



CIS 678 Machine Learning

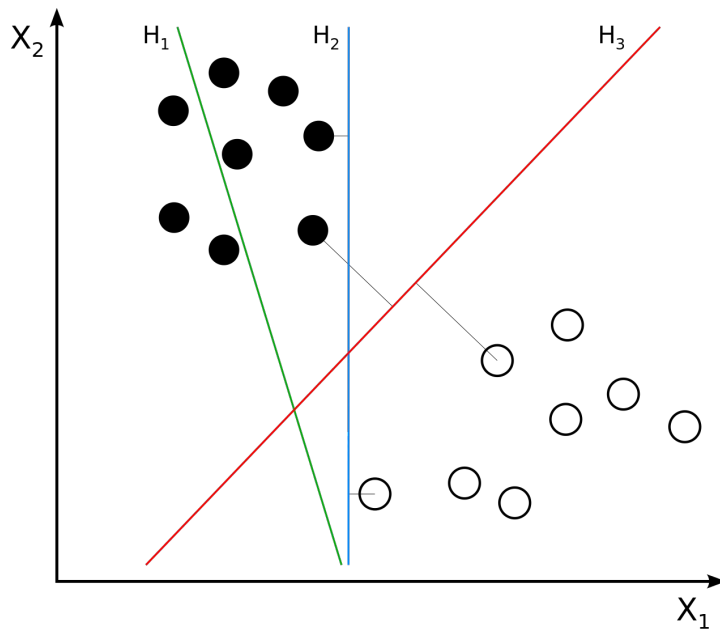
ML Models: SVM, Kernel Methods



Support Vector Machines

- Maximum margin models

Motivation



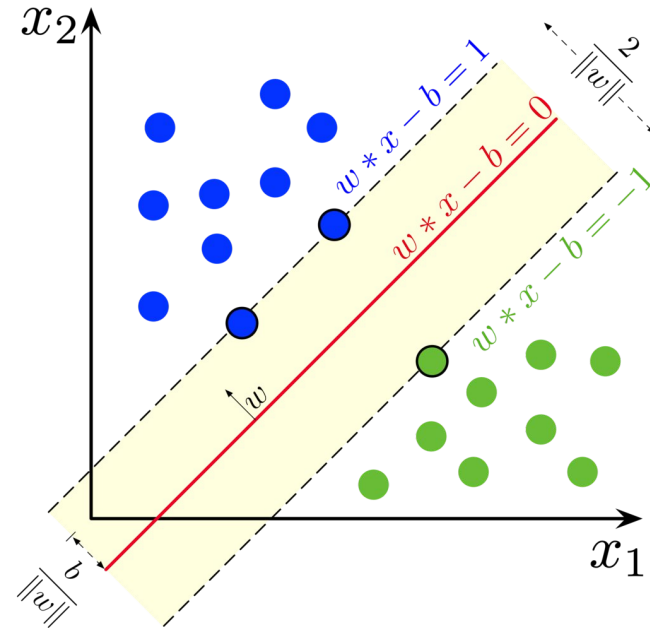
H_1 does not separate the classes. H_2 does, but only with a small margin. H_3 separates them with the maximal margin. ([Wiki](#))

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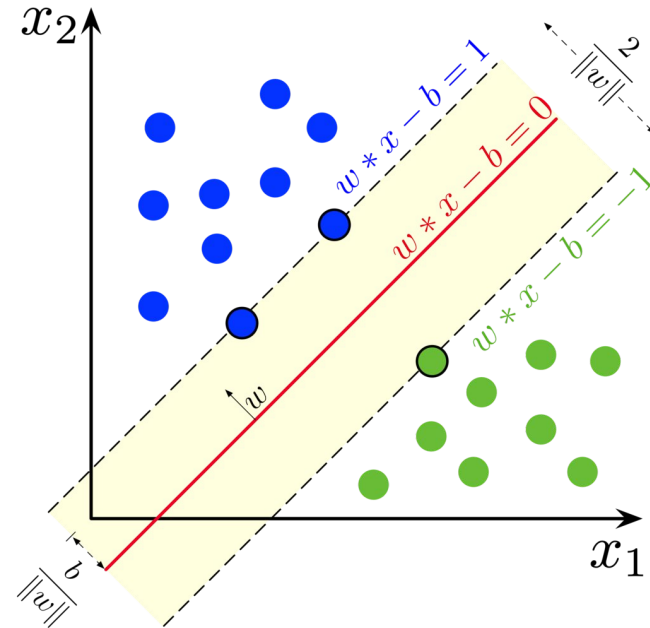
Maximum
margin classifier

$$\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} - b = 0,$$

Linear SVM: b, \mathbf{w} .

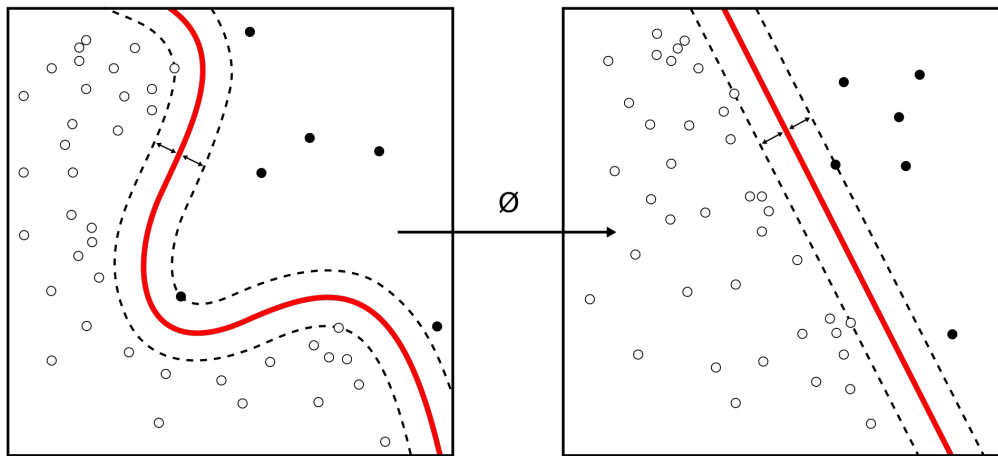
$$\text{Margin} : \frac{2}{\|\mathbf{w}\|},$$

Maximize



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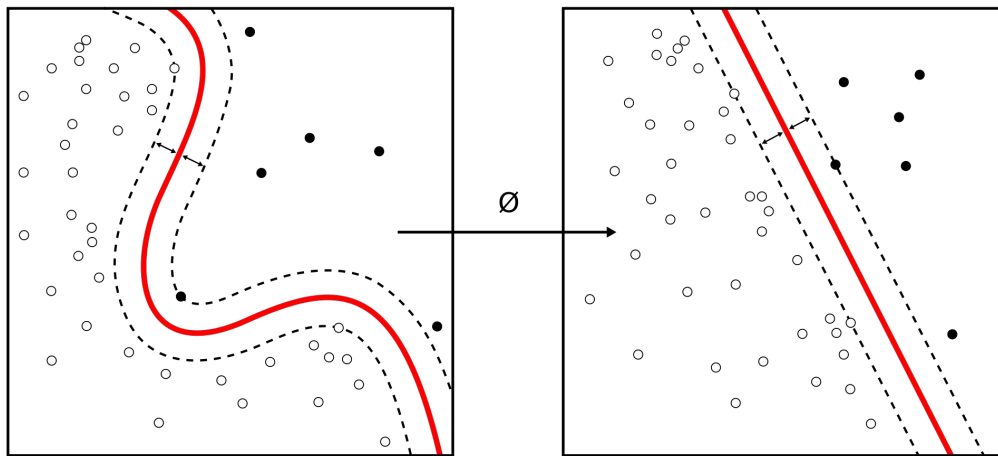


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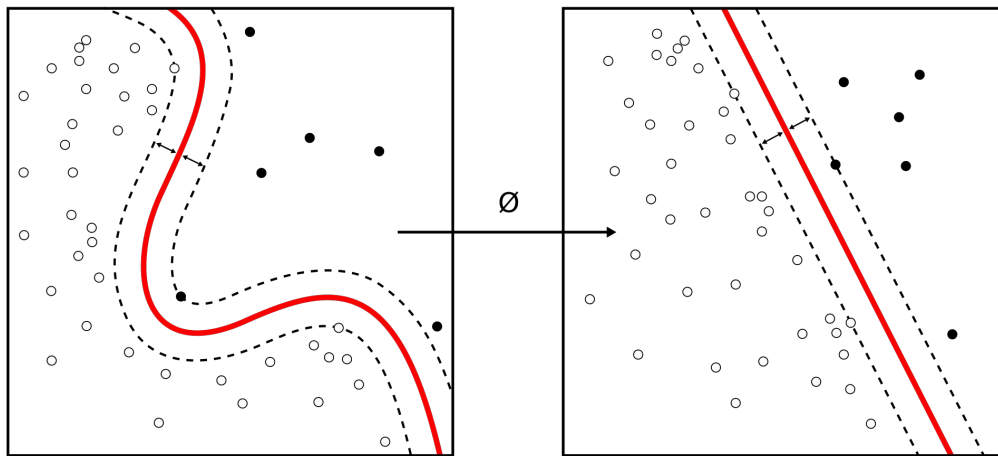
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Some common **kernels** include:

- **Polynomial (homogeneous)**: $k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = (\mathbf{x}_i \cdot \mathbf{x}_j)^d$. Particularly, when $d = 1$, this becomes the linear kernel.
- **Polynomial** (inhomogeneous): $k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = (\mathbf{x}_i \cdot \mathbf{x}_j + r)^d$.
- Gaussian **radial basis function**: $k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = \exp\left(-\gamma\|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\|^2\right)$ for $\gamma > 0$. Sometimes parametrized using $\gamma = 1/(2\sigma^2)$.
- **Sigmoid function (Hyperbolic tangent)**: $k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = \tanh(\kappa\mathbf{x}_i \cdot \mathbf{x}_j + c)$ for some (not every) $\kappa > 0$ and $c < 0$.

The kernel is related to the transform $\varphi(\mathbf{x}_i)$ by the equation $k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) = \varphi(\mathbf{x}_i) \cdot \varphi(\mathbf{x}_j)$. The value \mathbf{w} is also in the transformed space, with $\mathbf{w} = \sum_i \alpha_i y_i \varphi(\mathbf{x}_i)$. Dot products with \mathbf{w} for classification can again be computed by the kernel trick, i.e.

$$\mathbf{w} \cdot \varphi(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i \alpha_i y_i k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}).$$