

# AI for Medical Image Classification

## - Linear Classifiers -

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- Support Vector Machine (SVM)
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# Preliminary

# Problem Formulation

- Aim to predict  $Y$  by  $X$ 
  - Response  $Y$ 
    - 2 classes:  $\{0,1\}$  or  $\{-1, +1\}$
    - $M + 1$  classes:  $\{0,1, \dots, M\}$
  - Covariate  $X = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)^\top$
- Classification by posterior probability  $\pi_j(X) = P(Y = j|X)$ 
  - Bayes classifier:  $\hat{Y} = \text{argmax}_j \pi_j(X)$

Q: How to estimate  $\pi_j(X)$ ?

# Statistical Inference Procedure

- Random variable  $Z = (X, Y) \sim g$ 
  - Model:  $g \stackrel{m}{=} f_\theta$  for a known function  $f_\theta$  with unknown parameter  $\theta$
- Aim to estimate  $\theta$  by the data  $\{Z_i\}_{i=1}^n$
- Regularized maximum likelihood estimation (MLE)
  - log likelihood function:  $\ell(\theta) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln f_\theta(Z_i)$
  - $\max_{\theta} \ell(\theta) + \lambda J(\theta) \rightarrow \hat{\theta}$

$$\pi_j(X) \stackrel{m}{=} \pi_j(X; \theta)$$

- $\lambda$ : penalty
- $J(\theta)$ : regularization

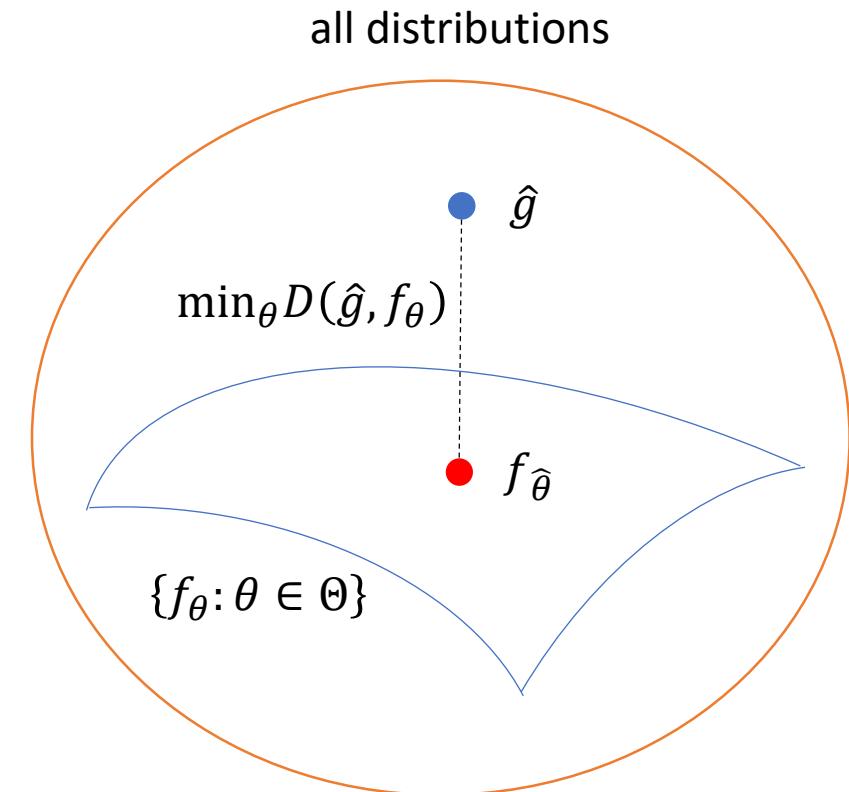
# Another View of Estimation

- Two distributions
  - Empirical distribution of  $\{Z_i\}_{i=1}^n$ :  $\hat{g} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_{Z_i}$
  - Model distribution:  $f_\theta$
- A geometric interpretation of estimation
  - Find  $\theta$  so that  $\hat{g}$  and  $f_\theta$  are as close as possible
- Divergence  $D(g, f)$ : a measure of distance between  $g$  and  $f$ 
  - $D(g, f) \geq 0$
  - $D(g, f) = 0$  iff  $g = f$

Q: distance between  $\hat{g}$  and  $f_\theta$ ?

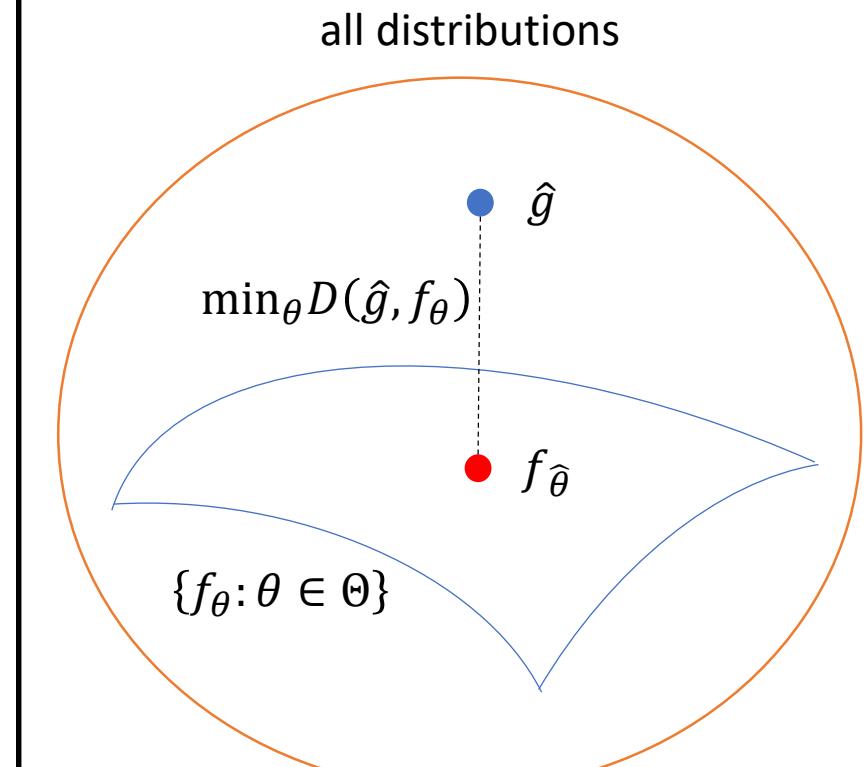
# Another View of Estimation

- Minimum divergence estimation
  - $\min_{\theta} D(\hat{g}, f_{\theta}) + \lambda J(\theta) \rightarrow \hat{\theta}$
- Kullback-Leibler (KL) divergence
  - $D_{KL}(g, f) = \int \ln g \cdot g - \int \ln f \cdot g$
  - $D_{KL}(\hat{g}, f_{\theta}) \propto - \int \ln f_{\theta} \cdot \hat{g} = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln f_{\theta}(Z_i)$
  - Minimize  $D_{KL}$  = MLE
- $D$  determines the statistical properties of  $\hat{\theta}$ 
  - SVM
  - $\gamma$ -divergence based robust statistical methods



# A Quick Summary for Classification

- Random vector  $(X, Y)$
- Bayes classifier:  $\hat{Y} = \operatorname{argmax}_j \pi_j(X)$ 
  - Target:  $\pi_j(X) = P(Y = j|X)$
- Model:  $\pi_j(X) \stackrel{\text{m}}{=} \pi_j(X; \theta) \rightarrow \text{model distribution } f_\theta$
- Data:  $\{(X_i, Y_i)\}_{i=1}^n \rightarrow \text{data distribution } \hat{g}$
- Estimating  $\theta$  via a proper  $D$ 
  - $\min_\theta D(\hat{g}, f_\theta) + \lambda J(\theta) \rightarrow \hat{\theta}$  and, hence,  $\pi_j(X; \hat{\theta})$



# Logistic Regression

Linear classifier for binary  $Y$

# Logistic Regression (LR)

- Random vector  $(X, Y)$ 
  - Binary  $Y \in \{0,1\}$
  - Covariate  $X = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)^\top$
- Bayes classifier:  $\hat{Y} = I\{\pi_1(X) > 0.5\}$ 
  - Target:  $\pi_1(X) = P(Y = 1|X)$

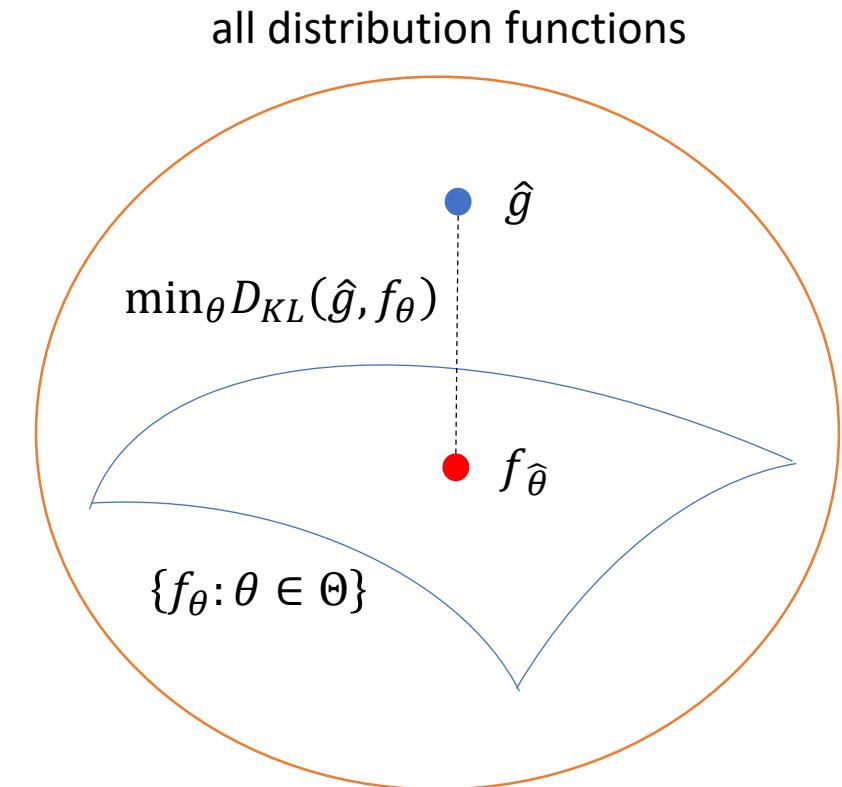
- Model
  - $Y|X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\pi_1(X))$
  - $\ln \frac{\pi_1(X)}{1-\pi_1(X)} \stackrel{m}{=} \beta_0 + \beta^\top X \Leftrightarrow \pi_1(X) \stackrel{m}{=} \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + \beta^\top X)}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + \beta^\top X)}$

$I\{\cdot\}$ : indicator function

$\theta = (\beta_0, \beta)$

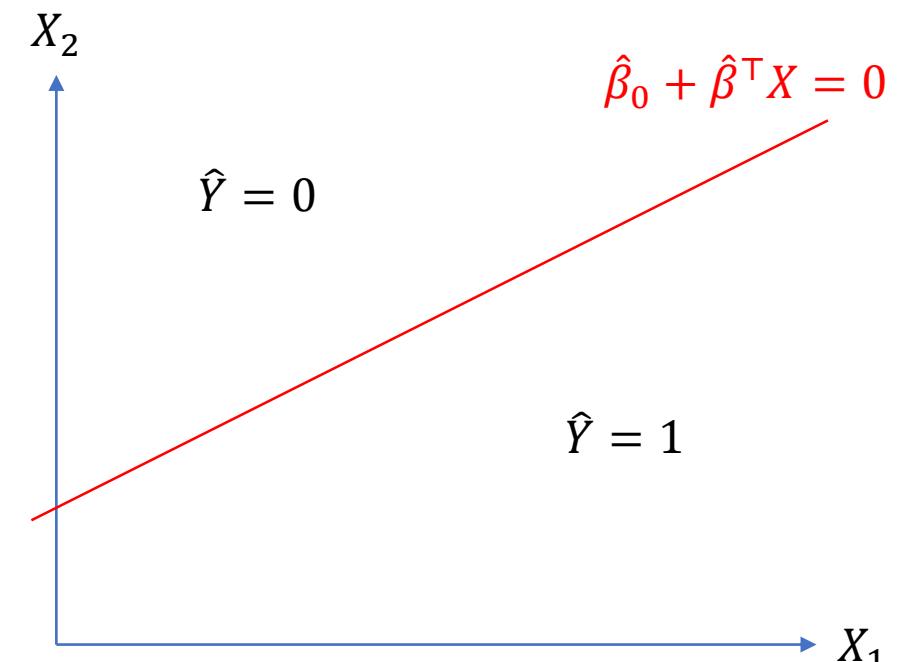
# Estimation of LR

- Two distributions
  - Model:  $f_\theta(y|x) = \{\pi_1(x)\}^y \{1 - \pi_1(x)\}^{1-y}$
  - Data:  $\{(X_i, Y_i)\}_{i=1}^n \rightarrow \hat{g}$
- Estimation via  $D_{KL}$ 
  - $\min_\theta D_{KL}(\hat{g}, f_\theta) + \lambda J(\theta) \rightarrow \hat{\theta}$
  - $D_{KL}(\hat{g}, f_\theta) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \ln \left\{ 1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta^\top X_i} \right\} - Y_i(\beta_0 + \beta^\top X_i)$



# Classification of LR

- log-odds ratio:  $r(X) = \ln \frac{\pi_1(X)}{1-\pi_1(X)}$ 
  - $\pi_1(X) > 0.5 \Leftrightarrow r(X) > 0$
- Bayes classifier:  $\hat{Y} = I\{r(X) > 0\}$
- Model:  $r(X) = \ln \frac{\pi_1(X)}{1-\pi_1(X)} \stackrel{m}{=} \beta_0 + \beta^\top X$
- Bayes classifier:  $\hat{Y} = I\{\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}^\top X > 0\}$ 
  - Linear classifier with *decision boundary*  $\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}^\top x = 0$



# Multiclass Logistic Regression

Linear classifier for categorical  $Y$

# Multiclass Logistic Regression (MLR)

- Random vector  $(X, Y)$ 
  - Response  $Y \in \{0, 1, \dots, M\}$
  - Covariate  $X = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)^\top$
- Bayes classifier:  $\hat{Y} = \operatorname{argmax}_{0 \leq j \leq M} \pi_j(X)$ 
  - Target:  $\pi_j(X) = P(Y = j|X)$
- Model
  - $Y|X \sim \text{Multinomial}(\pi(X))$  with  $\pi(X) = (\pi_0(X), \dots, \pi_M(X))$
  - $\ln \frac{\pi_j(X)}{\pi_0(X)} \stackrel{m}{=} \beta_{j0} + \beta_j^\top X \Leftrightarrow \pi_j(X) \stackrel{m}{=} \frac{\exp(\beta_{j0} + \beta_j^\top X)}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^M \exp(\beta_{j0} + \beta_j^\top X)}, 1 \leq j \leq M$

$$\theta = \{\beta_{0j}, \beta_j : 1 \leq j \leq M\}$$

# Multiclass Logistic Regression (MLR)

- Two distributions

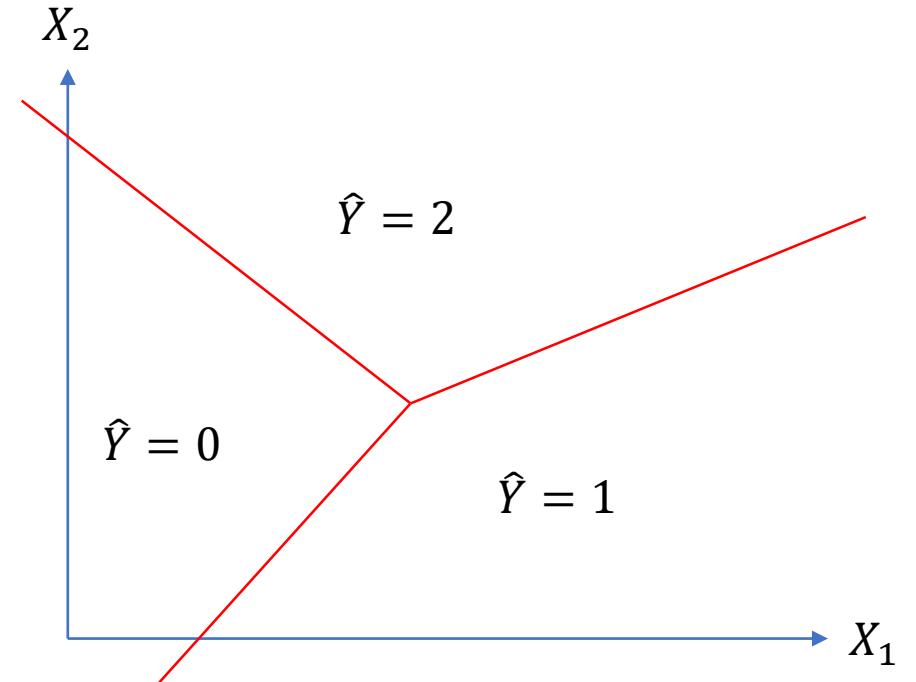
- Model:  $f_{\theta}(y|x) = \prod_{j=0}^M \{\pi_j(X)\}^{I(y=j)}$
- Data:  $\{(X_i, Y_i)\}_{i=1}^n \rightarrow \hat{g}$

- Estimation via  $D_{KL}$

- $\min_{\theta} D_{KL}(\hat{g}, f_{\theta}) + \lambda J(\theta) \rightarrow \hat{\theta}$

- The case of  $M = 2$

- $\hat{Y} = 0$  if  $\beta_{10} + \beta_1^T X < 0$  and  $\beta_{20} + \beta_2^T X < 0$
- $\hat{Y} = 1$  if  $\beta_{10} + \beta_1^T X > 0$  and  $\beta_{10} + \beta_1^T X > \beta_{20} + \beta_2^T X$
- $\hat{Y} = 2$  if  $\beta_{20} + \beta_2^T X > 0$  and  $\beta_{10} + \beta_1^T X < \beta_{20} + \beta_2^T X$



$$\ln \frac{\pi_j(X)}{\pi_0(X)} \stackrel{m}{=} \beta_{j0} + \beta_j^T X$$

# Neural Network

Non-linear extension of MLR

# Neural Network (NN)

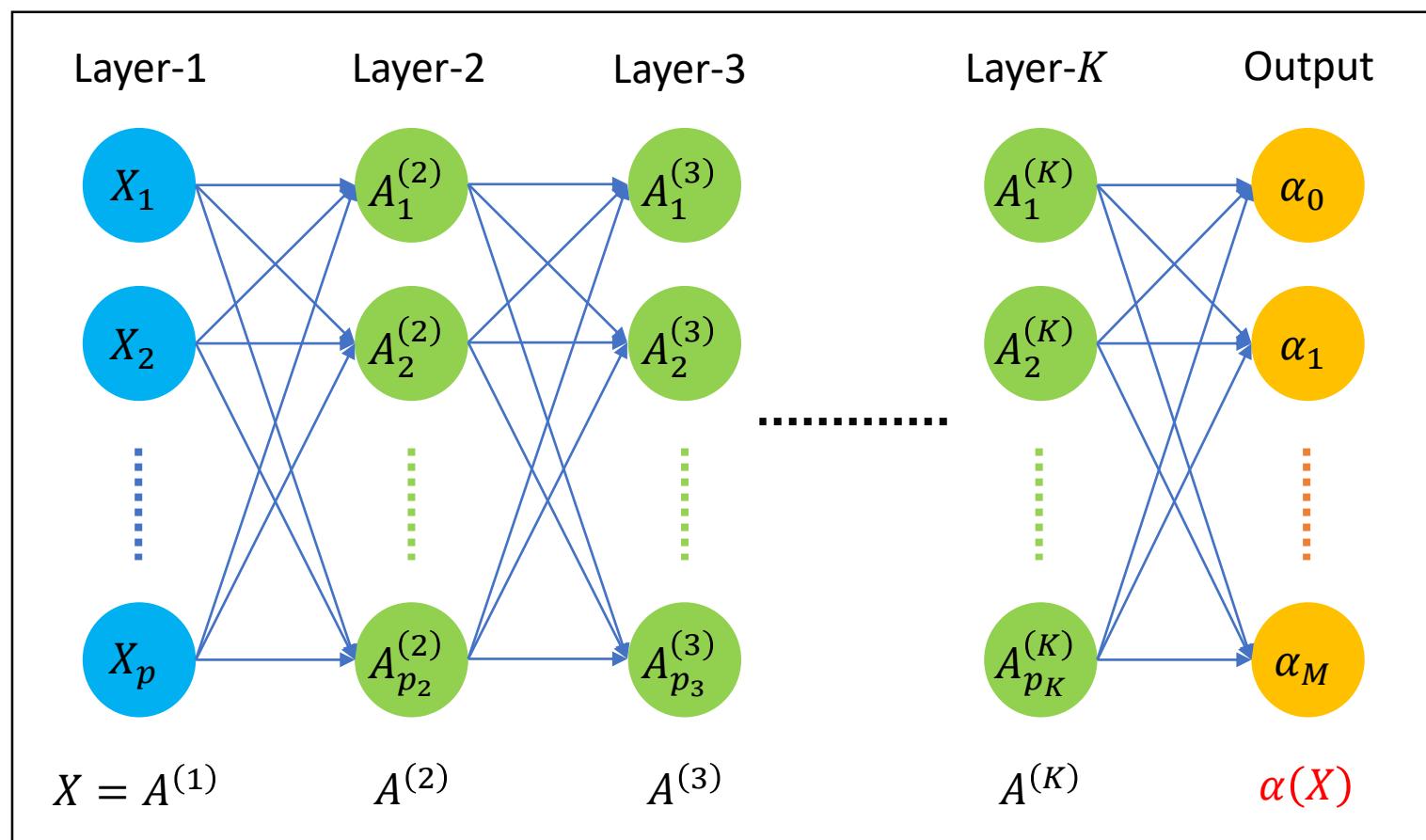
- Random vector  $(X, Y)$ 
  - Response  $Y \in \{0, 1, \dots, M\}$
  - Covariate  $X = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)^\top$
- Bayes classifier:  $\hat{Y} = \operatorname{argmax}_{0 \leq j \leq M} \pi_j(X)$ 
  - Target:  $\pi_j(X) = P(Y = j|X)$
- Model
  - $Y|X \sim \text{Multinomial}(\pi(X))$  with  $\pi(X) = (\pi_0(X), \dots, \pi_M(X))$
  - NN uses non-linear transformations  $\alpha_j(X)$  to model  $\pi_j(X) \stackrel{m}{=} \frac{\exp(\alpha_j(X))}{\sum_{l=0}^M \exp(\alpha_l(X))}$

MLR uses linear transformations of  $X$  to  
model  $\pi_j(X) \stackrel{m}{=} \frac{\exp(\beta_{0j} + \beta_j^\top X)}{1 + \sum_{l=1}^M \exp(\beta_{0l} + \beta_l^\top X)}$

# Neural Network (NN)

- Two distributions
  - Model:  $f_\theta(y|x) = \prod_{j=0}^M \{\pi_j(X)\}^{I(y=j)}$
  - Data:  $\{(X_i, Y_i)\}_{i=1}^n \rightarrow \hat{g}$
- Estimation via  $D_{KL}$ 
  - $\min_\theta D_{KL}(\hat{g}, f_\theta) + \lambda J(\theta) \rightarrow \hat{\theta}$
- NN and MLR differs in the ways of modeling  $\pi_j(X)$

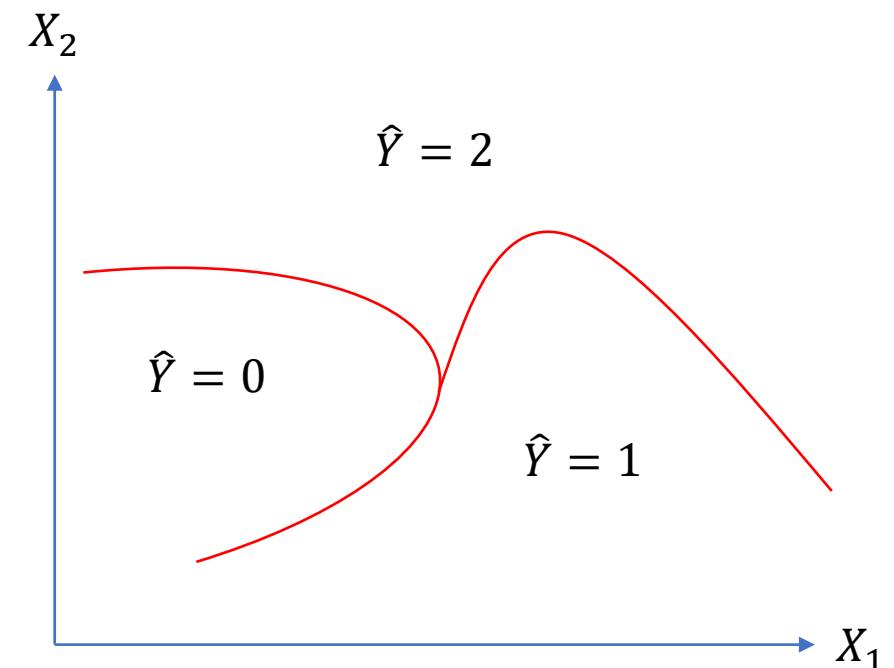
# Non-Linear Transformation $\alpha(X)$



- Input: Layer-1
  - $X = A^{(1)} \in R^p$
- Hidden: Layer-2 to Layer- $K$ 
  - $A^{(k+1)} = h^{(k+1)}(W^{(k)}A^{(k)})$
  - $W^{(k)}$ :  $p_{k+1} \times p_k$  matrix
  - $h^{(k+1)}$ : non-linear function
- Output:  $\alpha(X) = W^{(K)}A^{(K)} \in R^{M+1}$
- Parameter:  $\theta = (W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(K)})$

# Neural Network (NN)

- NN is a non-linear extension of MLR
  - The decision boundary is non-linear
  - NN = MLR if  $h^{(k)}$ 's are linear functions
- Specification of NN
  - Number of layers  $K$
  - Number of nodes  $p_k$
  - The choice of  $h^{(k)}$
  - Regularization function  $J(\theta)$  and its penalty  $\lambda$
- NN is usually overparameterized
  - Regularization is necessary!



Choices of  $h^{(k)}$ :

- tanh:  $h(z) = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{e^z + e^{-z}}$
- rectified linear:  $h(x) = z_+$
- leaky rectified linear:  $h(z) = z_+ - az_-$

# LR as a Special Case of NN

- Specification of NN

- $K = 1$

- $p_{K+1} = 2 \rightarrow W^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} W_1 \\ W_2 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times p}$

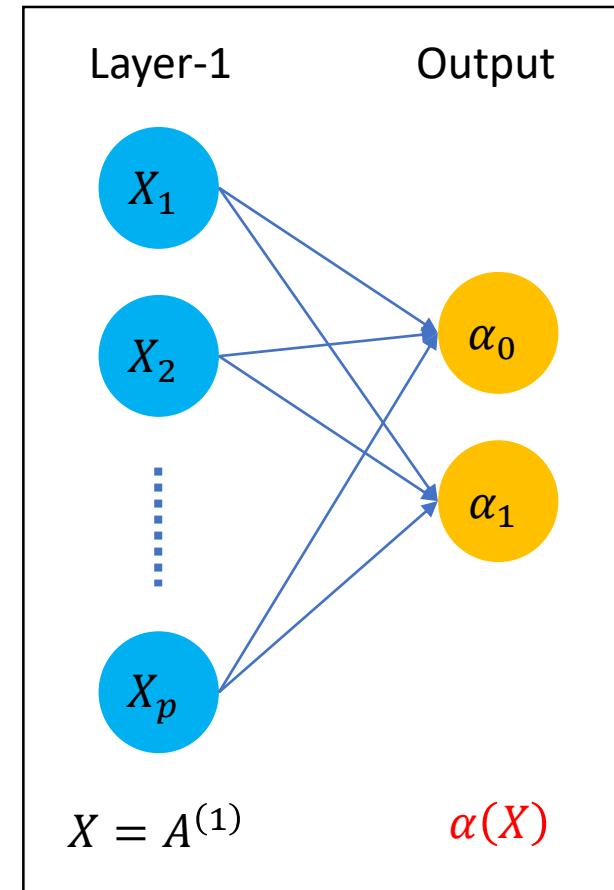
- $\alpha(X) = W^{(1)} A^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} W_1 X \\ W_2 X \end{bmatrix}$

- $\pi_1(X) = \frac{\exp(W_2 X)}{\exp(W_1 X) + \exp(W_2 X)} = \frac{\exp(\beta^\top X)}{1 + \exp(\beta^\top X)}$

- $\pi_0(X) = 1 - \pi_1(X)$

$\beta^\top \triangleq W_2 - W_1$

NN with 1 layer

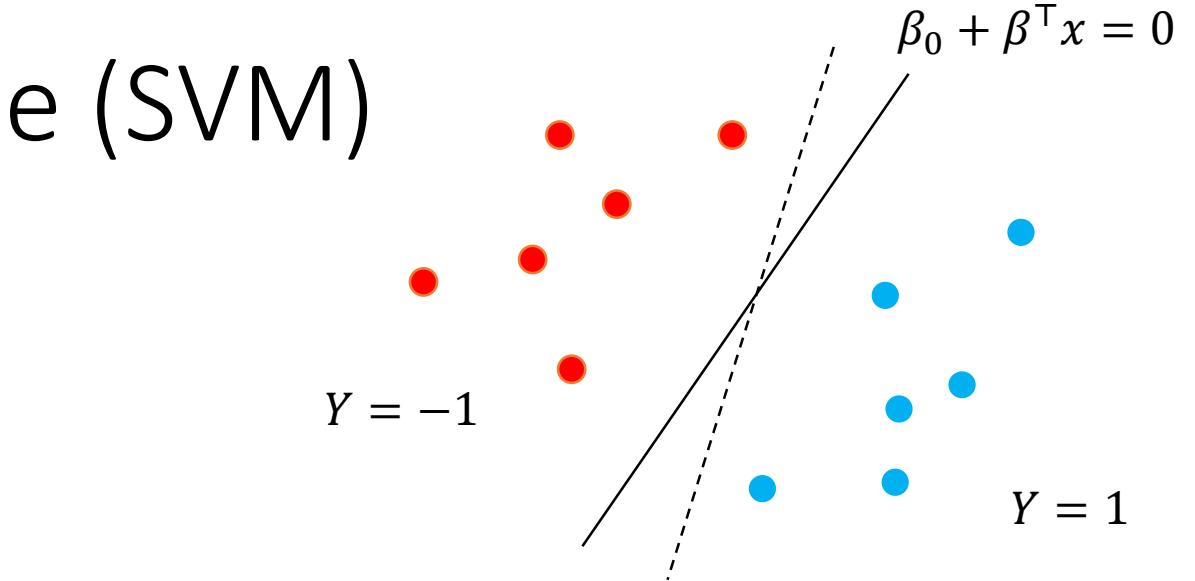


# Support Vector Machine

Linear classifier for binary  $Y$

# Support Vector Machine (SVM)

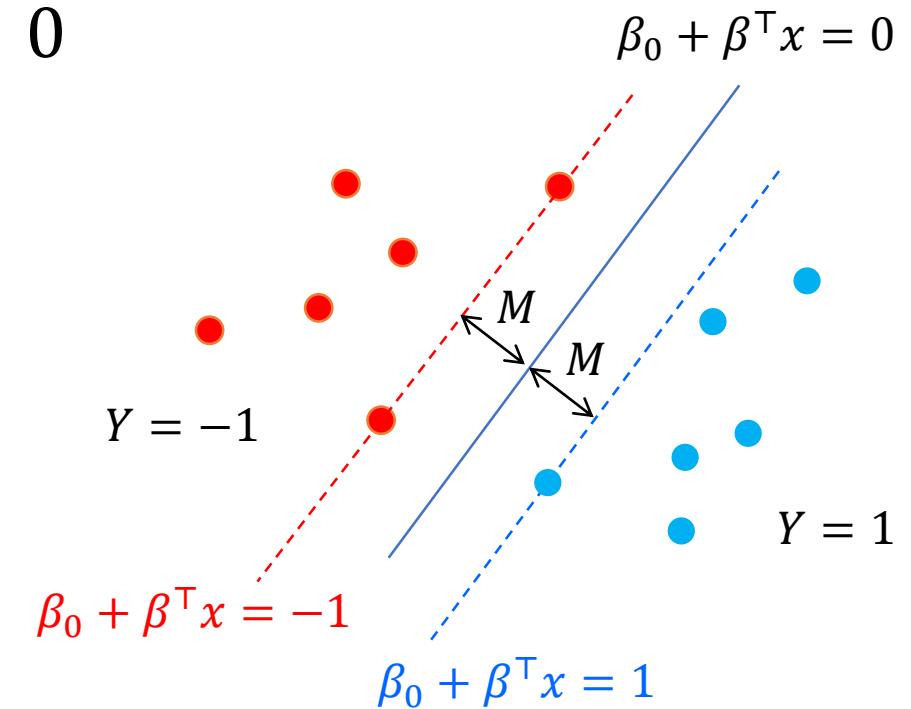
- Random vector  $(X, Y)$ 
  - Binary  $Y \in \{-1, 1\}$
  - Covariate  $X = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)^\top$
- Construct  $\beta_0 + \beta^\top x = 0$  that separates two groups perfectly
  - Prediction rule:  $\hat{Y} = \text{sign}(\beta_0 + \beta^\top x)$
- Non-identifiability for the target
- Find the separating line with “maximum margin”



$$Y \in \{0, 1\} \rightarrow \hat{Y} = I\{\beta_0 + \beta^\top X > 0\}$$

# Margin of $\beta_0 + \beta^\top x = 0$

- Shifting distance without changing the classification result
- Two separating lines parallel to  $\beta_0 + \beta^\top x = 0$ 
  - L1:  $\beta_0 + \beta^\top x = 1$
  - L2:  $\beta_0 + \beta^\top x = -1$
- Margin of  $\beta_0 + \beta^\top x = 0$ 
  - Distance between L1 and L2:  $2M = \frac{2}{\|\beta\|}$



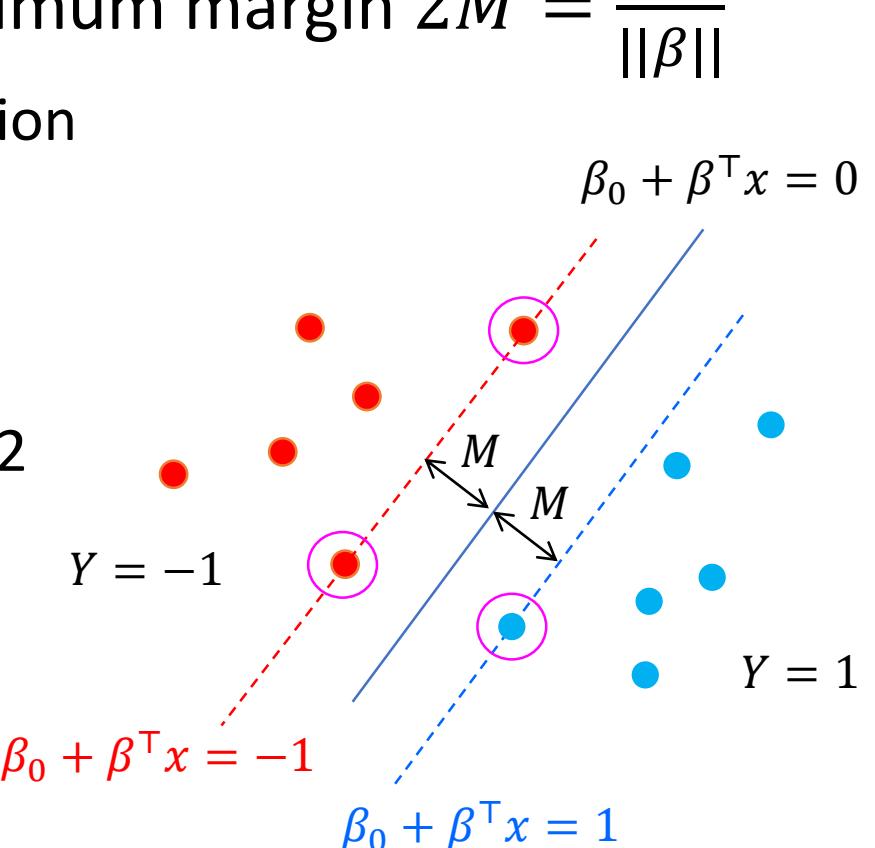
# Support Vector Machine (SVM)

- Aim: separating line  $\beta_0 + \beta^\top x = 0$  with maximum margin  $2M = \frac{2}{\|\beta\|}$

- Able to tolerate more violation in future application

- $\max_{\beta_0, \beta} 2M$  s.t.  $\frac{1}{\|\beta\|} Y_i(\beta_0 + \beta^\top X_i) \geq M \forall i$ 
  - $\frac{1}{\|\beta\|} Y_i(\beta_0 + \beta^\top X_i) \rightarrow$  distance from  $X_i$  to L1 or L2

- $\min_{\beta_0, \beta} \|\beta\|^2$  s.t.  $Y_i(\beta_0 + \beta^\top X_i) \geq 1 \forall i$ 
  - $\hat{\beta} = \sum_{i \in S} \alpha_i X_i$  for some  $\alpha_i$  with *support set*  $S$



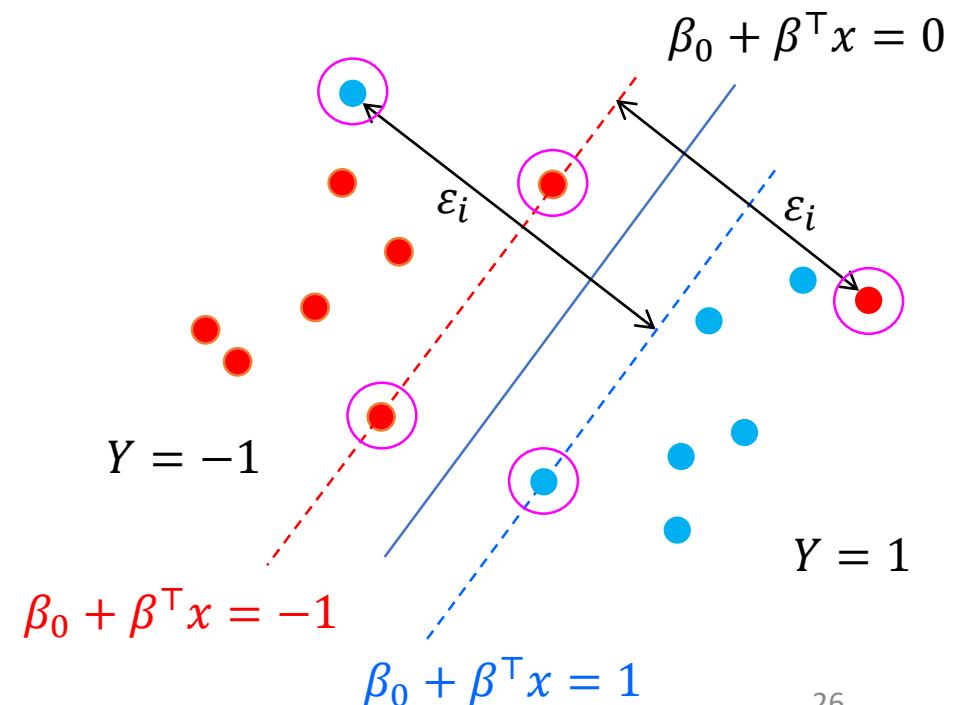
# SVM with Soft Margin

- Non-separable case → allow for violation

- $\min_{\beta_0, \beta} \|\beta\|^2$  s.t.  $Y_i(\beta_0 + \beta^\top X_i) \geq 1 - \varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_i > 0, \sum_i \varepsilon_i \leq B$

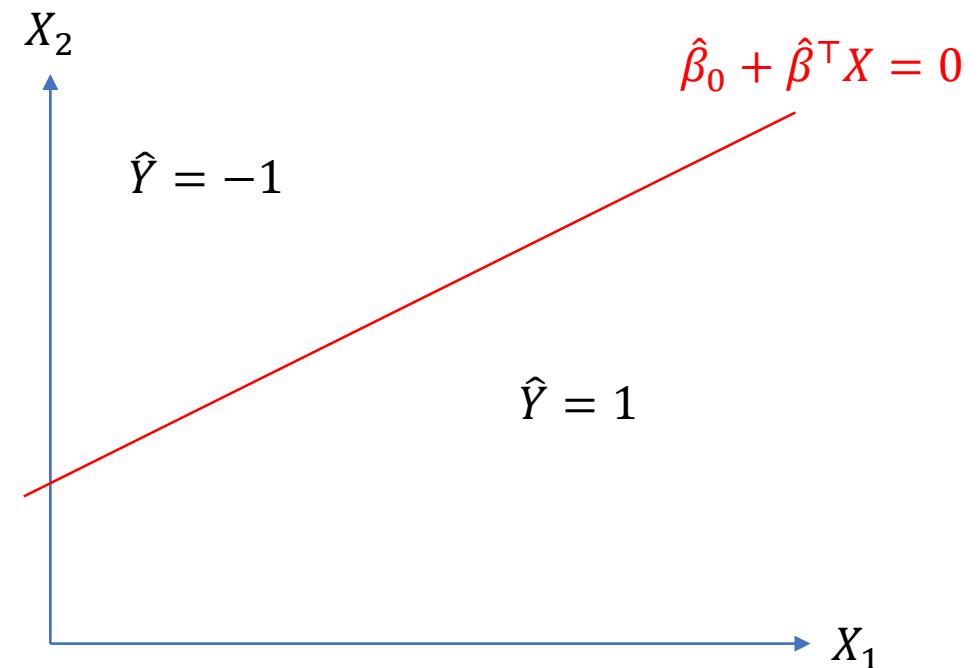
- $B$ : maximum total amount of violation
  - $\hat{\beta} = \sum_{i \in S} \alpha_i X_i$  with the *support set*  $S$

- $B$  is a tuning parameter
  - Larger  $B \rightarrow$  larger support set  $S$
  - The role of regularization



# SVM with Soft Margin

- Prediction rule:  $\hat{Y} = \text{sign}(\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}^\top X)$
- Decision boundary:  $\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}^\top X = 0$
- Linear classifier
- Q: Connection to Bayes classifier?



# Statistical View of SVM

- $\min_{\beta_0, \beta} \|\beta\|^2$  s.t.  $\sum_i [1 - Y_i(\beta_0 + \beta^\top X_i)]_+ \leq B$
- $\min_{\beta_0, \beta} \|\beta\|^2 + C \sum_i [1 - Y_i(\beta_0 + \beta^\top X_i)]_+$  with Lagrange multiplier  $C$
- $\min_{\beta_0, \beta} \frac{1}{n} \sum_i [1 - Y_i(\beta_0 + \beta^\top X_i)]_+ + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \|\beta\|^2$  with  $\lambda = \frac{2}{nC}$
- $\min_{\beta_0, \beta} \int L(y, \beta_0 + \beta^\top x) \hat{g} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \|\beta\|^2$ 
  - $L(y, z) = [1 - yz]_+ \rightarrow \text{hinge loss}$
  - Empirical distribution  $\hat{g}$  of data

$$\approx \min_{\theta} D(\hat{g}, f_{\theta}) + \lambda J(\theta)$$

- Divergence  $\approx$  Loss
- $D(\hat{g}, f_{\theta}) \propto \int L(y, \beta_0 + \beta^\top x) \hat{g}$

# Statistical View of SVM

- Population loss function of SVM

- $E[1 - Yh(X)]_+$  with  $h(x) = \beta + \beta^\top x$

$$\pi_1(X) = P(Y = 1|X)$$

- Population target of SVM

- $E\{[1 - Yh(X)]_+|X\} = \pi_1(X)[1 - h(X)]_+ + \{1 - \pi_1(X)\}[1 + h(X)]_+$
  - Minimized at  $h^*(X) = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{if } \pi_1(X) > 0.5 \\ -1, & \text{if } \pi_1(X) < 0.5 \end{cases}$  → the Bayes classifier!
  - $h^*(X) = \text{sign}(r(X))$  with log-odds ratio  $r(X) = \ln \frac{\pi_1(X)}{1 - \pi_1(X)}$

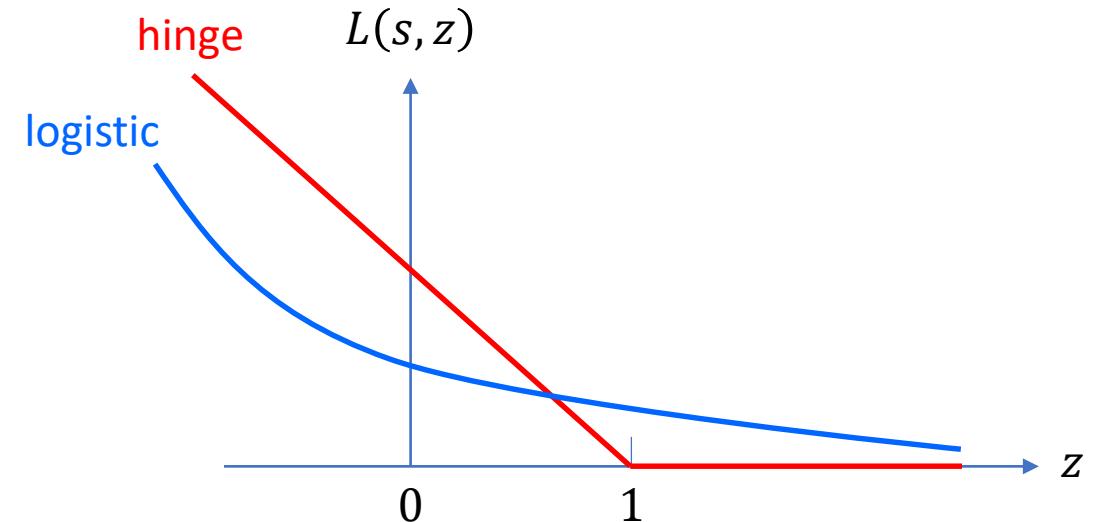
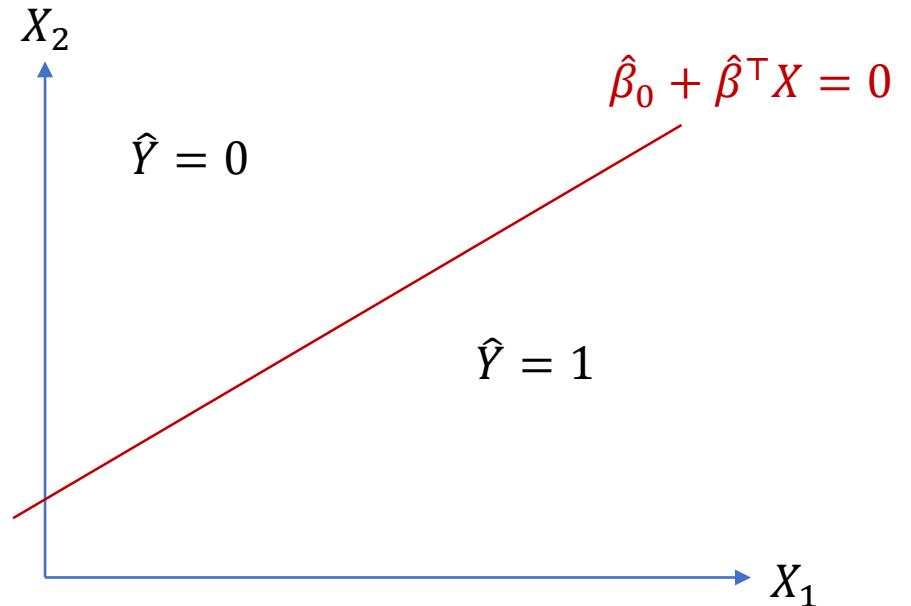
# LR Revisit with $Y \in \{-1,1\}$

- LR criterion:  $\min_{\theta} D_{KL}(\hat{g}, f_{\theta}) + \lambda J(\theta)$ 
  - $Y \in \{0,1\}$ :  $D_{KL}(\hat{g}, f_{\theta}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \ln \left\{ 1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta^T X_i} \right\} - Y_i (\beta_0 + \beta^T X_i) \rightarrow \hat{Y} = I\{\beta_0 + \beta^T > 0\}$
  - $Y \in \{-1,1\}$ :  $D_{KL}(\hat{g}, f_{\theta}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \ln \left\{ 1 + e^{-Y_i(\beta_0 + \beta^T X_i)} \right\} \rightarrow \hat{Y} = \text{sign}(\beta_0 + \beta^T X)$
- $\min_{\beta_0, \beta} \int L(y, \beta_0 + \beta^T x) \hat{g} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \|\beta\|^2$ 
  - $L(y, s) = \ln(1 + e^{-ys})$ : the logistic loss for  $y \in \{-1,1\}$
  - Empirical distribution  $\hat{g}$
- Population target of LR
  - $E\{\ln(1 + e^{-Yh(X)}) | X\} = \pi_1(X) \ln(1 + e^{-h(X)}) + \{1 - \pi_1(X)\} \ln(1 + e^{h(X)})$
  - Minimized at  $h^*(X) = r(X)$

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \|\beta\|^2$$

# SVM vs LR

- (Linear) Bayes classifier:  $\hat{Y} = \text{sign}(\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}^\top X)$
- $\min_{\beta_0, \beta} \int L(y, \beta_0 + \beta^\top x) \hat{g} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \|\beta\|^2$  with different loss
  - SVM:  $L(y, z) = [1 - yz]_+$
  - LR:  $L(y, s) = \ln(1 + e^{-ys})$
- Different targets regarding  $r(X) = \ln \frac{\pi_1(X)}{1 - \pi_1(X)}$ 
  - SVM:  $\text{sign}(r(X))$
  - LR:  $r(X)$
- $\text{sign}(r(X))$  suffices for classification
  - Complexity:  $r(X) > \text{sign}(r(X))$
  - Robustness in classification: SVM > LR
  - Precision of interpretation: LR > SVM



# Kernel Trick

Non-linear extension of SVM and LR

# Basic Idea

- An extension of linear model to its non-linear version
- $\int L(y, \beta_0 + \beta^\top x) \hat{g} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \|\beta\|^2$ 
  - Linear model
  - L2 norm regularization:  $\|\beta\|^2$
- Stationary equation:  $\int \frac{\partial L(y, \beta_0 + \beta^\top x)}{\partial (\beta^\top X)} \color{red}{x} \hat{g} + \lambda \color{red}{\beta} = 0$ 
  - $\hat{\beta} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i X_i$  for some  $\alpha_i$
- Prediction score:  $\hat{\beta}^\top x = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i (X_i^\top x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \langle x, X_i \rangle$ 
  - Depends only on inner products  $\langle x, X_i \rangle, i = 1, \dots, n$

# Kernel Trick

- Non-linear extension → non-linear transformation of  $X$ 
  - NN  $\rightarrow \alpha(X)$
  - interaction terms  $X_1 X_2$ , polynomial terms  $X_1^2 \dots$
- Kernel Trick → high-dimensional transformation  $X \rightarrow \phi(X) \in R^\infty$ 
  - The exact form of  $\phi$  is NOT important
  - Only need to calculate  $\langle \phi(x), \phi(z) \rangle$
- Kernel function  $K(x, z) \rightarrow \langle \phi(x), \phi(z) \rangle \triangleq K(x, z)$ 
  - E.g.,  $K(x, z) = \exp(-\gamma|x - z|^2)$
  - $\phi$  is implicitly determined by  $K$

# Non-linear Extension

- Choose a kernel  $K(x, z) = \langle \phi(x), \phi(z) \rangle$ 
  - $\phi(x)$  is implicitly determined
- Transformed data:  $\{(\phi(X_i), Y_i)\}_{i=1}^n$
- Bayes classifier:  $\text{sign}(\beta_0 + \beta^\top \phi(x))$
- Estimation via the loss  $L$ 
  - $\min_{\beta_0, \beta} \int L(y, \beta_0 + \beta^\top \phi(x)) \hat{g} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \|\beta\|^2$
  - $\hat{\beta} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \phi(X_i)$  for some  $\alpha_i$

# Non-linear Extension

- $\hat{\beta} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \phi(X_i)$  and  $K(x, z) = \langle \phi(x), \phi(z) \rangle$ 
  - Bayes classifier:  $\hat{\beta}^\top \phi(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i K(x, X_i)$
  - Regularization:  $\|\hat{\beta}\|^2 = \sum_{ij} \alpha_i \alpha_j K(X_i, X_j) = \alpha^\top K \alpha$
- Criterion:  $\min_{\alpha_0, \alpha} \int L(y, \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i K(x, X_i)) \hat{g} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \alpha^\top K \alpha$ 
  - hinge loss  $L(y, z) = [1 - yz]_+$  → Kernel SVM
  - logistic loss  $L(y, s) = \ln(1 + e^{-ys})$  → Kernel LR
- (Non-linear) Bayes classifier:  $\text{sign}(\hat{\alpha}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\alpha}_i K(x, X_i))$
- Extra tuning parameters for  $K(x, z)$ 
  - $\gamma$  of  $K(x, z) = \exp(-\gamma \|x - z\|^2)$

$$K = [K_{ij}]_{n \times n} \text{ with } K_{ij} = K(X_i, X_j)$$

# Another View of Kernel Trick

$$\min_{\beta_0, \beta} \int L(y, \beta_0 + \beta^\top x) \hat{g} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \|\beta\|^2$$

- $\min_{\alpha_0, \alpha} \int L(y, \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i K(x, X_i)) \hat{g} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \alpha^\top K \alpha$
- Fitting by kernel data  $\{(\hat{\phi}(X_i), Y_i)\}_{i=1}^n$  with regularization  $\alpha^\top K \alpha$ 
  - $x \rightarrow \hat{\phi}(x) = [K(x, X_1), \dots, K(x, X_n)] \in R^n$ , an approximation of  $\phi(x) \in R^\infty$
- $\min_{\alpha_0, \alpha} \int L(y, \alpha_0 + \alpha^\top \hat{\phi}(x)) \hat{g} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \alpha^\top K \alpha \rightarrow (\hat{\alpha}_0, \hat{\alpha})$ 
  - Bayes classifier:  $\text{sign}(\hat{\alpha}_0 + \hat{\alpha}^\top \hat{\phi}(x))$

Existing codes suffice to implement Kernel Trick!

# Summary

