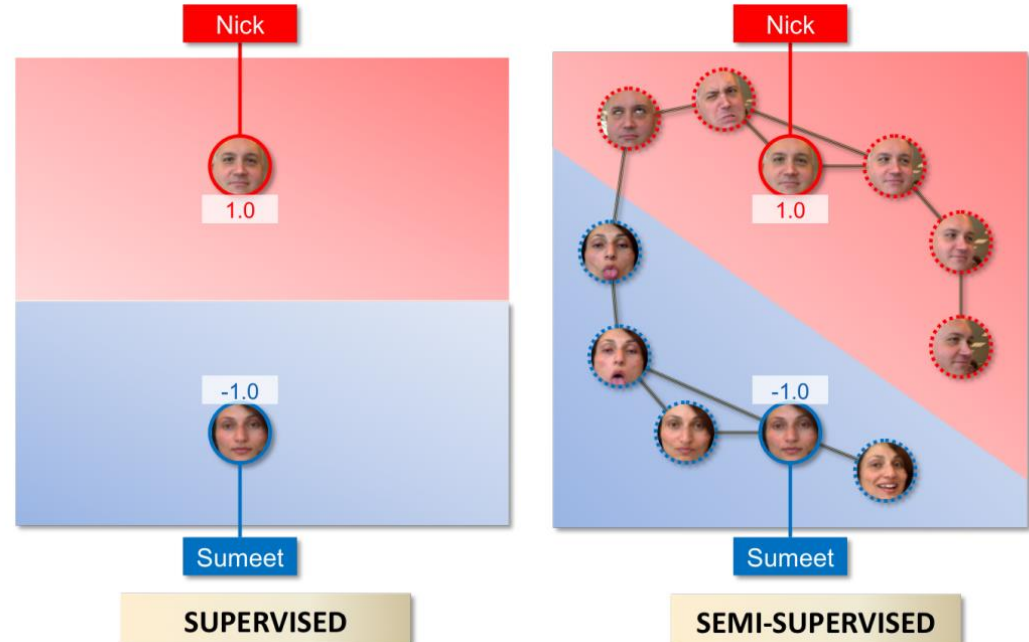


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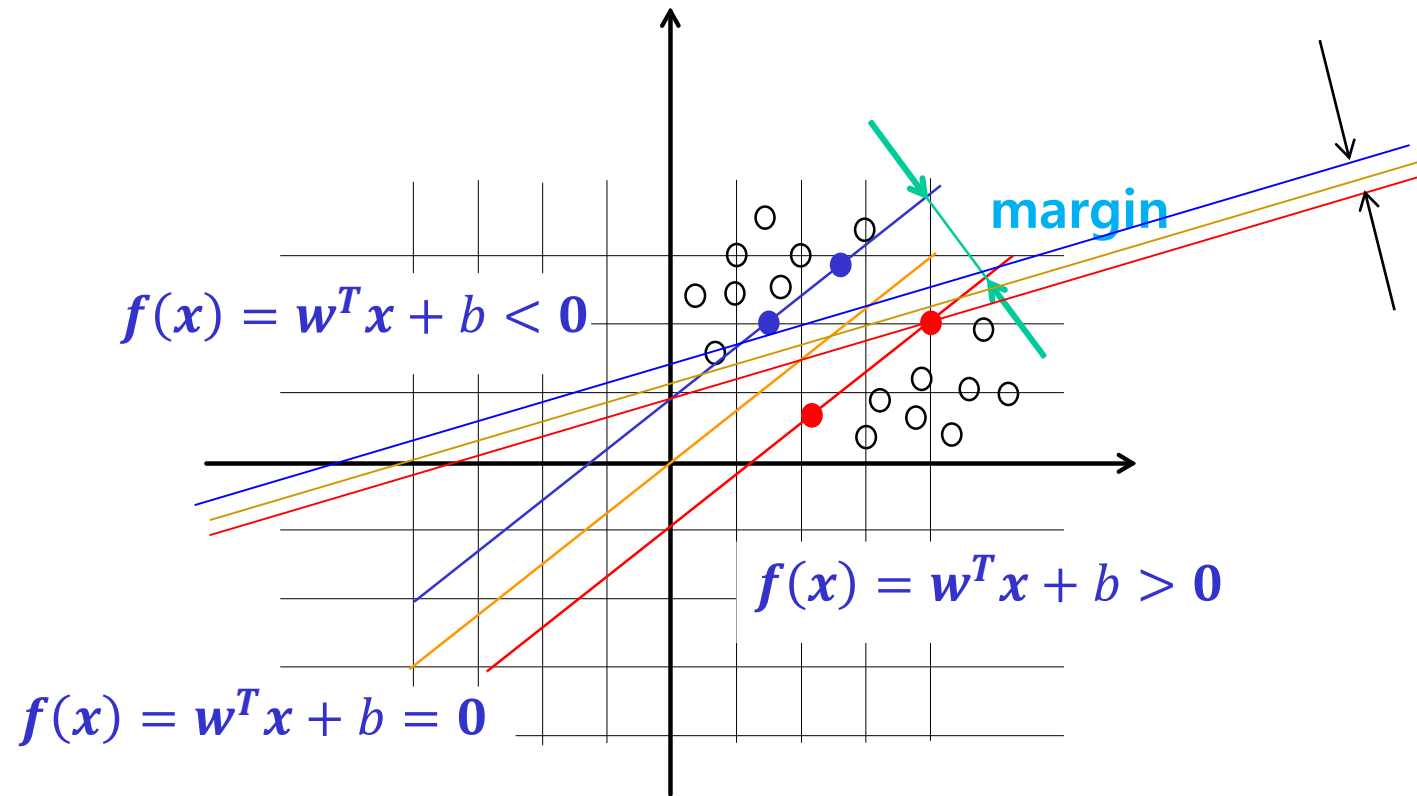
semi-supervised learning



Outline of Lecture (1)

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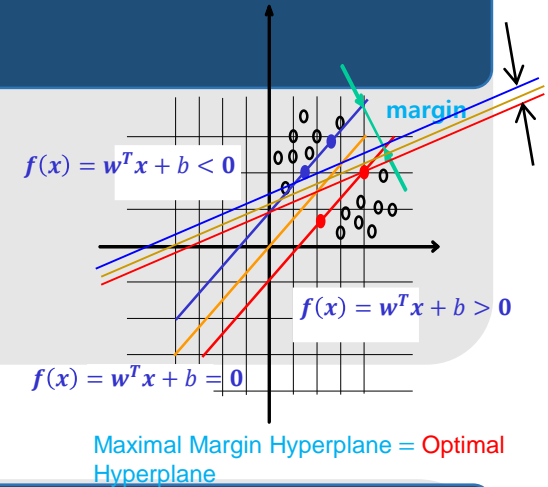


Maximal Margin Hyperplane = Optimal Hyperplane

SSL: Classical SVM (Review)

max-margin classification: separable case

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{w,b} \quad & \|w\|^2 \\ \text{s. t.} \quad & y_i(w^T x_i + b) \geq 1, \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n \end{aligned}$$



max-margin classification: non-separable case

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{w,b} \quad & \lambda \|w\|^2 + \sum_i \xi_i \\ \text{s. t.} \quad & y_i(w^T x_i + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i, \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n \\ & \xi_i \geq 0, \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n \end{aligned}$$

SSL: Classical SVM (Review)

max-margin classification: non-separable case

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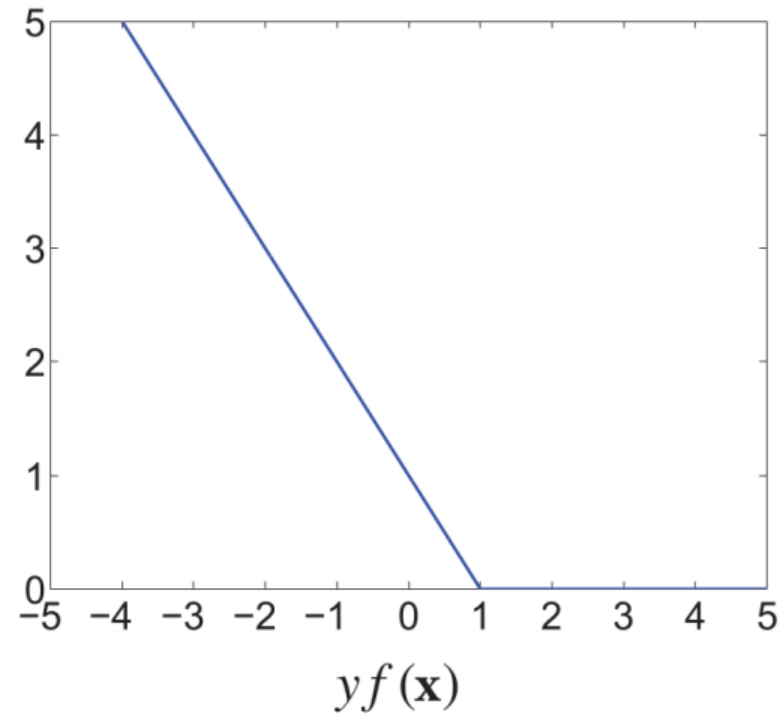
Unconstrained formulation using hinge loss:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, b} \lambda \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 + \sum_i \max(1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b), 0)$$

General formulation:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, b} \lambda \Omega(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{w}, b)) + \sum_i \Phi(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i, \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{w}, b; \mathbf{x}_i))$$

SSL: Classical SVM (Review)



hinge loss

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i, \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{w}, b; \mathbf{x}_i)) = \max(1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b), 0)$$

SSL: SVM: Unlabeled Examples

Unconstrained formulation using hinge loss:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, b} \lambda \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{n_l} \max(1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b), 0)$$

How to incorporate unlabeled examples?

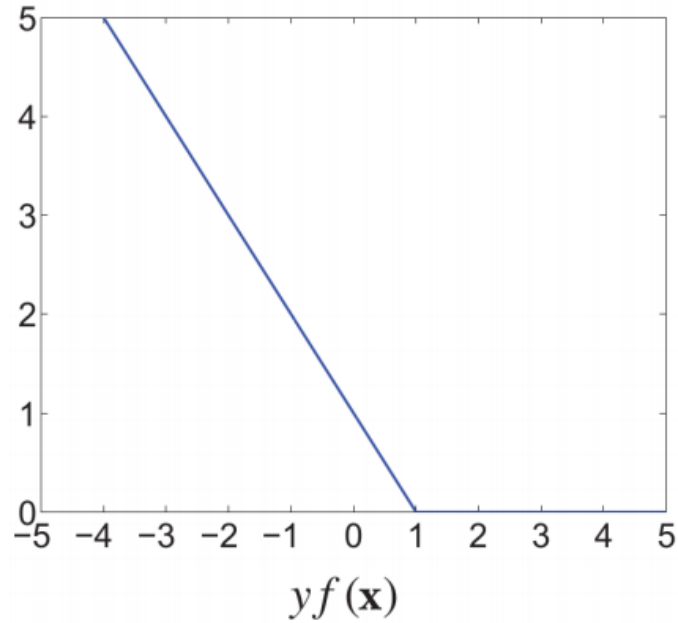
Prediction of f for (any) \mathbf{x} ?

$$\hat{y}_i = \text{sgn}(f(\mathbf{x}_i)) = \text{sgn}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b)$$

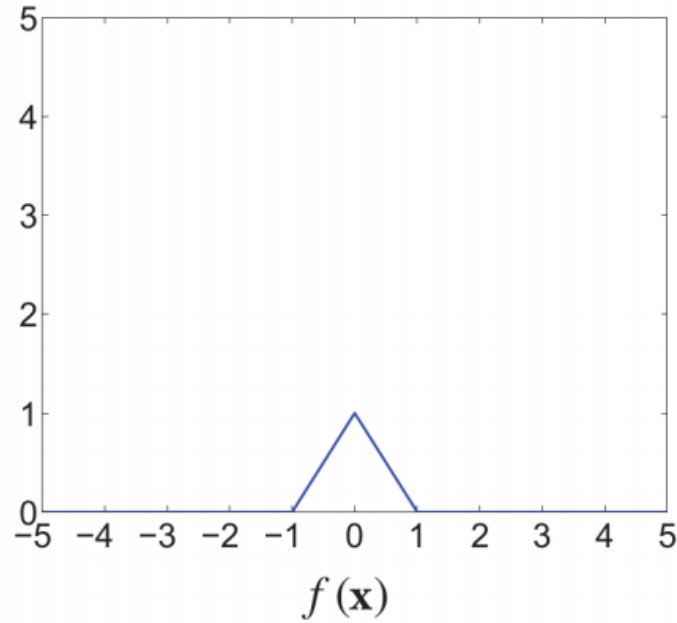
Use \hat{y}_i instead of y_i

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i, f(\mathbf{w}, b; \mathbf{x}_i)) &= \max(1 - \hat{y}_i(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b), 0) \\ &= \max(1 - \text{sgn}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b)(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b), 0) \\ &= \max(1 - |\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b|, 0) \quad \rightarrow \text{hat loss} \end{aligned}$$

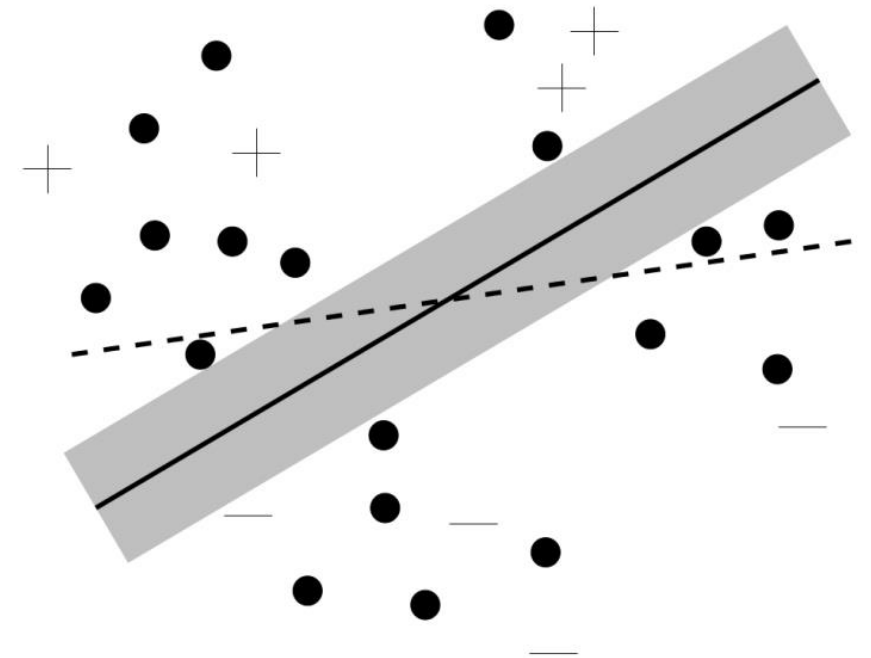
SSL: SVM: Unlabeled Examples



(a) the hinge loss



(b) the hat loss



What is the **difference** in the objectives?

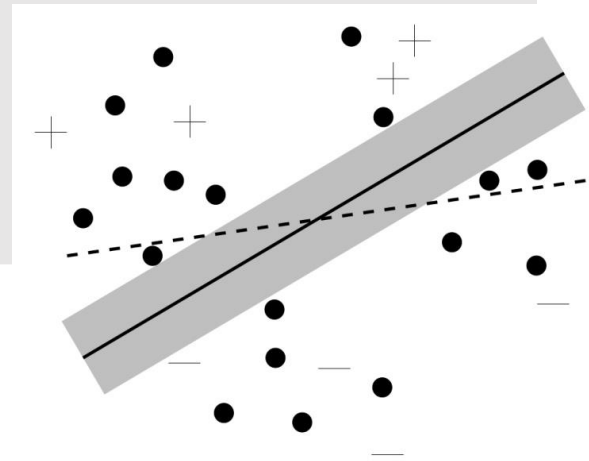
What does **hinge loss** penalize?

What does **hat loss** penalize?

SSL: SVM: Formulation

Formulation fo SSL via SVM

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, b} \sum_{i=1}^{n_l} \max(1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b), 0) + \lambda_1 \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 \\ + \lambda_2 \sum_{i=n_l+1}^{n_l+n_u} \max(1 - |\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b|, 0)$$

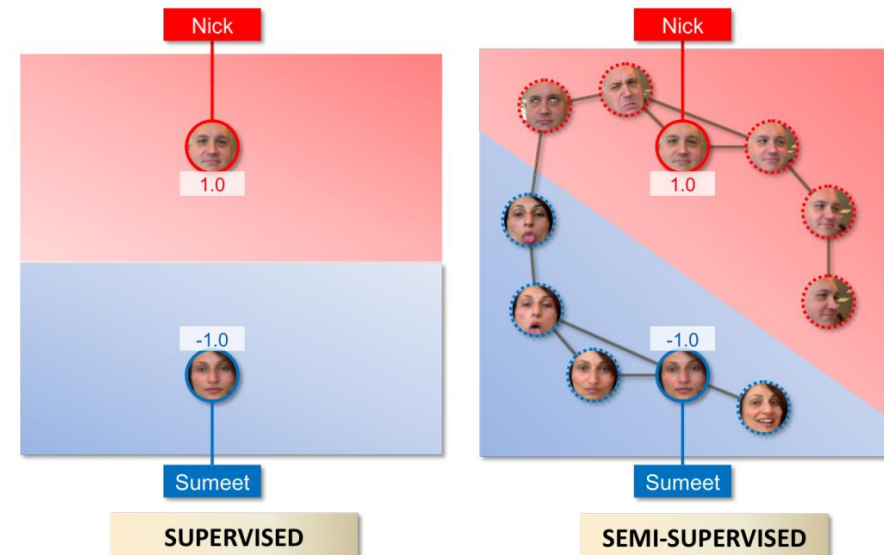


- **Labelled** data term works as a **loss** to learn the data
- **Unlabeled** data term works as a **regularizer** to reduce the effect of **noisy data**.
- The term $\|\mathbf{w}\|$ works as a **regularizer** for a **large margin**.

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semi-supervised learning

with graphs and harmonic functions

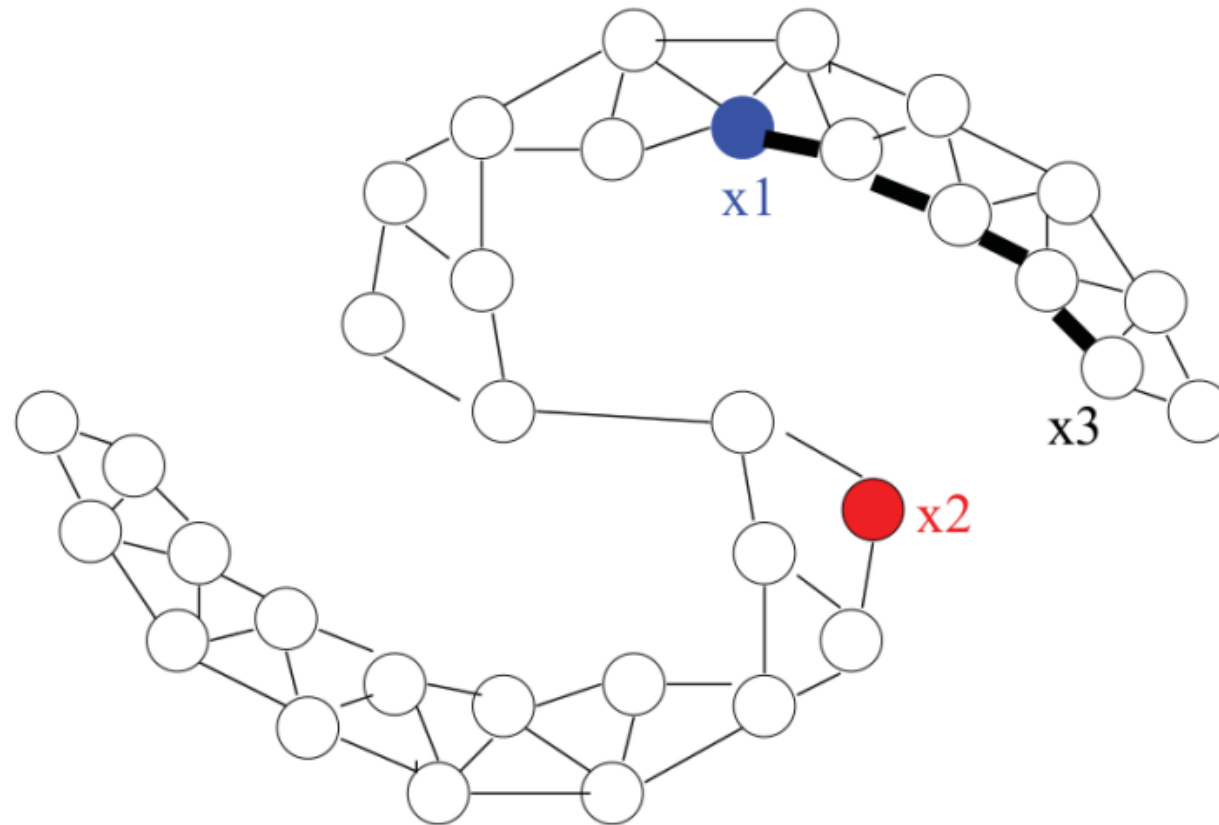


SSL with **Graphs**: Prehistory

Blum/Chawla: Learning from Labeled and Unlabeled Data using Graph Mincuts

<http://www.aladdin.cs.cmu.edu/papers/pdfs/y2001/mincut.pdf>

Some insights from vision research in 1980s



SSL with Graphs: MinCut

MinCut SSL: an idea similar to MinCut clustering

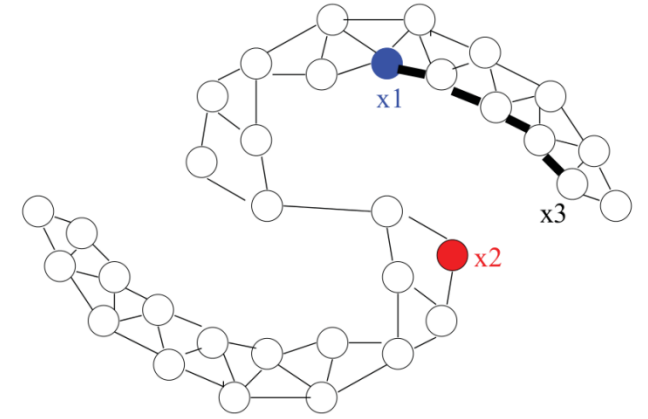
Where is the link?

What is the formal statement? We look for $f(x) \in \{\pm 1\}$

$$cut = \sum_{i,j=1}^{n_l+n_u} w_{ij} \left(f(x_i) - f(x_j) \right)^2 = \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{f} = \Omega(f)$$

$\min_{f(x_i); x_i \in \mathcal{U}} \Omega(f) \longrightarrow$ minimal smoothness for unsupervised clustering

What to do for **semi-supervised** learning?



SSL with Graphs: using $f(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathbf{x}_i)$

Inductive SSL with graph: using $f(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathbf{x}_i)$ classifier with parameters $\boldsymbol{\theta}$

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \lambda \sum_{i,j=1}^{n_l+n_u} w_{ij} \left(f(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathbf{x}_i) - f(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathbf{x}_j) \right)^2 + \gamma \sum_i^{n_l} (f(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2$$

General Formulation

Regularization: Laplacian smoothing

$$\Omega(\{f(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathbf{x}_i)\}_{i=1}^{n_l+n_u}) = \sum_{i,j=1}^{n_l+n_u} w_{ij} \left(f(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathbf{x}_i) - f(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathbf{x}_j) \right)^2 = \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{f}$$

Loss:

$$\Phi(f(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathbf{x}_i), y_i) = (f(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2 \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n_l\}$$

SSL with Graphs: Harmonic Functions

Transductive SSL with graph: fixing $f(\mathbf{x}_i)$ for $i \in \mathcal{L}$

$$\min_{f \in \{\pm 1\}^{n_l+n_u}} \lambda \sum_{i,j=1}^{n_l+n_u} w_{ij} \left(f(\mathbf{x}_i) - f(\mathbf{x}_j) \right)^2 + \infty \sum_i^{n_l} (f(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2$$

Solution:

An integer program: NP hard

Can we use eigenvectors? No. Why?

We need a **better way** to reflect the confidence.

SSL with Graphs: Harmonic Functions

Relaxation: Transductive SSL with graph: fixing $f(\mathbf{x}_i)$ for $i \in \mathcal{L}$

$$\min_{f \in \mathbf{R}^{n_l+n_u}} \lambda \sum_{i,j=1}^{n_l+n_u} w_{ij} \left(f(\mathbf{x}_i) - f(\mathbf{x}_j) \right)^2 + \infty \sum_i^{n_l} (f(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2$$

Naïve Solution

Right term solution: constrain f to **match** the supervised data

$$f(\mathbf{x}_i) = y_i \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n_l\}$$

Left term solution: enforce the solution f to be **harmonic** (cf. aggregation, rw)

$$f(\mathbf{x}_i) = \frac{\sum_{ij} f(\mathbf{x}_j) w_{ij}}{\sum_{ij} w_{ij}} \quad \forall i \in \{n_l + 1, \dots, n_l + n_u\}$$

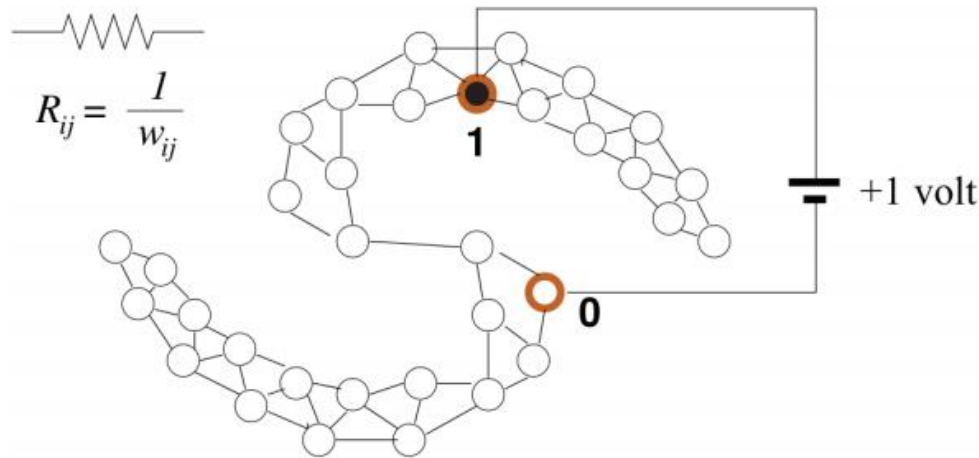
How can we handle unlabeled data?

SSL with Graphs: Harmonic Functions

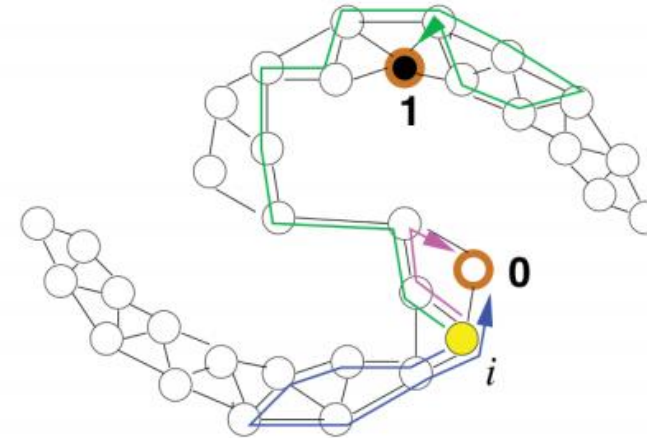
Properties of the relaxation from ± 1 to \mathbb{R}

- There is a closed form solution for f
- this solution is unique
- globally optimal
- $f(x_i)$ may not be integer
 - but we can threshold it
- electric-network interpretation
- random-walk interpretation

SSL with Graphs: Harmonic Functions



(a) The electric network interpretation



(b) The random walk interpretation

Random walk interpretation :

1) start from the vertex you want to label and randomly walk

$$2) P(j|i) = \frac{w_{ij}}{\sum_k w_{ik}} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{W}$$

3) finish when a labeled vertex is hit

$$f(\mathbf{x}_i) = \frac{\sum_{ij} f(\mathbf{x}_j)w_{ij}}{\sum_{ij} w_{ij}}$$

4) $f(\mathbf{x}_i)$ is assigned by **average** of the labels of the hit vertices.

SSL with Graphs: Harmonic Functions

Iterative Solution: propagation

Step 1: Set f to **match** the supervised data

$$f(\mathbf{x}_i) = y_i \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n_l\}$$

Step 2: **Propagate** iteratively (only for unlabeled)

$$f(\mathbf{x}_i) \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{ij} f(\mathbf{x}_j) w_{ij}}{\sum_{ij} w_{ij}} \quad \forall i \in \{n_l + 1, \dots, n_l + n_u\}$$

Properties:

- this will converge to the harmonic solution
- we can set the initial values for unlabeled nodes arbitrarily
- an interesting option for large-scale data

SSL with Graphs: Harmonic Functions

Closed form Solution:

Define $f_i \triangleq f(\mathbf{x}_i)$, $\mathbf{f} \triangleq [f_1, \dots, f_i, \dots, f_{n_l+n_u}]$

$$\Omega(\mathbf{f}) = \sum_{i,j=1}^{n_l+n_u} w_{ij} (f_i - f_j)^2 = \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{f}$$

Then, \mathbf{L} is a $(n_l+n_u) \times (n_l+n_u)$ matrix:

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{ll} & \mathbf{L}_{lu} \\ \mathbf{L}_{ul} & \mathbf{L}_{uu} \end{bmatrix}$$

The problem becomes

$$\min_{\mathbf{f}} \Omega(\mathbf{f}) (= \mathbf{f}_l^T \mathbf{L}_{ll} \mathbf{f}_l + \mathbf{f}_l^T \mathbf{L}_{lu} \mathbf{f}_u + \mathbf{f}_u^T \mathbf{L}_{ul} \mathbf{f}_l + \mathbf{f}_u^T \mathbf{L}_{uu} \mathbf{f}_u)$$

The solution can be obtained by

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\mathbf{f}_u} \Omega(\mathbf{f}) &= 2\mathbf{L}_{ul} \mathbf{f}_l + 2\mathbf{L}_{uu} \mathbf{f}_u = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{f}_u &= \mathbf{L}_{uu}^{-1} (-\mathbf{L}_{ul} \mathbf{f}_l) = \mathbf{L}_{uu}^{-1} (\mathbf{W}_{ul} \mathbf{f}_l) \end{aligned}$$

SSL with Graphs: Harmonic Functions

Relation **between** closed form solution **and** random walk

$$\mathbf{f}_u = \mathbf{L}_{uu}^{-1}(\mathbf{W}_{ul}\mathbf{f}_l), \quad \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{W}$$

Note that

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{W} \rightarrow \mathbf{L} = \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{W} = \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{W}) = \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P})$$

This yields

$$\mathbf{f}_u = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_{uu})^{-1}\mathbf{D}_{uu}^{-1}(\mathbf{D}_{uu}\mathbf{P}_{ul}\mathbf{f}_l) = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_{uu})^{-1}\mathbf{P}_{ul}\mathbf{f}_l$$

For $i \in \mathcal{U}$,

$$\begin{aligned} f_i &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_{uu})_{iu}^{-1}\mathbf{P}_{ul}\mathbf{f}_l \\ &= \sum_{j:y_j=1} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_{uu})_{iu}^{-1}\mathbf{P}_{uj} - \sum_{j:y_j=-1} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_{uu})_{iu}^{-1}\mathbf{P}_{uj} \\ &= p_i^{(+1)} - p_i^{(-1)} \end{aligned}$$

SSL with Graphs: Regularized Harmonic Functions

For $i \in \mathcal{U}$,

$$f_i = p_i^{(+1)} - p_i^{(-1)} \Rightarrow f_i = |f_i| \text{sgn}(f_i) = \text{confidence} \times \text{label}$$

What happens if an **outlier** sneaks in?

\Rightarrow The prediction for the outlier can **mislead** the confidence

How to control the confidence of the inference?

\Rightarrow Allow the random walk to **die**!

\Rightarrow We add a **sink** to the graph, where
sink = artificial node with label 0.

We connect the **sink** to every other vertex.

What will the **sink** do in the predictions?

SSL with Graphs: Regularized Harmonic Functions

Regularized Harmonic solution on the graph with sink

$$\nabla_{f_u} \Omega(\mathbf{f}) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \Omega(\mathbf{f}) = \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{f}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{ll} + \gamma_g \mathbf{I}_{n_l} & \mathbf{L}_{lu} & -\gamma_g \mathbf{1}_{n_l \times 1} \\ \mathbf{L}_{ul} & \mathbf{L}_{uu} + \gamma_g \mathbf{I}_{n_u} & -\gamma_g \mathbf{1}_{n_u \times 1} \\ -\gamma_g \mathbf{1}_{1 \times n_l} & -\gamma_g \mathbf{1}_{1 \times n_u} & (n_l + n_u) \gamma_g \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}_l \\ \mathbf{f}_u \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \mathbf{0}_u \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

We can disregard the last column and row:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{ll} + \gamma_g \mathbf{I}_{n_l} & \mathbf{L}_{lu} \\ \mathbf{L}_{ul} & \mathbf{L}_{uu} + \gamma_g \mathbf{I}_{n_u} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}_l \\ \mathbf{f}_u \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \mathbf{0}_u \end{bmatrix}$$

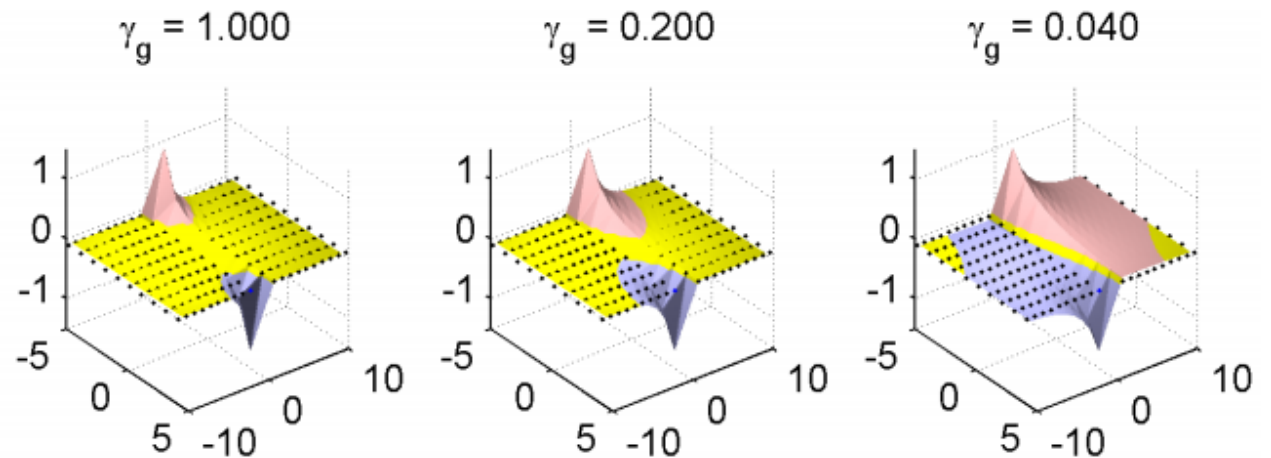
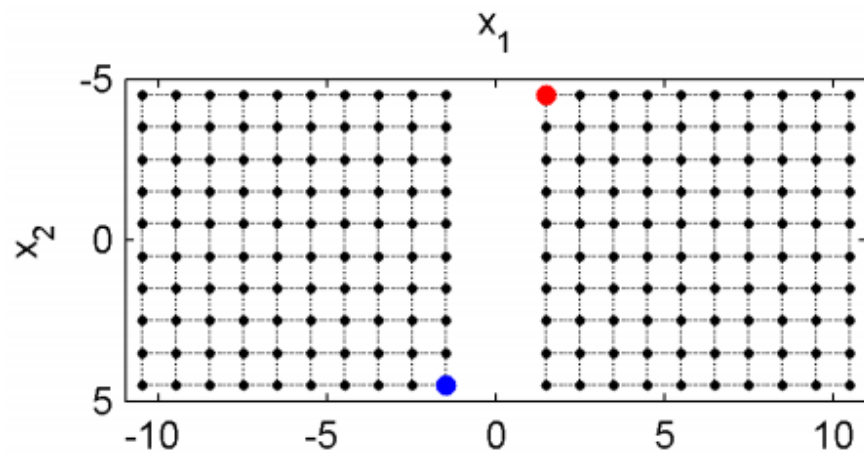
$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{L}_{ul} \mathbf{f}_l + (\mathbf{L}_{uu} + \gamma_g \mathbf{I}_{n_u}) \mathbf{f}_u = \mathbf{0}_u$$

SSL with Graphs: Regularized Harmonic Functions

How do we compute this regularized random walk?

$$f_u = (L_{uu} + \gamma_g \mathbf{I})^{-1} (W_{ul} f_l),$$

How does γ_g influence the solution?



What happens to sneaky outliers?

SSL with Graphs: **Soft** Harmonic Functions

Regularized HS objective with $Q = L + \gamma_g \mathbf{I}$:

Define $f_i \triangleq f(\mathbf{x}_i)$, $\mathbf{f} \triangleq [f_1, \dots, f_{n_l+n_u}]$

$$\min_{\mathbf{f} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_l+n_u}} \sum_{i=1}^{n_l} (f_i - y_i)^2 + \lambda \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{f}$$

Soft constraints for $f(\mathbf{x}_i) = y_i$, $\forall i \in \mathcal{L}$: ∞ is replaced by finite values

$$\min_{\mathbf{f} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_l+n_u}} (\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{y})^T \mathbf{C} (\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{y}) + \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{f}$$

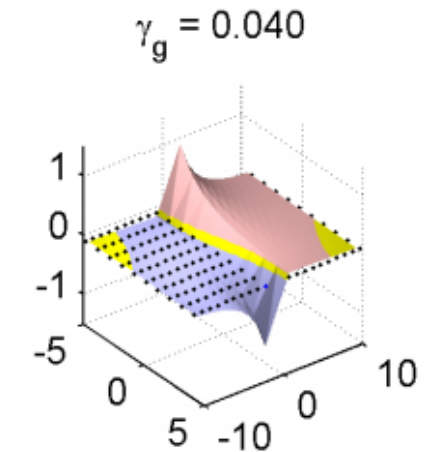
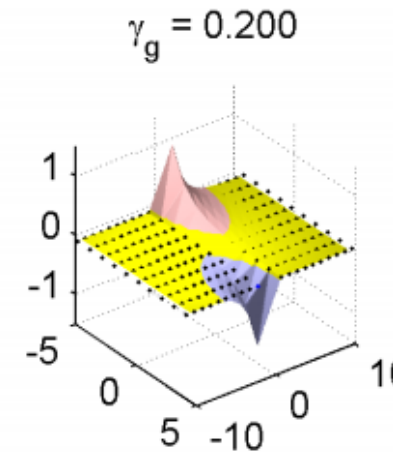
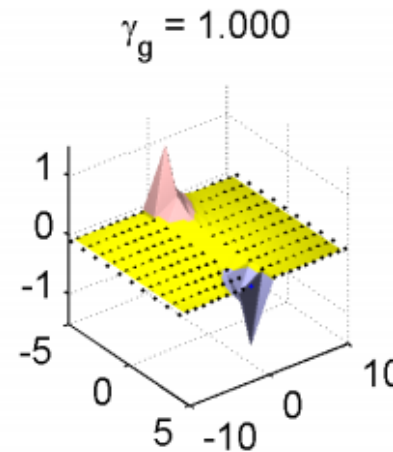
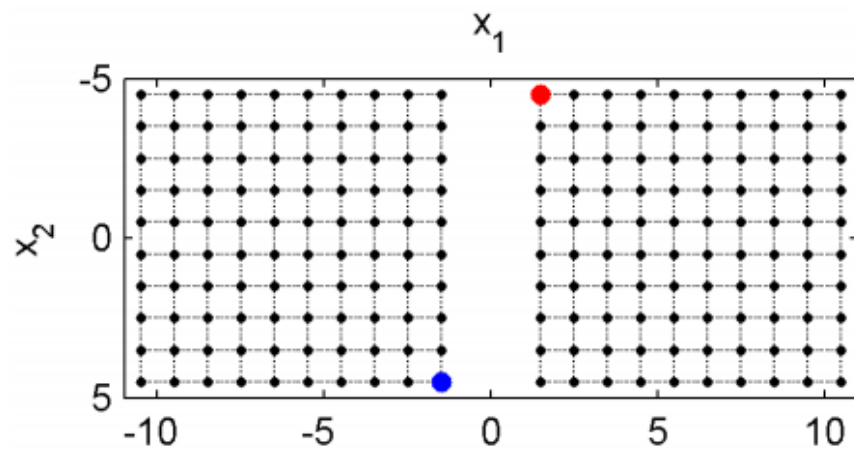
\mathbf{C} is diagonal with $C_{ii} = \begin{cases} C_l & \text{for labeled examples} \\ C_u & \text{for unlabeled examples} \end{cases}$

\mathbf{y} indicates pseudo-targets with $y_i = \begin{cases} \text{true label} & \text{for labeled examples} \\ 0 & \text{for unlabeled examples} \end{cases}$

SSL with Graphs: Soft Harmonic Functions

Closed form **Soft Harmonic solution:**

$$\mathbf{f}^* = \min_{\mathbf{f} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_l+n_u}} [(\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{y})^T \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{y}) + \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{f}] \rightarrow \mathbf{f}^* = (\mathbf{C}^{-1}\mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{y}$$



What are the differences between hard and soft?

Not much different in practice.

Noisy labels may be smoothed by **soft** harmonic.

Generalization is improved by the **sink** node

Summary questions on the lecture

- What does **hinge loss** in **SVM** penalize?
- What does **hat loss** in SVM for semi-supervised learning penalize?
- Why can't we use eigenvectors to solve MinCut-based SSL in graph?
- What is the meaning of harmonic function in SSL?
- What is random walk interpretation of harmonic function-based SSL in graph?
- What is a key point of regularized harmonic function-based SSL in graph?
- What is a key point of soft harmonic function-based SSL in graph?