac{1}{2} ||\mathbf{w}||^2$  subject to  $t_i \left[ \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i) + b \right] > 1, \forall \mathbf{x}_i$
- Quad prog, subject to linear ineq constr.s:  $\mathcal{O}(M^3)$
- $L(\mathbf{w}, b, \mathbf{a}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \frac{1}{2} ||\mathbf{w}||^2 \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \{ t_i \left[ \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i) + b \right] 1 \}$
- $\frac{1}{2}||\mathbf{w}||^2$ : to min,  $t_i [\mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) + b] 1 > 0$ : sep to max
- $\min(L)$ :  $||\mathbf{w}|| \ge 0$ ; Itake max terms neg; constr  $\ge 0$ ; In combo coeffs  $a_i \ge 0$ : L'mults;  $\mathbf{a} = [a_1 \dots a_N]^T$
- Lagrange multipliers: ONE function to max/min, subject to a set of equality/inequality constraints
- $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{w}^T} = \mathbf{0}$ ,  $\frac{\partial L}{\partial b} = \mathbf{0}$



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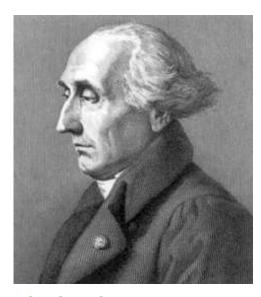
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## Intertwined Histories



J.-L. Lagrange [1736-1813]



A. Lavoisier [1743-1794]



J.-B. J. Fourier [1768-1830]

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• 
$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{w}^T} = \frac{1}{2} 2\mathbf{w} - \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \ t_i \ \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) = 0$$
:  $\mathbf{w} = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \ t_i \ \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$ 

• 
$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial b} = 0$$
:  $\sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i t_i = 0$ 

• Under these constraints, what is  $L(\mathbf{w}, b, \mathbf{a})$ ?

$$\bullet = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} - \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \ t_i \ \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \ t_i \ b + \sum_{i=1}^N a_i$$

• 1st term = 
$$\frac{1}{2}$$
**w**<sup>T</sup>**w** =  $\frac{1}{2} (\sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i t_i \phi^T(\mathbf{x}_i)) (\sum_{j=1}^{N} a_j t_j \phi(\mathbf{x}_j))$ 

$$\bullet = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_i \ a_j \ t_i \ t_j \ \boldsymbol{\phi}^T(\mathbf{x}_i) \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_j)$$

• 
$$k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \boldsymbol{\phi}^T(\mathbf{x}_i) \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_j) = \boldsymbol{\phi}^T(\mathbf{x}_j) \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

• 1st term = 
$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_i \ a_j \ t_i \ t_j \ k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$$

• 2nd term = 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i t_i \left( \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_j t_j \boldsymbol{\phi}^T(\mathbf{x}_j) \right) \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

$$\bullet = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_i \ a_j \ t_i \ t_j \ k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$$

• 3rd term = 
$$b\sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i t_i = 0$$



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$$L(\mathbf{w}, b, \mathbf{a}) = \widetilde{L}(\mathbf{a}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_i \ a_j \ t_i \ t_j \ k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$$

- $L(\mathbf{w},b,\mathbf{a}) = \widetilde{L}(\mathbf{a}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_i \ a_j \ t_i \ t_j \ k(\mathbf{x}_i,\mathbf{x}_j)$  subject to  $a_i \geq 0$  (Lagrange multipliers) &  $\sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i \ t_i = 0$ : Dual Formulation: no  $\mathbf{w},b$ : at opt
  - constrained  $L(\mathbf{w}, b, \mathbf{a}) \to \text{constrained } L(\mathbf{a}) \text{Dual}$
  - Weird? Original  $\arg\min_{\mathbf{w},b} \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}$ : *M*-dim,  $\mathcal{O}(M^3)$
  - Dual  $\operatorname{larg\,min}_{\mathbf{a}} \sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i \, a_j \, t_i \, t_j \, k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$ : N-dim problem
  - D = (M-1)-dim formulation:  $y(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}) + b$

• 
$$D = 2$$
:  $y(x_2, x_1) = [w_2 \ w_1] \begin{bmatrix} \phi_2(x_2, x_1) \\ \phi_1(x_2, x_1) \end{bmatrix} + b$ 

• 
$$y(\mathbf{x}) = [w_2 \ w_1] \begin{bmatrix} \phi_2(\mathbf{x}) \\ \phi_1(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix} + b = w_2 x_2 + w_1 x_1 + b \text{ (omit } \boldsymbol{\phi})$$

- 2-D line: coeffs 0 ( $w_0 = b$ ) to M 1, 2-D weights w & one b: M = D + 1 params typically  $\langle N \rangle$  (# points)
- Kernel: transform data to a higher dim space