

CS489/698: Intro to ML

Lecture 06: Hard-margin SVM



### Outline

Maximum Margin

Lagrangian Dual

Alternative View

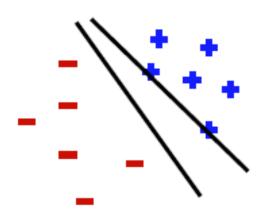


## Perceptron revisited

• Two classes: y = 1 or y = -1

- Assuming linear separable
  - exist w and b such that for all i,  $y_i(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{b}) > 0$

#### Separable



Find any such w and b

$$\min_{\mathbf{w},b} 0$$

s.t. 
$$\forall i, \ y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}_i + b) > 0$$

Feasibility problem

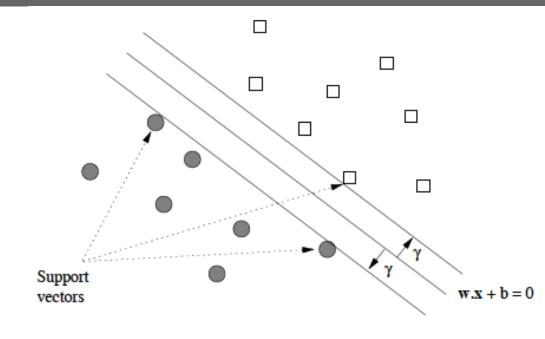


# Margin

 Take any linear separating hyperplane H

for all i, 
$$y_i(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{b}) > 0$$

- Move H until it touches some positive point, H<sub>1</sub> increase b say
- Move H until it touches some negative point, H<sub>-1</sub> decrease b say



margin = dist( $H_1$ ,H)  $\land$  dist( $H_{-1}$ ,H)



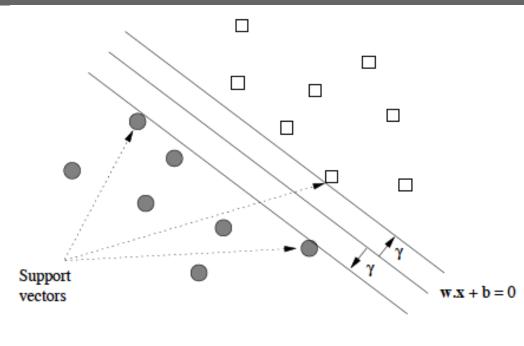
#### Put into formula

 $H : \mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} = 0$ 

 $H_1: \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{t}$ 

 $H_{-1}: \mathbf{w}^{T}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{s}$ 

What is the distance between H<sub>1</sub> and H?





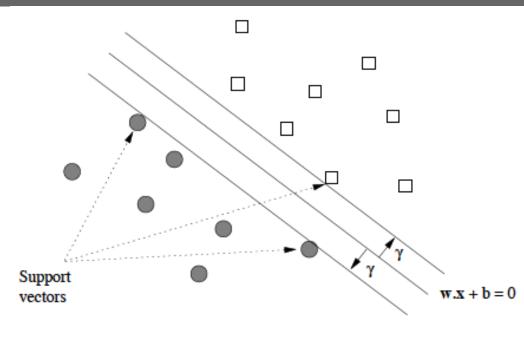
#### Put into formula

$$H : \mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} = 0$$

$$H_1: w^T x + b = t$$

$$H_{-1} : \mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{t}$$

What is the distance between H₁ and H?





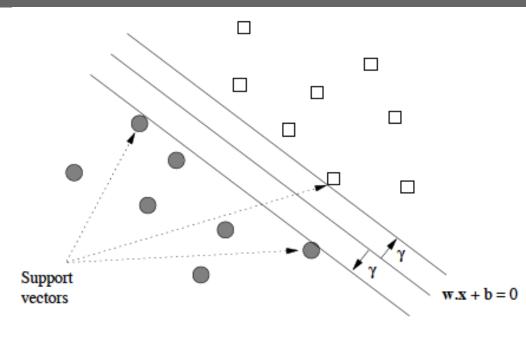
#### Put into formula

$$H : \mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} = 0$$

$$H_1: \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} = 1$$

$$H_{-1}: \mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} = -1$$

What is the distance between H<sub>1</sub> and H?





### Maximum Margin

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}, b} \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{w}\|_2}$$
s.t.  $\forall i, y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{x}_i + b) \ge 1$ 

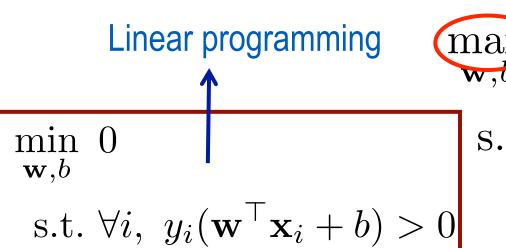
#### Important facts.

• For any 
$$f$$
,  $\max_{\mathbf{w}} f(\mathbf{w}) = -\min_{\mathbf{w}} -f(\mathbf{w})$ 

- For positive f,  $\max_{\mathbf{w}} \frac{1}{f(\mathbf{w})} = \frac{1}{\min_{\mathbf{w}} f(\mathbf{w})}$
- For s. monotone g,  $\min_{\mathbf{w}} f(\mathbf{w}) \equiv \min_{\mathbf{w}} g(f(\mathbf{w}))$



## Hard-margin Support Vector Machines



$$\max_{\mathbf{w},b} \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{w}\|_2}$$

s.t. 
$$\forall i, y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}_i + b) \geq 1$$



Quadratic programming

$$\frac{\text{margin}}{1}$$
 
$$\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{w}\|_2}$$

$$\min_{\mathbf{w},b} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|_{2}^{2}$$

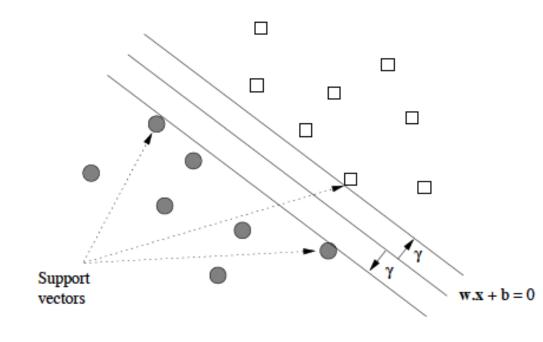
s.t. 
$$\forall i, y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}_i + b) \geq 1$$



## Support Vectors

- Those touch the parallel hyperplanes H<sub>1</sub> and H<sub>-1</sub>
- Usually only a handful

 Entirely determine the hyperplanes!





### Existence and uniqueness

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, b} \frac{1}{2} ||\mathbf{w}||_{2}^{2}$$
s.t.  $\forall i, y_{i}(\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}_{i} + b) \geq 1$ 

- Always exists a minimizer w and b
- The minimizer w is unique (strong convexity of /w/ \$\mu\$2.72

• The minimizer b is also unique (why?)



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## Lagrangian

**Primal** 

$$\min_{\mathbf{w},b} \ \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2$$

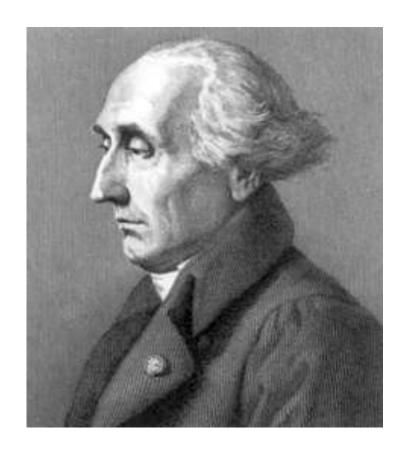
s.t. 
$$\forall i, y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) \geq 1$$

Lagrangian

$$\min_{\mathbf{w},b} \max_{\alpha \geq 0} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2 - \sum_i \alpha_i [y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) - 1]$$
 [primal variable] Lagrangian multiplier

[dual variable]

# Joseph-Louis Lagrange (1736-1813)





## Optimization detour

$$\min_{x} f(x)$$

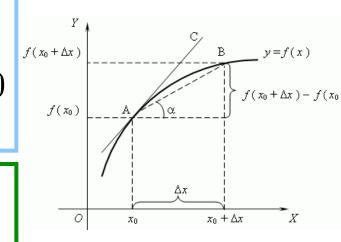
#### Fermat's Theorem. Necessarily Df(x) = 0

(Fréchet) Derivative at x.

$$\lim_{0 \neq \delta \to 0} \frac{|f(x+\delta) - f(x) - Df(x)\delta|}{|\delta|} = 0$$

Example. 
$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{b} + c$$
  

$$Df(\mathbf{x}) = (A + A^T) \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}$$





## Just in case

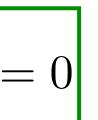


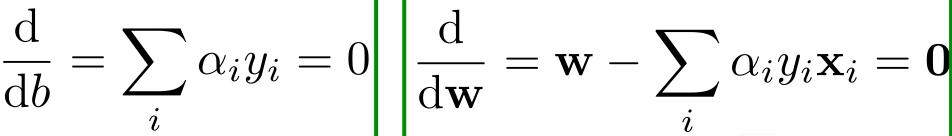
## Deriving the dual

$$\min_{\mathbf{w},b} \max_{\alpha \ge 0} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2 - \sum_i \alpha_i [y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) - 1]$$

$$\max_{lpha \geq 0} \min_{\mathbf{w}, b}$$

$$\max_{\alpha \ge 0} \min_{\mathbf{w}, b} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2 - \sum_i \alpha_i [y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) - 1]$$







### The dual problem

$$\max_{\alpha \ge 0} \sum_{i} \alpha_{i} - \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \mathbf{x}_{i} \right\|_{2}^{2}$$

s.t. 
$$\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} = 0$$

Only need dot product in the dual!

$$\min_{\alpha \ge 0} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} \sum_{j} \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j \mathbf{x}_i^{\top} \mathbf{x}_j - \sum_{k} \alpha_k$$

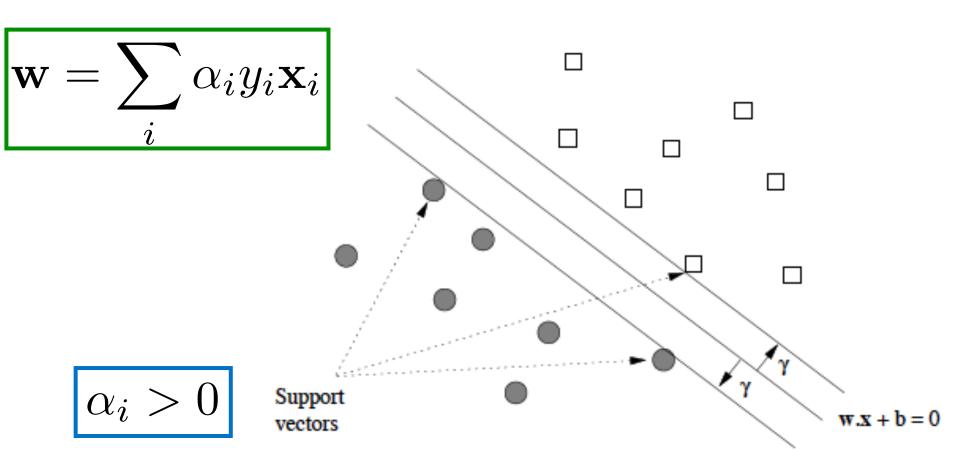
Dual

s.t. 
$$\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} = 0$$



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# Support Vectors





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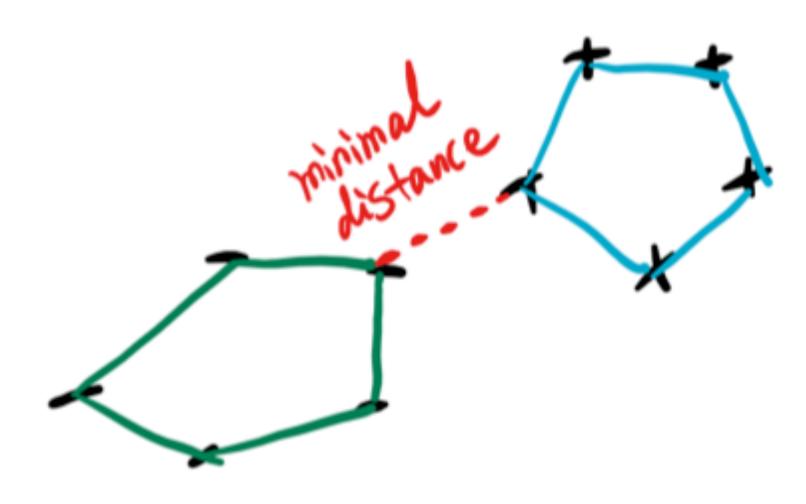
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### An dual view



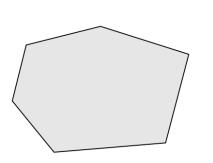


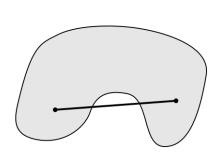
#### Convex sets and Convex hull

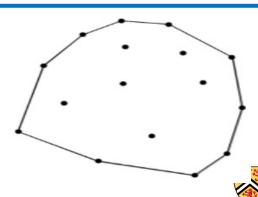
Convex set. A point set  $C \in \mathbf{R}^d$  is convex if the line segment [x,y] connecting any two points x and y in C lies entirely in C.

Convex hull. Smallest convex set containing C.

$$\operatorname{ch}(C) := \left\{ \sum_{i} \alpha_{i} \mathbf{x}_{i} : \mathbf{x}_{i} \in C, \alpha_{i} \geq 0, \sum_{i} \alpha_{i} = 1 \right\}.$$



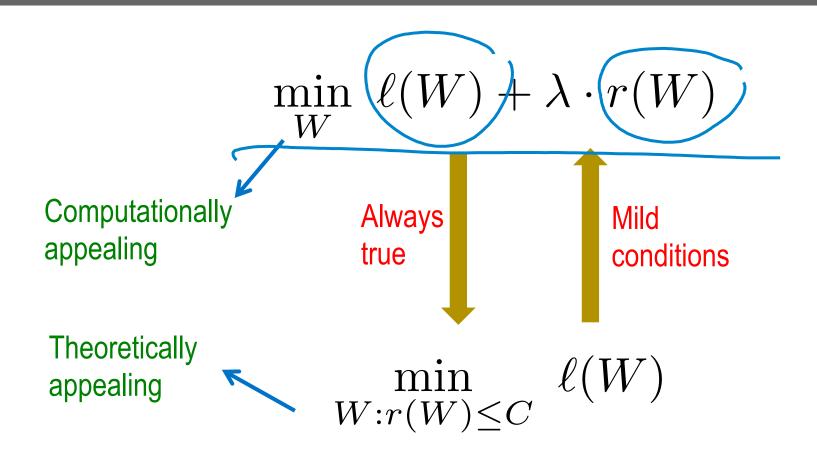




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# Regularization vs. Constraint





## From regularization to constraint

$$\min_{\alpha \ge 0} \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i} \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i \right\|_2^2 - \sum_{i} \alpha_i$$

s.t. 
$$\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} = 0$$

$$\min_{\alpha \ge 0} \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i} \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i \right\|_2^2$$

s.t. 
$$\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} = 0, \quad \sum_{i} \alpha_{i} = C$$

# Homogeneity

$$\min_{\alpha \ge 0} \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i} \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i \right\|_2^2$$

s.t. 
$$\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} = 0$$
,  $\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} = C$ 

$$\alpha \leftarrow 2\alpha/C$$



$$\min_{\alpha \ge 0} \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i} \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i \right\|_2^2$$

s.t. 
$$\sum_{i} \alpha_i y_i = 0$$
,  $\sum_{i} \alpha_i = 2$ 

## Split

$$\min_{\alpha \ge 0} \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i} \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i \right\|_2^2$$

$$P := \{i : y_i = 1\}$$
 $N := \{i : y_i = -1\}$ 

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$$\alpha = [\mu; \nu]$$

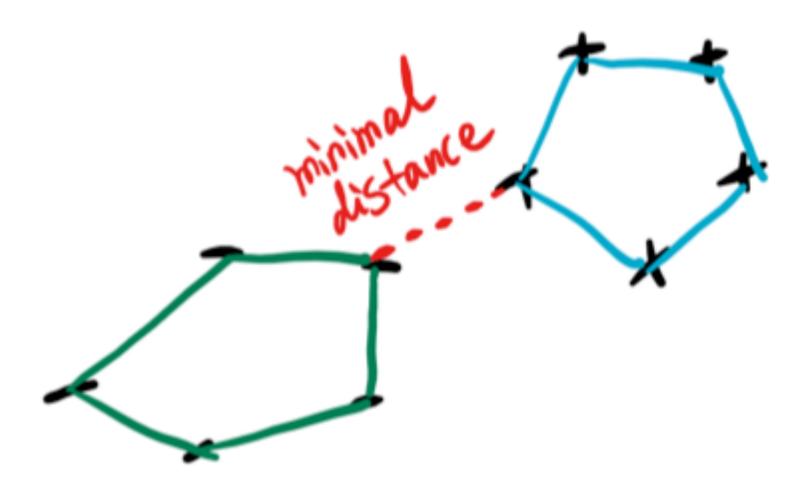
s.t. 
$$\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} y_{i} = 0, \quad \sum_{i} \alpha_{i} = 2$$



$$\min_{\mu \ge 0, \nu \ge 0} \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i \in P} \mu_i \mathbf{x}_i - \sum_{j \in N} \nu_j \mathbf{x}_j \right\|_2^2$$

s.t. 
$$\sum_{i} \mu_{i} = 1, \quad \sum_{j} \nu_{j} = 1$$

# NOW this





# Questions?



