

① Recall convex hull of  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  is  $\{\alpha^T x \mid \alpha \in [0,1] \text{ and } \alpha^T \mathbf{1} = 1\}$

Lemma 1: Convex hulls are convex

pf: Let  $\alpha^T x, \beta^T x \in \text{convex hull}$ .

$\hookrightarrow$  WTS:  $t\alpha^T x + (1-t)\beta^T x \in \text{convex hull} \quad \forall 0 \leq t \leq 1$

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$$(t\alpha + (1-t)\beta)^T \mathbf{1} = t\alpha^T \mathbf{1} + (1-t)\beta^T \mathbf{1} \quad \checkmark$$

Lin. sep:  $\exists \hat{w} \in \mathbb{R}^d, w_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

$$\hat{w}^T x_i + w_0 < 0 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, N$$

$$\hat{w}^T y_j + w_0 > 0 \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, M$$

Interesting Direction: Suppose convex hulls of  $x_1, \dots, x_N$  and  $y_1, \dots, y_M$  do not intersect

WTS:  $\exists \hat{w} \in \mathbb{R}^d, w_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $\hat{w}^T x + w_0 < 0 \quad \forall x \in X = \text{convex hull of } x$   
 $\hat{w}^T y + w_0 > 0 \quad \forall y \in Y = \text{convex hull of } y$

Construction of  $\hat{w}, w_0$ :

Let  $(x_0, y_0) = \arg \min_{(x,y) \in X \times Y} \|x - y\| \Rightarrow$  Exists b/c  $X, Y$  are bounded + closed, so  $X \times Y$  is compact.  
 since  $\|x - y\|$  cont., it achieves a minimum.

$$\text{Set } \hat{w} = \frac{y_0 - x_0}{\|y_0 - x_0\|} \quad \text{and } w_0 = -\left(\frac{y_0 + x_0}{2}\right)^T \hat{w}$$

Since we only care about sign of  $\hat{w}^T x + w_0$ , we can instead

$$\text{Use } \hat{w} = y_0 - x_0 \quad \text{and } w_0 = -\frac{(y_0 + x_0)^T \hat{w}}{2}$$

Let us now show the inequalities:

Let  $x \in X$ , and consider

$$w^T x + w_0 = (y_0 - x_0)^T x - \frac{(y_0 + x_0)^T (y_0 - x_0)}{2} \stackrel{\text{WTS}}{< 0}$$

$$\Rightarrow (y_0 - x_0)^T \left(x - \frac{y_0 + x_0}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2} (y_0 - x_0)^T ((x - y_0) + (x - x_0))$$

Remains to show:  $(y_0 - x_0)^T (x - y_0) < -(y_0 - x_0)^T (x - x_0)$

we will show  $> 0$

showing  $-(y_0 - x_0)^T(x - x_0) > 0$

$$\Rightarrow (y_0 - x_0)^T(x - x_0) < 0$$

Pf: key step, consider:  $l(t) = tx + (1-t)x_0$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  in  $X$  by convexity

observation: by def.  $\|y_0 - x_0\| \leq \|l(t) - y_0\|$  for all  $t$

$$\text{so } \|y_0 - x_0\|^2 - \|l(t) - y_0\|^2 \leq 0$$

$$(y_0 - x_0)^T(y_0 - x_0) - (l(t) - y_0)^T(l(t) - y_0) \leq 0$$

$$(y_0 - x_0)^T(y_0 - x_0) - (tx + (1-t)x_0 - y_0)^T(tx + (1-t)x_0 - y_0) \leq 0$$

$$(y_0 - x_0)^T(y_0 - x_0) - (tx - tx_0 + (x_0 - y_0))^T(tx - tx_0 + (x_0 - y_0)) \leq 0$$

$$-t^2(x - x_0)^T(x - x_0) - 2t(x - x_0)^T(x_0 - y_0) \leq 0$$

when  $t=0$  this is obviously true since  $l(0) = x_0$  so,

$$-2t(x - x_0)^T(x - x_0) - 2t(x - x_0)^T(x_0 - y_0) < 0 \quad \forall \quad 0 < t \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - x_0)^T(y_0 - x_0) < \frac{1}{2}t(x - x_0)^T(x - x_0)$$

Taking  $t \rightarrow 0$  shows  $(x - x_0)^T(y_0 - x_0) < 0$

$\therefore$  If they are linearly separable, their convex hulls do not intersect.

Other direction:

Consider  $x_0$  in the convex hull of  $X$ , then

$$\exists \alpha \text{ with } \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i = 1 \text{ and } \alpha_i \geq 0 \text{ and } x_0 = \sum \alpha_i x_i$$

$$\exists \beta \text{ with } \sum \beta_n = 1 \text{ and } \beta_n \geq 0 \text{ and } x_0 = \sum \beta_n y_n$$

where  $y_n$  represents points in hull of  $Y$ .

Suppose then that they are linearly separable, meaning

$$w^T x_0 + w_0 > 0 \text{ and also } w^T x_0 + w_0 < 0 \text{ for linear}$$

decision boundary defined by  $w$  and  $w_0$ . This is impossible

which means that we see by contradiction that if the convex hulls intersect they are not lin sep.

### Exercise 4.14:

Need to find  $\arg\max_w \log p(t_n | \phi(x_n))$

$$\Rightarrow p(C=0 | \phi(x_n))^{t_n} p(C=1 | \phi(x_n))^{1-t_n} \\ = \sigma(w^T \phi(x_n) + w_0) (1 - \sigma(w^T \phi(x_n) + w_0))$$

Since  $P(C=1 | \phi(x_n)) = 1 - P(C=0 | \phi(x_n)) = 1 - \sigma(w^T \phi(x_n) + w_0)$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-w^T \phi(x_n) + w_0}} \\ = \frac{e^{-w^T \phi(x_n) - w_0}}{1 + e^{-w^T \phi(x_n) - w_0}} = \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^x} \right) \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \arg\max_w \log \prod_{n=1}^N \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^x} \right)^{t_n} \left( \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x} \right)^{1-t_n}$$

$$\arg\max_w \sum t_n \log \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^x} \right) + \sum (1-t_n) \log \left( \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x} \right)$$

$$\arg\max_w \sum -t_n \log(1 + e^x) - \log(1 + e^x)$$

$$\arg\max_w \sum (t_n - 1)(w^T \phi(x_n) + w_0) - \log(1 + e^x)$$

consider the 2 cases  $t_n = 1, t_n = -1$ :

$$\text{if } t_n = 1 \Rightarrow \arg\max_w \sum -\log(1 + e^x) = \log \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^x} \right)$$

$\hookrightarrow$  This is maximized when  $\|w\| \rightarrow \infty$

Similarly, if  $t_n = -1 \Rightarrow \arg\max_w -2(w^T \phi(x_n) + w_0) - \log(1 + e^x)$

which is maximized when  $\|w\| \rightarrow \infty$

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github link: [github.com/mateobiannchi6/156](https://github.com/mateobiannchi6/156)