

# Linear Discrimination



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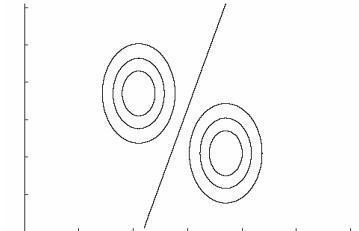
# Likelihood- vs. Discriminant-based Classification

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- Classification

- Define a set of discriminant functions  $g_j(x), j = 1, \dots, K$
- Choose a class  $C_i$  if

$$g_i(x) = \max_{j=1}^K g_j(x)$$



- Discriminant functions

covariance matrices are identical between classes

- Likelihood-based: Assume a model for  $p(x|C_i)$  and use Bayes' rule to calculate  $p(C_i|x)$

$$g_i(x) = \log p(C_i|x)$$

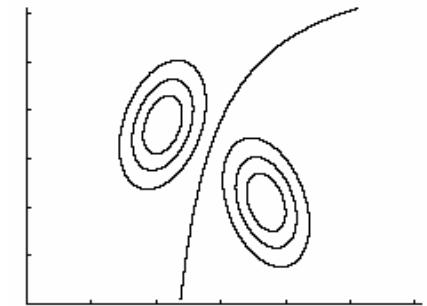
- Discriminant-based: Assume a model for  $g_i(x|\Phi_i)$  and no density estimation is needed
  - Estimate the boundaries is enough
  - No need to accurately estimate the densities inside the boundaries

# Linear Discriminant

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- Linear discriminant

$$g_i(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{w}_i, w_{i0}) = \mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0} = \sum_{j=1}^d w_{ij} x_j + w_{i0}$$



- Advantages:
  - Simple:  $O(d)$  space/computation
  - Knowledge extraction
    - Weighted sum of attributes
      - Positive/negative weights, magnitudes
    - E.g., credit scoring
  - Optimal when  $p(\mathbf{x}|C_i)$  are Gaussian with shared covariance matrix
    - Useful when classes are (almost) linearly separable

covariance matrices are different between classes

# Generalized Linear Model

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- Quadratic discriminant

$$g_i(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{W}_i, \mathbf{w}_i, w_{i0}) = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{W}_i \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0}$$

- Higher-order (product) terms

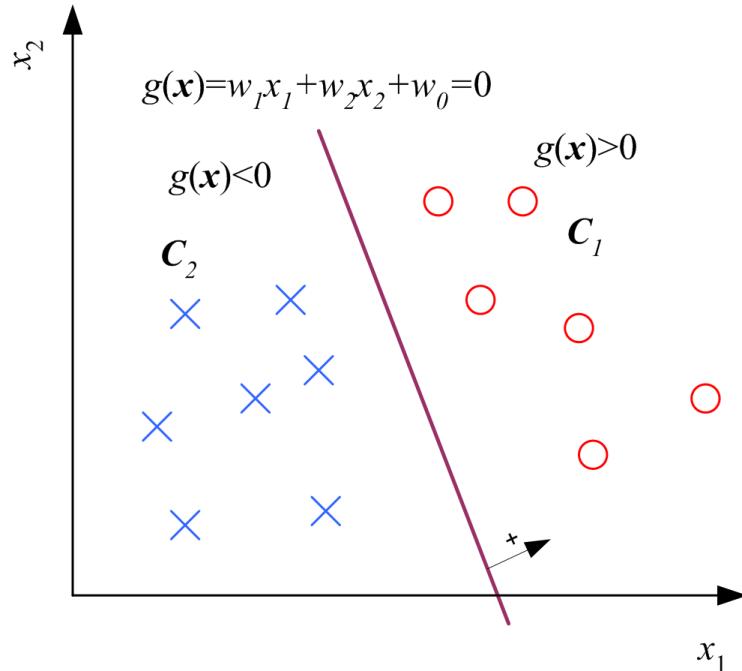
$$z_1 = x_1, z_2 = x_2, z_3 = x_1^2, z_4 = x_2^2, z_5 = x_1 x_2$$

- Map from  $\mathbf{x}$  to  $\mathbf{z}$  using nonlinear basis functions and use a linear discriminant in  $\mathbf{z}$ -space

$$g_i(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^k w_j \phi_{ij}(\mathbf{x})$$

# Two-Class Linear Classification

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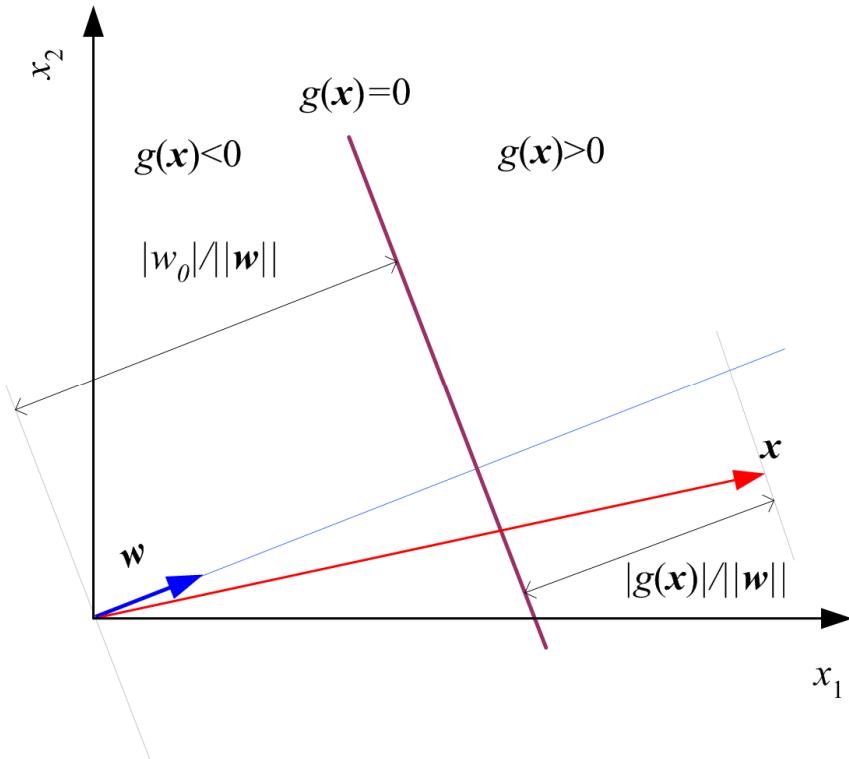
$$\begin{aligned}g(\mathbf{x}) &= g_1(\mathbf{x}) - g_2(\mathbf{x}) \\&= (\mathbf{w}_1^T \mathbf{x} + w_{10}) - (\mathbf{w}_2^T \mathbf{x} + w_{20}) \\&= (\mathbf{w}_1 - \mathbf{w}_2)^T \mathbf{x} + (w_{10} - w_{20}) \\&= \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0\end{aligned}$$

choose  $\begin{cases} C_1 & \text{if } g(\mathbf{x}) > 0 \\ C_2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

# Geometry of the Linear Discriminant

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- $\mathbf{w}$  is normal to any vector lying on the decision hyperplane



$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_p + r \cdot \frac{\mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{w}\|}$$

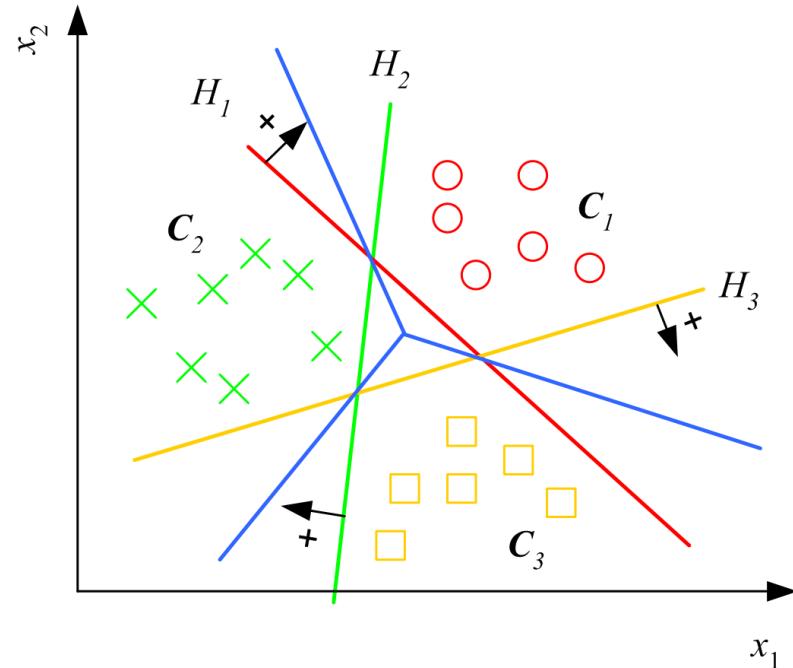
$\mathbf{x}_p$  : normal projection of  $\mathbf{x}$  on to the hyperplane

$r$  : distance from  $\mathbf{x}$  to the hyperplane ,  $r = \frac{g(\mathbf{x})}{\|\mathbf{w}\|}$

# Multiple-Class Linear Classification (1/2)

- Assume that classes are **linearly separable**

$$\rightarrow g_i(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{w}_i, w_{i0}) = \mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0} \quad \text{and} \quad g_i(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{w}_i, w_{i0}) = \begin{cases} > 0 & \mathbf{x} \in C_i \\ \leq 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



**ideal case**

Classification:

Choose  $C_i$  if

$$g_i(\mathbf{x}) = \max_{j=1}^K g_j(\mathbf{x})$$

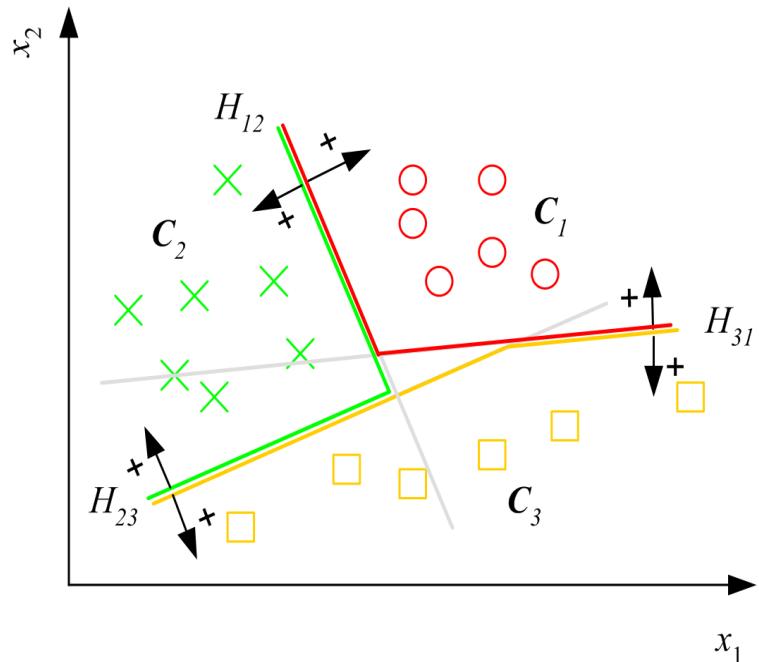
# Multiple-Class Linear Classification (2/2)

- Assume that classes are **pairwise separable**

$$\rightarrow g_{ij}(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{w}_{ij}, w_{ij0}) = \mathbf{w}_{ij}^T \mathbf{x} + w_{ij0}$$

$$g_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} > 0 & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \in C_i \\ \leq 0 & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \in C_j \\ \text{don't care} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

For  $K$ -class classification,  
it needs  $K(K-1)/2$  linear discriminants



Classification:

choose  $C_i$  if  
 $\forall j \neq i, g_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) > 0$

However, in real-world applications, it's not always the case (linear separation)  
- Using summation instead of conjunction

$$g_i(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j \neq i} g_{ij}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\text{Choose } C_i \text{ if } g_i(\mathbf{x}) = \max_{j=1}^K g_j(\mathbf{x})$$

# Parametric Discrimination Revisited

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- The discriminant functions for Gaussian class densities  $p(\mathbf{x} | C_i)$  sharing a common covariance matrix are linear

$$\hookrightarrow g_i(\mathbf{x}) = \log P(\mathbf{x} | C_i) + \log P(C_i)$$

$$\hookrightarrow g_i(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{w}_i, w_{i0}) = \mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0}$$

$$\mathbf{w}_i = \Sigma^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_i \quad w_{i0} = -\frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\mu}_i^T \Sigma^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_i + \log P(C_i)$$

- For two-class classification

$$y \equiv P(C_1 | \mathbf{x}) \text{ and } P(C_2 | \mathbf{x}) = 1 - y$$

$$\text{choose } C_1 \text{ if } \begin{cases} y > 0.5 \\ y / (1 - y) > 1 \quad \text{and} \quad C_2 \text{ otherwise} \\ \log [y / (1 - y)] > 0 \end{cases}$$

–  $\log [y / (1 - y)]$  is known as the **logit transformation/log odds of  $y$**

# Posterior Probability and Sigmoid Function (1/2)

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- For two normal (Gaussian) classes sharing a common covariance matrix

$$\begin{aligned}\text{logit}(P(C_1 | \mathbf{x})) &= \log \frac{P(C_1 | \mathbf{x})}{1 - P(C_1 | \mathbf{x})} = \log \frac{P(C_1 | \mathbf{x})}{P(C_2 | \mathbf{x})} = \log \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | C_1)}{p(\mathbf{x} | C_2)} + \log \frac{P(C_1)}{P(C_2)} \\ &= \log \frac{(2\pi)^{-d/2} |\Sigma|^{-1/2} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1) \right]}{(2\pi)^{-d/2} |\Sigma|^{-1/2} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) \right]} + \log \frac{P(C_1)}{P(C_2)} \\ &= \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0\end{aligned}$$

$$, \text{ where } \mathbf{w} = \Sigma^{-1}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2), \quad w_0 = -\frac{1}{2}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_1 + \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) + \log \frac{P(C_1)}{P(C_2)}$$

The inverse of logit  $(\log \frac{P(C_1 | \mathbf{x})}{1 - P(C_1 | \mathbf{x})}) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0)$

$$\begin{aligned}\log \frac{x}{1-x} &= y \Rightarrow \frac{x}{1-x} = \exp y \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{\exp y}{1 + \exp y} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-y)}\end{aligned}$$

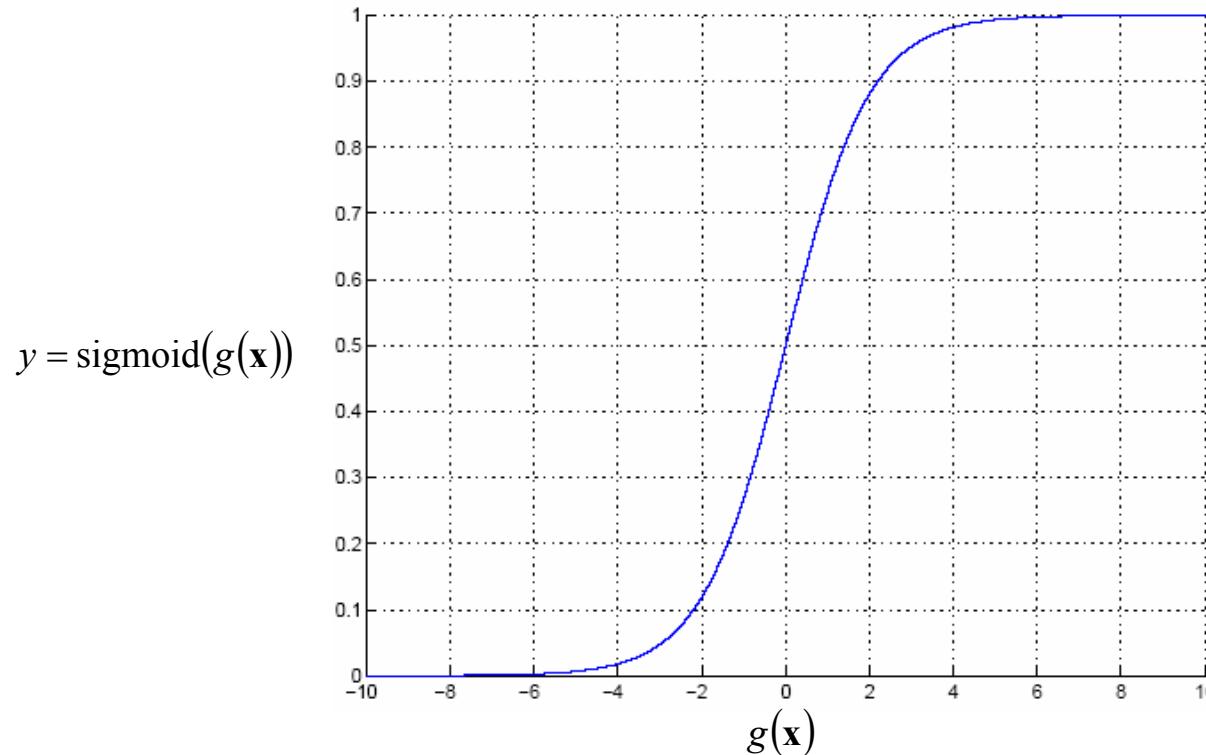
$$\Rightarrow P(C_1 | \mathbf{x}) = \text{sigmoid}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp[-(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0)]}$$

Sigmoid function

# Posterior Probability and Sigmoid Function (2/2)

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- Plot of Sigmoid (Logistic) Function



1. Calculate  $g(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0$  and choose  $C_1$  if  $g(\mathbf{x}) > 0$ , or
2. Calculate  $y = \text{sigmoid}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0)$  and choose  $C_1$  if  $y > 0.5$

## Gradient Descent (1/2)

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- For the discriminant-based approach, parameters are optimized to minimize the classification error on the training set

- $E(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X})$  is error with parameters  $\mathbf{w}$  ( $d$ -dimensional) on sample  $\mathbf{X}$

$$\mathbf{w}^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{w}} E(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{X})$$

- The gradient vector composed of partial derivatives

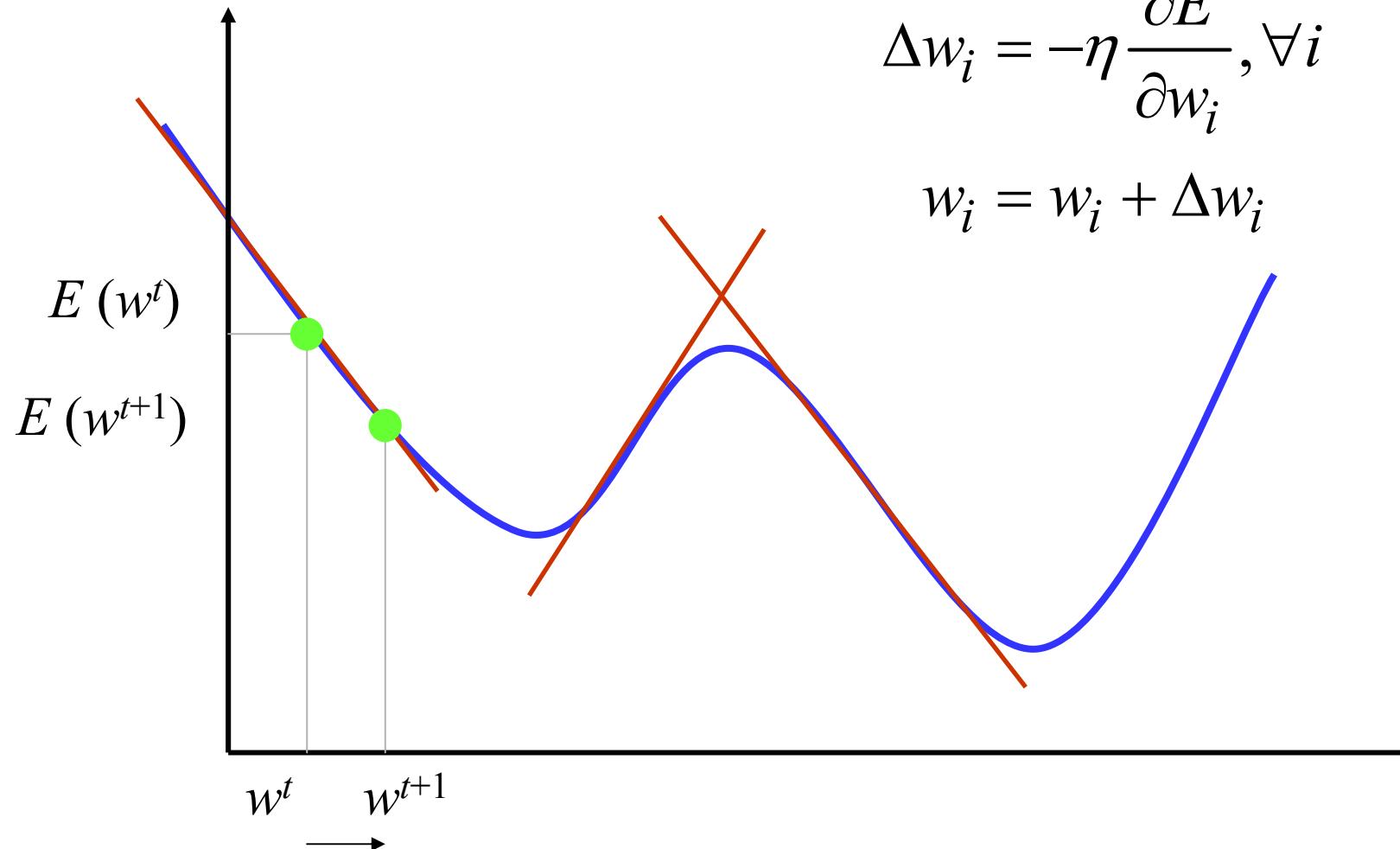
$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} E = \left[ \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_1}, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_d} \right]^T$$

- Gradient-descent:

- Starts from random  $\mathbf{w}$  and updates  $\mathbf{w}$  iteratively in the negative direction of gradient

## Gradient Descent (2/2)

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# Logistic Discrimination (1/8)

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- Two classes: Assume log likelihood ratio is linear
  - Classes share a common covariance matrix

$$\log \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | C_1)}{p(\mathbf{x} | C_2)} = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0^o$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{logit}(P(C_1 | \mathbf{x})) &= \log \frac{P(C_1 | \mathbf{x})}{1 - P(C_1 | \mathbf{x})} = \log \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | C_1)}{p(\mathbf{x} | C_2)} + \log \frac{P(C_1)}{P(C_2)} \\ &= \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where } w_0 = w_0^o + \log \frac{P(C_1)}{P(C_2)}$$

$$y = P(C_1 | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp[-(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0)]}$$

## Logistic Discrimination (2/8)

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- Training of discriminant parameters: the two-class case
  - Assume  $r^t$ , given  $\mathbf{x}^t$ , is Bernoulli with probability  $y^t = P(C_1 | \mathbf{x}^t)$

$$X = \{\mathbf{x}^t, r^t\}_{t=1}^T \mid \mathbf{x}^t \sim \text{Bernoulli}(y^t)$$

$$y = P(C_1 | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp[-(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0)]}$$

$$l(\mathbf{w}, w_0 | X) = \prod_t (y^t)^{r^t} (1 - y^t)^{1-r^t}$$

$$E = -\log l$$

$$E(\mathbf{w}, w_0 | X) = -\sum_t r^t \log y^t + (1 - r^t) \log (1 - y^t)$$

# Logistic Discrimination (3/8)

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- Training of discriminant parameters: the two-class case

$$E(\mathbf{w}, w_0 \mid X) = -\sum_t r^t \log y^t + (1 - r^t) \log (1 - y^t)$$

$\left[ \text{Note that if } y = \text{sigmoid}(a) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{da} = y(1 - y) \right]$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta w_j &= -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_j} = \eta \sum_t \left( \frac{r^t}{y^t} - \frac{1 - r^t}{1 - y^t} \right) y^t (1 - y^t) x_j^t \\ &= \eta \sum_t (r^t - y^t) x_j^t, j = 1, \dots, d\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}y &= \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)} \\ \frac{dy}{da} &= \frac{\exp(-a)}{[1 + \exp(-a)]^2} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)} \frac{\exp(-a)}{1 + \exp(-a)} \\ &= y \cdot (1 - y)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}a &= \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t + w_0 \\ &= \left( \sum_{j=1}^d w_j x_j^t \right) + w_0\end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta w_0 = -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_0} = \eta \sum_t (r^t - y^t)$$

# Logistic Discrimination (4/8)

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- Training of discriminant parameters: the two-class case

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For  $j = 0, \dots, d$ 
     $w_j \leftarrow \text{rand}(-0.01, 0.01)$ 
Repeat
    For  $j = 0, \dots, d$ 
         $\Delta w_j \leftarrow 0$ 
    For  $t = 1, \dots, N$ 
         $o \leftarrow 0$ 
        For  $j = 0, \dots, d$ 
             $o \leftarrow o + w_j x_j^t$ 
         $y \leftarrow \text{sigmoid}(o)$ 
         $\Delta w_j \leftarrow \Delta w_j + (r^t - y) x_j^t$ 
    For  $j = 0, \dots, d$ 
         $w_j \leftarrow w_j + \eta \Delta w_j$ 
Until convergence
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Figure 10.6: Logistic discrimination algorithm implementing gradient-descent for the single output case with two classes. For  $w_0$ , we assume that there is an extra input  $x_0$ , which is always +1:  $x_0^t \equiv +1, \forall t$ .

# Logistic Discrimination (5/8)

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- Multiple classes: Take one of the classes, e.g.,  $C_K$ , as the reference class and assume

$$X = \{\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{r}^t\}_t \quad r^t \mid \mathbf{x}^t \sim \text{Mult}_K(1, \mathbf{y}^t)$$

$$\log \frac{p(\mathbf{x} \mid C_i)}{p(\mathbf{x} \mid C_K)} = \mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0} \Rightarrow \log \frac{p(C_i \mid \mathbf{x})}{p(C_K \mid \mathbf{x})} = \mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0}$$

softmax

$$\dots \Rightarrow y = \hat{P}(C_i \mid \mathbf{x}) = \frac{\exp \left[ \mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0} \right]}{\sum_{j=1}^K \exp \left[ \mathbf{w}_j^T \mathbf{x} + w_{j0} \right]}, i = 1, \dots, K$$

$$l(\{\mathbf{w}_i, w_{i0}\}_i \mid X) = \prod_t \prod_i (y_i^t)^{(r_i^t)}$$

$$E(\{\mathbf{w}_i, w_{i0}\}_i \mid X) = - \sum_t r_i^t \log y_i^t$$

$$\dots \Rightarrow \Delta \mathbf{w}_j = \eta \sum_t (r_j^t - y_j^t) \mathbf{x}^t \quad \Delta w_{j0} = \eta \sum_t (r_j^t - y_j^t)$$

# Logistic Discrimination (6/8)

- Appendix

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \log \frac{p(C_i | \mathbf{x})}{p(C_K | \mathbf{x})} = \mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0} \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{p(C_i | \mathbf{x})}{p(C_K | \mathbf{x})} = \exp(\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0}) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} \frac{p(C_i | \mathbf{x})}{p(C_K | \mathbf{x})} = \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0}) \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{1 - p(C_K | \mathbf{x})}{p(C_K | \mathbf{x})} = \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0}) \\
 \Rightarrow & p(C_K | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0})} \\
 \Rightarrow & p(C_i | \mathbf{x}) = \exp(\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0}) \cdot p(C_K | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0})}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0})} \\
 & = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0})}{\sum_{i=1}^K \exp(\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0}) + (1 - \boxed{\exp(\mathbf{w}_K^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0})})} = \boxed{\frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0})}{\sum_{i=1}^K \exp(\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0})}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\exp(\mathbf{w}_K^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0}) = \frac{p(C_K | \mathbf{x})}{p(C_K | \mathbf{x})} = 1$$

# Logistic Discrimination (7/8)

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For  $i = 1, \dots, K$ , For  $j = 0, \dots, d$ ,  $w_{ij} \leftarrow \text{rand}(-0.01, 0.01)$ 
Repeat
    For  $i = 1, \dots, K$ , For  $j = 0, \dots, d$ ,  $\Delta w_{ij} \leftarrow 0$ 
    For  $t = 1, \dots, N$ 
        For  $i = 1, \dots, K$ 
             $o_i \leftarrow 0$ 
            For  $j = 0, \dots, d$ 
                 $o_i \leftarrow o_i + w_{ij}x_j^t$ 
            For  $i = 1, \dots, K$ 
                 $y_i \leftarrow \exp(o_i) / \sum_k \exp(o_k)$ 
            For  $i = 1, \dots, K$ 
                For  $j = 0, \dots, d$ 
                     $\Delta w_{ij} \leftarrow \Delta w_{ij} + (r_i^t - y_i)x_j^t$ 
            For  $i = 1, \dots, K$ 
                For  $j = 0, \dots, d$ 
                     $w_{ij} \leftarrow w_{ij} + \eta \Delta w_{ij}$ 
Until convergence
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Figure 10.8: Logistic discrimination algorithm implementing gradient-descent for the case with  $K > 2$  classes. For generality, we take  $x_0^t \equiv 1, \forall t$ .

# Logistic Discrimination (8/8)

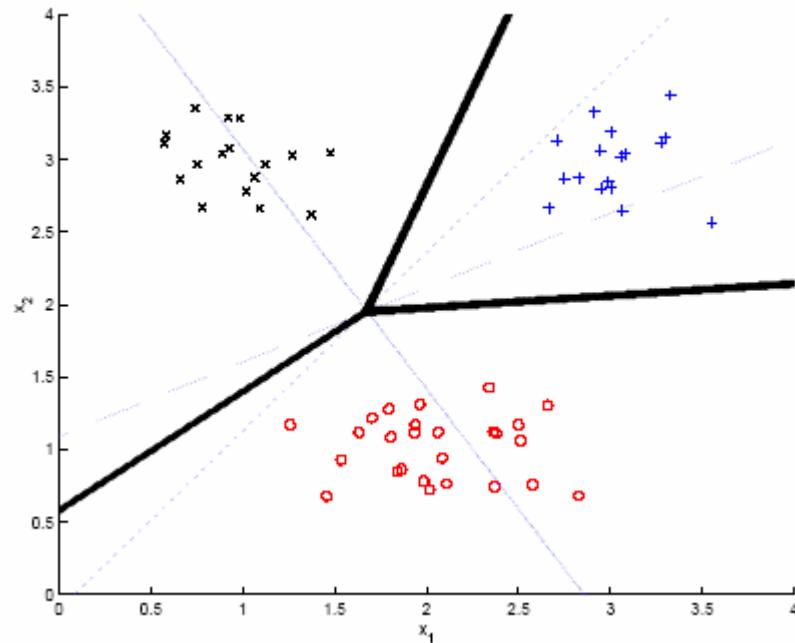


Figure 10.9: For a two-dimensional problem with three classes, the solution found by logistic discrimination. Thin lines are where  $g_i(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ , and the thick line is the boundary induced by the linear classifier choosing the maximum.

$$\text{thin line: } g_i(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{w}_i, w_{i0}) = \begin{cases} > 0 & \mathbf{x} \in C_i \\ \leq 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\text{ideal case})$$

$$\text{thick line: } p(C_i | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{\exp[\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0}]}{\sum_{j=1}^K \exp[\mathbf{w}_j^T \mathbf{x} + w_{j0}]}$$

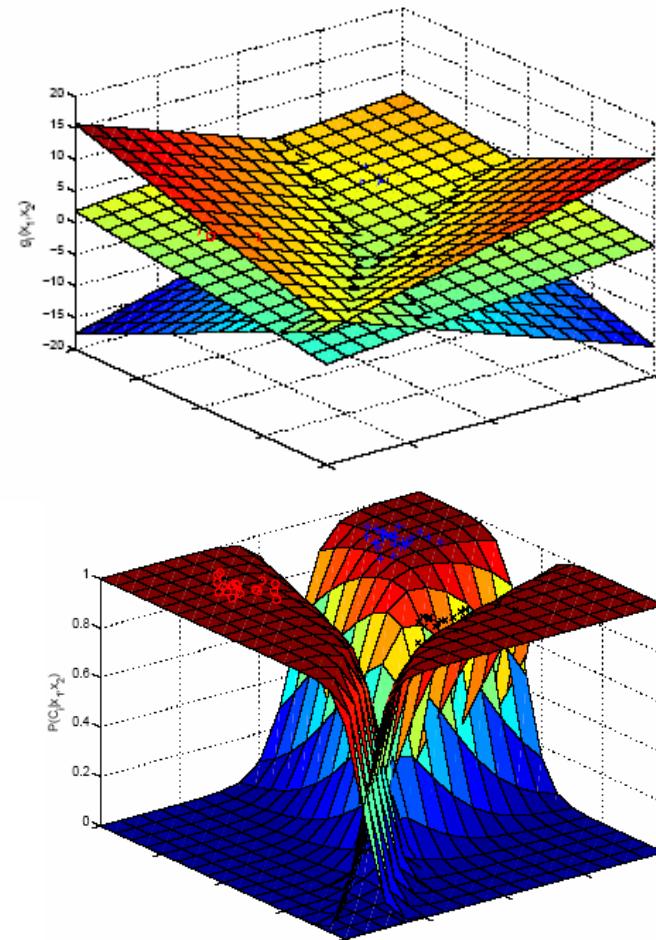


Figure 10.10: For the same example in figure 10.9, the linear discriminants (top), and the posterior probabilities after the softmax (bottom).

# Generalizing the Linear Model

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- Quadratic

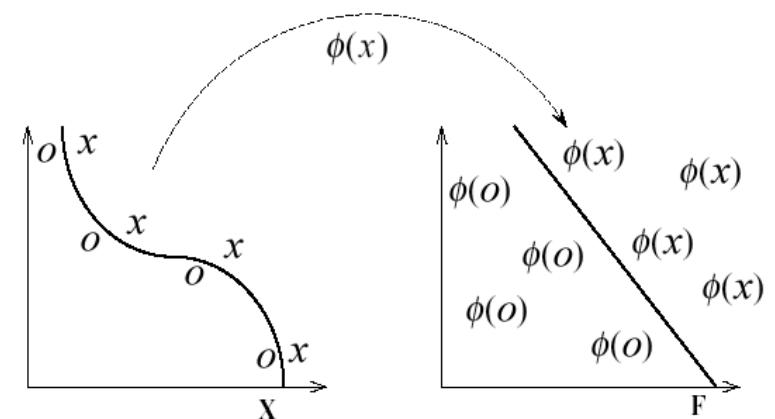
$$\log \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | C_i)}{p(\mathbf{x} | C_K)} = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{W}_i \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{i0}$$

- Sum of basis functions

$$\log \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | C_i)}{p(\mathbf{x} | C_K)} = \mathbf{w}_i^T \phi(\mathbf{x}) + w_{i0}$$

where  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$  are basis functions

- Kernels in SVM
- Hidden units in neural networks



# Discrimination by Regression

- Classes are NOT mutually exclusive and exhaustive
  - An instance can belong to different classes with different probabilities

$$\mathbf{r}^t = \mathbf{y}^t + \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \text{ where } \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim N(0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_d)$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{r}^t \sim N(\mathbf{y}^t, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_d)$$

$$y_i^t = \text{sigmoid} \left( \mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x}^t + w_{i0} \right) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp \left[ - (\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x}^t + w_{i0}) \right]}$$

$$l(\mathbf{w}, w_0 | X) = \prod_t \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_d|^{1/2}} \exp \left[ - (\mathbf{r}^t - \mathbf{y}^t)^T (\sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_d)^{-1} (\mathbf{r}^t - \mathbf{y}^t) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow E(\{\mathbf{w}_i, w_{i0}\}_i | X) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_t \|\mathbf{r}^t - \mathbf{y}^t\|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_t \sum_i (r_i^t - y_i^t)^2$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{w}_i = \eta \sum_t (r_i^t - y_i^t) y_i^t (1 - y_i^t) \mathbf{x}^t$$

$$\Delta w_{i0} = \eta \sum_t (r_i^t - y_i^t) y_i^t (1 - y_i^t)$$

Equivalent to minimizing  
the sum of square errors  
(sharing a common  
diagonal covariance matrix)

# Optimal Separating Hyperplane (1/5)

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- Cortes and Vapnik, 1995; Vapnik, 1995

$$X = \{\mathbf{x}^t, r^t\}_t \text{ where } r^t = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } \mathbf{x}^t \in C_1 \\ -1 & \text{if } \mathbf{x}^t \in C_2 \end{cases}$$

find  $\mathbf{w}$  and  $w_0$  such that

$$\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t + w_0 \geq +1 \text{ for } r^t = +1$$

$$\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t + w_0 \leq +1 \text{ for } r^t = -1$$

which can be rewritten as

$$r^t (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t + w_0) \geq +1$$

- We do not only want the instances to be on the right side of the hyperplane, but we also want them some distance away

# Optimal Separating Hyperplane (2/5)

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- Margin
  - Definition: Margin is the distance from the discriminant to the closest instances on either side
  - Distance of  $\mathbf{x}^t$  to the hyperplane is  $\frac{|\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t + w_0|}{\|\mathbf{w}\|}$ 
    - Can also be rewritten as  $\frac{r^t(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t + w_0)}{\|\mathbf{w}\|}$ , where  $r^t \in \{-1, +1\}$
  - We would like that  $\frac{r^t(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t + w_0)}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} \geq \rho, \forall t$ 
    - For a unique solution, fix  $\rho \cdot \|\mathbf{w}\|$  and to maximize the margin

$$\min \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 \text{ subject to } r^t(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t + w_0) \geq +1, \forall t$$

- Have to do with the input dimension  $d$

# Optimal Separating Hyperplane (3/5)

- Margin

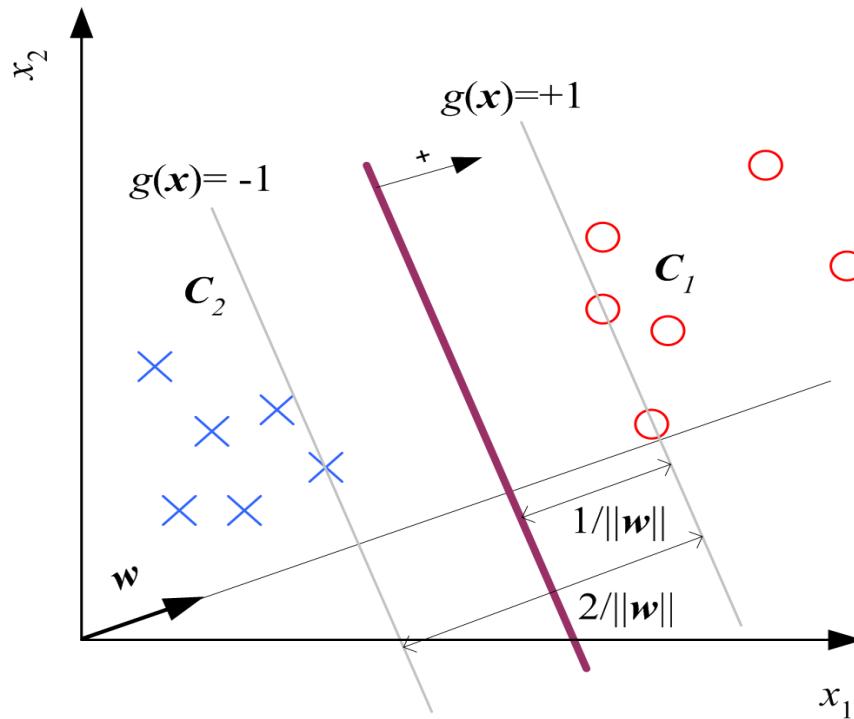


Figure 10.11: On both sides of the optimal separating hyperplane, the instances are at least  $1/\|\mathbf{w}\|$  away and the total margin is  $2/\|\mathbf{w}\|$ .

# Optimal Separating Hyperplane (4/5)

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- Primal Problem

- Minimize  $L_p$  with respect to  $\mathbf{w}, w_0$

$$\min \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 \text{ subject to } r^t (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t + w_0) \geq +1, \forall t$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_p &= \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 - \sum_{t=1}^N \alpha^t [r^t (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t + w_0) - 1] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 - \sum_{t=1}^N \alpha^t r^t (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t + w_0) + \sum_{t=1}^N \alpha^t \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial L_p}{\partial \mathbf{w}} = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{w} = \sum_{t=1}^N \alpha^t r^t \mathbf{x}^t$$

$$\frac{\partial L_p}{\partial w_0} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{t=1}^N \alpha^t r^t = 0$$

# Optimal Separating Hyperplane (5/5)

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- Dual Problem (Karush-Kuhn-Tucker)

– Maximize  $L_d$  with respect to  $\alpha^t$

$$L_d = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}) - \mathbf{w}^T \sum_t \alpha^t r^t \mathbf{x}^t - w_0 \sum_t \alpha^t r^t + \sum_t \alpha^t$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}) + \sum_t \alpha^t \quad \text{scalar}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_t \sum_s \alpha^t \alpha^s r^t r^s \boxed{(\mathbf{x}^t)^T \mathbf{x}^s} + \sum_t \alpha^t$$

Quadratic optimization

subject to  $\sum_t \alpha^t r^t = 0$  and  $\alpha^t \geq 0, \forall t$

- Most  $\alpha^{t*}$  are 0 and only a small number have  $\alpha^{t*} > 0$  ; they are support vectors
- Have to do with the number of training instances, but not the input dimension

# Kernel Machines

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- Preprocess input  $\mathbf{x}$  by basis functions

$$\mathbf{z} = \Phi(\mathbf{x}^t)$$

$$g(\mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{z} \quad (\text{assume } z_0 = 1)$$

$$g(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^T \Phi(\mathbf{x})$$

- The SVM solution

$$\mathbf{w} = \sum_t \alpha^t r^t \mathbf{z}^t = \sum_t \alpha^t r^t \Phi(\mathbf{x}^t)$$

$$g(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^T \Phi(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_t \alpha^t r^t \boxed{\Phi(\mathbf{x}^t)^T \Phi(\mathbf{x})}$$

$$g(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_t \alpha^t r^t \boxed{K(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{x})}$$

# Kernel Functions

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- Polynomials of degree  $q$ :  $K(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}^t + 1)^q$

$$\begin{aligned} K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) &= (\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} + 1)^2 \\ &= (x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + 1)^2 \\ &= 1 + 2x_1 y_1 + 2x_2 y_2 + 2x_1 x_2 y_1 y_2 + x_1^2 y_1^2 + x_2^2 y_2^2 \\ \phi(\mathbf{x}) &= [1, \sqrt{2}x_1, \sqrt{2}x_2, \sqrt{2}x_1 x_2, x_1^2, x_2^2]^T \end{aligned}$$

- Radial-basis functions:  $K(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{x}) = \exp\left[-\frac{\|\mathbf{x}^t - \mathbf{x}\|^2}{\sigma^2}\right]$
- Sigmoidal functions:  $K(\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{x}) = \tanh(2\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}^t + 1)$