

# Linear Classification

6.036 Introduction to Machine Learning

# Classification

Is this a face image?



$y = 1$



$y = -1$

Labels/outputs:  $y \in \{-1, 1\}$

Feature vectors/input:  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^d$

Training set:  $S_n = \{(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), i = 1 \dots n\}$

classifier/hypothesis/separator

$$h: \mathbf{R}^d \rightarrow \{-1, 1\}$$

set of classifiers/hypothesis class

$$h \in \mathbf{H}$$

training error

$$\mathcal{E}_n(h) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [[h(x^{(i)}) \neq y^{(i)}]]$$

test/generalization error

$$\mathcal{E}(h) = \frac{1}{n'} \sum_{i=n+1}^{n+n'} [[h(x^{(i)}) \neq y^{(i)}]], \quad (n' \rightarrow \infty)$$

# Set of linear classifiers

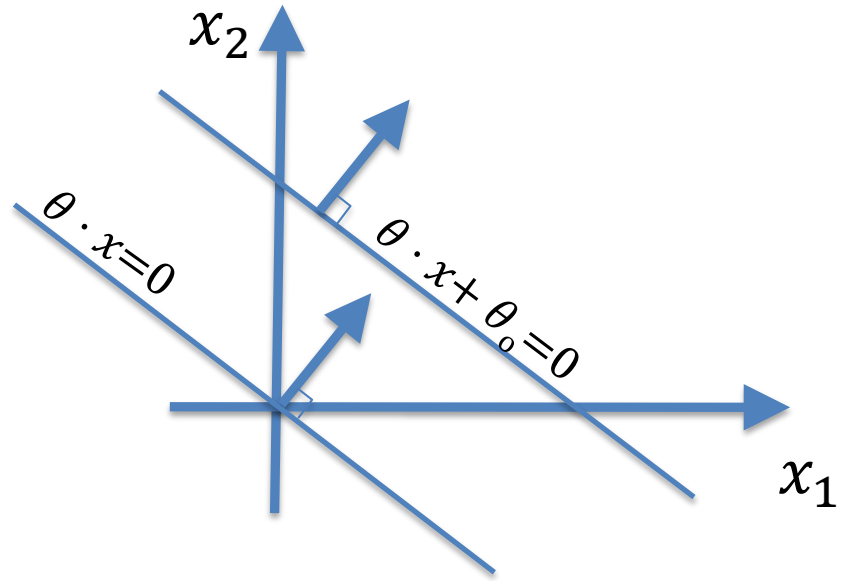
$$h(x; \theta, \theta_0) = \text{sign}(\theta \cdot x + \theta_0) = \begin{cases} +1, & \theta \cdot x + \theta_0 > 0 \\ -1, & \theta \cdot x + \theta_0 \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_d \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$$

decision boundary/plane/hyperplane

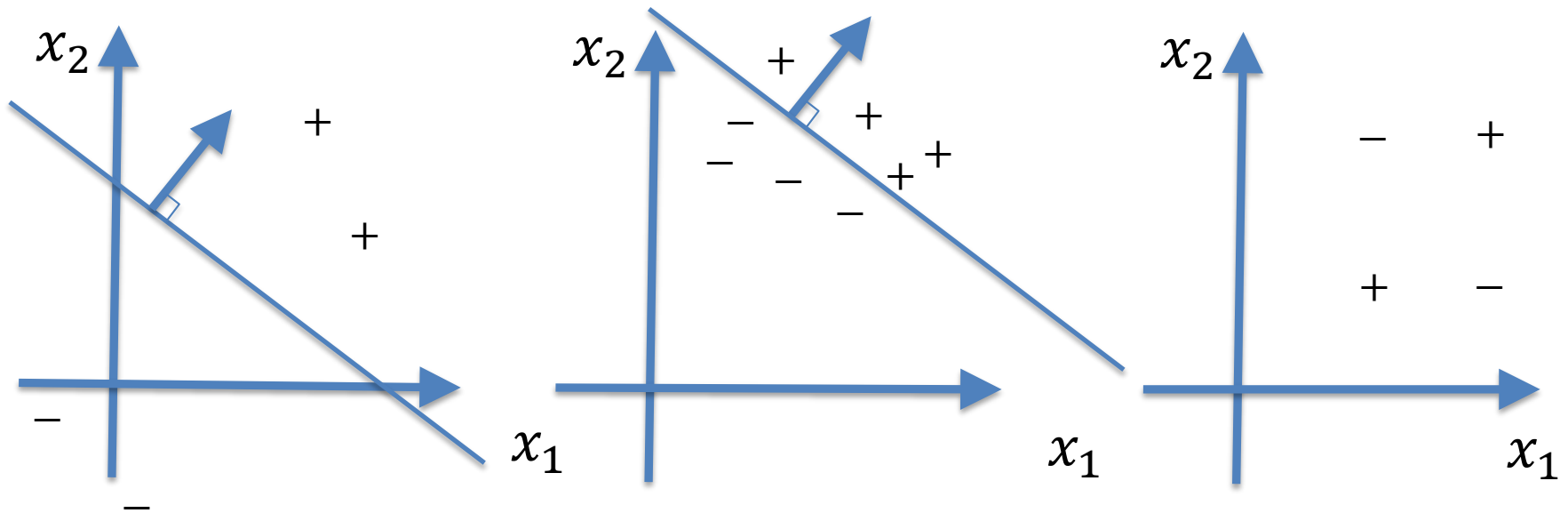
$$\{x: \theta \cdot x + \theta_0 = 0\}$$



# Linear separation

Training examples  $S_n = \{(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), i = 1 \dots n\}$   
are linearly separable if  $\exists \hat{\theta}, \hat{\theta}_0$

$$\text{s.t. } y^{(i)}(\hat{\theta} \cdot x^{(i)} + \hat{\theta}_0) > 0, \text{ for all } i = 1 \dots n$$



# Perceptron algorithm

Perceptron ( $\{(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), i = 1, \dots, n\}, T$ )

$\theta^{(0)} := 0; \theta_0^{(0)} := 0; k := 0$

for  $t = 1, \dots, T$ , do

for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , do

if  $y^{(i)}(\theta^{(k)} \cdot x^{(i)} + \theta_0^{(k)}) \leq 0$  then //mistake

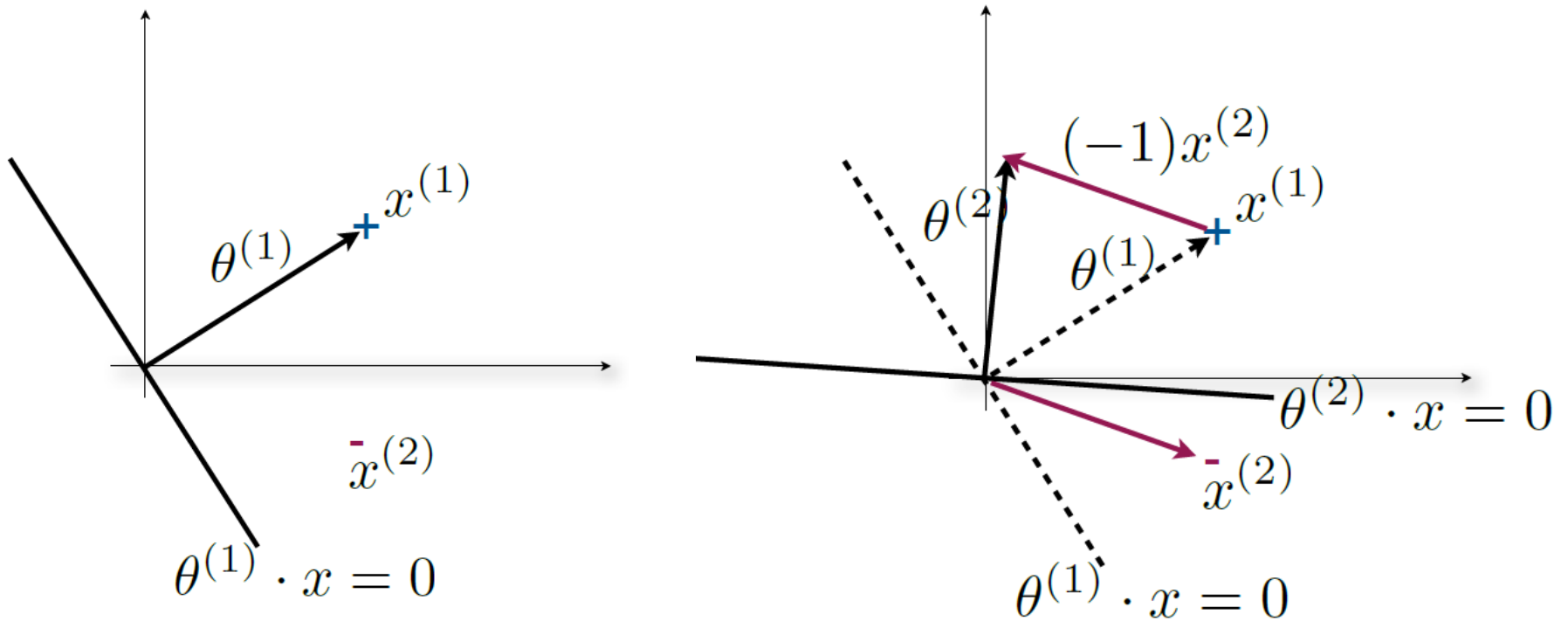
$k := k + 1$

$\theta^{(k)} := \theta^{(k-1)} + y^{(i)} x^{(i)}$

$\theta_0^{(k)} := \theta_0^{(k-1)} + y^{(i)}$

return  $\theta^{(k)}, \theta_0^{(k)}$

# Update example (no offset)



$$\theta^{(k)} := \theta^{(k-1)} + y^{(i)} x^{(i)}$$

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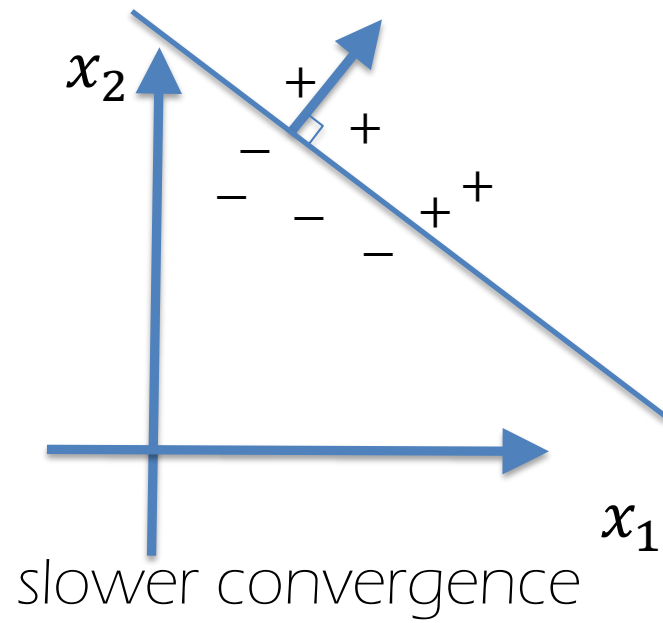
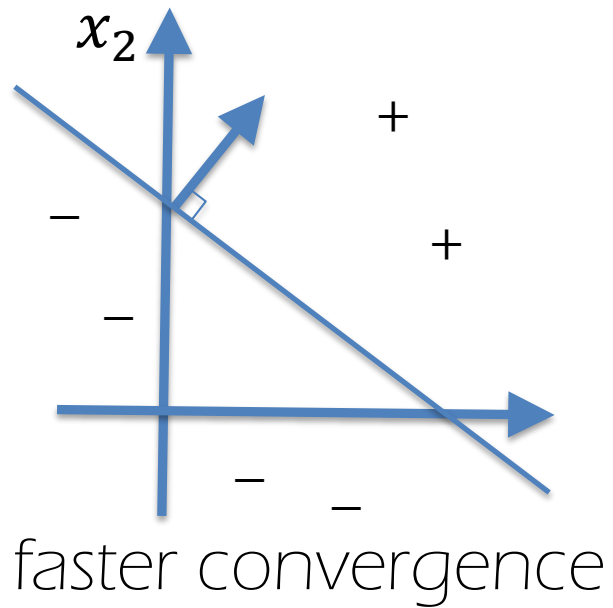
$\alpha_i^{(k)}$  = # mistakes made on  $(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$  after exactly  $k$  mistakes

$\theta^{(k)} = \alpha_1 y^{(1)} x^{(1)} + \dots + \alpha_n y^{(n)} x^{(n)}$

$\theta_0^{(k)} = \alpha_1 y^{(1)} + \dots + \alpha_n y^{(n)}$



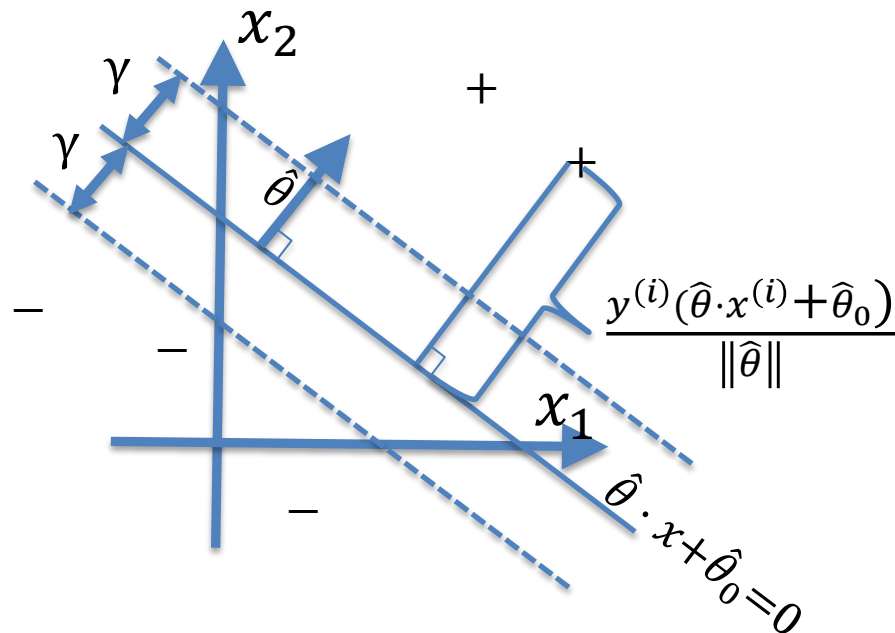
# Convergence



# Linear separation with margin

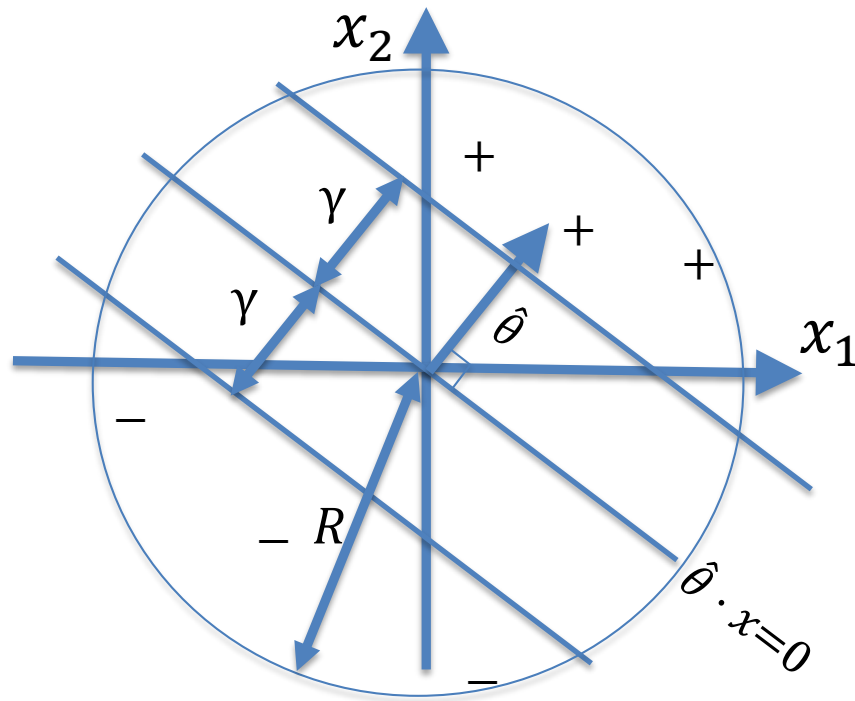
Training examples  $S_n = \{(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), i = 1 \dots n\}$  are linearly separable with margin  $\gamma$  if  $\exists \hat{\theta}, \hat{\theta}_0$

$$\text{s.t. } \frac{y^{(i)}(\hat{\theta} \cdot x^{(i)} + \hat{\theta}_0)}{\|\hat{\theta}\|} > \gamma > 0 \text{ for all } i = 1 \dots n$$



$$(A) \exists \hat{\theta} \text{ s.t. } \frac{y^{(i)} \hat{\theta} \cdot x^{(i)}}{\|\hat{\theta}\|} > \gamma > 0, i = 1 \dots n$$

$$(B) \|x^{(i)}\| \leq R, i = 1 \dots n$$



Theorem: If (A) & (B) hold then the perceptron algorithm makes at most  $\frac{R^2}{\gamma^2}$  mistakes.

$\theta^{(k)}$  – parameter after  $k$  mistakes

$$1 \geq \cos(\angle(\theta^{(k)}, \hat{\theta})) = \frac{\theta^{(k)} \cdot \hat{\theta}}{\|\theta^{(k)}\| \|\hat{\theta}\|} \geq \frac{k\gamma}{\|\theta^{(k)}\|} \geq \frac{k\gamma}{\sqrt{kR^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{k\gamma^2}{R^2}}$$

$k^{\text{th}}$  mistake happened on  $(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$

$$\frac{\theta^{(k)} \cdot \hat{\theta}}{\|\hat{\theta}\|} = \frac{(\theta^{(k-1)} + y^{(i)} x^{(i)}) \cdot \hat{\theta}}{\|\hat{\theta}\|} = \frac{\theta^{(k-1)} \cdot \hat{\theta}}{\|\hat{\theta}\|} + \underbrace{\frac{y^{(i)} x^{(i)} \cdot \hat{\theta}}{\|\hat{\theta}\|}}_{\geq \gamma} \geq k\gamma$$

$$\|\theta^{(k)}\|^2 = \|(\theta^{(k-1)} + y^{(i)} x^{(i)})\|^2 \leq kR^2$$