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10-607 Computational Foundations for Machine Learning

Perceptron Mistake Bound & Computational Complexity

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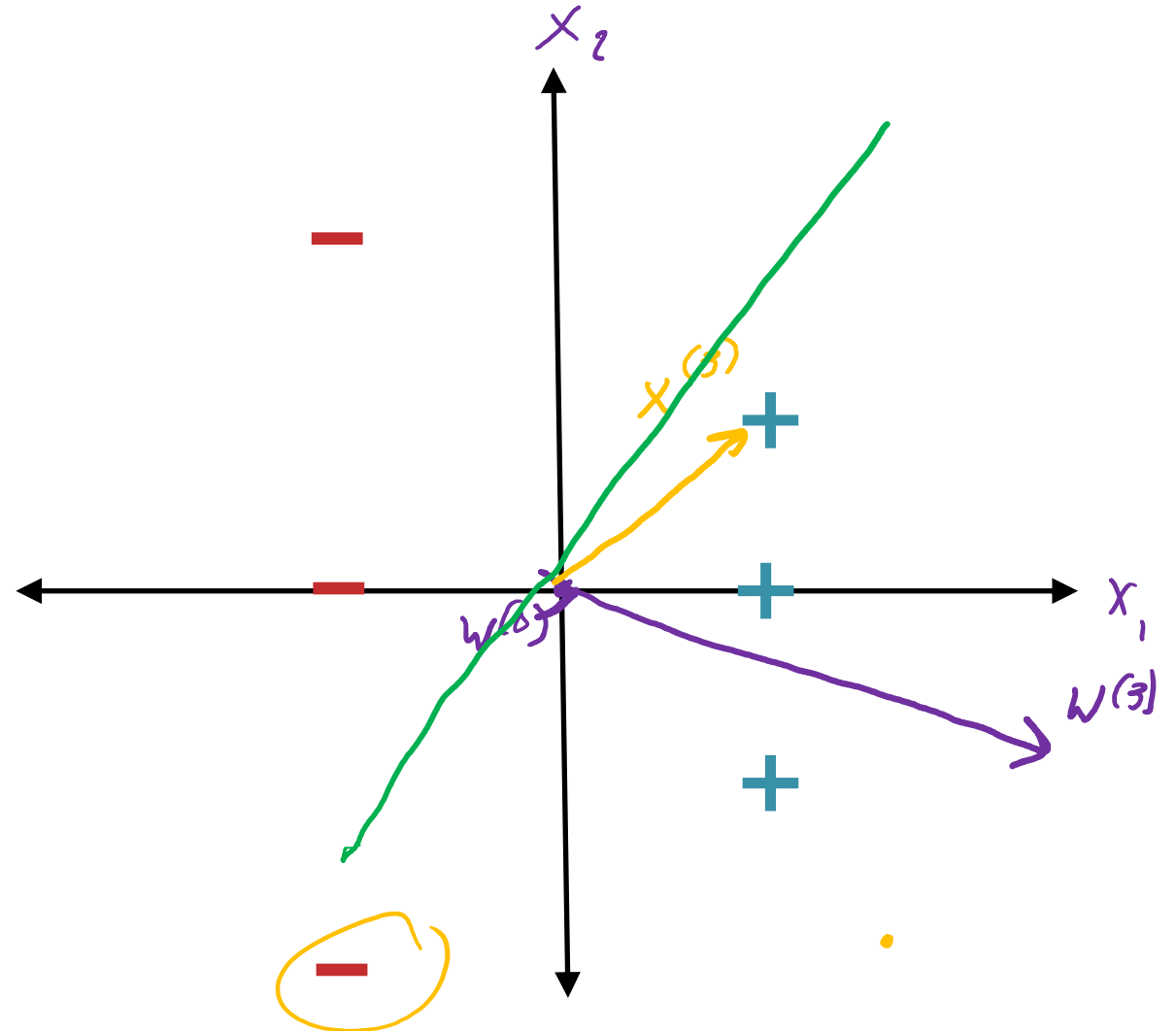
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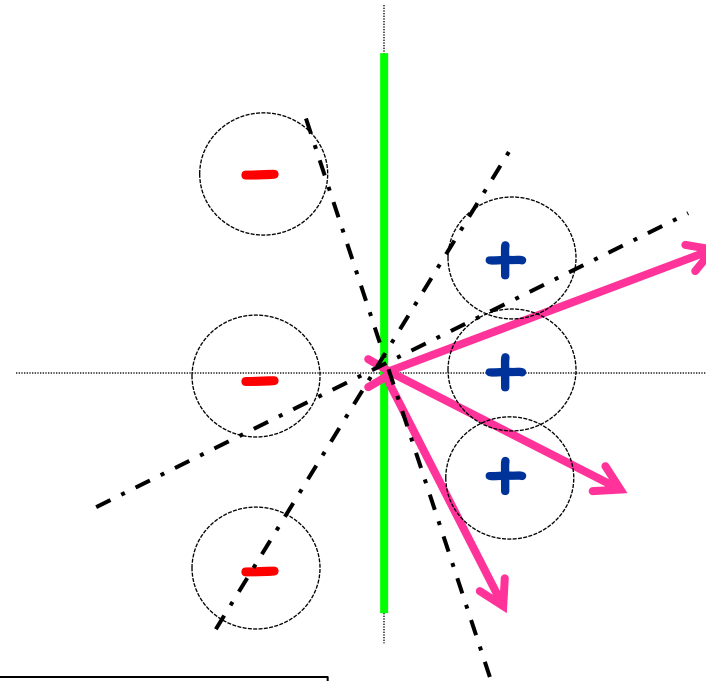
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Perceptron Algorithm: Example

Example: $(-1, 2) -$ ✗
 $(1, 0) +$ ✓
 $(1, 1) +$ ✗
 $(-1, 0) -$ ✓
 $(-1, -2) -$ ✗
 $(1, -1) +$ ✓



Perceptron Algorithm: (without the bias term)

- Set $t=1$, start with all-zeroes weight vector w_1 .
- Given example x , predict positive iff $w_t \cdot x \geq 0$.
- On a mistake, update as follows:
 - Mistake on positive, update $w_{t+1} \leftarrow w_t + x$
 - Mistake on negative, update $w_{t+1} \leftarrow w_t - x$

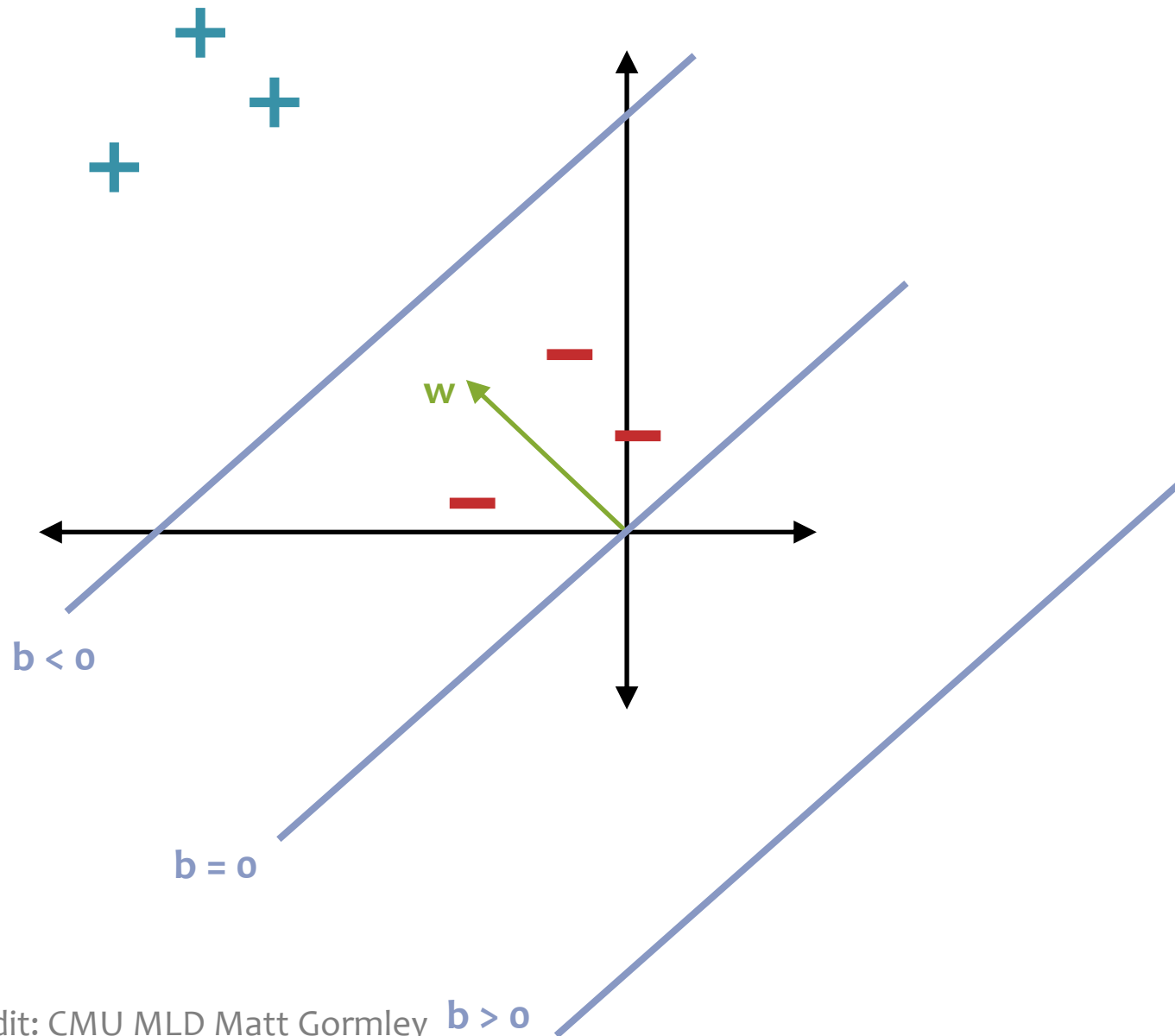
$$w_1 = (0, 0)$$

$$w_2 = w_1 - (-1, 2) = (1, -2)$$

$$w_3 = w_2 + (1, 1) = (2, -1)$$

$$w_4 = w_3 - (-1, -2) = (3, 1)$$

Intercept Term



Q: Why do we need an intercept term?

A: It shifts the decision boundary off the origin

Q: What should happen to b during the perceptron algorithm

A: Two cases

1. Increasing b shifts the decision boundary towards the negative side
2. Decreasing b shifts the decision boundary towards the positive side

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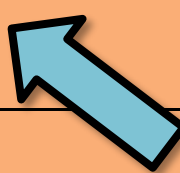
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Implementation Trick: same behavior as our “add on positive mistake and subtract on negative mistake” version, because $y^{(i)}$ takes care of the sign

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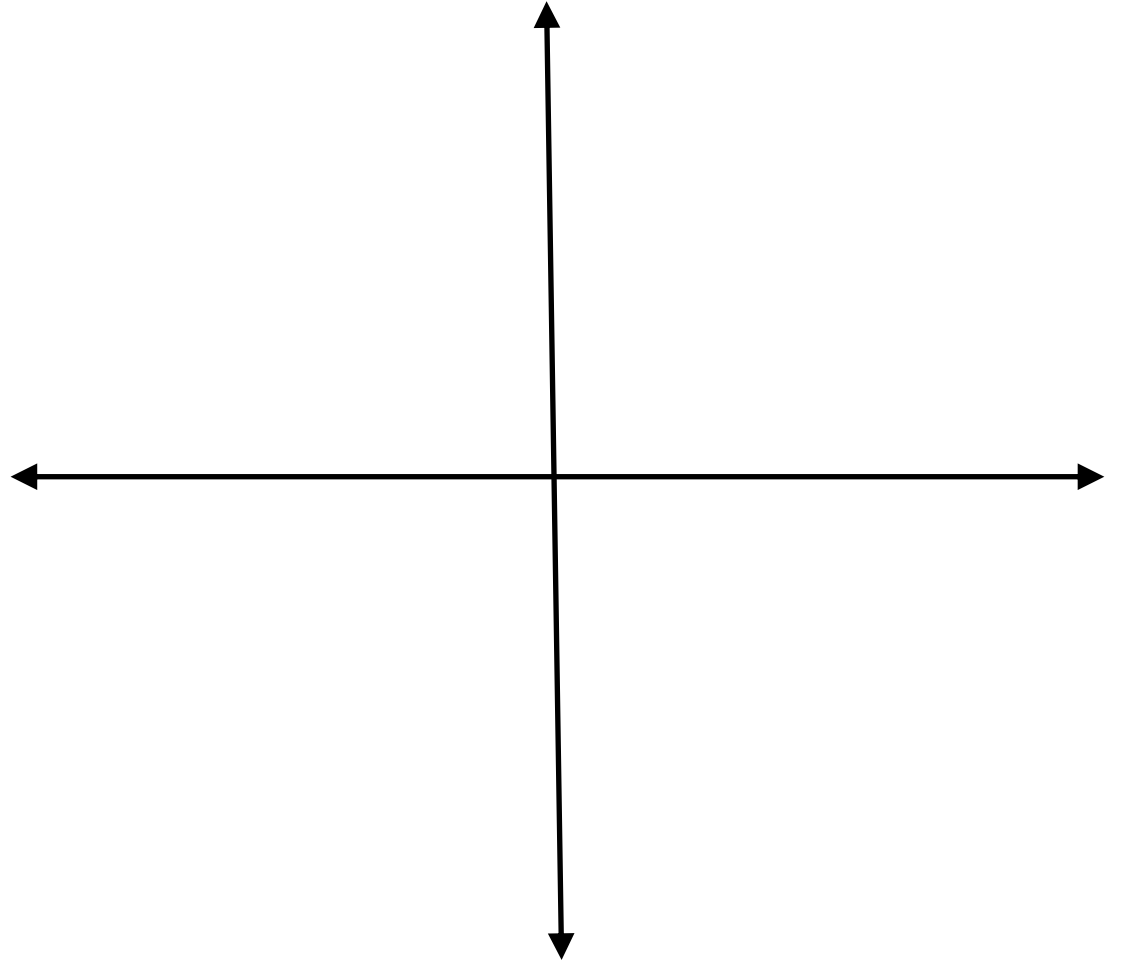
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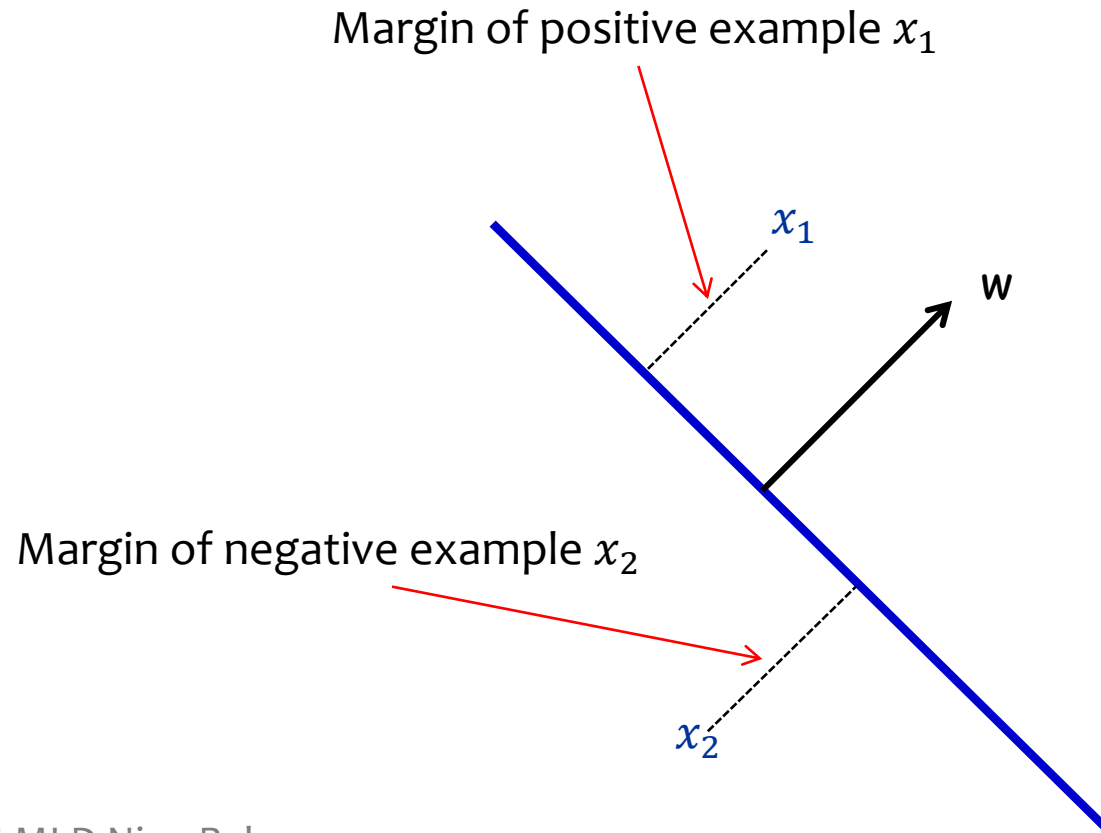
Projection

Projection of \mathbf{u} on to \mathbf{v}



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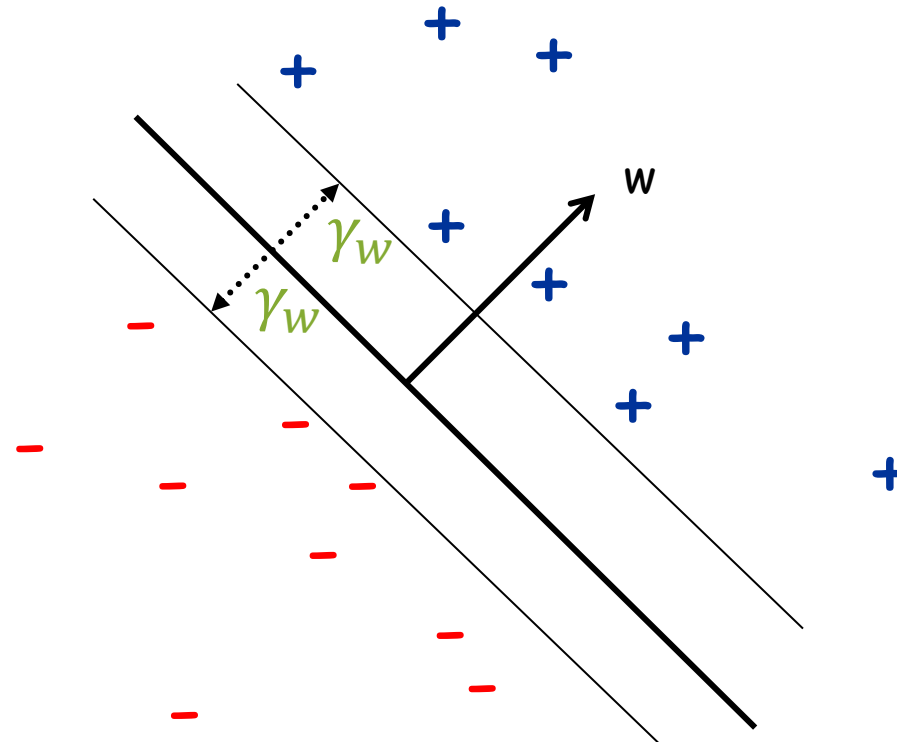
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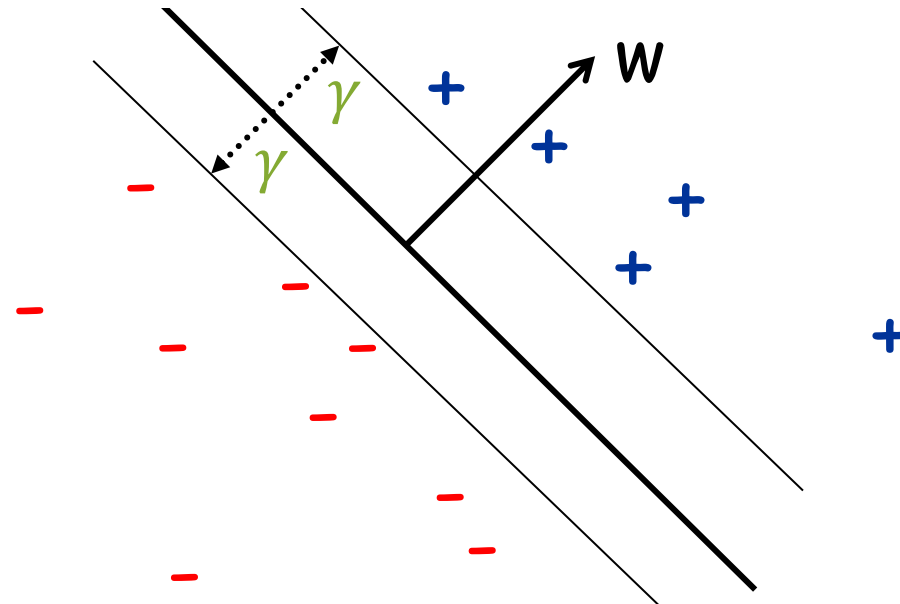


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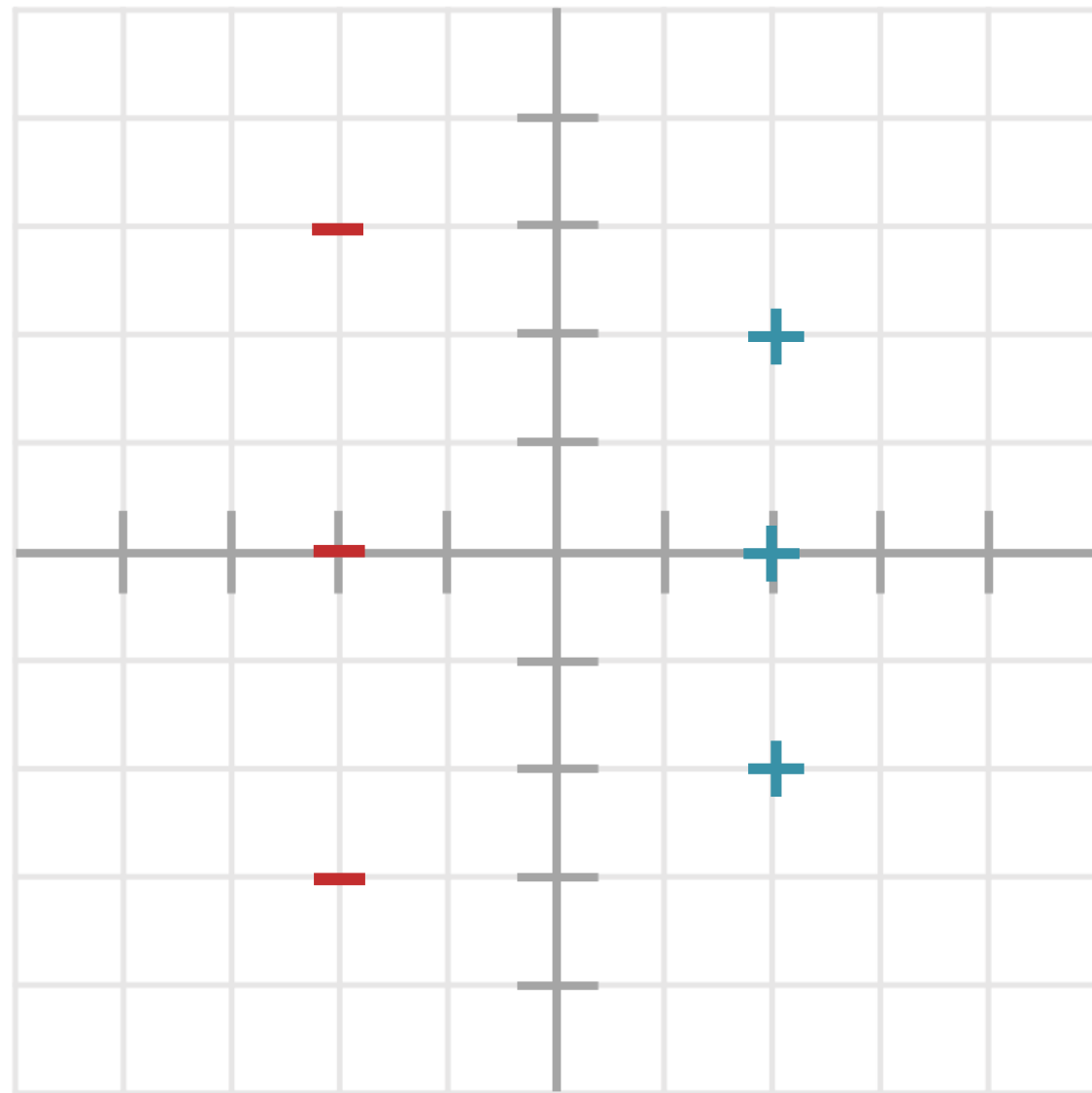
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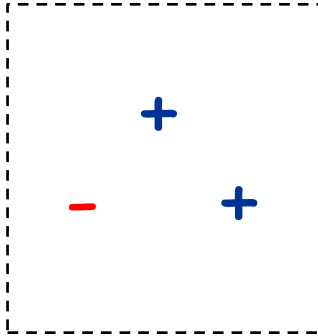
What is the margin for this dataset?



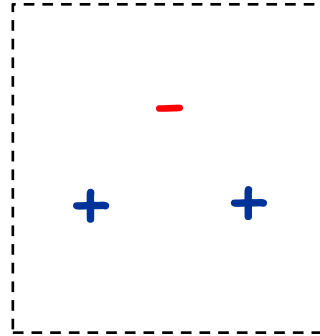
Linear Separability

Def: For a **binary classification** problem, a set of examples S is **linearly separable** if there exists a linear decision boundary that can separate the points

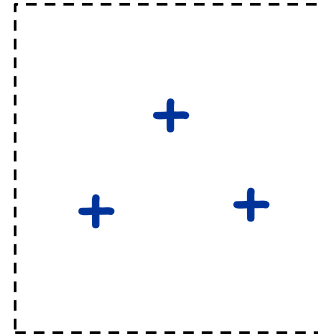
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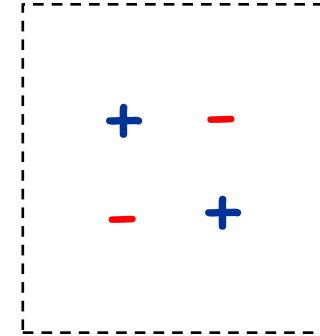
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Case 3:



Case 4:



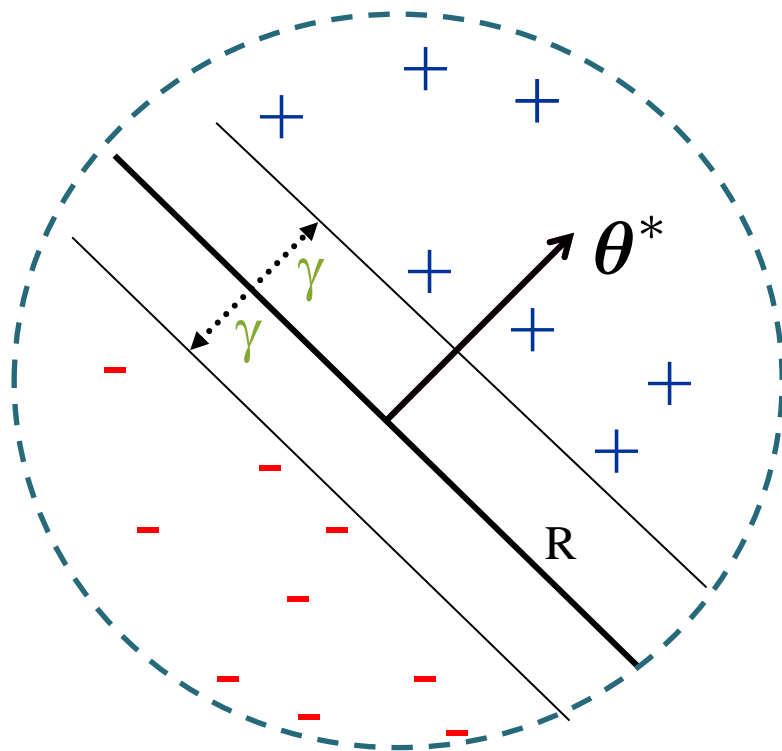
ANALYSIS OF PERCEPTRON

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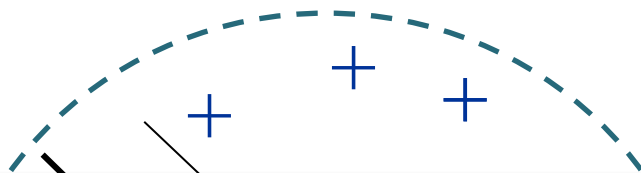


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Def: We say that the perceptron algorithm has **converged** if it stops making mistakes on the training data (perfectly classifies the training data).

Main Takeaway: For **linearly separable** data, if the perceptron algorithm cycles repeatedly through the data, it will **converge** in a finite # of steps.

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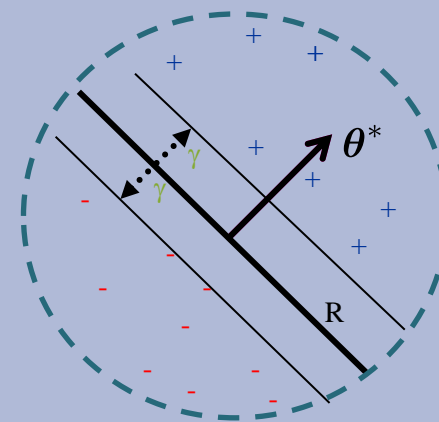
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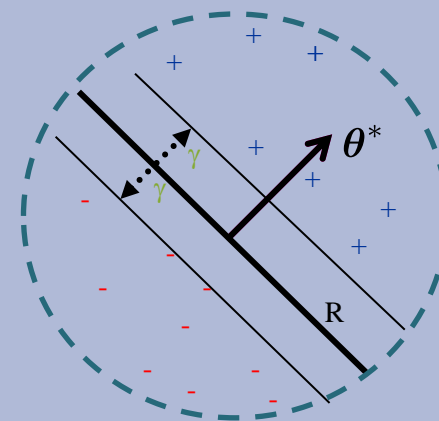
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Common Misunderstanding:

The radius is centered at the origin, not at the center of the points.

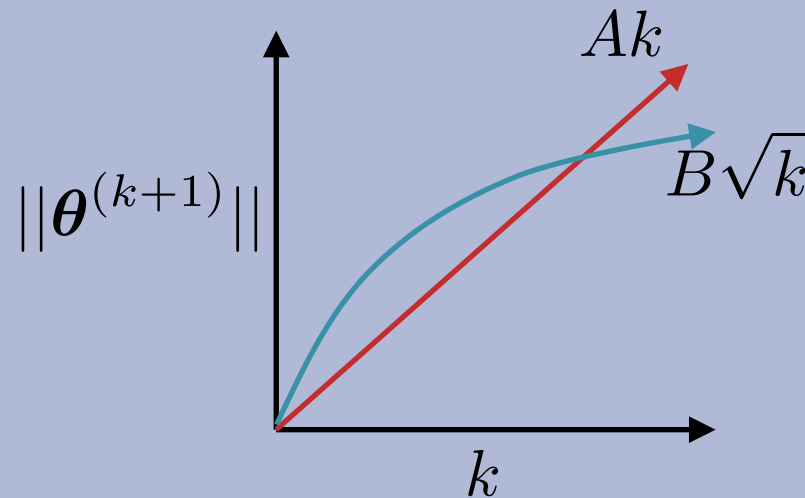


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We will show that there exist constants A and B s.t.

$$Ak \leq ||\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}|| \leq B\sqrt{k}$$



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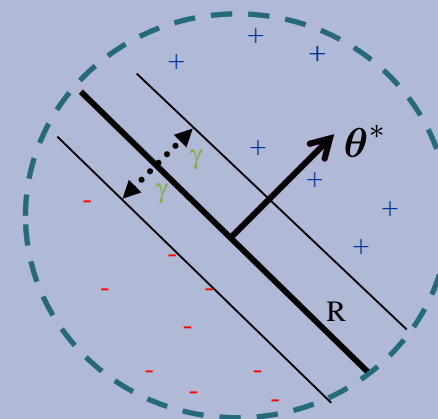
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Part 1: for some A , $Ak \leq ||\theta^{(k+1)}||$

$$\theta^{(k+1)} \cdot \theta^* = (\theta^{(k)} + y^{(i)} \mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \theta^*$$

by Perceptron algorithm update

$$= \theta^{(k)} \cdot \theta^* + y^{(i)} (\theta^* \cdot \mathbf{x}^{(i)})$$

$$\geq \theta^{(k)} \cdot \theta^* + \gamma$$

by assumption

$$\Rightarrow \theta^{(k+1)} \cdot \theta^* \geq k\gamma$$

by induction on k since $\theta^{(1)} = \mathbf{0}$

$$\Rightarrow ||\theta^{(k+1)}|| \geq k\gamma$$

since $||\mathbf{w}|| \times ||\mathbf{u}|| \geq \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{u}$ and $||\theta^*|| = 1$

Cauchy-Schwartz inequality

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Part 2: for some B , $\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}\| \leq B\sqrt{k}$

$$\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}\|^2 = \|\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)} + y^{(i)}\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\|^2$$

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$$= \|\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}\|^2 + (y^{(i)})^2 \|\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\|^2 + 2y^{(i)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)} \cdot \mathbf{x}^{(i)})$$

$$\leq \|\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}\|^2 + (y^{(i)})^2 \|\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\|^2$$

since k th mistake $\Rightarrow y^{(i)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)} \cdot \mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \leq 0$

$$= \|\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}\|^2 + R^2$$

since $(y^{(i)})^2 \|\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\|^2 = R^2$ by assumption and $(y^{(i)})^2 = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \|\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}\|^2 \leq kR^2$$

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$$\Rightarrow \|\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}\| \leq \sqrt{k}R$$

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Part 3: Combining the bounds finishes the proof.

$$k\gamma \leq ||\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}|| \leq \sqrt{k}R$$
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The total number of mistakes
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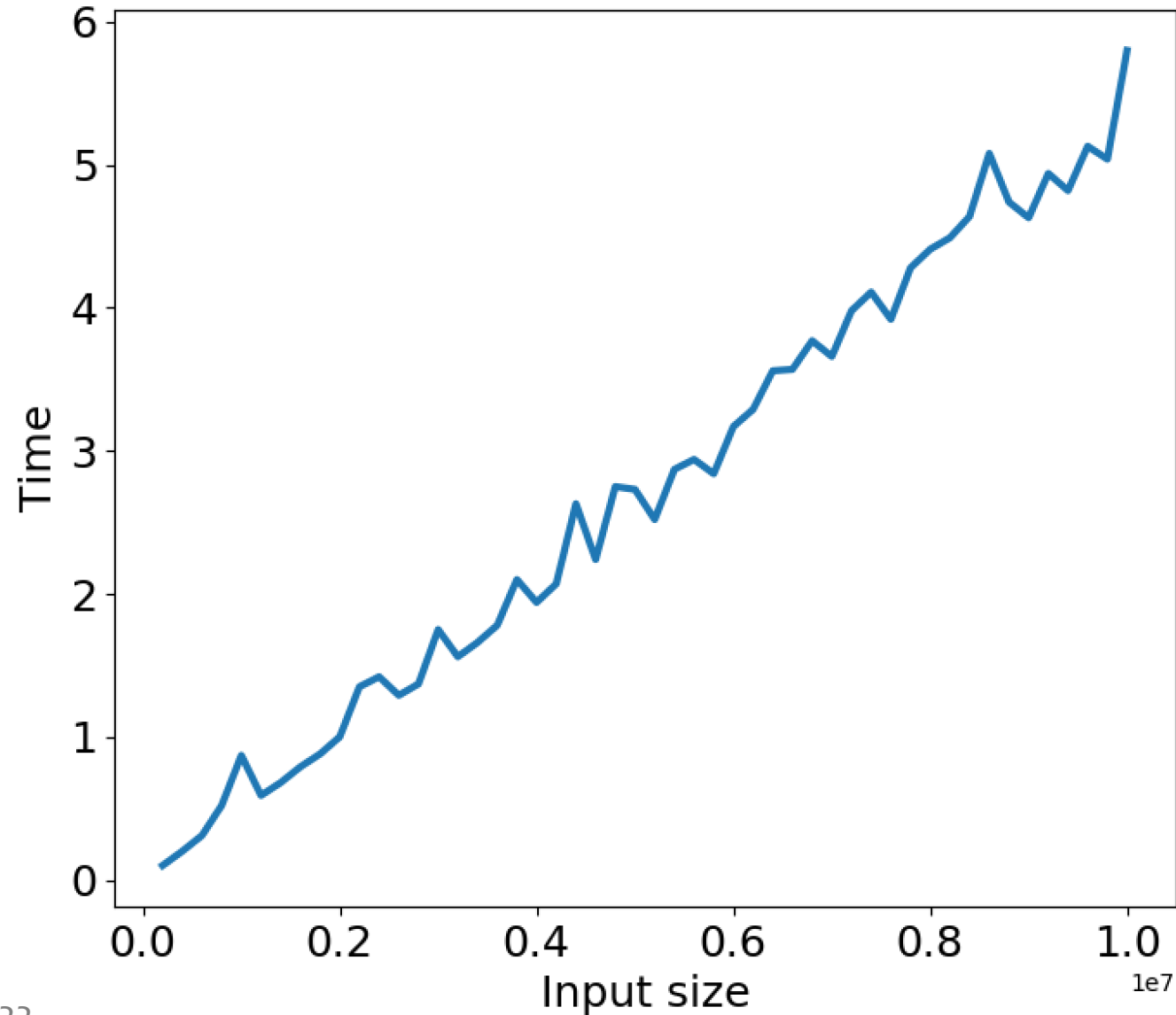
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How fast is this code?



Need a better way to measure

Permanent

- Independent of hardware or other running processes, etc.

General

- Applicable to a large class of programs/algorithms/problems
- Resources: time, space

Mathematically rigorous

Useful

- Not for actual run time,
- But help us select best algorithm for the task

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How many program operations are required to compute:

- L2 norm of vector
- Vector dot product
- Frobenius norm of matrix
- Matrix-vector multiplication
- Matrix-matrix multiplication

```
def norm(a):  
    ss=0  
    for i in range(len(a)):  
        ss = ss + a[i]*a[i]  
    norm = np.sqrt(ss)  
    return norm
```

Operations:

- Arithmetic operations (e.g. + or **)
- Logical operations (e.g., and)
- Comparison operations (e.g., <=)
- Structure accessing operations (e.g. array indexing like A[i])
- Simple assignment such as copying a value into a variable
- Calls to library functions that don't depend on size of input (e.g., print)
- Control Statements (e.g. if X>5)

Be careful with function calls that scale with the size of the input