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# COM S 474 - Homework 4 Written Solutions

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### Question 1:

To estimate the value of **w**, we will use the formula  $\mathbf{w} = \sum_{x_k \in N_s} \lambda_k \mathbf{x_k} y_k$ .

$$\mathbf{w} = \lambda_1 \mathbf{x_1} y_1 + \lambda_3 \mathbf{x_3} y_3 \text{ since } \lambda_2 = \lambda_4 = 0.$$

Plugging in the respective values for all the parameters, we get that the  $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.8 \\ 0 \\ 0.075 \end{pmatrix}$ .

To classify the point  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , we use the formula  $y = \mathbf{w}^{\mathbf{T}} * \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + w_b$  which is equal to 2.8 > 0. Therefore, the point belongs to the  $+\mathbf{1}$  class.

## Question 2:

Given the following formula for the two gutters:  $\mathbf{w}^{\mathbf{T}}x + w_b = \pm 1$ .

Therefore, the equations are: 
$$(1.8 \quad 0 \quad 0.075) * \begin{pmatrix} x_a \\ x_b \\ x_c \end{pmatrix} + 1 = \pm 1$$

or

$$1.8x_a + 0.075x_c + 1 = +1$$
 and  $1.8x_a + 0.075x_c + 1 = -1$ .

Finally, the equations for the gutters are:

$$1.8x_a + 0.075x_c = 0$$
 and  $1.8x_a + 0.075x_c + 2 = 0$ 

#### Question 3:

We are going to check which of the given samples fall into the margin by using the following equation:

$$-1 < \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_b < 1$$

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For sample 1: 
$$x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0.25 \\ 0.125 \end{pmatrix}$$

We evaluate  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x_1} + w_b$  which is equal to  $(1.8 \quad 0 \quad 0.075) * \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0.25 \\ 0.125 \end{pmatrix} + 1 = \mathbf{1.909}.$ 

Since -1 < 0.909 < 1, this falls outside of the gutter area.

For sample 2: 
$$x_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.4 \\ 0.15 \\ 0.225 \end{pmatrix}$$

We evaluate  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x_2} + w_b$  which is equal to  $(1.8 \quad 0 \quad 0.075) * \begin{pmatrix} 0.4 \\ 0.15 \\ 0.225 \end{pmatrix} + 1 = \mathbf{1.736}.$ 

Since -1 < 0.736 < 1, this falls outside of the gutter area.

For sample 3, 
$$x_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.3 \\ 0.75 \\ 0.325 \end{pmatrix}$$

We evaluate  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x_3} + w_b$  which is equal to  $(1.8 \quad 0 \quad 0.075) * \begin{pmatrix} 0.3 \\ 0.75 \\ 0.325 \end{pmatrix} + 1 = \mathbf{1.564}.$ 

Since -1 < 0.564 < 1, this falls outside of the gutter area.

For sample 3: 
$$x_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.2 \\ 0.65 \\ 0.425 \end{pmatrix}$$

We evaluate  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x_4} + w_b$  which is equal to  $(1.8 \quad 0 \quad 0.075) * \begin{pmatrix} 0.2 \\ 0.65 \\ 0.425 \end{pmatrix} + 1 = \mathbf{1.391}.$ 

Since -1 < 0.391 < 1, this falls outside of the gutter area.

All of the provided samples fall outside of the gutter margin.

#### Question 4:

- 1. The condition  $y_i(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x} + w_b) \geq -1$  represents **misclassified** samples falling in the gutter area.
- 2. The condition  $y_i(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x}+w_b) \leq -1$  represents **misclassified** samples falling on the outer sides of the gutter.
- 3. The condition  $y_i(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x} + w_b) \ge 1$  represents **correctly** classified samples.
- 4. The condition  $y_i(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x} + w_b) \leq 1$  represents **correctly** classified samples falling in the gutter area.
- 5. The condition  $y_i(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x} + w_b) \ge 0$  represents **correctly** classified samples falling in the gutter area.
- 6. The condition  $y_i(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x} + w_b) \leq 0$  represents **misclassified** samples falling in the gutter area.