

Support Vector Machines

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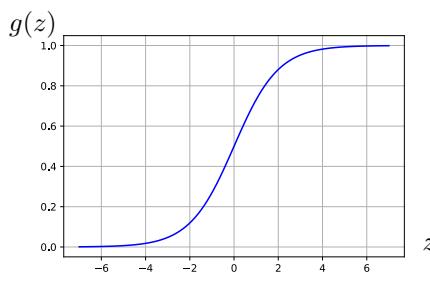
Last chapter: Logistic regression

- Linear regression

$$f_{\Theta}(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}) = \Theta^t \mathbf{x}$$

- Logistic regression

$$h_{\Theta}(\mathbf{x}) = h(\mathbf{x}) = g(\Theta^t \mathbf{x})$$



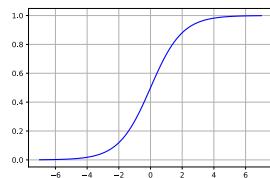
$$= \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\Theta^t \mathbf{x}}}$$

$\Theta^t \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}$

$z = \Theta^t \mathbf{x}$

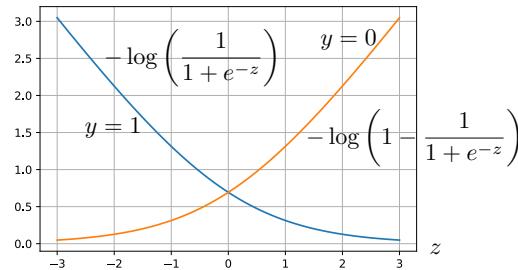
Sigmoid or Logistic function

Alternative view



$$z = \Theta^T x$$

Alternative view of logistic regression (cost as a function of z instead of $h_\Theta(x)$ ($h_\Theta(x) \neq z$!)):



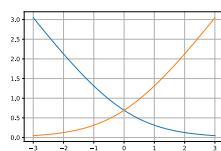
if $y = 1$ and $z = \Theta^T x \gg 0$ we want $h(x) \approx 1$

if $y = 0$ and $z = \Theta^T x \ll 0$ we want $h(x) \approx 0$

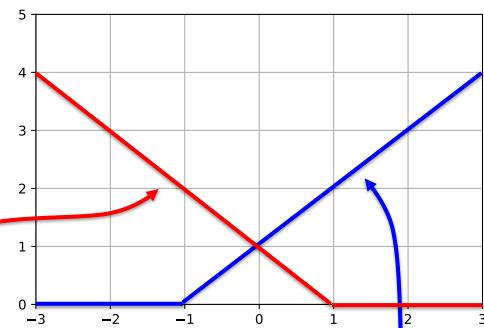
$$-y \log\left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-\Theta^T x}}\right) - (1 - y) \log\left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\Theta^T x}}\right)$$

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Support Vector machine



$$\text{cost}_1(z)$$



$$\text{cost}_0(z)$$

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Cost functions

- Logistic Regression

$$J(\Theta) = -\frac{1}{m} \left(\sum_{i=1}^m (y)_i \log h((\mathbf{x})_i) + (1 - (y)_i) \log(1 - h((\mathbf{x})_i)) \right) + \frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_j^2$$

- Support Vector machine

$$J(\Theta) = \frac{1}{m} \left(\sum_{i=1}^m (y)_i \text{cost}_1(\Theta^t \mathbf{x}_i) + (1 - (y)_i) \text{cost}_0(\Theta^t \mathbf{x}_i) \right) + \frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_j^2$$

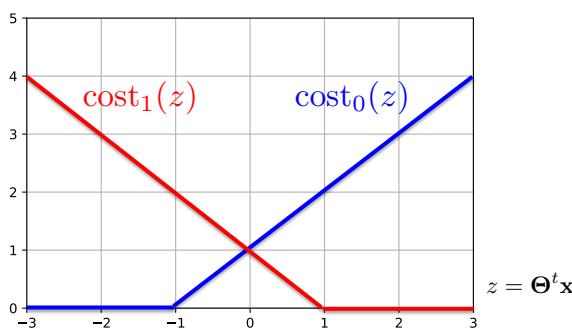
Important notice: By convention (SVM community) we get rid of m

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Support Vector Machine

We want:

$$\min_{\Theta \in \mathbb{R}^n} C \left(\sum_{i=1}^m (y)_i \text{cost}_1(\Theta^t \mathbf{x}_i) + (1 - (y)_i) \text{cost}_0(\Theta^t \mathbf{x}_i) \right) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_j^2$$

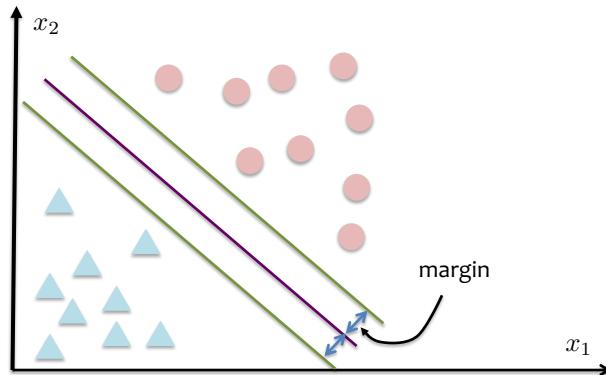


$$C = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

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SVM Decision Boundary

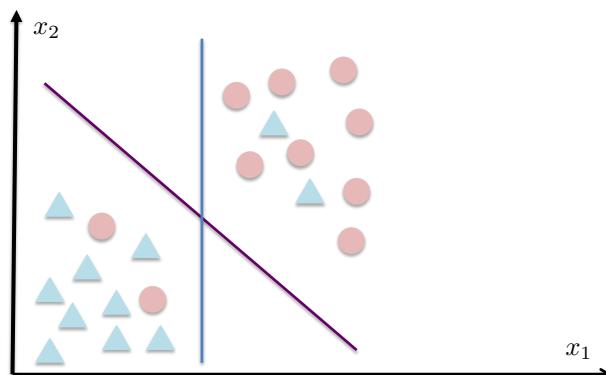
Linear Separable Case, Large margin Classifier



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SVM Decision Boundary

Large margin in presence of outliers



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SVM Kernels

Non linear Decision Boundary

Predict $y=1$ if $\theta_0 + \theta_1x_1 + \theta_2x_2 + \theta_3x_1x_2 + \theta_4x_1^2 + \theta_5x_2^2 + \dots \geq 0$

$y=0$ otherwise!!!

$f_1 = x_1$
 $f_2 = x_2$
 $f_3 = x_1x_2$
 $f_4 = x_1^2$
 \vdots

Question: Is there a better choice for the features f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots ?

Predict $y = 1, h(\mathbf{x}) = 1$ if

$\theta_0 + \theta_1x_1 + \theta_2x_1^2 + \theta_3x_1^2x_2 + \theta_4x_1^2x_2^2 + \theta_5x_1^2x_2^3 + \theta_6x_1^3x_2 + \dots \geq 0$

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SVM Kernels

Non linear Decision Boundary

x is given

$f_1 = \text{similarity}(\mathbf{x}, (\mathbf{l})_1) = \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - (\mathbf{l})_1\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) =$
 $= \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{j=1}^n(x_j - (l_j)_1)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$
 \vdots
 $f_i = \text{similarity}(\mathbf{x}, (\mathbf{l})_i) = \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - (\mathbf{l})_i\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) =$
 $= \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{j=1}^n(x_j - (l_j)_i)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$

x_1

x_2

$(\mathbf{l})_1$

$(\mathbf{l})_2$

$(\mathbf{l})_3$

$\mathbf{x} \approx (\mathbf{l})_1 \rightarrow f_1 \approx \exp\left(-\frac{0}{2\sigma^2}\right) \approx 1$

\mathbf{x} far from $(\mathbf{l})_1 \rightarrow f_1 = \exp\left(-\frac{(\text{large number})^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \approx 0$

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