

# support vector machine (SVM)

warm up: logistic regression

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| 1<br>⋮<br>i<br>⋮<br>n | $x_i^T$ | $y_i$ |
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$$s_i = x_i^T \beta \quad \text{logit score}$$

$$p_i = \frac{e^{s_i}}{1 + e^{s_i}}$$

$$1 - p_i = \frac{1}{1 + e^{s_i}}$$

$$s_i = \log\left(\frac{p_i}{1-p_i}\right) = \text{logit}(p_i) = \log \text{ odds ratio}$$

perceptron:  $\hat{y}_i = \text{sign}(s_i)$  (hard decision)

logistic regression: soft perceptron

iterative reweighted LS

$$\beta_0 \xrightarrow{\Delta\beta} \beta_1 \rightarrow \dots \beta_t \xrightarrow{\Delta\beta} \beta_{t+1} \rightarrow \dots$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{w}_i (\hat{y}_i - x_i^T \Delta\beta)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (\sqrt{\hat{w}_i} \hat{y}_i - \sqrt{\hat{w}_i} x_i^T \Delta\beta)^2$$

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 $h_t(x_i)$  for Xtboost

generalized linear model (GLM)

linear  $x_i^T \beta$  + non-linear (e.g. sigmoid)

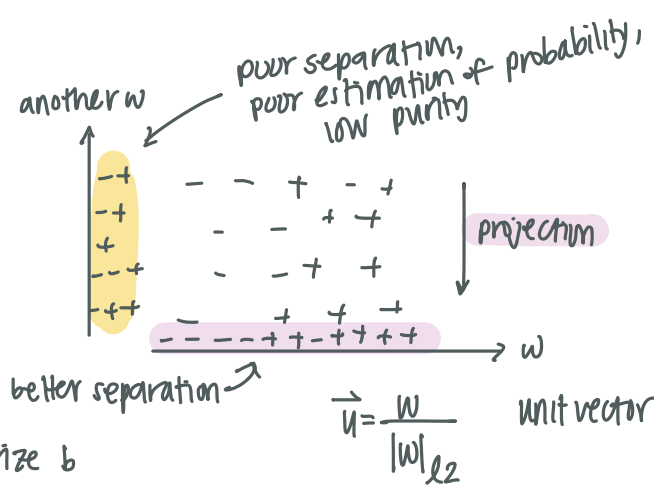
learned

specified

geometry

$$s_i = x_i^T w + b = \langle x_i, w \rangle + b$$

$\downarrow$                        $\downarrow$   
weight                      bias  
coefficient                  intercept



regularization:  $\frac{1}{2} \|w\|_2^2$  or  $\|w\|_1$ , we do not regularize  $b$

$$\langle e_n, \vec{u} \rangle = 1$$

coordinate of projection:  
 $\langle x_i, \vec{u} \rangle$

# geometry of SVM

separable case

which plane is best among the 3?

— gives you largest margin of error

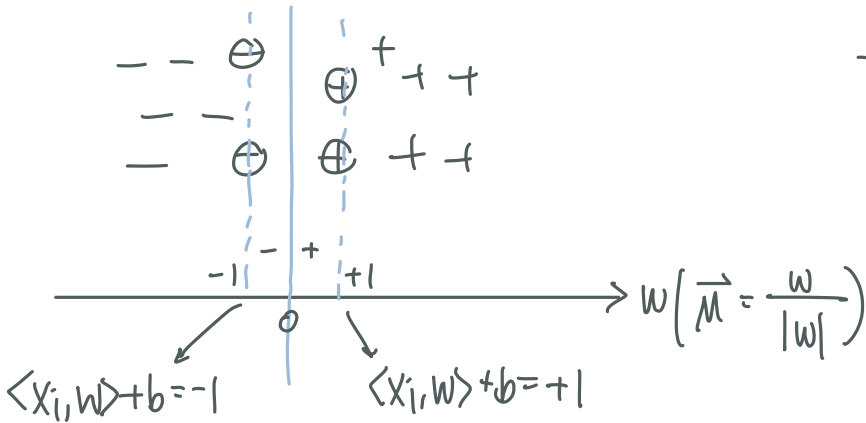
max margin classifier

margin of error



-1/+1 arbitrary/by convention

0 represents boundary/  
separating hyperplane



positive support vectors  $x_i$

$$\langle x_i, w \rangle + b = +1 \rightarrow \langle x_i, \vec{u} \rangle = \frac{1-b}{|w|}$$

For all positive examples

$$\langle x_i, w \rangle + b \geq 1 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

negative support vectors  $x_i$

$$\langle x_i, w \rangle + b = -1 \rightarrow \langle x_i, \vec{u} \rangle = \frac{-1-b}{|w|}$$

For all negative examples

$$\langle x_i, w \rangle + b \leq -1 \quad \textcircled{2}$$

coordinate for PSV  
after projection

$$\text{margin} = \frac{2}{|w|}$$

to maximize margin, we want to minimize  $w$

max margin: primal problem

$$\langle x_i, \vec{u} \rangle = \langle x_i, \frac{w}{|w|} \rangle = \frac{\langle x_i, w \rangle}{|w|}$$

coordinate  
for NSV  
after  
projection

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

subject to  $\textcircled{1}$  and  $\textcircled{2}$

$$y_i (\langle x_i, w \rangle + b) \geq 1$$

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

convex  
constraint  
optimization  
problem.

$$\text{NSV's: } \langle x_i, \tilde{w} \rangle + \tilde{b} = a_- \xrightarrow{\times c+d} -1$$

$$\text{PSV's: } \langle x_i, \tilde{w} \rangle + \tilde{b} = a_+ \xrightarrow{\times c+d} +1$$

# Lagrangian

$$\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_i, \dots, \alpha_n) \quad \alpha_i \geq 0$$

$$L((w, b), \alpha) = \frac{1}{2} |w|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i (1 - y_i (\langle x_i, w \rangle + b))$$

constraint  $\leq 0$

primal parameters

dual parameters / Lagrangian multipliers

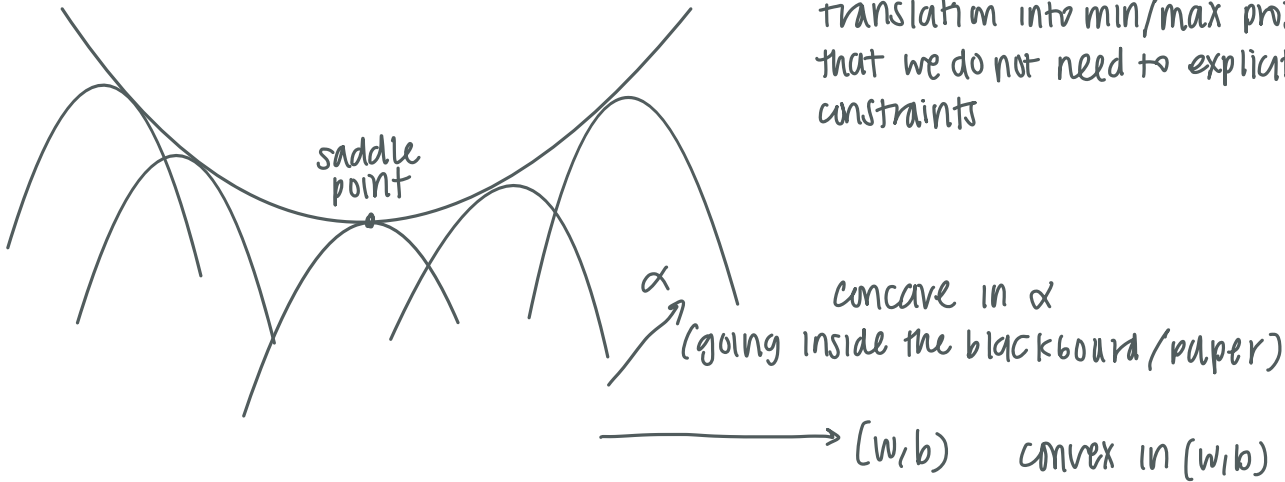
idea is to solve an unconstrained problem. b/c it is easier to solve an unconstrained problem.

Translation of primal problem to remove constraints

$$\text{primal problem} \implies \min_{(w, b)} \max_{\alpha: \alpha_i \geq 0, i=1, \dots, n} L((w, b), \alpha)$$

remove original constraint by moving it into the objective function. (the Lagrangian)

translation into min/max problem so that we do not need to explicitly impose constraints



Why equivalence?

in  $L((w, b), \alpha)$

if there is  $i, 1 - y_i (\langle x_i, w \rangle + b) > 0$

there should not be any  $i$  where this constraint is violated.

$$\max_{\alpha_i > 0} \alpha_i (1 - y_i (\langle x_i, w \rangle + b)) \rightarrow \infty$$

$\downarrow$   
 $\infty$

$$\text{primal problem} \implies \min_{(w, b)} \max_{\alpha: \alpha_i \geq 0, i=1, \dots, n} L((w, b), \alpha) \implies \max_{\alpha > 0} \min_{(w, b)} L((w, b), \alpha)$$

$\min_{(w, b)} L((w, b), \alpha)$

solved in closed form  $Q(\alpha)$

Dual problem:  $\max_{\alpha > 0} Q(\alpha)$

duality: solution to 1 problem is the solution to another problem