



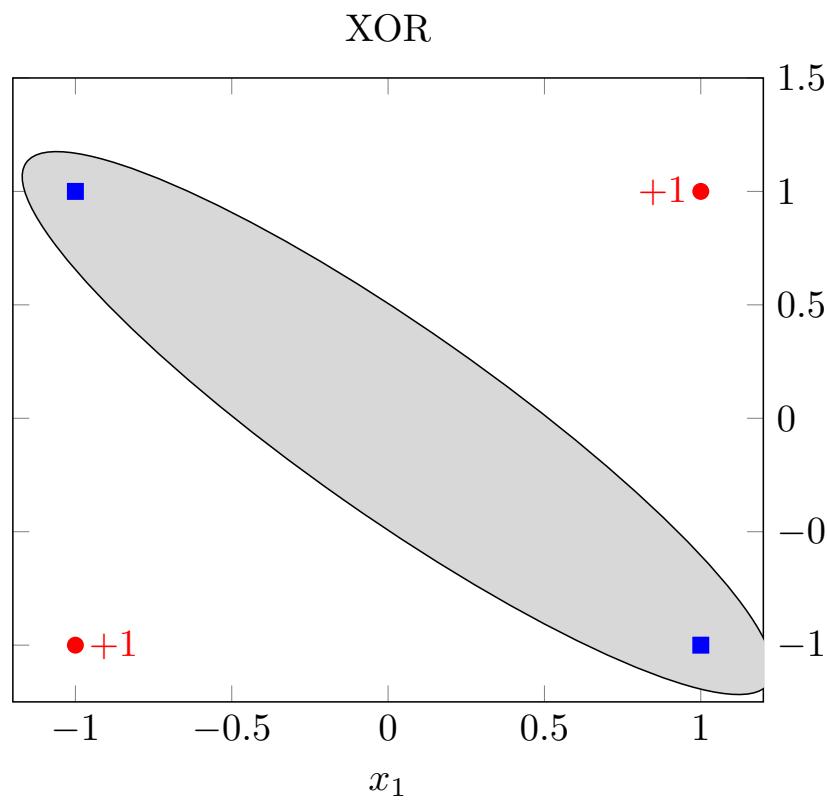
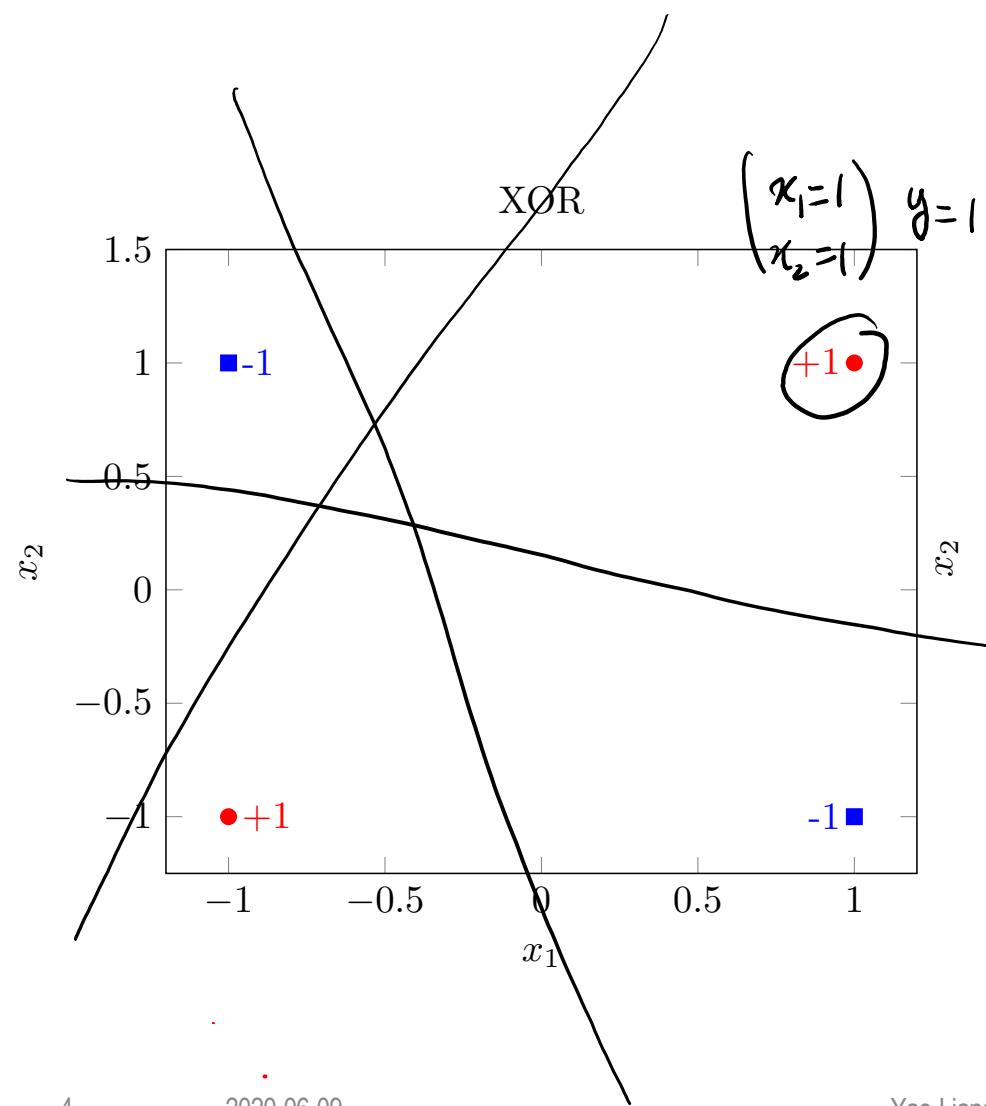
CS480/680: Intro to ML

Lecture 09: Kernels

Outline

- Feature map
- Kernels
- The Kernel Trick

XOR



Quadratic classifier

$$\sum_{i,j} x_i Q_{ij} x_j$$

Weights
(to be learned)

$$\underbrace{x^\top \boxed{Q} x + \sqrt{2} x^\top \boxed{p} + \boxed{\gamma}}_{\geq 0}$$



$$\hat{y} = \text{sign}(f(\mathbf{x}))$$

The power of lifting

$$\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$$

$$\text{tr}(x^T Q x) = \boxed{x^T Q x} + \sqrt{2} x^T p + \gamma \geq 0$$

$$R^d \xrightarrow{\parallel} R^{d^* d + d + 1}$$

$$\langle Q, x x^T \rangle$$

Feature map

$$\phi(x) = \begin{bmatrix} x x^T \\ \sqrt{2} x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{w^T \phi(x) \geq 0}$$

$$\phi(x)^T w \geq 0$$

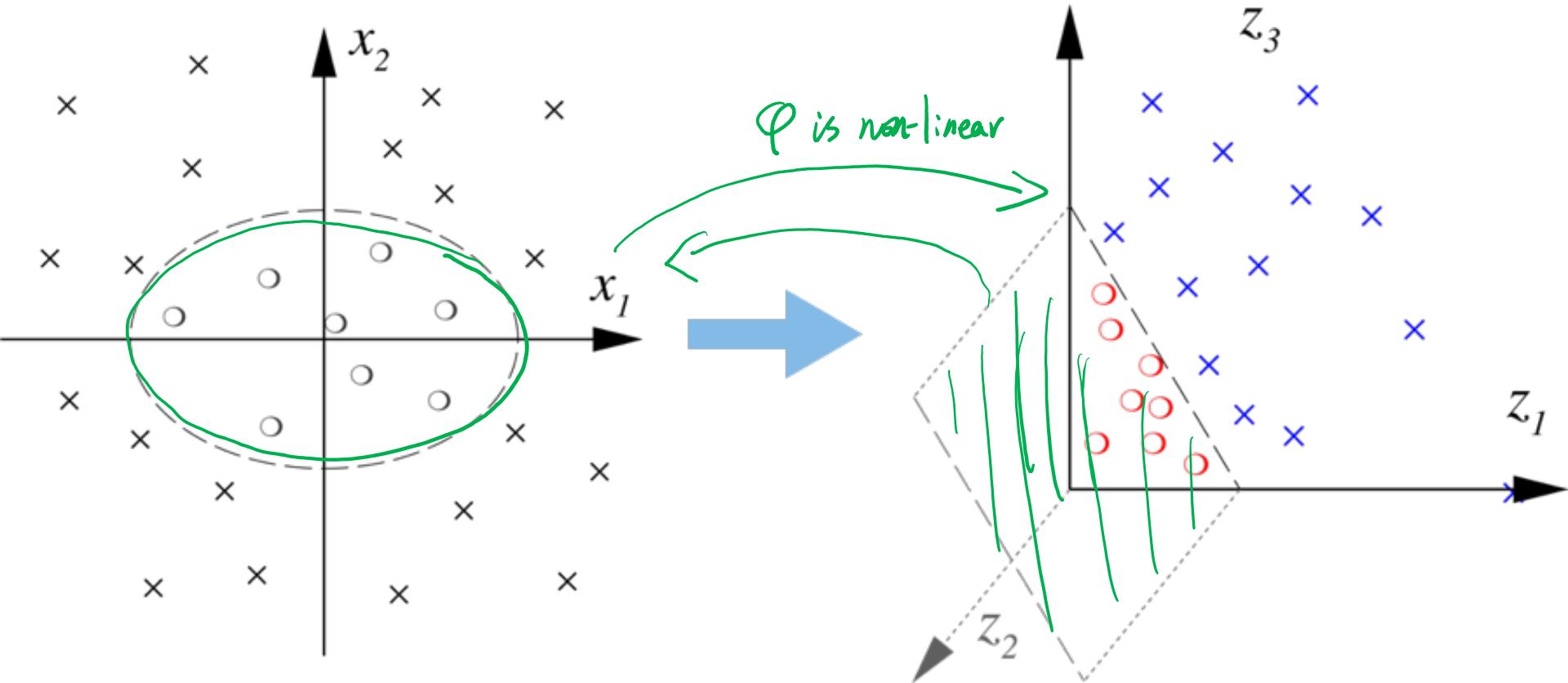
$$w = \begin{bmatrix} Q \\ p \\ \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$

Example

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = [x_1^2, \underbrace{\sqrt{2}x_1x_2, x_2^2}_{\text{green wavy underline}}, \sqrt{2}x_1, \sqrt{2}x_2, 1]$$
$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = [x_1^2, x_1x_2, x_1x_2, x_2^2, \sqrt{2}x_1, \sqrt{2}x_2, 1]$$

Feature map may not be unique

Does it work?



Linear hyperplane in the feature space corresponds to nonlinear boundary in the original space!

And (almost) vice versa!!

Curse of dimensionality?

$$\phi : \mathbf{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^{d^2+d+1}$$

computation in this space now

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}^\top \\ \sqrt{2}\mathbf{x} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

But, all we need is the dot product !!!

$$\rightarrow \phi(\mathbf{x})^\top \phi(\mathbf{x}') = (\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{x}')^2 + 2\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{x}' + 1$$

dot prod between \mathbf{x} & \mathbf{x}' = $(\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{x}' + 1)^2$

LHS: This is still computable in $O(d)$ RHS: $O(d^2)$

Feature transform

$$\phi : \mathbf{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^h \quad h \gg d$$

- NN: learn ϕ simultaneously with w
- Here: choose a nonlinear ϕ so that for some $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$

$$\phi(\mathbf{x})^\top \phi(\mathbf{x}') = \boxed{f(\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{x}')} \quad \text{save computation}$$

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Reverse engineering

- Start with some function $k : \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, s.t.
exists feature transform ϕ with

$$\underbrace{\phi(\mathbf{x})^\top}_{\text{---}} \underbrace{\phi(\mathbf{x}')^\top}_{\text{---}} = k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$$

- As long as k is efficiently computable, don't care the dim of ϕ (could be infinite!)
- Such k is called a (reproducing) **kernel**.

Examples

- Polynomial kernel $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = (\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{x}')^p$
 $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = (\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{x}' + 1)^p$
- Gaussian Kernel
 $\sin \theta$
 $\exp(t) = \sum_k \frac{t^k}{k!}$ $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \exp(-\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\|_2^2 / \sigma)$
 $= \underline{\underline{\varphi(\mathbf{x})^\top \varphi(\mathbf{x}')}}$
- Laplace Kernel
 $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \exp(-\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\|_2 / \sigma)$
- Matérn Kernel
 $\frac{1}{2^{\nu-1} \Gamma(\nu)} \left(\frac{2\sqrt{\nu} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\|_2}{\theta} \right)^\nu \underline{H_\nu} \left(\frac{2\sqrt{\nu} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\|_2}{\theta} \right)$

Verifying a kernel

For any n , for any $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$, the **kernel matrix K** with

$$K_{ij} = \underline{k}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) \quad n \times n$$

is symmetric and positive semidefinite ($K \in \mathbb{S}_+^d$)

- Symmetric: $\underline{K_{ij} = K_{ji}}$
- Positive semidefinite (PSD): for all $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}^n$

$$\underline{\alpha^\top K \alpha} = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j K_{ij} \geq 0$$

Kernel calculus

- If k is a kernel, so is λk for any $\lambda \geq 0$
- If k_1 and k_2 are kernels, so is k_1+k_2
 - k_1 with φ_1 , k_2 with $\varphi_2 \exists \varphi_i: k_i(x, x') = \varphi_i(x)^T \varphi_i(x'), i \in \{1, 2\}$
 - k_1+k_2 with ??
define $\varphi = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ \varphi_2 \end{pmatrix}$, then $\varphi(x)^T \varphi(x') = k_1(x, x') + k_2(x, x')$
- If k_1 and k_2 are kernels, so is $k_1 k_2$

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Kernel SVM (dual)

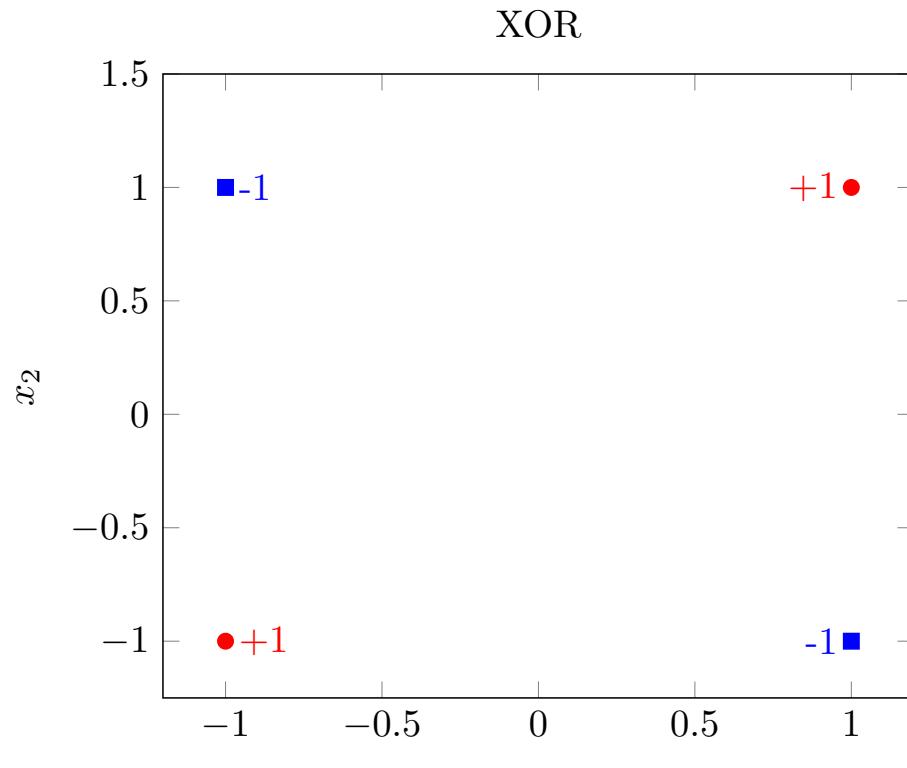
$$\min_{C \geq \alpha \geq 0} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j K_{ij} - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_i \alpha_i y_i = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_i^T x_j &\rightarrow \varphi(x_i)^T \varphi(x_j) \\ &\| \\ K(x_i, x_j) & \\ &\underline{\underline{K_{ij}}} \end{aligned}$$

With α , $\mathbf{w} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$ but Φ is implicit...

Does it work?



$$\underline{\phi}(\mathbf{x}) = [x_1^2, \sqrt{2}x_1x_2, x_2^2, \sqrt{2}x_1, \sqrt{2}x_2, 1]$$

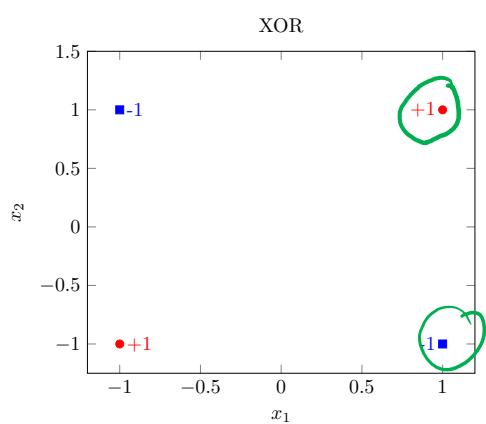
$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = (\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}' + 1)^2$$

Does it work?

$$\min_{C \geq \alpha \geq 0} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j K_{ij} - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i$$

s.t.

$$\sum_i \alpha_i y_i = 0$$



$$k_n = \left[(\cdot)^T (\cdot) + 1 \right]^2$$
$$= 9$$

$$K =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 9 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 9 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = (\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}' + 1)^2$$

Does it work?

$$9\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 1$$

$$-\alpha_1 + 9\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 - \alpha_4 = 1$$

$$-\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + 9\alpha_3 - \alpha_4 = 1$$

$$\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 + 9\alpha_4 = 1$$

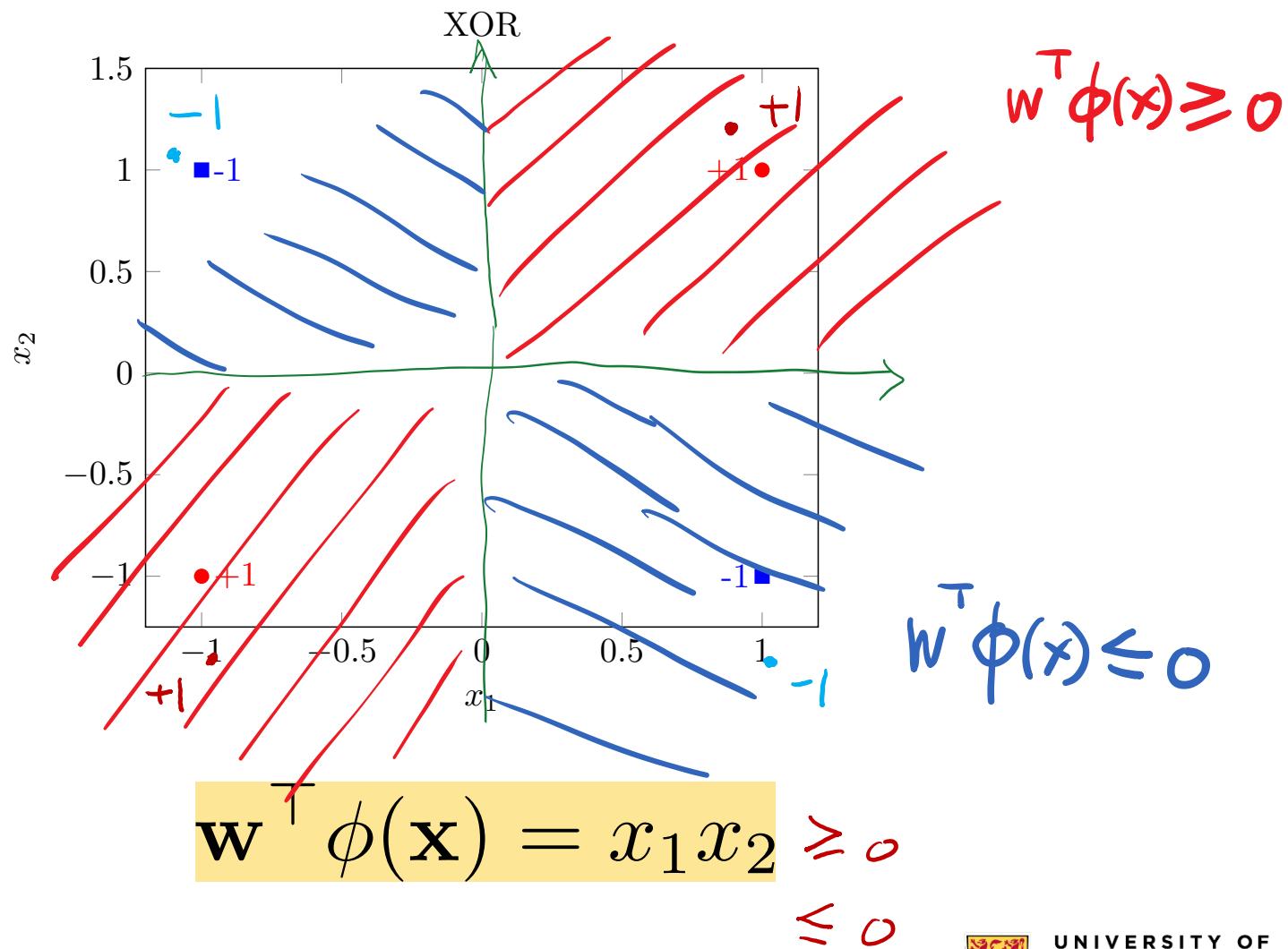
$$W = \sum_i \alpha_i y_i \phi(x_i)$$

$$\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha_3 = \alpha_4 = 1/8$$

$$\mathbf{w} = [0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, 0, 0, 0]$$

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = [x_1^2, \sqrt{2}x_1x_2, x_2^2, \sqrt{2}x_1, \sqrt{2}x_2, 1]$$

Does it work?



Testing

- Given test sample \mathbf{x}' , how to perform testing?

$$\mathbf{w}^\top \phi(\mathbf{x}') = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)^\top \phi(\mathbf{x}')$$

No explicit access to ϕ , again!

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}')$$

The diagram shows the computation of $\mathbf{w}^\top \phi(\mathbf{x}')$. A blue bracket underlines the term \mathbf{w}^\top , and another blue bracket underlines the term $\phi(\mathbf{x}')$. A blue arrow points from the first bracket to the label "dual variables" (green text). A blue arrow points from the second bracket to the label "kernel" (blue text). A red arrow points from the term $\alpha_i y_i$ in the equation to the label "training set" (red text). A green arrow points from the term $k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}')$ to the label "dual variables". A yellow oval encloses the summation part of the equation, with a blue arrow pointing from its right side to the label "kernel".

- dual variables
- training set
- kernel

Tradeoff

- Previously: training $O(nd)$, test $O(d)$
- Kernel: training $O(n^2d)$, test $O(nd)$
- Nice to avoid explicit dependence on h (could be inf)
- But if n is also large... (maybe later)

Learning the kernel (Lanckriet et al.'04)

$$\min_{C \geq \alpha \geq 0} \max_{\zeta \geq 0} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j \left[\sum_{s=1}^t \zeta_s K_{ij}^{(s)} \right] - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i$$

s.t. $\sum_i \alpha_i y_i = 0$

The diagram illustrates the optimization problem. A red box highlights the inner maximization term $\max_{\zeta \geq 0}$. A yellow arrow points from the constraint equation below to the inner sum in the main expression. A yellow circle highlights the index t above the summation in the kernel combination term.

- Nonnegative combination of t pre-selected kernels, with coefficients ζ simultaneously **learned**

Logistic regression revisited

$$\min_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{R}^d} \sum_i \log(1 + e^{-y_i \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2$$

kernelize

$$\min_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{R}^h} \sum_i \log(1 + e^{-y_i \mathbf{w}^\top \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)}) + \boxed{\lambda \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2}$$

$$\sum_j \alpha_j y_j \phi(\mathbf{x}_j)^\top \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

K_{ji}

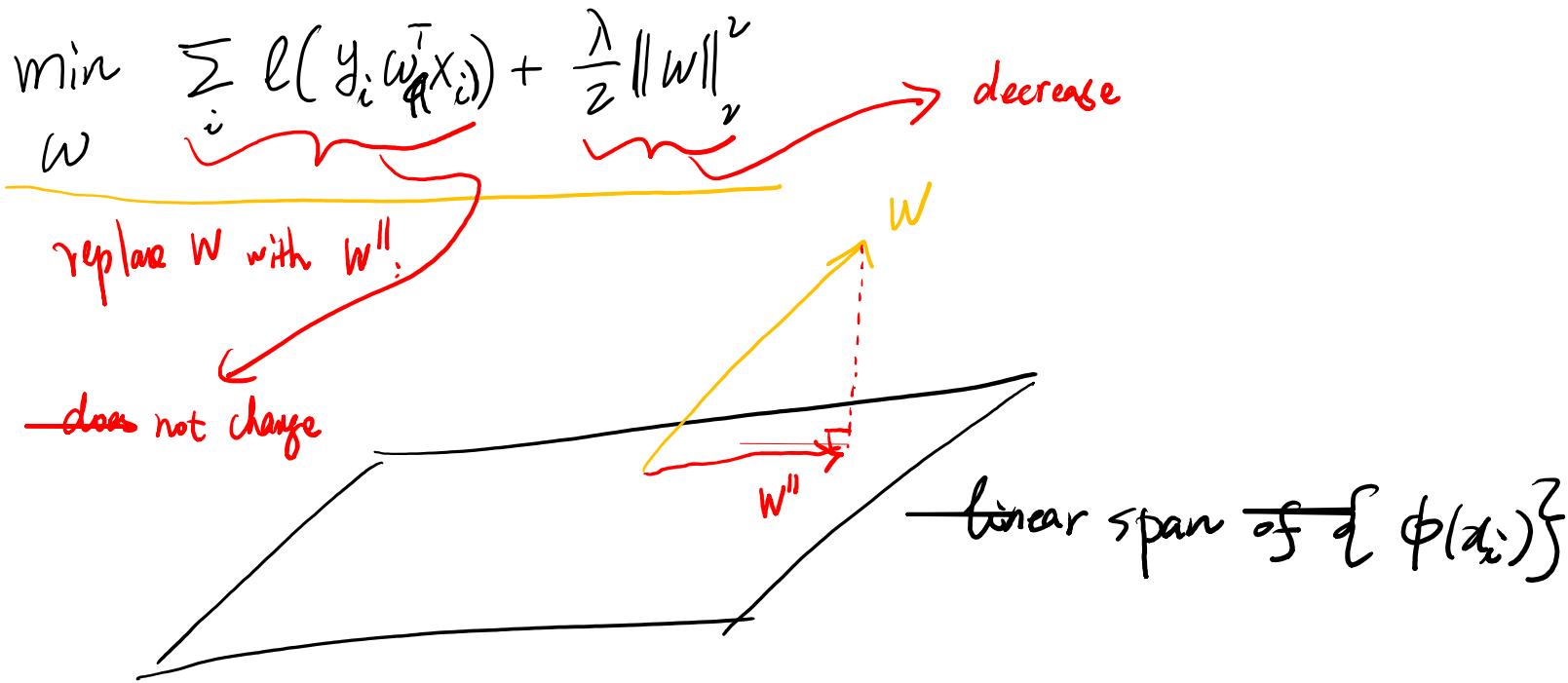
Representer Theorem (Wabha, Schölkopf, Herbrich, Smola, Dinuzzo, Yu...).

The optimal \mathbf{w} has the following form:

$$\mathbf{w} = \sum_i \alpha_i y_i \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

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Orthogonal decomposition



$$w = \sum_i \beta_i \phi(x_i) = \sum_i \underbrace{\alpha_i}_{\beta_i} y_i \phi(x_i)$$

Questions?

