

Module 6 : 4 lectures 7/9 - 7/18

- Kernels
- Kernelization / dualization of ML algorithms
- SVM, Sequential Minimization
- active learning

→ Support Vector Machine : linear classifier

$$h(x) = xw + \underbrace{b}_{\text{bias}}$$

binary labels $y \in \{\pm 1\}$

Objective: increase geometrical margin to closest points

objective (geometry): want all points classified correctly

• $\text{margin}(\vec{x}) = (xw + b) \cdot \boxed{y} > 0$

CONFIDENCE

• margin far from plane

$\text{margin}(x) \geq 1$
(both sides)

blue: points closest to margin = 1

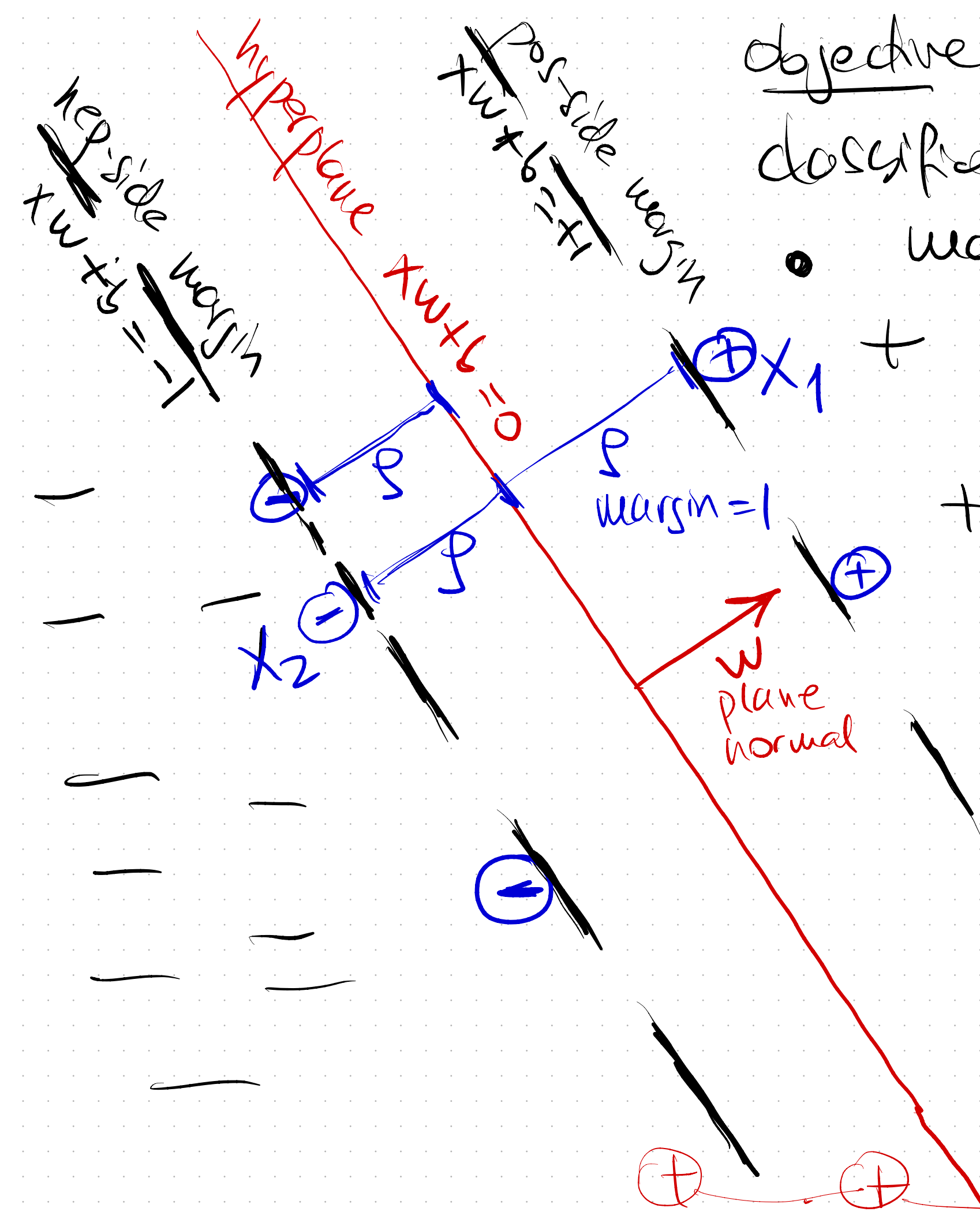
points type

• support $(xw + b)y = 1$

• loose (correct) $(xw + b)y > 1$

• tight (correct) $1 > (xw + b)y \geq 0$

• mistake $\rightarrow (xw + b)y < 0$



$x_2: x_2 w + b = -1$
 $x_1: x_1 w + b = +1$

fix scale

$\Rightarrow (x_1 - x_2) w = 1 - (-1) = 2$
 geometry: $2\rho = \|x_1 - x_2\|$

$\Rightarrow \|x_1 - x_2\| w = 2$
 $2\rho \cdot \|w\| = 2$
 $\rho = \frac{1}{\|w\|}$

ISOLATE geom for support vectors

want margin ρ (to support vectors)
as high as possible and equal on both sides.

SVM problem: find separation params (w, b) OR: Quad

(constrained optimization)
subject to

$$\max_j \Leftrightarrow \min_{\omega} \frac{1}{2} \|\omega\| \Leftrightarrow \min \frac{1}{2} \|\omega\|^2$$

constraints = linear

$(x_i \cdot w + b) y_i \geq 1$ for all points (x_i, y_i)

all points have margin ≥ 1

+1 or -1

Support vectors = points with margin ≤ 1
 $(xw + b) = 1$

Solution part 1: Constrained optimization $\Rightarrow$ Lagrangian Multiplier

$$L(w, b, \alpha) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2}_{\text{OBJ}} - \sum_{i=1}^N \underbrace{\alpha_i [y_i(x_i w + b) - 1]}_{\text{constraint}}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w} = w - \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i x_i^T \xrightarrow{\text{want } 0}$$

$$\Rightarrow w = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i x_i^T = \text{linear combination of datapoints with coef } (\alpha_i)_{i=1:N}$$

w
PRIMARY
VARIABLES

$$h(x_j) = x_j^T w$$

DUALITY

DUAL VARIABLE

$$\begin{aligned} h(x_j) &= x_j^T w = x_j^T \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i x_i^T \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_j^T & x_i^T \\ 1 \times D & D \times 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{K_{ij}} \end{aligned}$$

NEXT: rewrite $L()$ as function of α , not w
- solve for α vars with Quad Optimization