Perceptrons

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Linear Classifiers

- Inputs are feature values $(x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n)$
- Each feature has a weight $(w_1, w_2, \cdots, w_n)$
- Sum is the activation $\sum_{i=0}^{n} w_i x_i$

Bias w_0, Input X_0=1 for all examples

- If the activation is:
  - Positive, output *class =+ve*
  - Negative, output *class =-ve*

Example: Spam

- Imagine 3 features (spam is "positive" class):
  - free (number of occurrences of "free")
  - money (occurrences of "money")
  - BIAS (intercept, always has value 1)

$\vec{w} \cdot \vec{x}$

$\sum_{i=0}^{n} w_i x_i$

"free money"

x

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BIAS  :  1
free  :  1
money :  1
...
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w

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BIAS  : -3
free  :  4
money :  2
...
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$(1)(-3) +$
$(1)(4) +$
$(1)(2) +$
$\ldots$
$= 3$

$\vec{w} \cdot \vec{x} > 0$ ➔ SPAM!!!

Who needs probabilities?

- Previously: model data with distributions
- Joint: P(X,Y)
  - e.g. Naïve Bayes
- Conditional: P(Y|X)
  - e.g. Logistic Regression
- But wait, why probabilities?
- Lets try to be error-driven!

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bad	6	199	90	2648	15	70	america
bad	4	121	110	2600	12.8	77	europe
bad	8	350	175	4100	13	73	america
bad	6	198	95	3102	16.5	74	america
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bad	4	113	95	2228	14	71	asia
bad	8	302	139	3570	12.8	78	america
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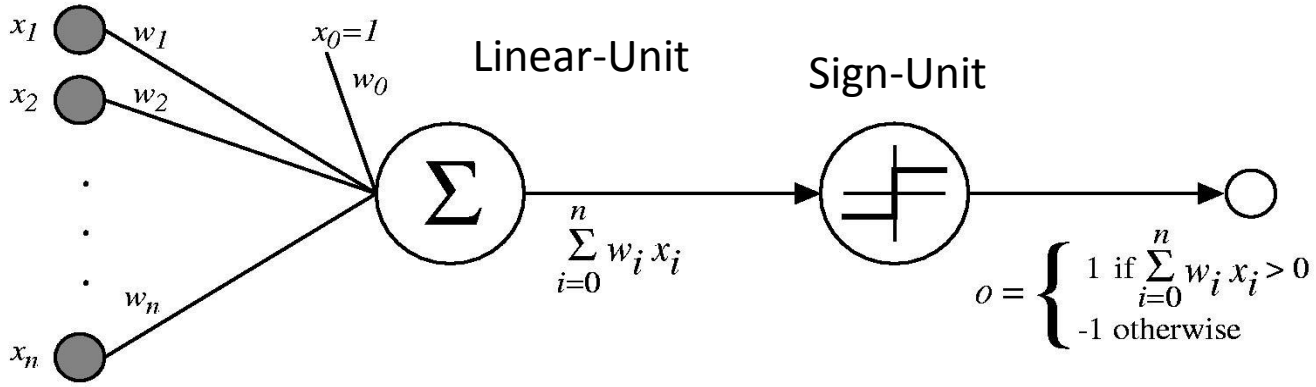
good	4	120	79	2625	18.6	82	america
bad	8	455	225	4425	10	70	america
good	4	107	86	2464	15.5	76	europe
bad	5	131	103	2830	15.9	78	europe

Perceptron

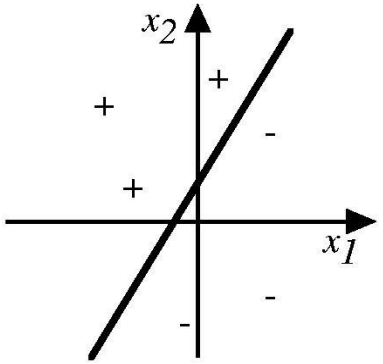


$$o(x_1, \ldots, x_n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } w_0 + w_1 x_1 + \cdots + w_n x_n > 0 \\ -1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Sometimes we'll use simpler vector notation:

$$o(\vec{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \vec{w} \cdot \vec{x} > 0 \\ -1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Decision Surface of a Perceptron



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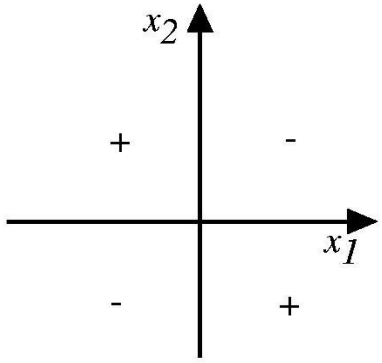

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Represents some useful functions

- What weights represent $g(x_1, x_2) = AND(x_1, x_2)$?

But some functions not representable

- All not linearly separable
- Therefore, we'll want networks of these...

Perceptron Training Rule

$$w_i \leftarrow w_i + \Delta w_i$$

where

$$\Delta w_i = \eta(t - o)x_i$$

Where:

- $t = c(\vec{x})$ is target value
- o is perceptron output
- η is small constant (e.g., 0.1) called *learning rate*

Perceptron Training Rule

- Converges if the data is linearly separable
  - Provided the learning rate is sufficiently small
  - Proof on the class website (a bit involved)
- Convergence is not assured if data is not linearly separable
  - In fact in many cases, it will not converge
- Can we use some other algorithm to guarantee convergence?
  - YES!! – Gradient Descent
  - Gradient Descent yields a new rule for learning called **the Delta rule**

Gradient Descent

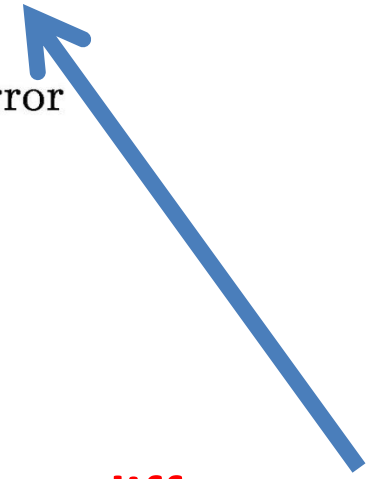
To understand, consider simpler *linear unit*, where

$$o = w_0 + w_1 x_1 + \cdots + w_n x_n$$

Let's learn w_i's that minimize the squared error

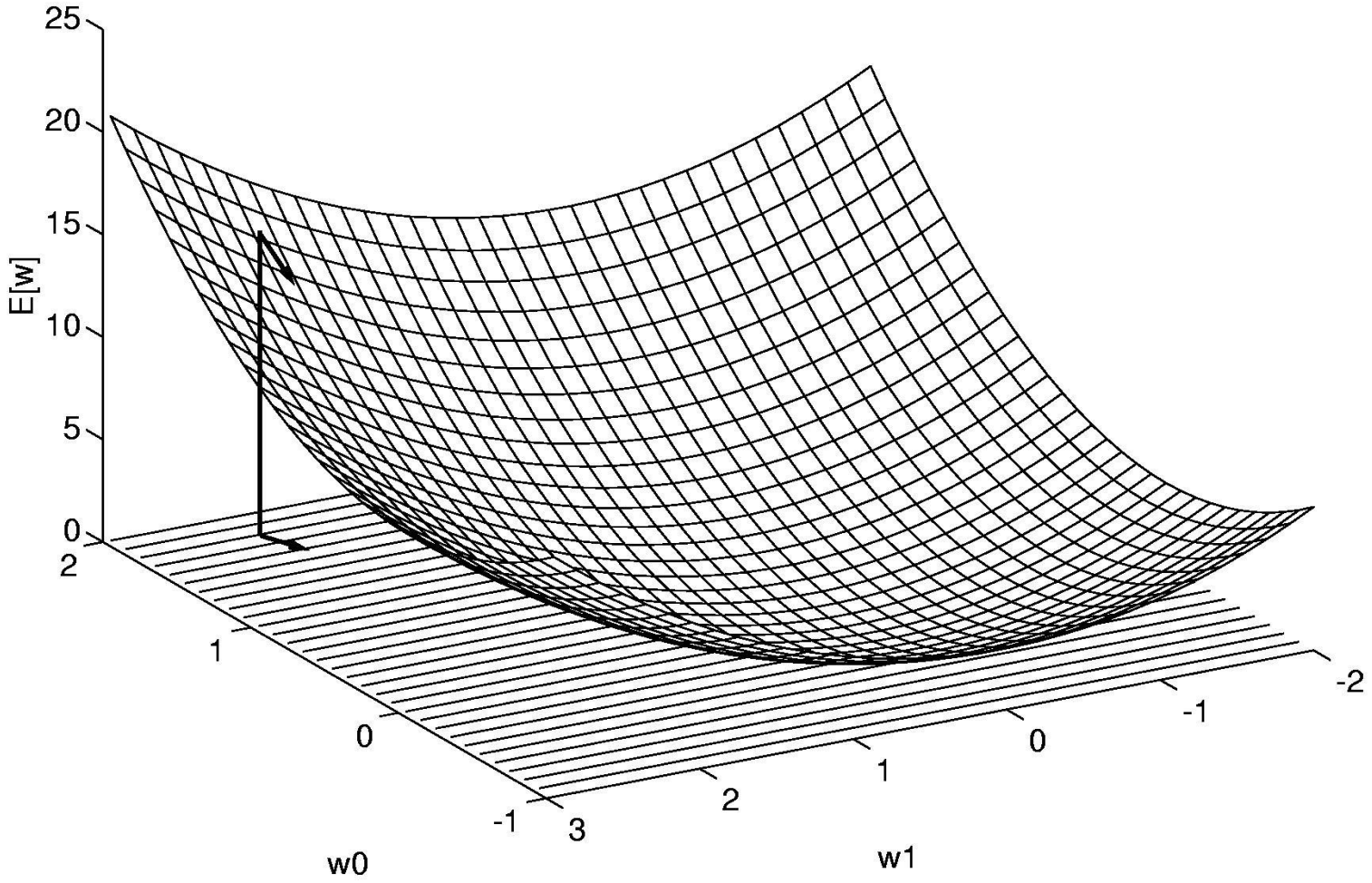
$$E[\vec{w}] \equiv \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d \in D} (t_d - o_d)^2$$

Where D is set of training examples



Note that the delta rule ($E[\vec{w}]$ given above) uses a different o_d as compared with the perceptron rule

Gradient Descent



Gradient:

$$\nabla E[\vec{w}] \equiv \left[\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_0}, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_1}, \cdots \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_n} \right]$$

Training rule:

$$\Delta \vec{w} = -\eta \nabla E[\vec{w}]$$

I.e.:

$$\Delta w_i = -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i}$$

Gradient Descent

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\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \frac{1}{2} \sum_d (t_d - o_d)^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_d \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} (t_d - o_d)^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_d 2(t_d - o_d) \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} (t_d - o_d) \\
&= \sum_d (t_d - o_d) \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} (t_d - \vec{w} \cdot \vec{x_d}) \\
\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i} &= \sum_d (t_d - o_d)(-x_{i,d})
\end{aligned}
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Gradient Descent

GRADIENT-DESCENT($training\_examples, \eta$)

Initialize each w_i to some small random value

Until the termination condition is met, Do

- Initialize each Δw_i to zero.
- For each $\langle \vec{x}, t \rangle$ in $training\_examples$, Do
  - Input instance $\vec{x}$ to unit and compute output o
  - For each linear unit weight w_i, Do

$$\Delta w_i \leftarrow \Delta w_i + \eta(t - o)x_i$$

- For each linear unit weight w_i, Do

$$w_i \leftarrow w_i + \Delta w_i$$

Summary

Perceptron training rule guaranteed to succeed if

- Training examples are linearly separable
- Sufficiently small learning rate η

Linear unit training rule uses gradient descent

- Guaranteed to converge to hypothesis with minimum squared error
- Given sufficiently small learning rate η
- Even when training data contains noise
- Even when training data not separable by H

Batch vs. Incremental Gradient Descent

Batch Mode Gradient Descent:

Do until convergence

1. Compute the gradient $\nabla E_D[\vec{w}]$
2. $\vec{w} \leftarrow \vec{w} - \eta \nabla E_D[\vec{w}]$

Incremental Mode Gradient Descent:

Do until convergence

For each training example d in D

1. Compute the gradient $\nabla E_d[\vec{w}]$
2. $\vec{w} \leftarrow \vec{w} - \eta \nabla E_d[\vec{w}]$

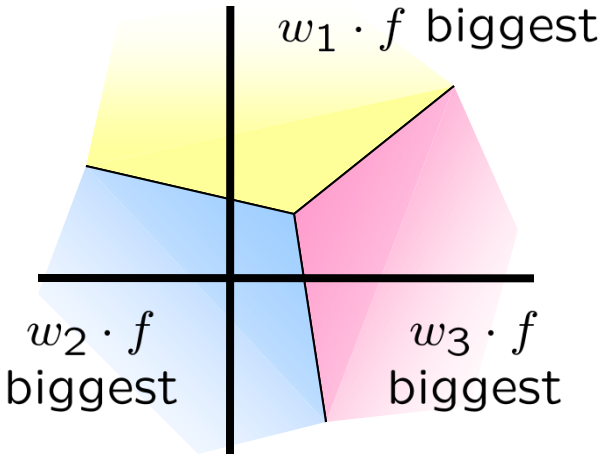
$$E_D[\vec{w}] \equiv \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d \in D} (t_d - o_d)^2$$

$$E_d[\vec{w}] \equiv \frac{1}{2} (t_d - o_d)^2$$

Incremental Gradient Descent can approximate *Batch Gradient Descent* arbitrarily closely if η made small enough

Multiclass Decision Rule

- If we have more than two classes:
  - Have a weight vector for each class: w_y
  - Calculate an activation for each class

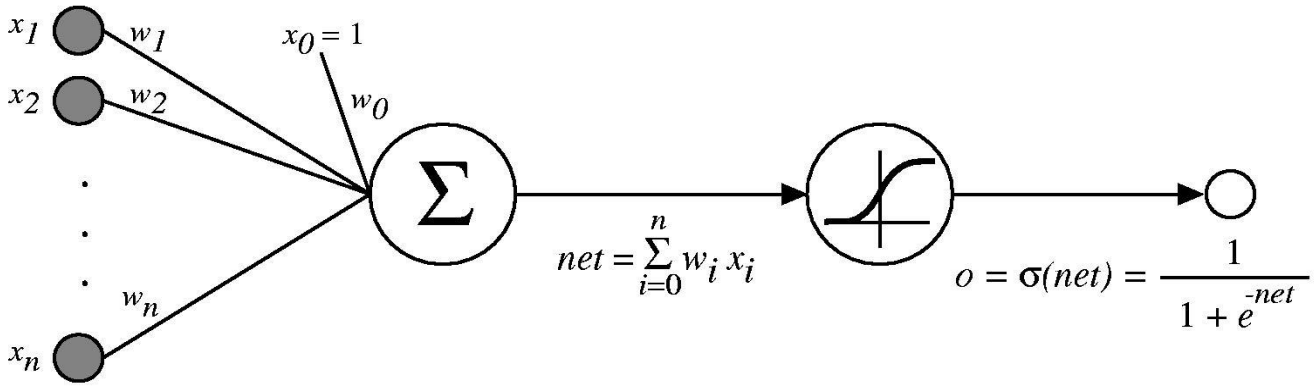


$$\text{activation}_w(x, y) = w_y \cdot f(x)$$

  - Highest activation wins

$$y = \arg\max_y \ (\text{activation}_w(x, y))$$

Sigmoid Unit



$\sigma(x)$ is the sigmoid function

$$\frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$$

Nice property: $\frac{d\sigma(x)}{dx} = \sigma(x)(1-\sigma(x))$

Error Gradient for a Sigmoid Unit

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\begin{aligned}
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&= \sum_d (t_d - o_d) \left(-\frac{\partial o_d}{\partial w_i} \right) \\
&= -\sum_d (t_d - o_d) \frac{\partial o_d}{\partial net_d} \frac{\partial net_d}{\partial w_i}
\end{aligned}
$$

But we know:

$$\frac{\partial o_d}{\partial net_d} = \frac{\partial \sigma(net_d)}{\partial net_d} = o_d(1 - o_d)$$

$$\frac{\partial net_d}{\partial w_i} = \frac{\partial(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{x}_d)}{\partial w_i} = x_{i,d}$$

So:

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i} = -\sum_{d \in D} (t_d - o_d) o_d (1 - o_d) x_{i,d}$$

Let: $\delta_k = -\frac{\partial E}{\partial net_k}$

Comparison: Linear vs Sigmoid Unit

- Training rule for linear unit: $o = \sum_{i=0}^{n} w_i x_i$

$$w_i = w_i + \Delta w_i$$

where

$$\Delta w_i = -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i} = \eta (t - o) x_i$$

- Training rule for Sigmoid unit $o = Sig(\sum_{i=0}^{n} w_i x_i)$

$$\Delta w_i = -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i} = \eta (t - o) o (1 - o) x_i$$

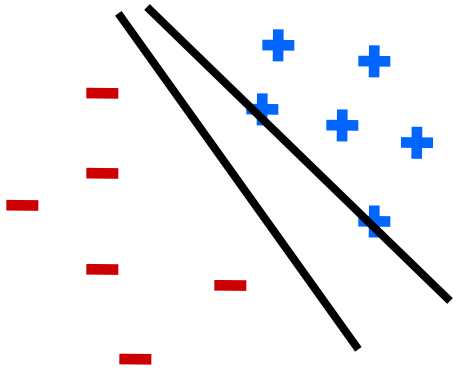
- Training rule for unit of your choice!!! (e.g., *tanh*)
  - Same idea (set up the error function)
  - Use Gradient Descent (compute derivatives)

Properties of Perceptrons

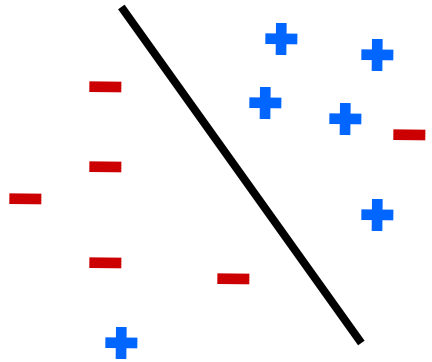
- Separability: some parameters get the training set perfectly correct

- Convergence: if the training is separable, perceptron will eventually converge (binary case)

Separable

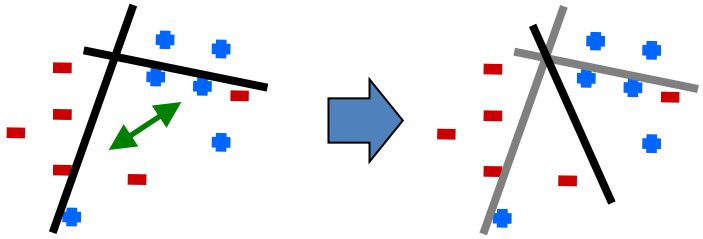


Non-Separable

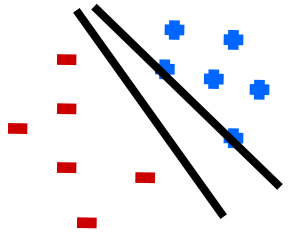


Problems with the Perceptron

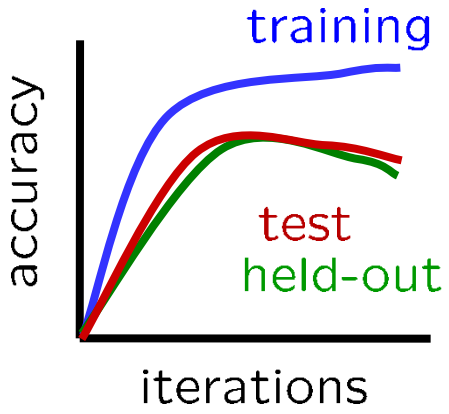
- Noise: if the data isn't separable, weights might thrash
  - Averaging weight vectors over time can help (averaged perceptron)



- Mediocre generalization: finds a "barely" separating solution

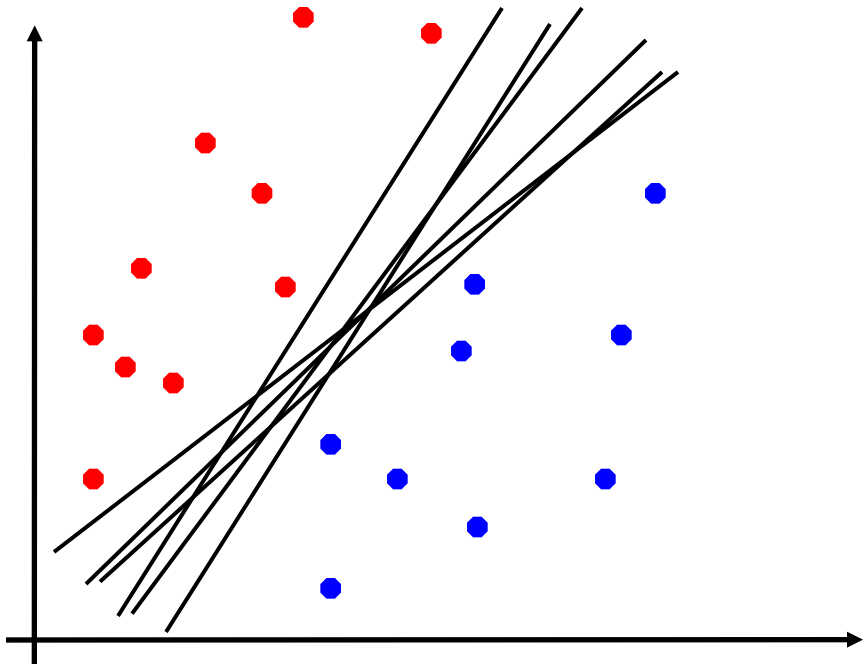


- Overtraining: test / validation accuracy usually rises, then falls
  - Overtraining is a kind of overfitting



Linear Separators

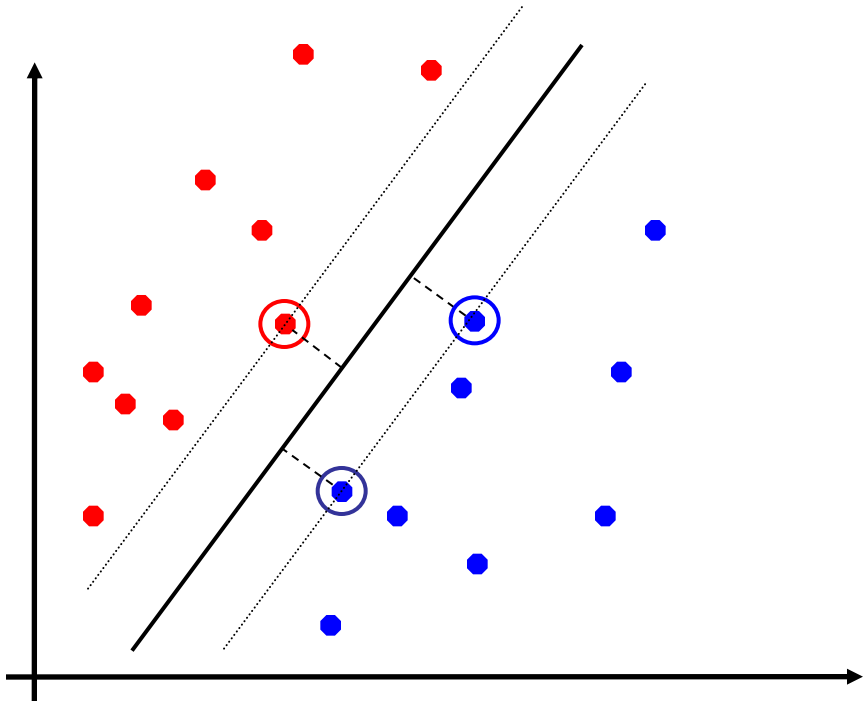
- Which of these linear separators is optimal?



Support Vector Machines

- Maximizing the margin: good according to intuition, theory, practice

- SVMs find the separator with max margin

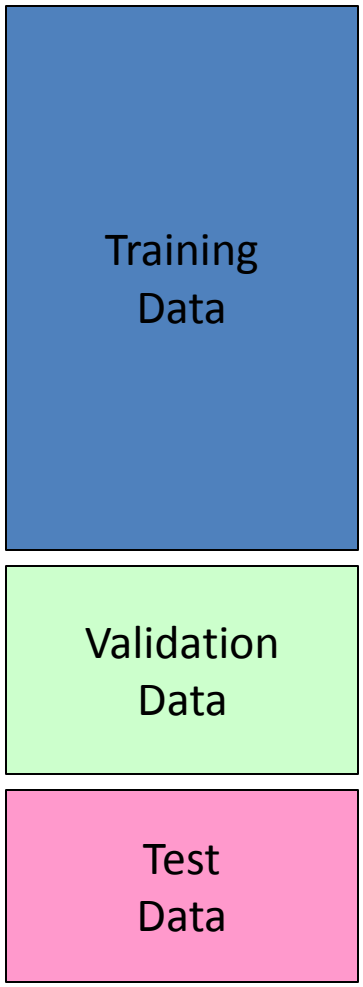


SVM

$$\min_{w} \frac{1}{2}||w||^2$$

$$\forall i, y \; w_{y^*} \cdot f(x_i) \geq w_y \cdot f(x_i) + 1$$

Three Views of Classification



- Naïve Bayes:
  - Parameters from data statistics
  - Parameters: probabilistic interpretation
  - Training: one pass through the data
- Logistic Regression:
  - Parameters from gradient ascent
  - Parameters: linear, probabilistic model, and discriminative
  - Training: one pass through the data per gradient step; regularization essential
- The Perceptron:
  - Parameters from reactions to mistakes
  - Parameters: discriminative interpretation
  - Training: go through the data until accuracy on validation set maxes out