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Kernel SVM

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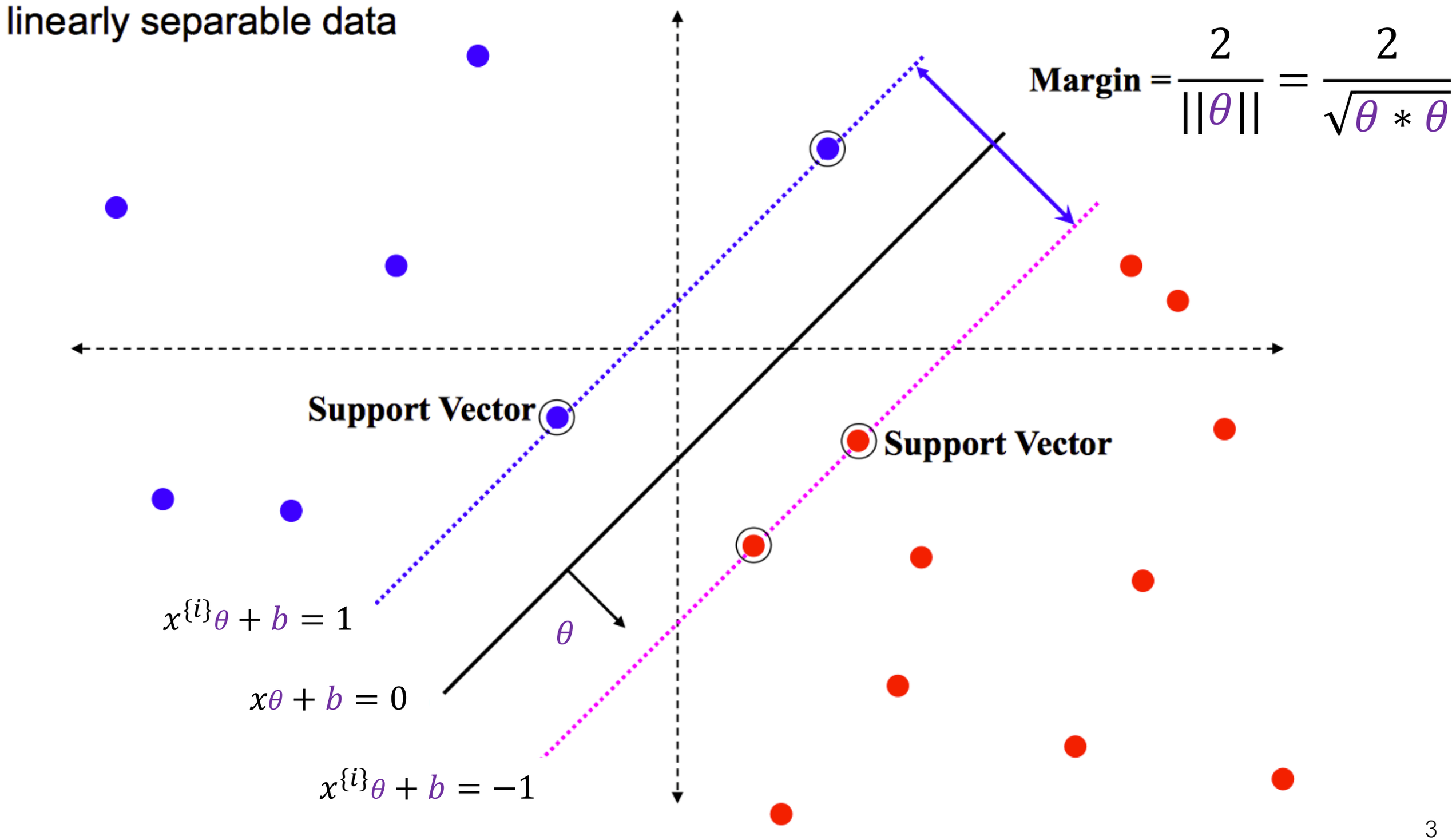
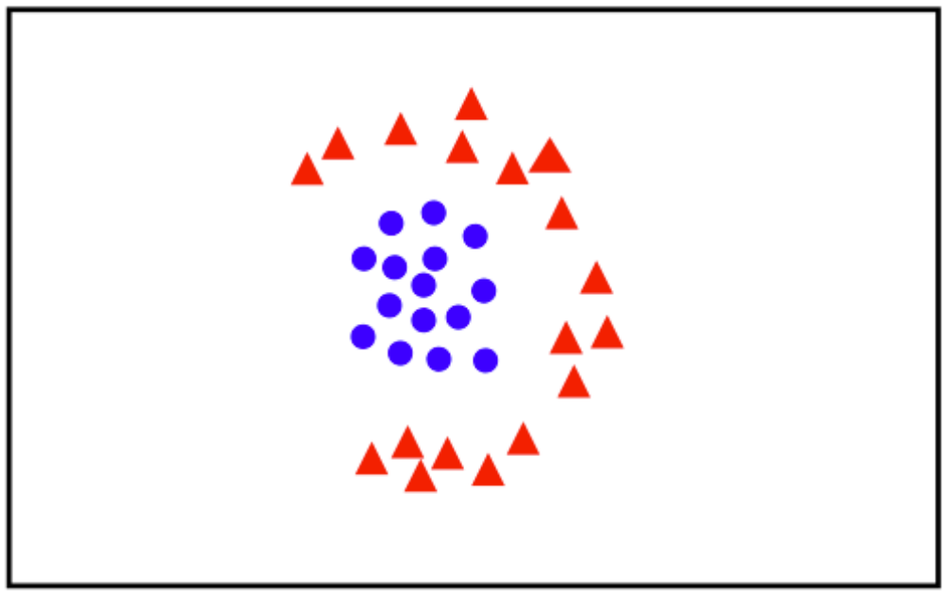
Geometric Interpretation



Handling Data that are Not Linearly Separable



- linear classifier not appropriate

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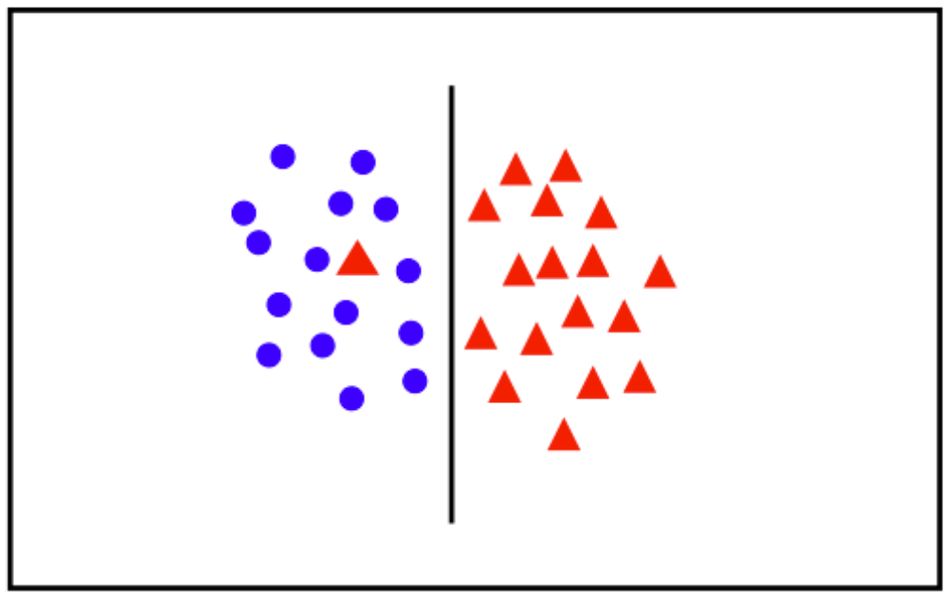
Kernel trick

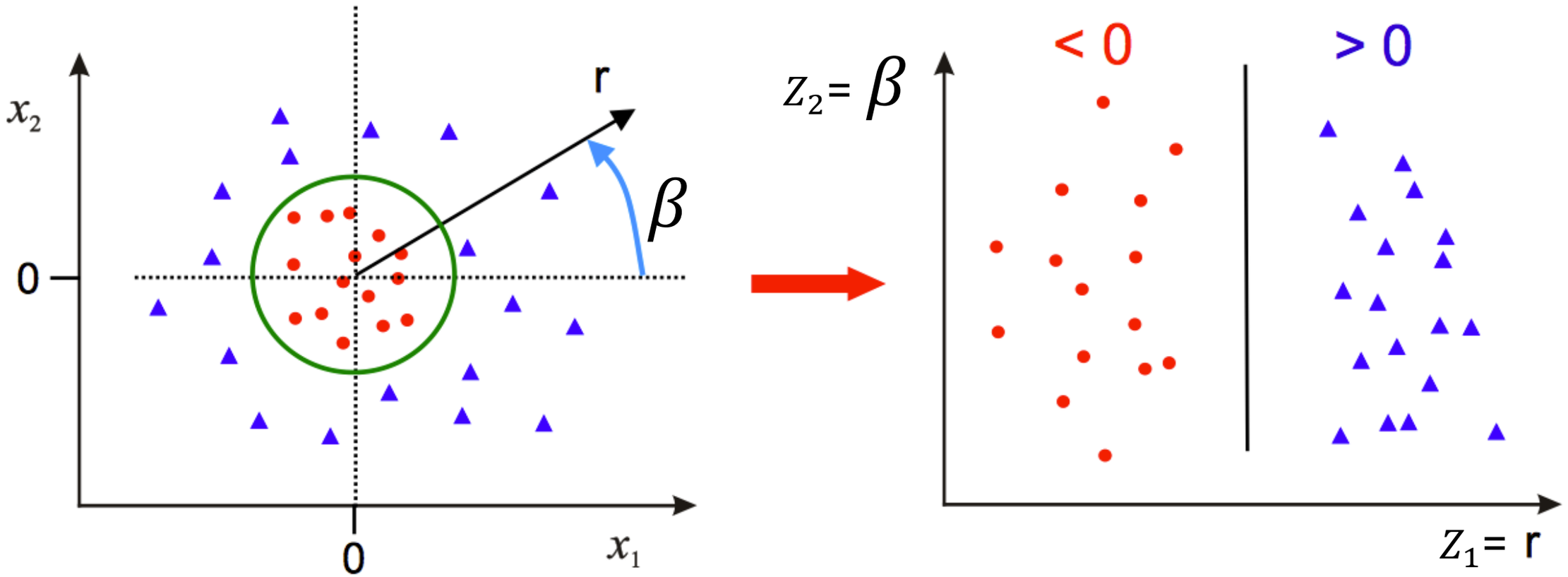


- introduce slack variables

Soft Margin SVM

(allowing ourselves to make errors)

Idea 1: Use Polar Coordinates to go to z space

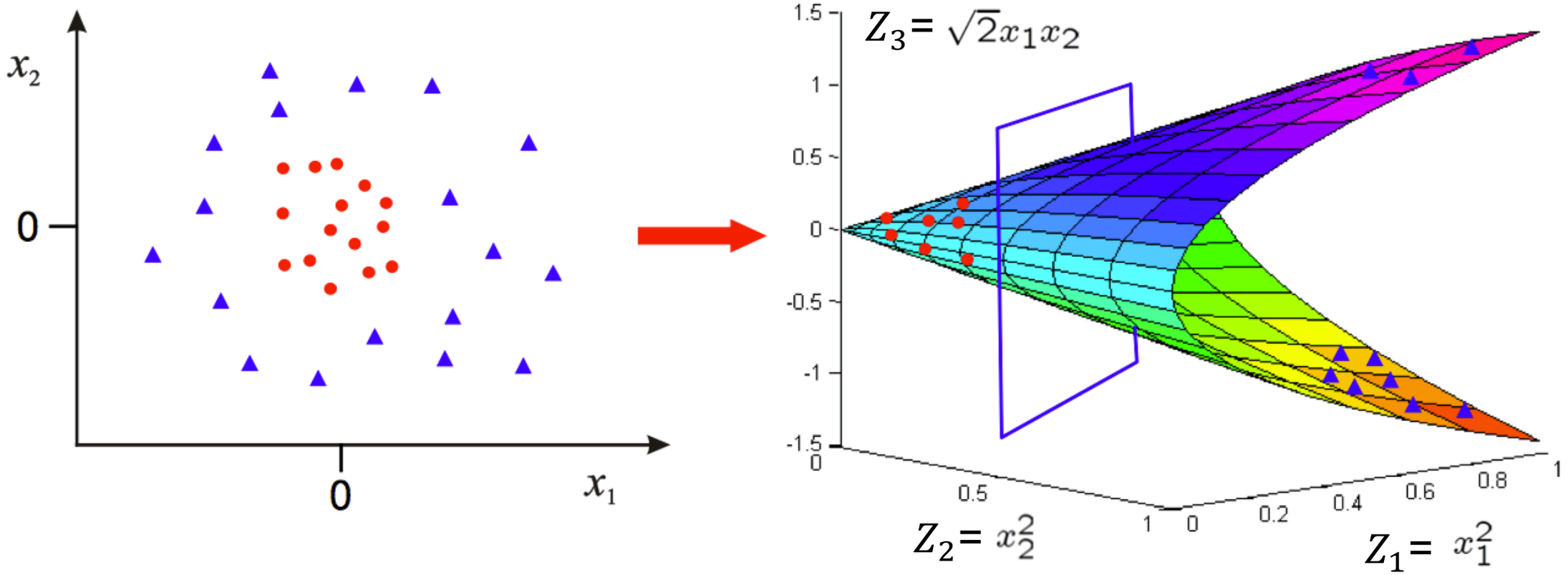


- Data is linearly separable in polar coordinates
- Acts non-linearly in original space

$$\Phi : \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} r \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

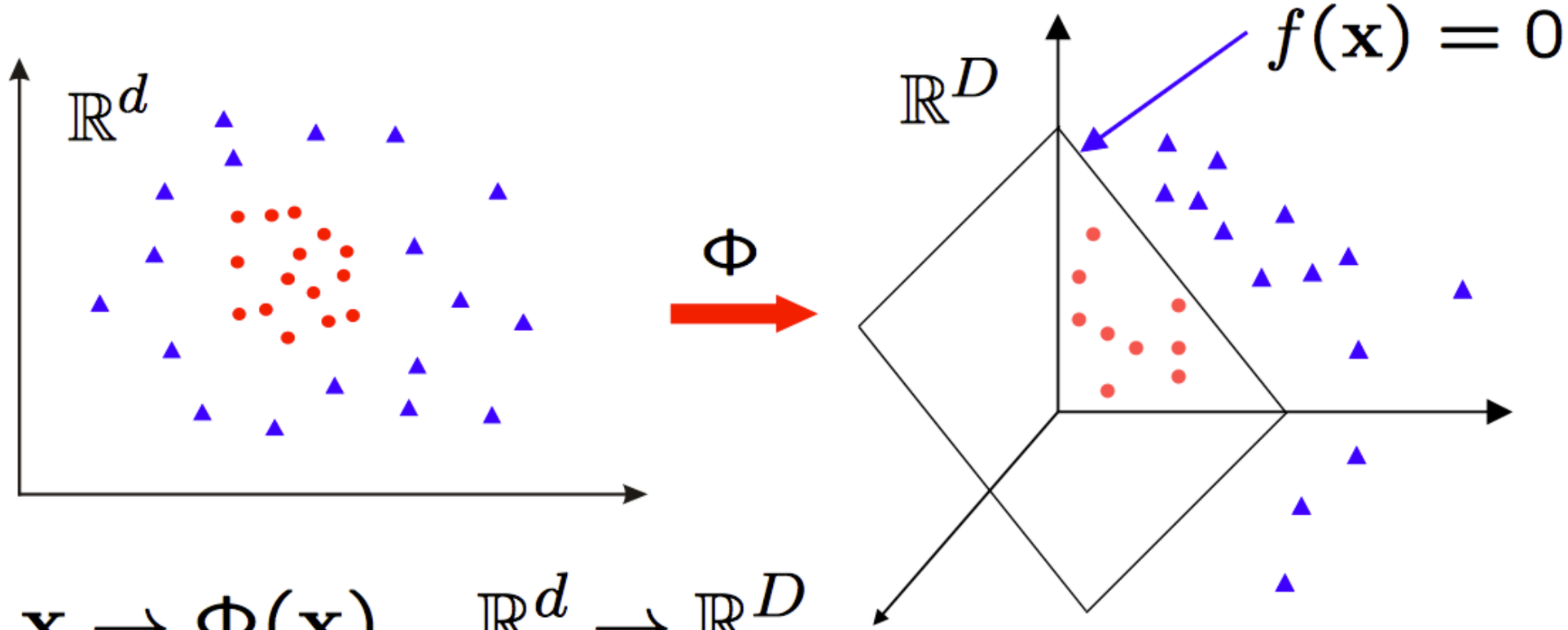
Idea 1: Map Data to Higher Dimension $\mathbb{Z}$ space

$$\Phi : \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x_1^2 \\ x_2^2 \\ \sqrt{2}x_1x_2 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$$



- Data is linearly separable in 3D
- This means that the problem can still be solved by a linear classifier

SVM in a Transformed Feature Space



$\Phi : \mathbf{x} \to \Phi(\mathbf{x})$ $\quad \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^D$

Learn classifier linear in $\mathbf{w}$ for $\mathbb{R}^D$:

$$f(x) = \phi(x)\theta + \theta_0 = z\theta + \theta_0$$

$\Phi(\mathbf{x})$ is a feature map

Kernel trick – what do we need from $\mathbb{Z}$ space

$$l(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha^{\{i\}} - \frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\sum_{j=1}^{N} y^{\{i\}}y^{\{j\}}\alpha^{\{i\}}\alpha^{\{j\}}\underbrace{z^{\{i\}}z^{\{j\}^T}}_{\text{Inner products}}$$

Constraints: $\alpha^{\{i\}} \geq 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, N$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha^{\{i\}}y^{\{i\}} = 0$

We already have this: $\begin{bmatrix} y^{\{1\}}y^{\{1\}}z^{\{1\}}z^{\{1\}^T} & \cdots & y^{\{1\}}y^{\{N\}}z^{\{1\}}z^{\{N\}^T} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ y^{\{N\}}y^{\{1\}}z^{\{N\}}z^{\{1\}^T} & \cdots & y^{\{N\}}y^{\{N\}}z^{\{N\}}z^{\{N\}^T} \end{bmatrix}$

Same result as hard SVM:

Solve $\alpha^{\{i\}}$ using quadratic programming and predict a test data point z in z space➔

$$sign(\mathrm{z}\theta + b) = \sum_{z_i in\ SV} \alpha^{\{i\}}y^{\{i\}}z^{\{i\}}\mathrm{z} + b$$

Generalized inner product

Given **two points** $x^{\{1\}}$ and $x^{\{2\}}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y^{\{1\}}y^{\{1\}}K(x^{\{1\}},x^{\{1\}}) & y^{\{1\}}y^{\{2\}}K(x^{\{1\}},x^{\{2\}}) \\ y^{\{2\}}y^{\{1\}}K(x^{\{2\}},x^{\{1\}}) & y^{\{2\}}y^{\{2\}}K(x^{\{2\}},x^{\{2\}}) \end{bmatrix}$$

How can we calculate $z^{\{1\}}{z^{\{2\}}}^T$

Let $K\left(x^{\{1\}},x^{\{2\}}\right) = z^{\{1\}}{z^{\{2\}}}^T$ **The kernel** inner product of $x^{\{1\}}$and $x^{\{2\}}$

Example:

$x^{\{1\}} = \left(1, h^{\{1\}}, w^{\{1\}}\right) \rightarrow 2nd - order\ \Phi$ here $x^{\{1\}}\ and\ x^{\{2\}}$ have two dimensions

$x^{\{2\}} = \left(1, h^{\{2\}}, w^{\{2\}}\right) \rightarrow 2nd - order\ \Phi$

$z^{\{1\}} = \Phi(\boldsymbol{x}) = (1, h^{\{1\}}, w^{\{1\}}, {h^{\{1\}}}^2, {w^{\{1\}}}^2, h^{\{1\}}w^{\{1\}})$

$z^{\{2\}} = \Phi(\boldsymbol{x}') = (1, h^{\{2\}}, w^{\{2\}}, {h^{\{2\}}}^2, {w^{\{2\}}}^2, h^{\{2\}}w^{\{2\}})$

How many dimensions z has?

$K\left(x^{\{1\}},x^{\{2\}}\right) = z^{\{1\}}{z^{\{2\}}}^T = 1 + h^{\{1\}}h^{\{2\}} + w^{\{1\}}w^{\{2\}} + {h^{\{1\}}}^2{h^{\{2\}}}^2 + {w^{\{1\}}}^2{w^{\{2\}}}^2 + h^{\{1\}}h^{\{2\}}w^{\{1\}}w^{\{2\}}$

We can also calculate: $K\left(x^{\{1\}},x^{\{1\}}\right)K\left(x^{\{2\}},x^{\{1\}}\right)$ $K\left(x^{\{2\}},x^{\{2\}}\right)$

The trick

Can we compute $K(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}})$ **without** transforming $x^{\{1\}}$and $x^{\{2\}}$?

Example:

Datapoint 1 in x space $x^{\{1\}} = (1, h^{\{1\}}, w^{\{1\}})$

Datapoint 2 in x space $x^{\{2\}} = (1, h^{\{2\}}, w^{\{2\}})$

Datapoint 1 and 2 have 2 dimensions in x space and 1 is for the biased term

Datapoint 1 in z space $\phi(x^{\{1\}}) = z^{\{1\}} = (1, h^{\{1\}^2}, w^{\{1\}^2}, \sqrt{2}h^{\{1\}}, \sqrt{2}w^{\{1\}}, \sqrt{2}h^{\{1\}}w^{\{1\}})$

Datapoint 2 in z space $\phi(x^{\{2\}}) = z^{\{2\}} = (1, h^{\{2\}^2}, w^{\{2\}^2}, \sqrt{2}h^{\{2\}}, \sqrt{2}w^{\{2\}}, \sqrt{2}h^{\{2\}}w^{\{2\}})$

Datapoint 1 and 2 have 5 dimensions in z space and 1 is for the biased term

We need to calculate the dot product for the kernel

$$K\left(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}\right) = \phi\left(x^{\{1\}}\right)\,\phi\left(x^{\{2\}}\right)^T = z^{\{1\}}{z^{\{2\}}}^T$$

$$z^{\{1\}} = (1, {h^{\{1\}}}^2, {w^{\{1\}}}^2, \sqrt{2}h^{\{1\}}, \sqrt{2}w^{\{1\}}, \sqrt{2}h^{\{1\}}w^{\{1\}})$$

$$z^{\{2\}} = (1, {h^{\{2\}}}^2, {w^{\{2\}}}^2, \sqrt{2}h^{\{2\}}, \sqrt{2}w^{\{2\}}, \sqrt{2}h^{\{2\}}w^{\{2\}})$$

$$z^{\{1\}}{z^{\{2\}}}^T = K\left(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}\right) =$$

$$1 + {h^{\{1\}}}^2{h^{\{2\}}}^2 + {w^{\{1\}}}^2{w^{\{2\}}}^2 + 2h^{\{1\}}h^{\{2\}} + 2w^{\{1\}}w^{\{2\}} + 2h^{\{1\}}h^{\{2\}}w^{\{1\}}w^{\{2\}}$$

$$K\left(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}\right) = \left(1 + h^{\{1\}}h^{\{2\}} + w^{\{1\}}w^{\{2\}}\right)^2$$

$$x^{\{1\}} = (1, h^{\{1\}}, w^{\{1\}}) \qquad x^{\{2\}} = (1, h^{\{2\}}, w^{\{2\}})$$

$$z^{\{1\}}{z^{\{2\}}}^T = K\left(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}\right) = \left(x^{\{1\}}{x^{\{2\}}}^T\right)^2$$ Homogeneous kernel

Example: Let's say we have two datapoints

We need the build the inner product matrix to optimize SVM parameters.

$$l(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha^{\{i\}} - \frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\sum_{j=1}^{N} y^{\{i\}}y^{\{j\}}\alpha^{\{i\}}\alpha^{\{j\}} z^{\{i\}} z^{\{j\}^T} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha^{\{i\}} - \frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\sum_{j=1}^{N} y^{\{i\}}y^{\{j\}}\alpha^{\{i\}}\alpha^{\{j\}} K(x^{\{i\}}, x^{\{j\}})$$

$$X = \begin{matrix} & \text{weight} & \text{Height} \\ \begin{matrix}1\\1\end{matrix} & \begin{matrix}1\\-1\end{matrix} & \begin{matrix}2\\3\end{matrix} \end{matrix} \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} cat \\ dog \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K\left(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} y^{\{1\}}y^{\{1\}}K(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{1\}}) & y^{\{1\}}y^{\{2\}}K(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}) \\ y^{\{2\}}y^{\{1\}}K(x^{\{2\}}, x^{\{1\}}) & y^{\{2\}}y^{\{2\}}K(x^{\{2\}}, x^{\{2\}}) \end{bmatrix}$$

The polynomial kernel

$\chi = \mathcal{R}^d \; and \; \Phi\colon \; \chi \; \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ is polynomial of order Q

The "equivalent kernel $= K\left(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}\right) = \left(1 + x^{\{1\}} x^{\{2\}^T}\right)^Q$ Inhomogeneous kernel

$$= \left(1 + x_1^{\{1\}} x_1^{\{2\}} + x_2^{\{1\}} x_2^{\{2\}} + \cdots + x_d^{\{1\}} x_d^{\{2\}}\right)^Q$$

Does it matter if Q is 2 or 1000?

What will happen if we have $d = 10$ and $Q = 100$ and we want to compute the inner product explicitly?

We need to calculate the inner product of two big huge ugly vectors

We only need $\mathbb{Z}$ space to exist

If $K\left(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}\right)$ is an inner product in some space $\mathbb{Z}$, we are doing good

Example:

$$K\left(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}\right) = \exp\left(-\gamma \left\| x^{\{1\}} - x^{\{2\}} \right\|^2\right)$$ Radial basis kernel

First thing first, this is a function of $x \; and \; x'$

This function will take us to infinite-dimensional $\mathbb{Z}$ → CONGRATULATIONS

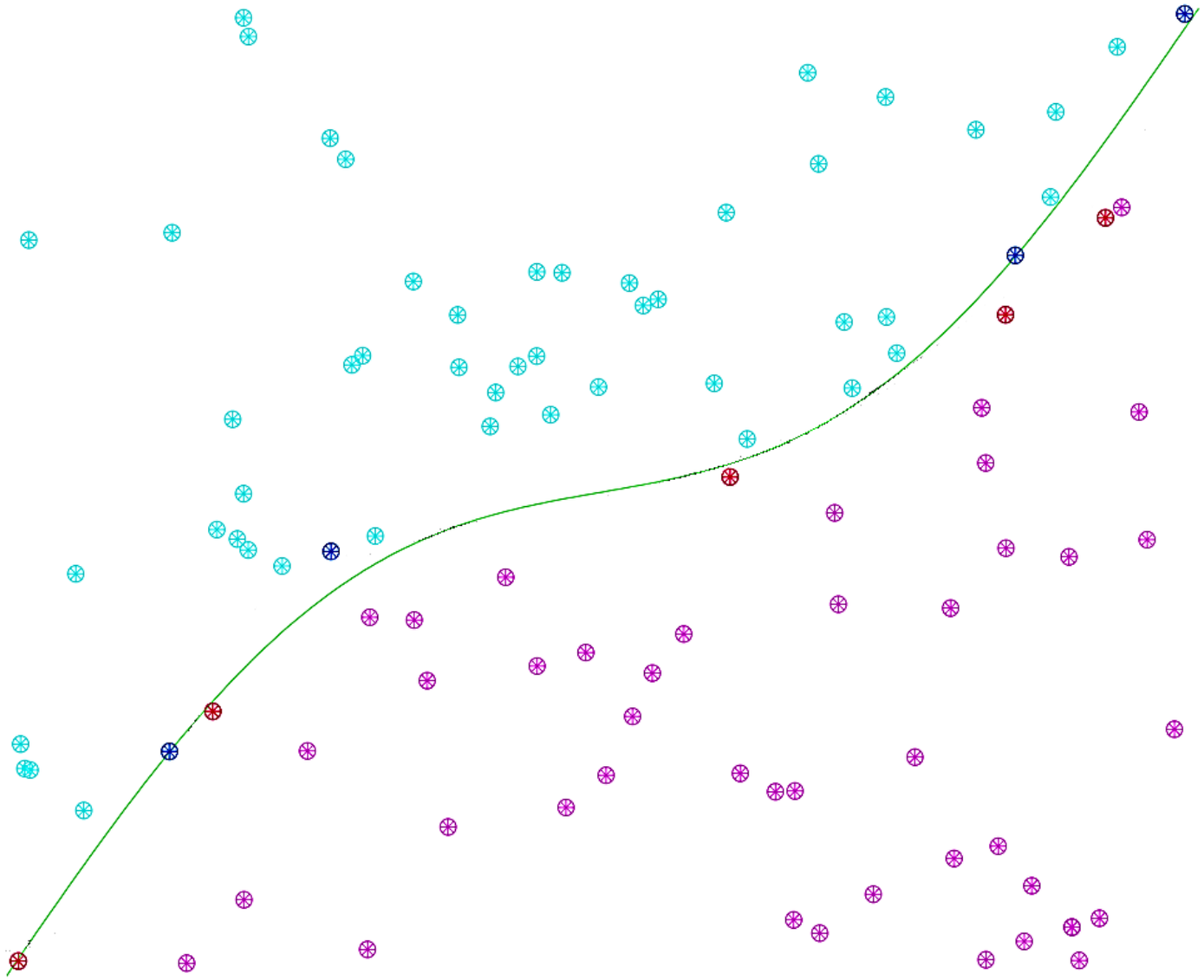
For d and $\gamma = 1 \Rightarrow \quad K\left(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}\right) = \exp\left(-\left(x^{\{1\}} - x^{\{2\}}\right)^2\right)$

$$= \exp\left(-{x^{\{1\}}}^2\right) \exp\left(-{x^{\{2\}}}^2\right) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^k {x^{\{1\}}}^k {x^{\{2\}}}^k}{k!}$$

exp Taylor expansion for $\exp(2xx')$

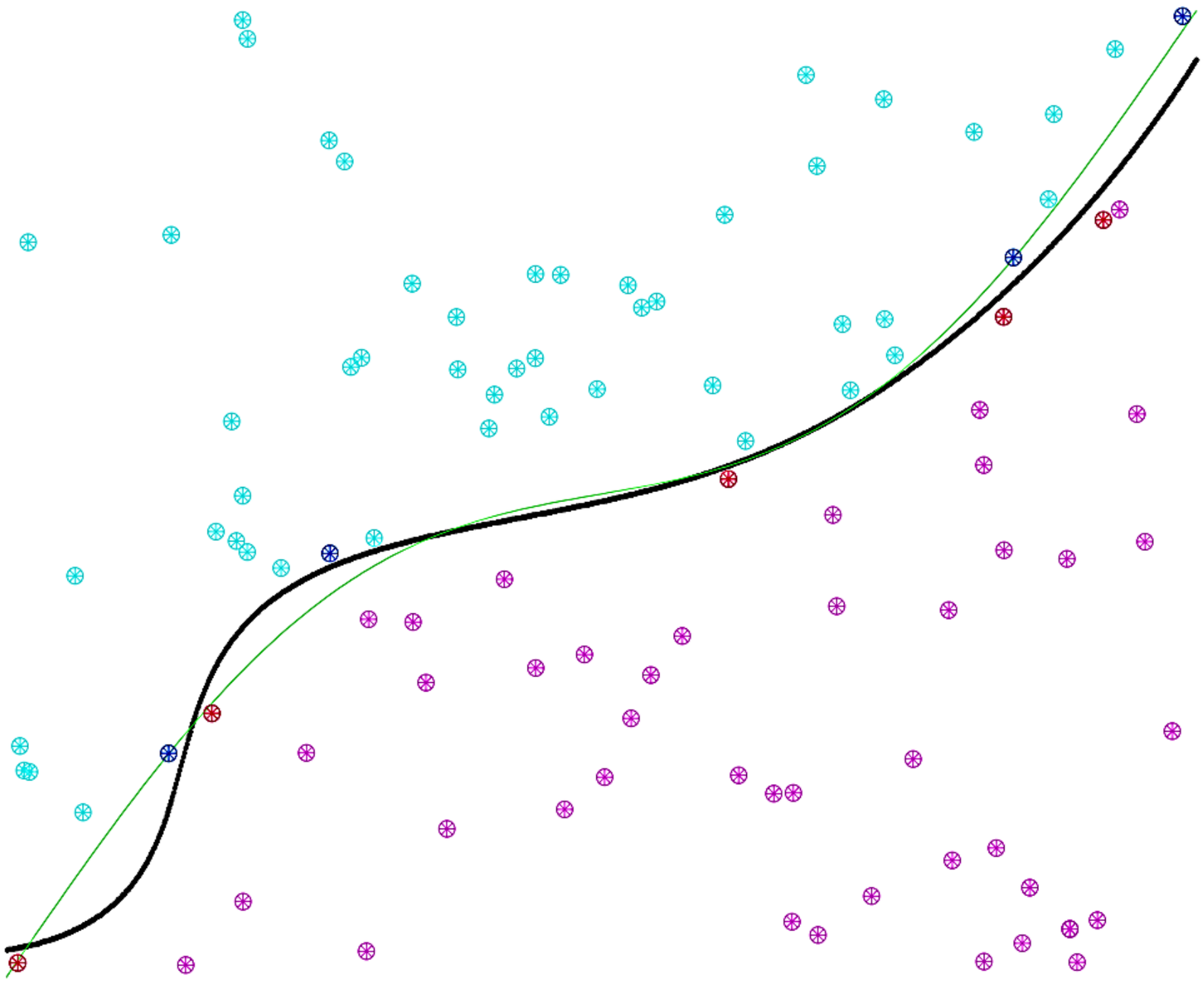
Radial basis kernel in action

Slightly non-linearly separable case for 100 datapoints:



Transforming χ

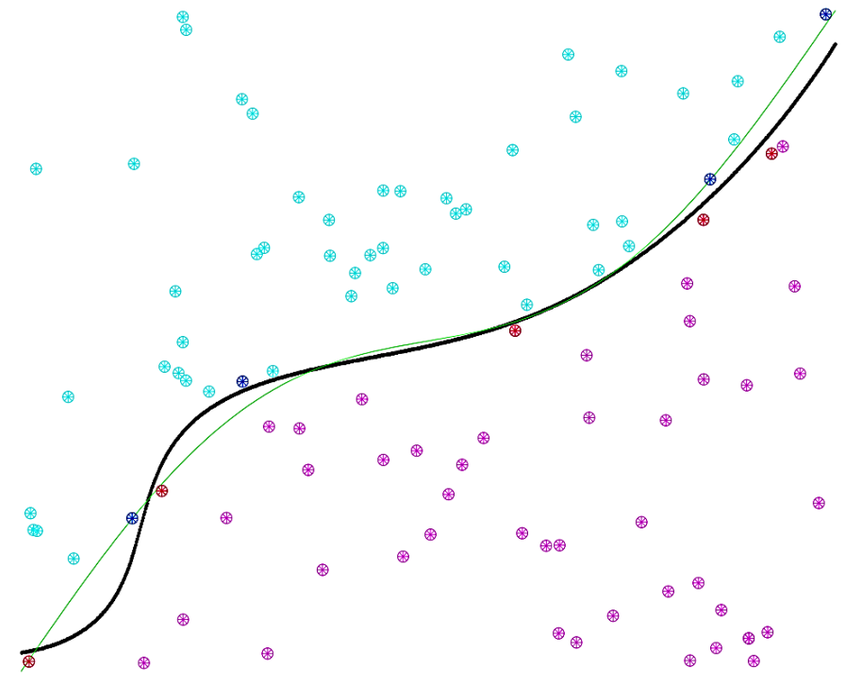
into ∞-dimensional $\mathbb{Z}$ space



Generalization

Are we killing the generalization by going to infinite-dimension? (overfitting)

I am going to answer this with a question. In this, example how many support vectors, we have?



What will happen if we have many support vectors?

The decision boundary line (plane) will be super wiggly ➔ overfitting alarm

$$\mathrm{E}[E_{out}] \leq \frac{\mathrm{E}[Number\ of\ support\ vectors]}{N-1}$$

N is number of datapoints

Kernel formulation of SVM

Remember quadratic programming?

$$\begin{bmatrix} y^{\{1\}}y^{\{1\}}x^{\{1\}}x^{\{1\}^T} & y^{\{1\}}y^{\{2\}}x^{\{1\}}x^{\{2\}^T} & \dots & y^{\{1\}}y^{\{N\}}x^{\{1\}}x^{\{N\}^T} \\ y^{\{2\}}y^{\{1\}}x^{\{2\}}x^{\{1\}^T} & y^{\{2\}}y^{\{2\}}x^{\{2\}}x^{\{2\}^T} & \dots & y^{\{2\}}y^{\{N\}}x^{\{2\}}x^{\{N\}^T} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ y^{\{N\}}y^{\{1\}}x^{\{N\}}x^{\{1\}^T} & y^{\{N\}}y^{\{2\}}x^{\{N\}}x^{\{2\}^T} & \dots & y^{\{N\}}y^{\{N\}}x^{\{N\}}x^{\{N\}^T} \end{bmatrix}$$

Quadratic coefficients

In $\mathbb{Z}$ space, the only thing you need:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y^{\{1\}}y^{\{1\}}K(x^{\{1\}},x^{\{1\}^T}) & y^{\{1\}}y^{\{2\}}K(x^{\{1\}},x^{\{2\}^T}) & \dots & y^{\{1\}}y^{\{N\}}K(x^{\{1\}},x^{\{N\}^T}) \\ y^{\{2\}}y^{\{1\}}K(x^{\{2\}},x^{\{1\}^T}) & y^{\{2\}}y^{\{2\}}K(x^{\{2\}},x^{\{2\}^T}) & \dots & y^{\{2\}}y^{\{N\}}K(x^{\{2\}},x^{\{N\}^T}) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ y^{\{N\}}y^{\{1\}}K(x^{\{N\}},x^{\{1\}^T}) & y^{\{N\}}y^{\{2\}}K(x^{\{N\}},x^{\{2\}^T}) & \dots & y^{\{N\}}y^{\{N\}}K(x^{\{N\}},x^{\{N\}^T}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Final stage:

$$g(x) = sign(z\theta + b) \qquad in\ terms\ of\ K(-,-)$$

$$where \rightarrow \theta = \sum_{z^{\{i\}} in\ SV} \alpha^{\{i\}} y^{\{i\}} z^{\{i\}} \rightarrow \quad g(x) = sign(\sum_{z^{\{i\}} in\ SV} \alpha^{\{i\}} y^{\{i\}} z^{\{i\}}\ z^T + b)$$

$$g(x) = sign(\sum_{\alpha_i > 0} \alpha^{\{i\}} y^{\{i\}} K(x^{\{i\}}, x) + b)$$

$$and\ b: \quad b = y^{\{j\}} - \sum_{\alpha^{\{i\}} > 0, \alpha^{\{j\}} > 0} \alpha^{\{i\}} y^{\{i\}} K(x^{\{i\}}, x^{\{j\}})$$

$$for\ any\ SV\ x^{\{i\}} and\ x^{\{j\}}$$

How do we know that the kernel is valid?

$For\ a\ given\ K(x^{\{i\}}, x^{\{j\}})$ → We can check the validity

Three approaches:

1. By construction (Polynomial one)

2. Math properties (Mercer's condition)

3. Who cares? ☺

Design your kernel

$K(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}})$ is valid iff

1. It is symmetric ➔ $K(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}) = K(x^{\{2\}}, x^{\{1\}})$

2. The matrix ➔ $\begin{bmatrix} y^{\{1\}}y^{\{1\}}K(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{1\}^T}) & y^{\{1\}}y^{\{2\}}K(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}^T}) & \dots & y^{\{1\}}y^{\{N\}}K(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{N\}^T}) \\ y^{\{2\}}y^{\{1\}}K(x^{\{2\}}, x^{\{1\}^T}) & y^{\{2\}}y^{\{2\}}K(x^{\{2\}}, x^{\{2\}^T}) & \dots & y^{\{2\}}y^{\{N\}}K(x^{\{2\}}, x^{\{N\}^T}) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ y^{\{N\}}y^{\{1\}}K(x^{\{N\}}, x^{\{1\}^T}) & y^{\{N\}}y^{\{2\}}K(x^{\{N\}}, x^{\{2\}^T}) & \dots & y^{\{N\}}y^{\{N\}}K(x^{\{N\}}, x^{\{N\}^T}) \end{bmatrix}$

is positive-semi definite

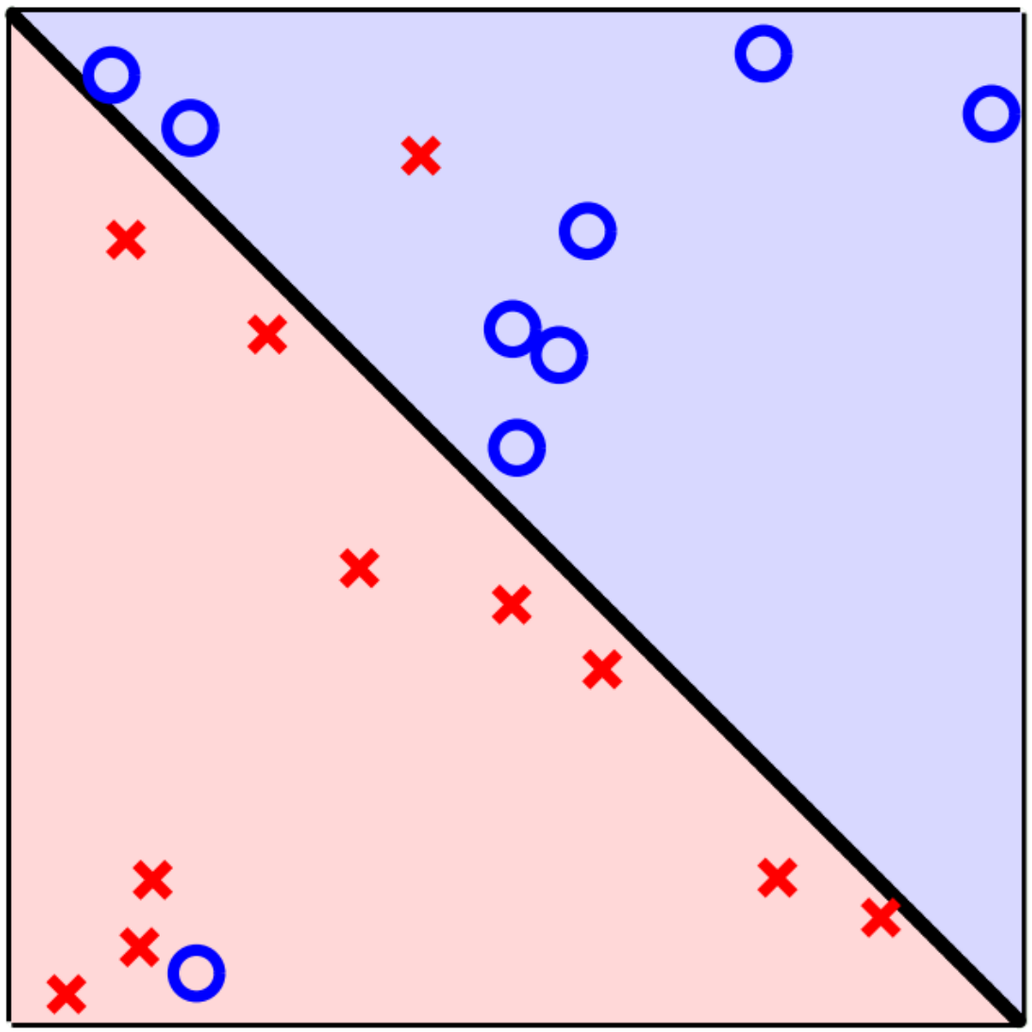
For any $x^{\{1\}}, \dots, x^{\{N\}}$ (Mercer's condition)

Common Kernels

- Linear kernels $K\left(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}\right) = x^{\{1\}} x^{\{2\}^T}$
- Polynomial kernels $K\left(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}\right) = \left(1 + x^{\{1\}} x^{\{2\}^T}\right)^T$ for any d>0
  - Contains all polynomials terms up to degree d
- Gaussian kernels $K\left(x^{\{1\}}, x^{\{2\}}\right) = \exp\left(-\frac{\left\|x^{\{1\}} - x^{\{2\}}\right\|^2}{2 * \sigma^2}\right) for\ \sigma > 0$
  - Infinite dimensional feature space

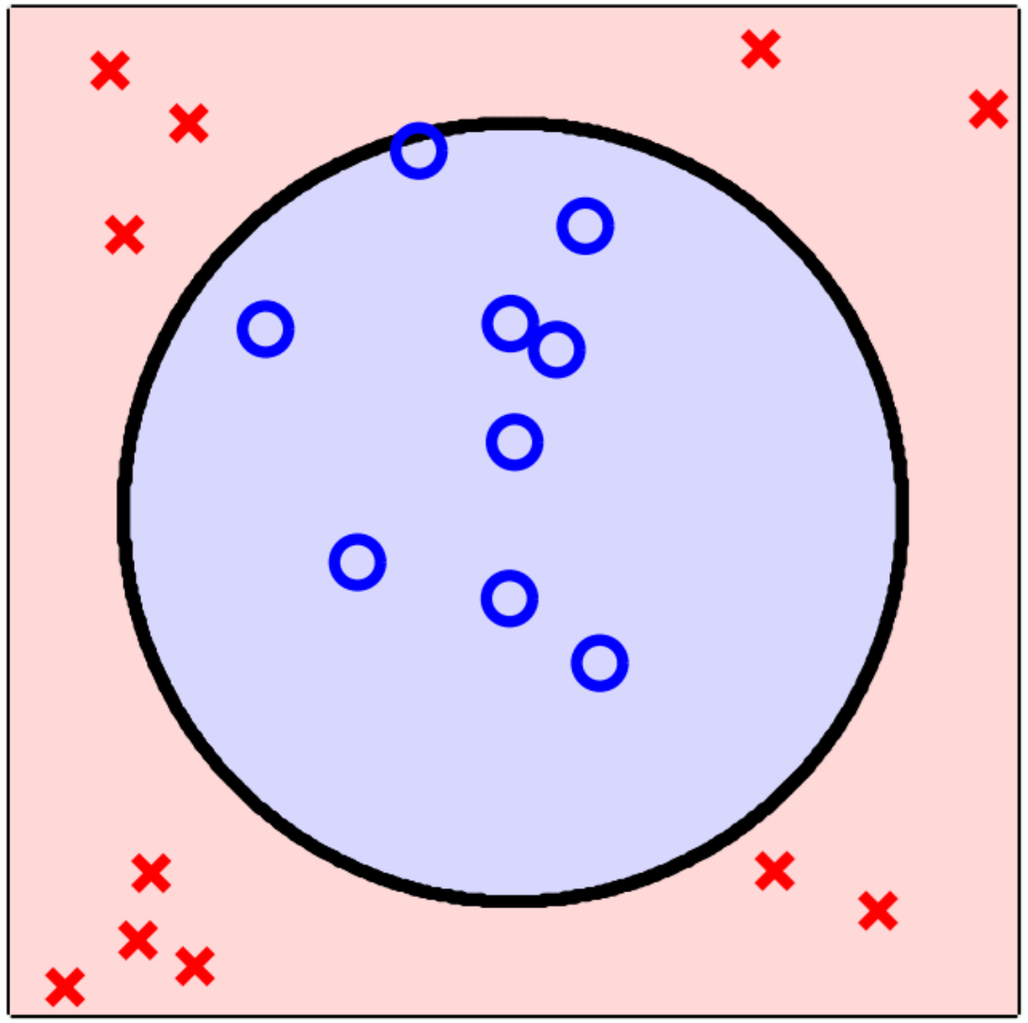
Soft SVM – Two types of non-separable

slightly:



Soft SVM will deal with this

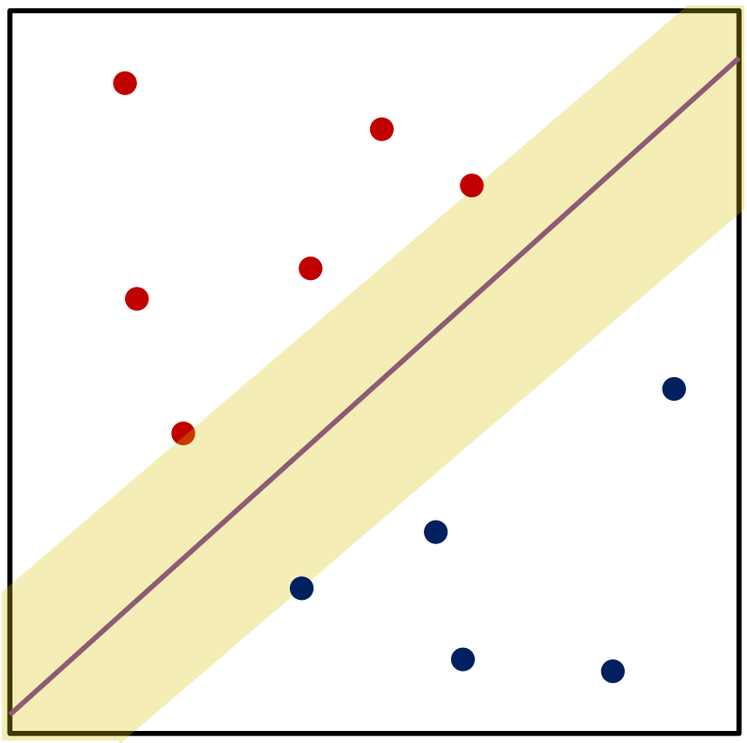
seriously:



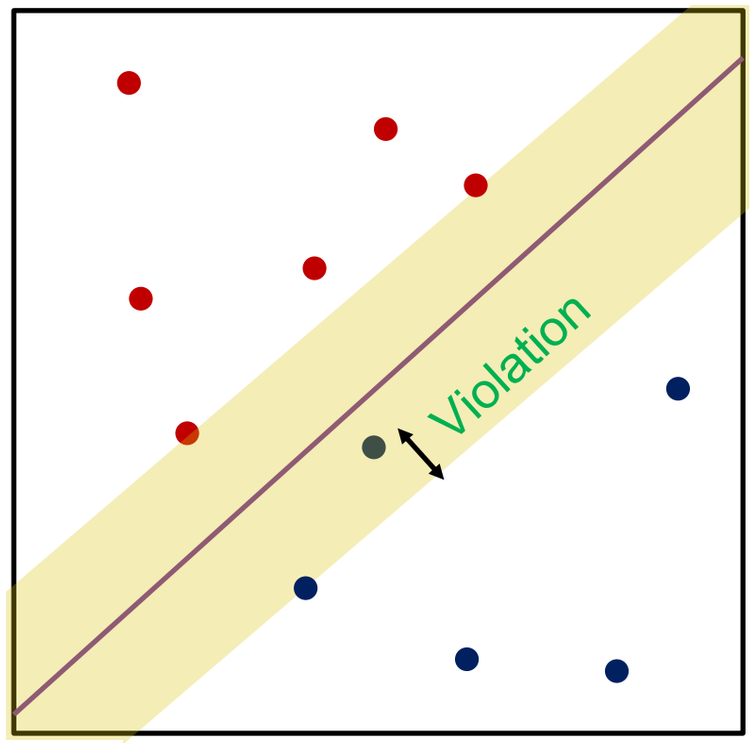
Kernel will deal with this

Error measure

Non-violated case:



Margin violation:



if $y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) > 1 \Rightarrow$ Non SV

Let's introcduce a slack variable: $y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) \geq 1 - \xi^{\{i\}} \qquad \xi^{\{i\}} \geq 0$

$$\text{Total violation} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \xi^{\{i\}}$$

The new optimization

Minimize $\frac{1}{2}\theta\theta^T + \mathrm{C}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\xi^{\{i\}}$

C will define the relative importance of the first or second term

$\mathrm{C} = inf$ is equal to Hard SVM (will see soon)

$s.t.\ \ y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) \geq 1 - \xi^{\{i\}} \quad \text{for } i = 1, \ldots, N$

$and \xi^{\{i\}} \geq 0 \qquad \text{for } i = 1, \ldots, N$

$\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d, b \in \mathbb{R}, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^N$

The Lagrange formulation

Hard svm: Minimize $\frac{1}{2}\theta\theta^T$ $s.t.\ \ y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) \geq 1$

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta, b, \alpha) = \frac{1}{2}\theta\theta^T - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha^{\{i\}}(y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) - 1)$$

Soft svm: Minimize $\frac{1}{2}\theta\theta^T + \mathrm{C}\sum_{i=1}^{N} \xi^{\{i\}}$ $s.t.\ \ y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) \geq 1 - \xi^{\{i\}} and$ $\xi^{\{i\}} \geq 0$

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta, b, \xi, \alpha) = \frac{1}{2}\theta\theta^t \ + C\sum_{i=1}^{N} \xi^{\{i\}} - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha^{\{i\}}\left(y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) - 1 \ + \xi^{\{i\}}\right) - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \beta^{\{i\}}\xi^{\{i\}}$$

PLEASE do not scare, terms will be dropping fast

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta, b, \xi, \alpha) = \frac{1}{2}\theta\theta^T + C\sum_{i=1}^{N} \xi^{\{i\}} - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha^{\{i\}}\left(y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) - 1 + \xi^{\{i\}}\right) - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \beta^{\{i\}}\xi^{\{i\}}$$

Minimize w.r.t $\boldsymbol{\theta}, b, and\ \xi$ and maximize w.r.t $\alpha^{\{i\}} \geq 0\ and \beta^{\{i\}} \geq 0$

KKT condition for inequality constraints

Let's do the minimization:

$$\nabla_\theta\, \mathcal{L}(\theta, b, \xi, \alpha) = \theta - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha^{\{i\}} y^{\{i\}} x^{\{i\}} = 0$$

If we substitute $\beta^{\{i\}}$ up there, the whole formulation will get back to hard svm

$$\nabla_b\, \mathcal{L}(\theta, b, \xi, \alpha) = -\sum_{n=1}^{N} \alpha^{\{i\}} y^{\{i\}} = 0$$

$$\nabla_\xi\, \mathcal{L}(\theta, b, \xi, \alpha) = C - \alpha^{\{i\}} - \beta^{\{i\}}$$

We should say thank you $\beta^{\{i\}}$ for the great service

The solution

$$\beta^{\{i\}} = C - \alpha^{\{i\}}$$

$$\beta^{\{i\}} \geq 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad C - \alpha^{\{i\}} \geq 0 \rightarrow 0 \leq \alpha^{\{i\}} \leq C \qquad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N$$

$$Maximize\ \mathcal{L}(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha^{\{i\}} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} y^{\{i\}} y^{\{j\}} \alpha^{\{i\}} \alpha^{\{j\}} x^{\{i\}} x^{\{j\}^T} \qquad \text{w.r.t} \quad \alpha$$

$$s.t. \qquad 0 \leq \alpha^{\{i\}} \leq C \qquad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N \qquad \boldsymbol{and} \qquad \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha^{\{i\}} y^{\{i\}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha^{\{i\}} y^{\{i\}} x^{\{i\}} \qquad \text{will minimize} \qquad \frac{1}{2} \theta \theta^T + C \sum_{i=1}^{N} \xi^{\{i\}}$$

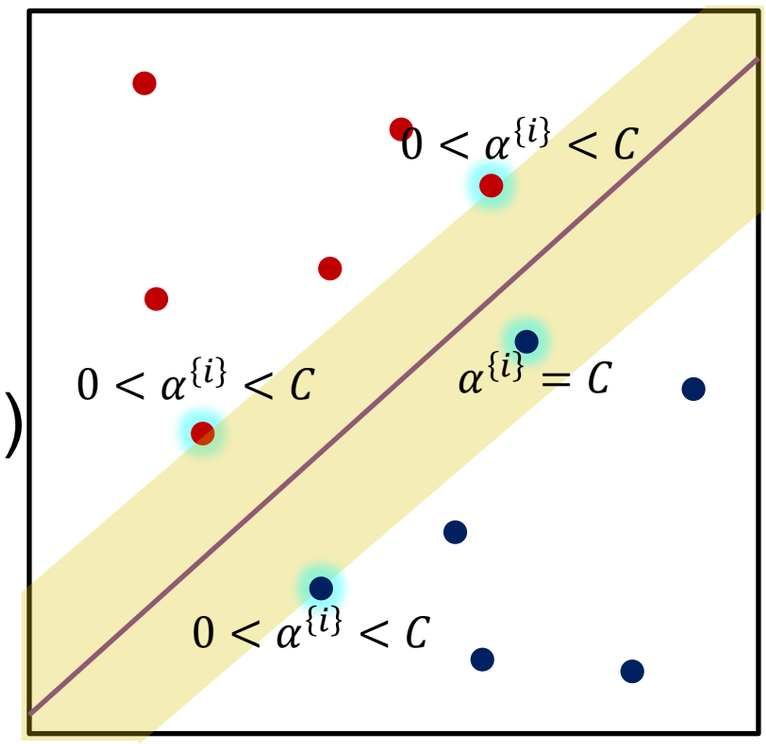
Type of support vectors

We call the three points as **margin** support vectors

$$0 < \alpha^{\{i\}} < C$$

$$\beta^{\{i\}} = C - \alpha^{\{i\}}$$

$$y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) = 1 \Rightarrow \beta^{\{i\}} > 0 \Rightarrow \xi^{\{i\}} = 0 \text{ (KKT condition)}$$



non-margin support vectors $(\alpha^{\{i\}} = C)$

$$\beta^{\{i\}} = 0 \Rightarrow \xi^{\{i\}} > 0 \text{ (KKT condition)}$$

$$y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) > 1 - \xi^{\{i\}} \text{ if } \xi^{\{i\}} > 0$$

$$y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) < 1$$

$$\alpha^{\{i\}} = 0 \Rightarrow y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) > 1$$

Non SV

$$\alpha^{\{i\}} = C \Rightarrow y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) < 1$$

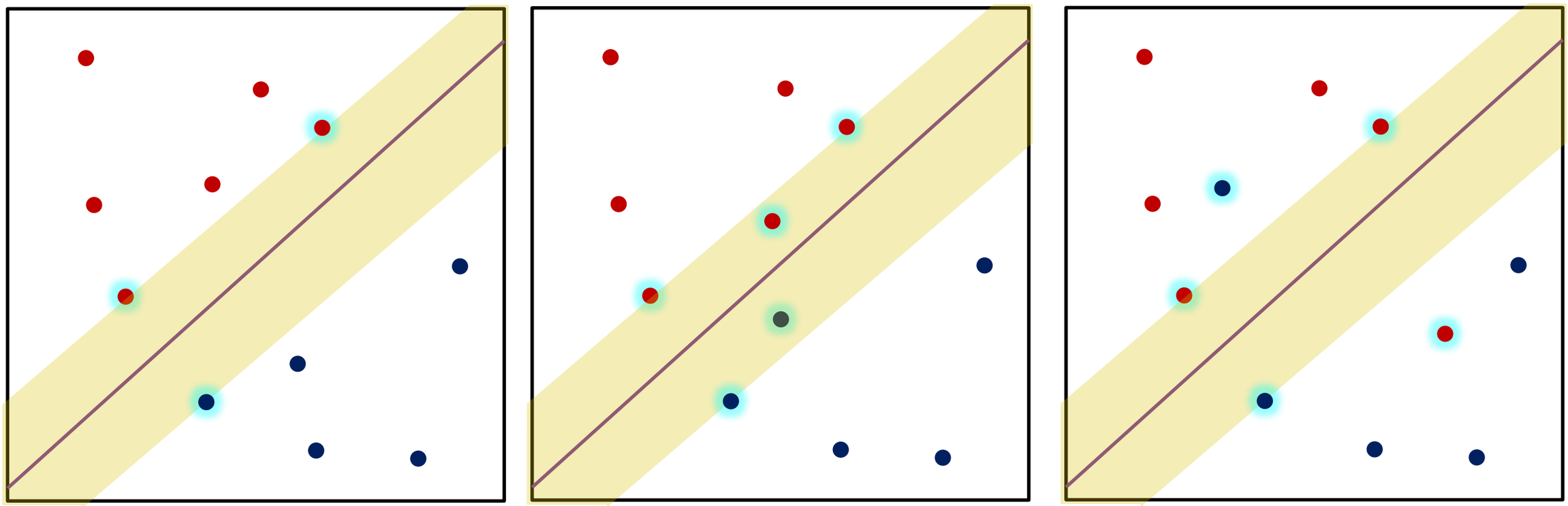
SV on the wrong side

$$0 < \alpha^{\{i\}} < C \Rightarrow y^{\{i\}}\left(x^{\{i\}}\theta + b\right) = 1$$

SV on the margin

Any violating points become support vectors

How to choose C?



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How to define the hyper-parameter C: Cross Validation

Primal and Dual Forms of SVM

Primal version of classifier:

$$f(x_{test}) = x_{test}\theta + \theta_0$$

Dual version of classifier:

$$f(x_{test}) = \sum_{x^{\{i\}} in\ SV} \alpha^{\{i\}} y^{\{i\}} x^{\{i\}} {x_{test}}^T + b$$

Kernel SVM: Summary

- Classifiers can be learnt for high dimensional features spaces, without actually having to map the points into the high dimensional space

- Data may be linearly separable in the high dimensional space, but not linearly separable in the original feature space

- Kernels can be used for an SVM because of the scalar product in the dual form, but can also be used elsewhere – they are not tied to the SVM formalism