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Linear

Classifiers

Input

$$X \subset \mathbb{R}^d$$

$$X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$$

Labels

$$y \in \{-1, +1\}^n$$

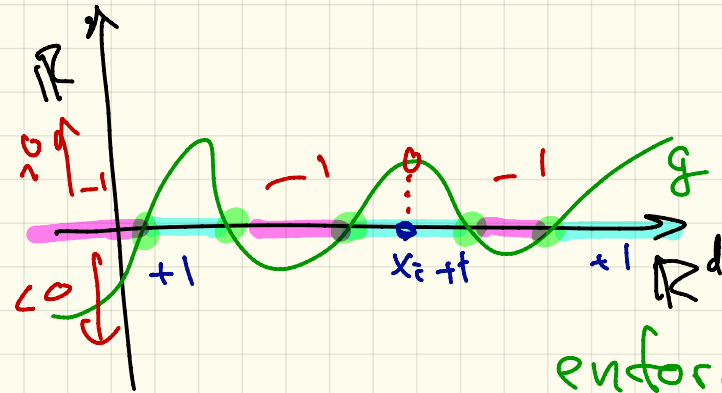
$$y_i \in \{-1, +1\}$$

Goal: function  $g: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

so. if  $x_i, g_i$  has  $g = +1$

then  $g(x_i) \geq 0$

o.w.  $g(x_i) < 0$



enforce that  $g$  is linear

linear function  $g: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 $x \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad x = (x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(d)})$

$$g(x) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x^{(1)} + \alpha_2 x^{(2)} + \dots + \alpha_d x^{(d)}$$

$$= \alpha_0 + \sum_{j=1}^d \alpha_j x^{(j)}$$

$$= b + \sum_{j=1}^d w_j x^{(j)}$$

$$= \langle w, x \rangle + b$$

↑  
normal of classifier  
make unit vector

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$   
mod  $x \mid \alpha = (\alpha_0 \dots \alpha_d)$

$b, w = b, w$   
 $w \in \mathbb{R}^d$

offset: distance from  
origin 0 to classifier

$$g(x) = \langle x, w \rangle + b$$

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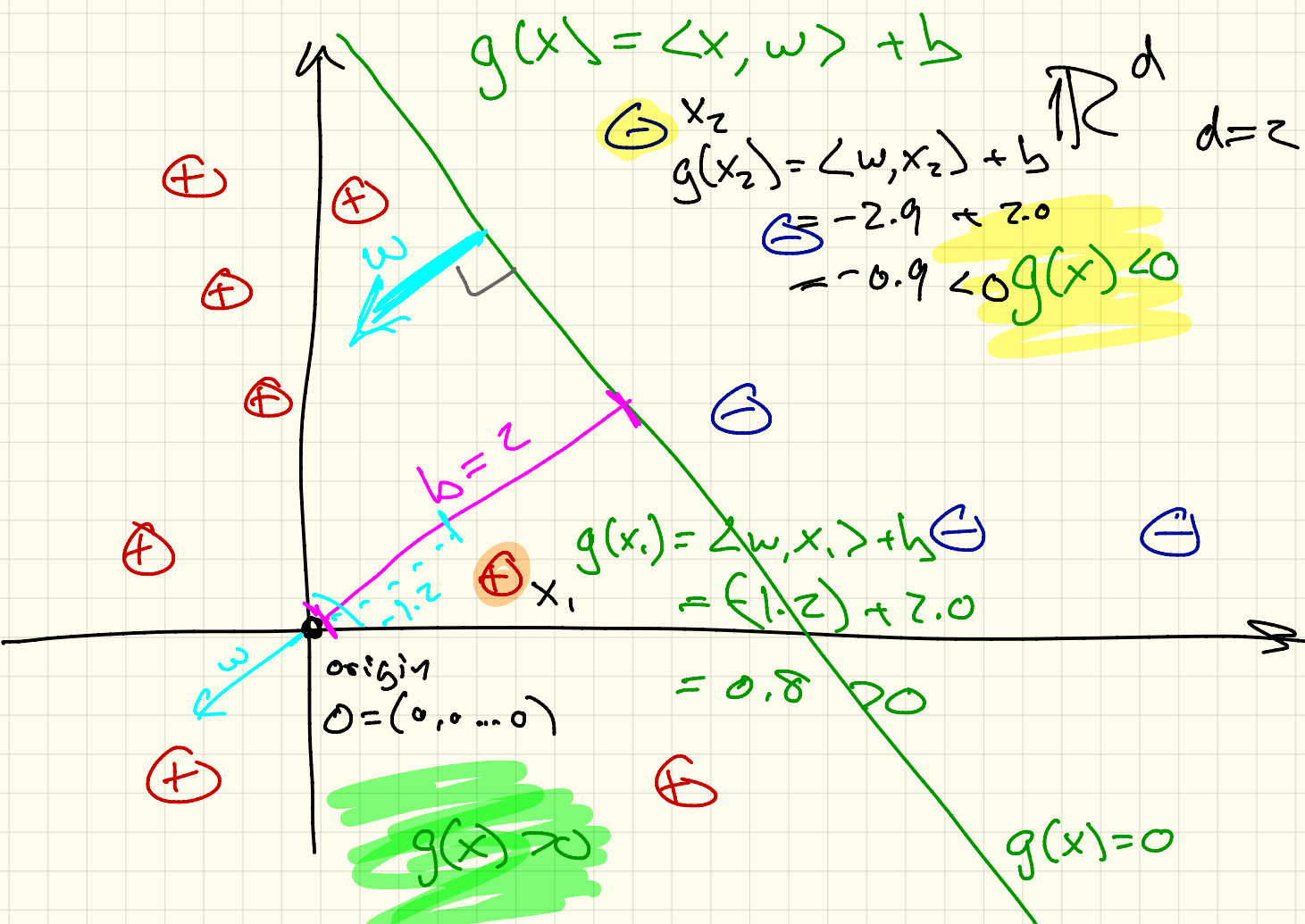
$$g(x_2) = \langle w, x_2 \rangle + b$$

$$= -2.9 + 2.0$$

$$= -0.9 < 0 \quad g(x) < 0$$

$\mathbb{R}^d$

$d=2$



origin  
 $0 = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$

$$g(x_1) = \langle w, x_1 \rangle + b$$

$$= (1 \cdot 2) + 2.0$$

$$= 0.8 > 0$$

$g(x) > 0$

$g(x) = 0$

How do we find  $w, b \Rightarrow g_{w,b}$

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- By linear regression

$$X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d} \rightarrow \tilde{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (d+1)} \quad \tilde{x}_i = (1, x_i)$$

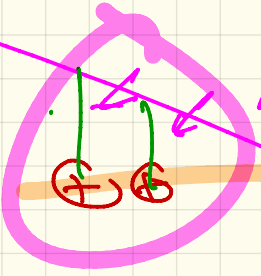
$$(b, w) = \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1} \quad g_\alpha(x) = \langle \alpha, (1, x) \rangle$$

Solve w/  $\alpha^* = (\tilde{X}^T \tilde{X})^{-1} \tilde{X}^T y$

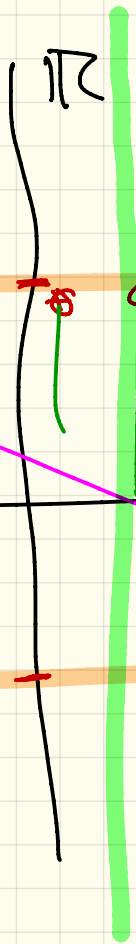
This is optimizing (minimizing)

$$g \text{ so } \sum_{i=1}^n (g_\alpha(x_i) - y_i)^2$$

if increase



↑ the most error



$$x_3 = +2$$

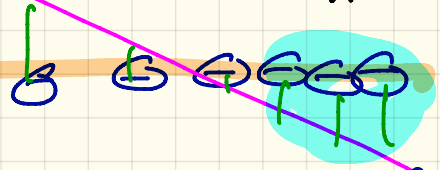
$$y_3 = +1$$

$$g(x_3) = -0.01$$



$g(x^*)$

-1



practiced  
in being  
classified  
to well

# $\Delta$ cost function

\ Deltas

$$\Delta(g_{\alpha}, (X, y)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( 1 - \mathbb{1}(\text{sign}(y_i) = \text{sign}(g_{\alpha}(x_i))) \right)$$

find a proxy!

$\mathbb{1}$  : identity function

$\mathbb{1}(\text{True}) = 1$  if  $\mathbb{1}(\text{False}) = 0$

= # of misclassified points.

Can I solve w/ gradient descent?

NO: not convex  
no gradient.

# Loss Function proxy for $\Delta$

$$f(\alpha) = L(g_\alpha, (x_i, y_i)) = \sum_{i=1}^n l(g_\alpha, (x_i, y_i))$$

*con SGD*  $\rightarrow$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n l_\alpha(z_i) \quad z_i = y_i - g_\alpha(x_i)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(\alpha) \quad f_i(\alpha) = l(z_i = y_i - g_\alpha(x_i))$$

$$z_i = y_i - g_\alpha(x_i)$$

if  $y_i = -1$  then we want  $g_i(x_i)$  small  $< 0$

if  $y_i = +1$  then we want  $g_i(x)$  large  $> 0$

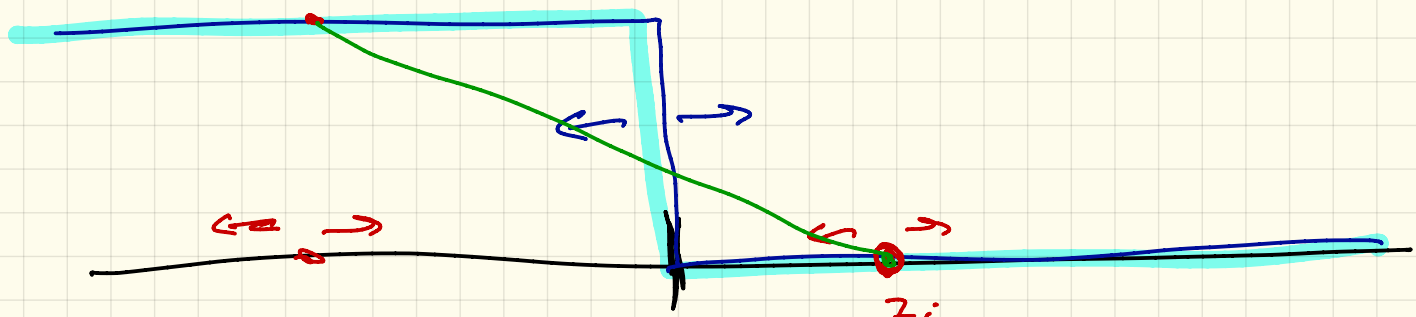
we want  $z_i > 0$



Is  $(x_i, g_i)$  misclassified by  $g_\alpha$ ?

$$\Delta(z_i) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } z_i \geq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } z_i < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$z_i = y_i g_\alpha(x_i) \\ = y_i \langle \alpha, x_i \rangle$$



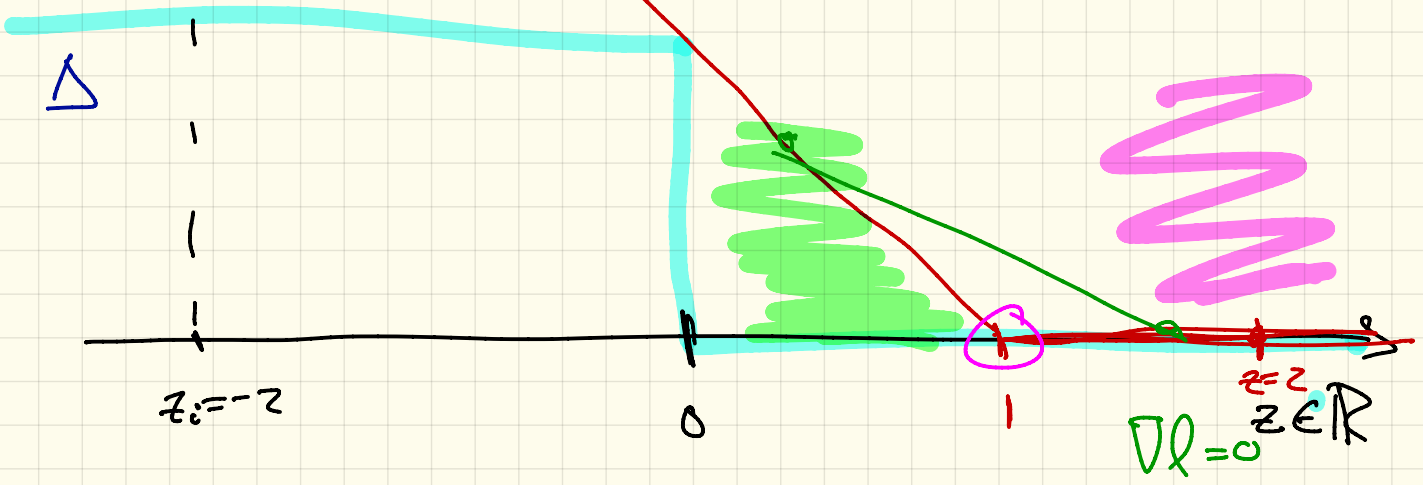
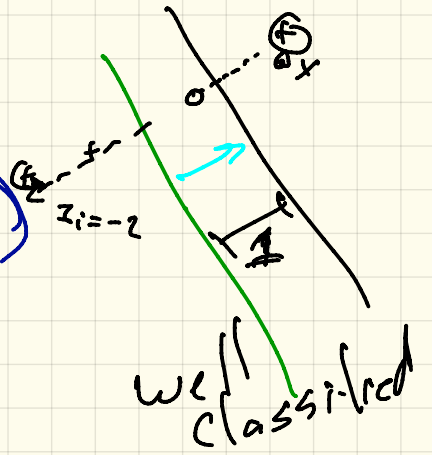
$z_i \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $y_i = g_\alpha(x_i)$

# Hinge Loss

$$l(z) = \max(0, 1 - z)$$

$$\nabla l = -z \Rightarrow -g \cdot x$$

Hinge Loss



# Other Loss Functions

Squared hinge  
 $l(z) = \max(0, 1-z)^2$

$\nabla l$  is well-defined

smoothed hinge

$$l(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } z \geq 1 \\ (1-z)^2 & \text{if } z \in (0, 1) \\ \frac{1}{2} - z & \text{if } z < 0 \end{cases}$$

logistic loss  
 $l(z) = \ln(1 + \exp(-z))$

ReLU

$$\max(0, -z)$$

Solve logistic loss w/ GD

↳ logistic regression