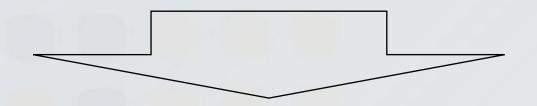
### Weighting: why?

- Some data entries may be more or less reliable than others –
  use of different measurement tools, a large dataset created from
  smaller datasets obtained in different ways etc etc
- We may want to make some data entries more or less important based on their properties



Weighting

### **Example: weighting in regression**

#### Simple linear regression with weighting

Find the values of a and b so that

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#### **Example: weighting in regression**

#### Linear regression with weighting

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### Weighting in kNN

#### Based on the properties of training data entries

- E.g. when some training data entries can be "trusted" more than others. Most often, because they are obtained from different sources with different characteristic error etc
- Another possibility is that training data has other labels/properties which we want to take into account
- Static weights assigned to each training data points

#### Based on the properties of "training-test" pairs

- E.g. when some training data entries can be
  "trusted" more than others, but this depends on
  the test data entry, which needs to be labelled.
  Most often, to take into account "distances" in
  pairs (each pair includes a training data entry
  and test data entry).
- Another possibility is that training data has other labels/properties which we want to take into account, depending on the test data entry.
- Dynamic weights, different for each pair

#### Could be both

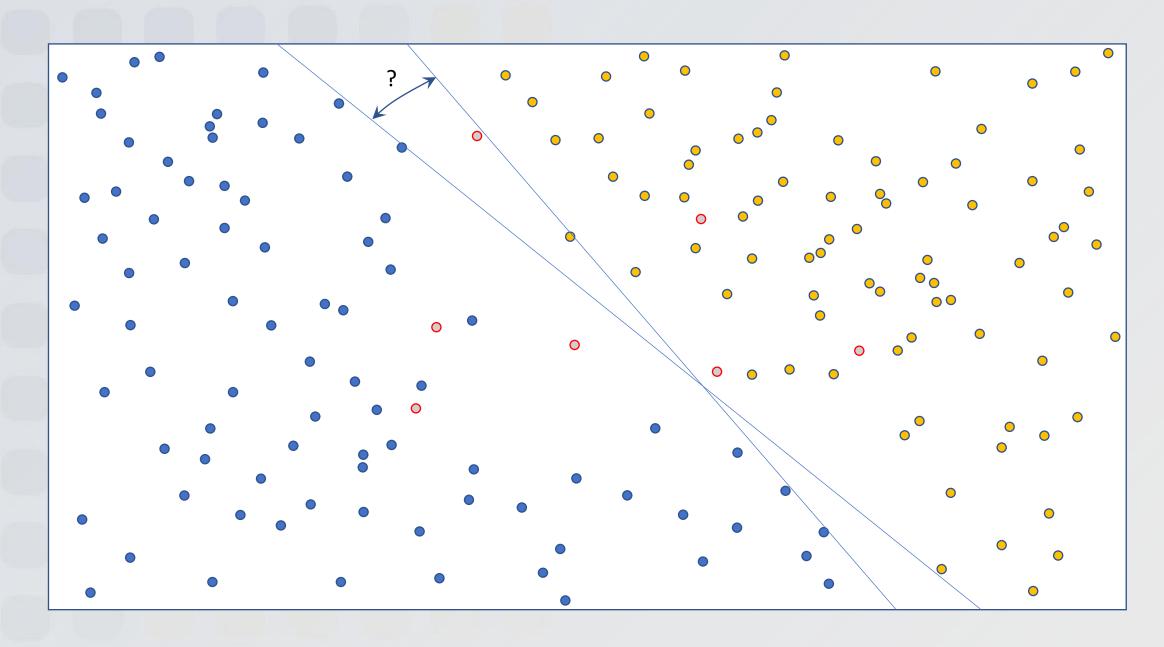
### **Weighting in kNN**

- The effect of neighbours may change with distance. We might want neighbours which are further away to have lower significance. How do we do this? – Weighting!
- $P_t = \operatorname{sign}(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} W_j P_{i(j)})$
- E.g.  $P_t = \text{sign}(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} e^{-L_j} P_{i(j)})$  in this case weights exponentially decrease with distance to the corresponding neighbour

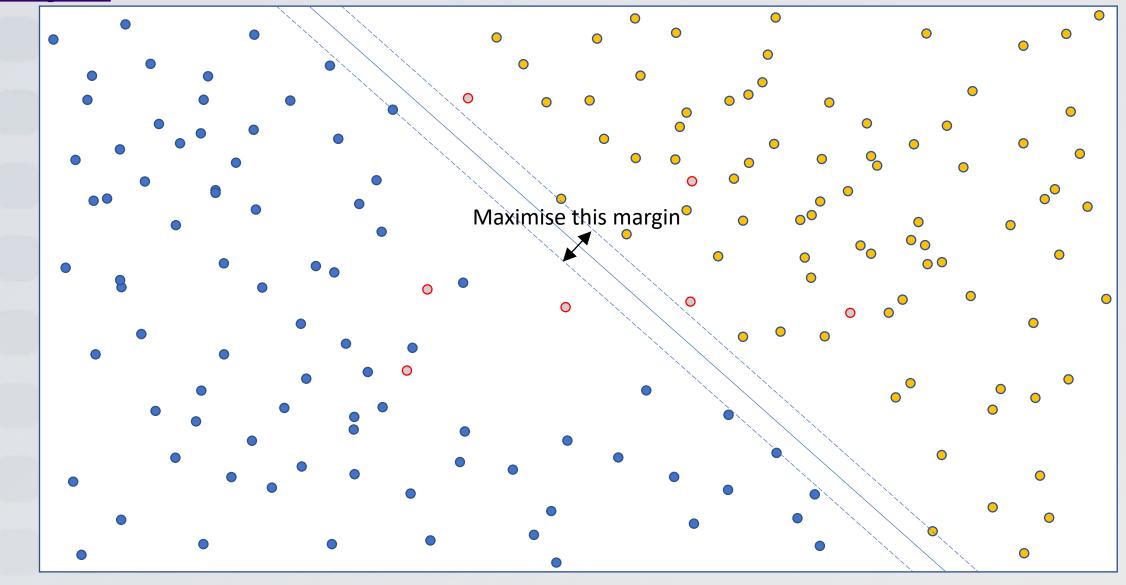
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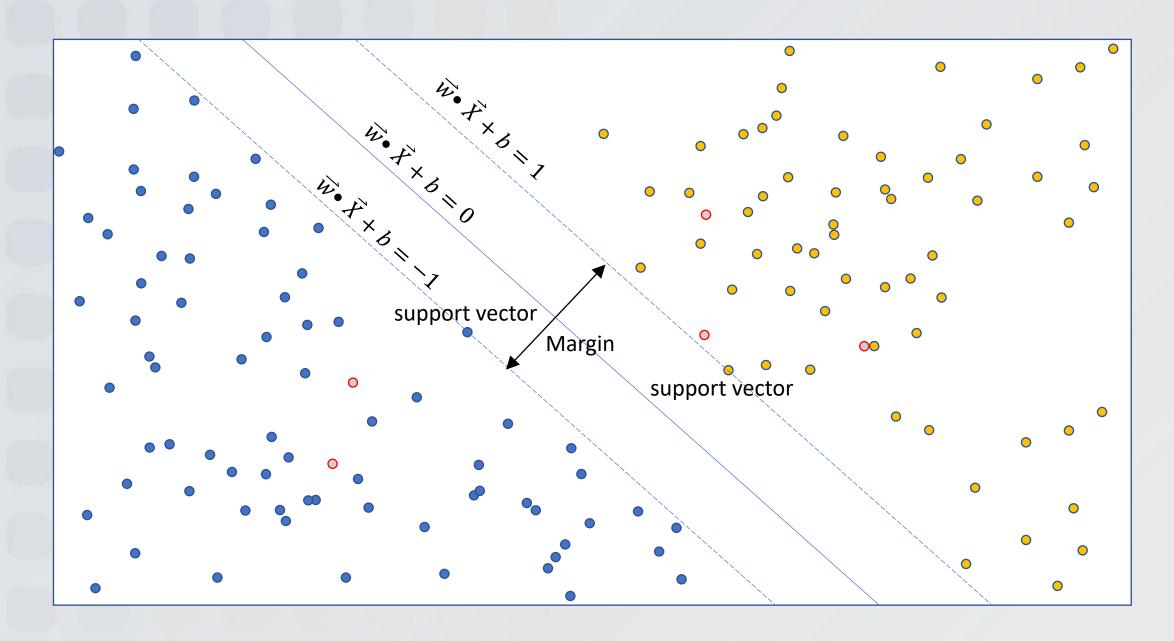
- The effect of neighbours may depend on their reliability. We can give different 'voting weight' to each training data entry
- $P_t = \operatorname{sign}(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} W_{i(j)} P_{i(j)})$  in this case each entry in the training data has its own weight

# **Example**



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$$S = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } \overrightarrow{X}.\overrightarrow{w} + b \ge 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } \overrightarrow{X}.\overrightarrow{w} + b < 0 \end{cases}$$

- What is  $\vec{w} \cdot \vec{X} + b = 0$  ?
  - this is another way of representing a line

$$\vec{X} = [x, y]$$
$$\vec{w} = [w_1, w_2]$$

$$xw_1 + yw_2 + b = 0$$

$$y = -\frac{w_1}{w_2}x - \frac{b}{w_2}$$

We have two lines

$$xw_1 + yw_2 + b + 1 = 0$$
$$xw_1 + yw_2 + b - 1 = 0$$

■ The distance \( \Delta\) between them is

$$\Delta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{w_1^2 + w_1^2}} = \frac{2}{|\vec{w}|}$$

• Maximise  $\Delta$  = minimise absolute value of  $\overrightarrow{w}$ 

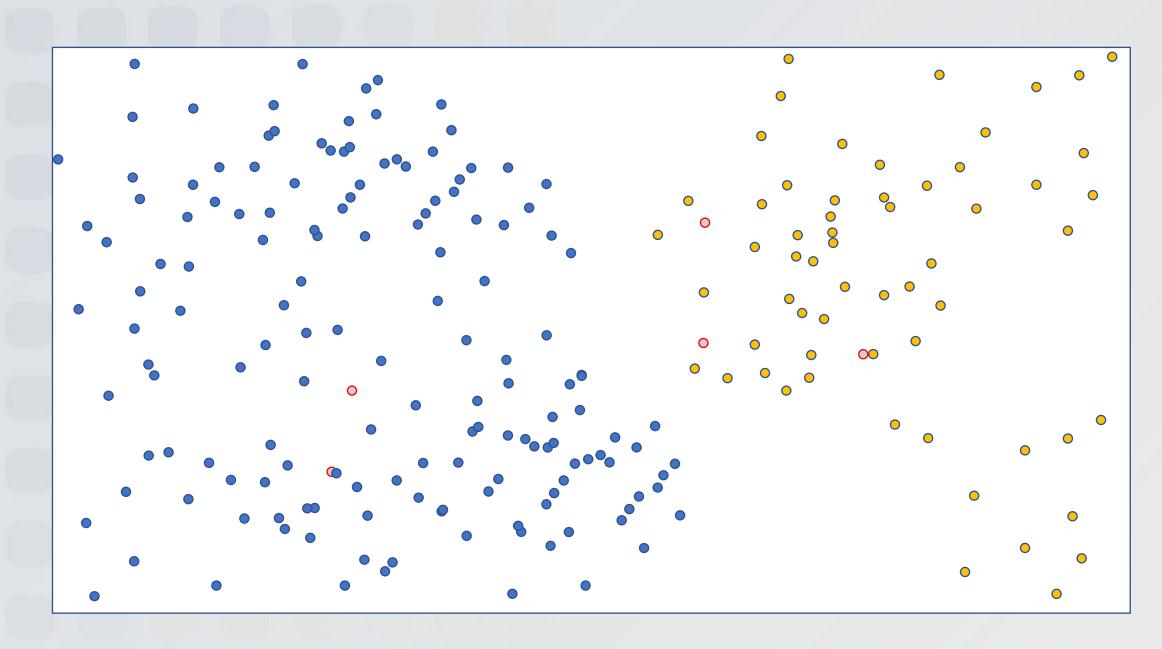
- Maximise  $\Delta$  = minimise absolute value of  $\overrightarrow{w}$
- Taking into account that

$$\overrightarrow{w} \bullet \overrightarrow{X} + b \ge 1$$
 when S = 1  
 $\overrightarrow{w} \bullet \overrightarrow{X} + b \le 1$  when S = -1

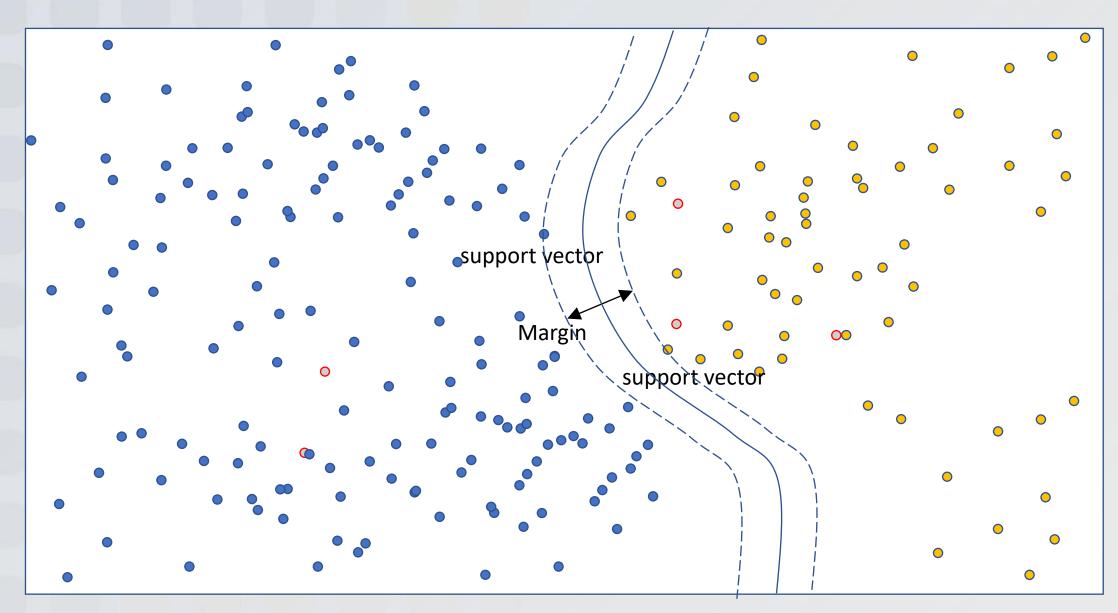
we can write

$$S_i(\overrightarrow{w} \bullet \overrightarrow{X_i}) \geq 1$$

- Linear = separated by line
- Non-linear = separated by curve



$$\mathsf{F}(\overrightarrow{w} \bullet \overrightarrow{X} + \overrightarrow{w} \bullet \overrightarrow{X^2} + \cdots) \ge 1$$



- Hard margin = clear separation between classes
- Soft margin = no clear separation, some entries will be in "the band"