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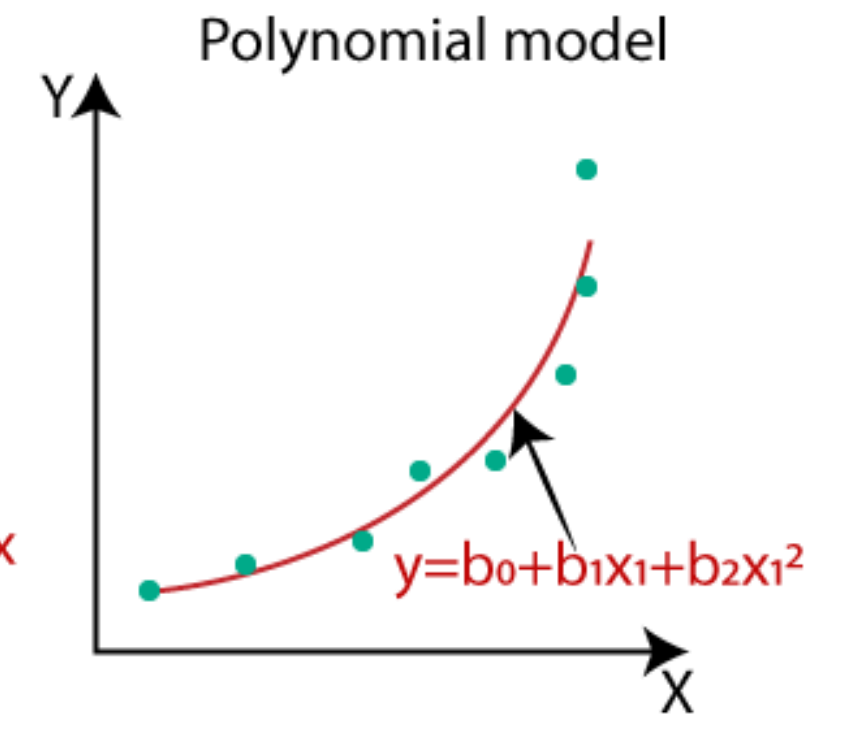
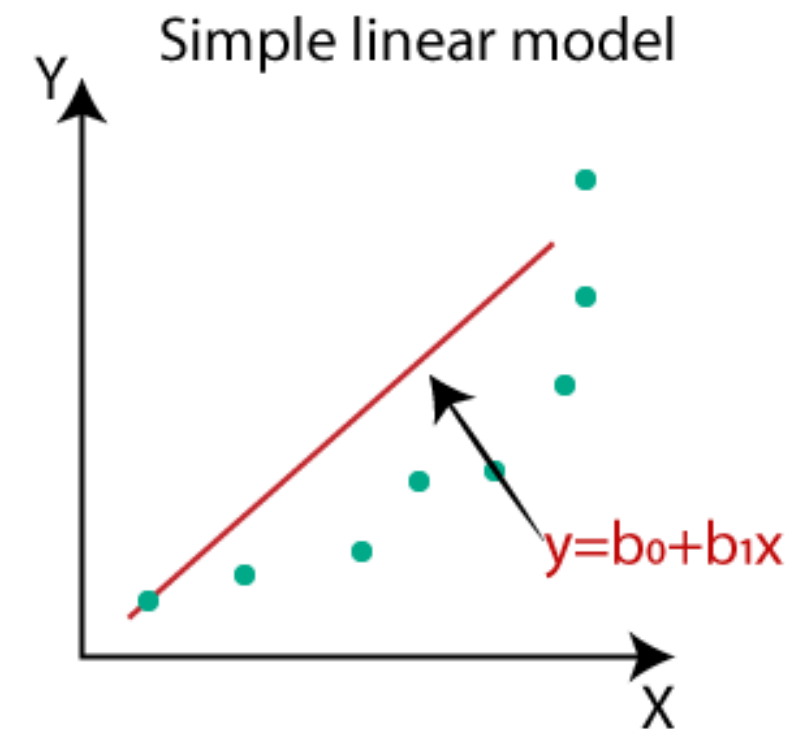
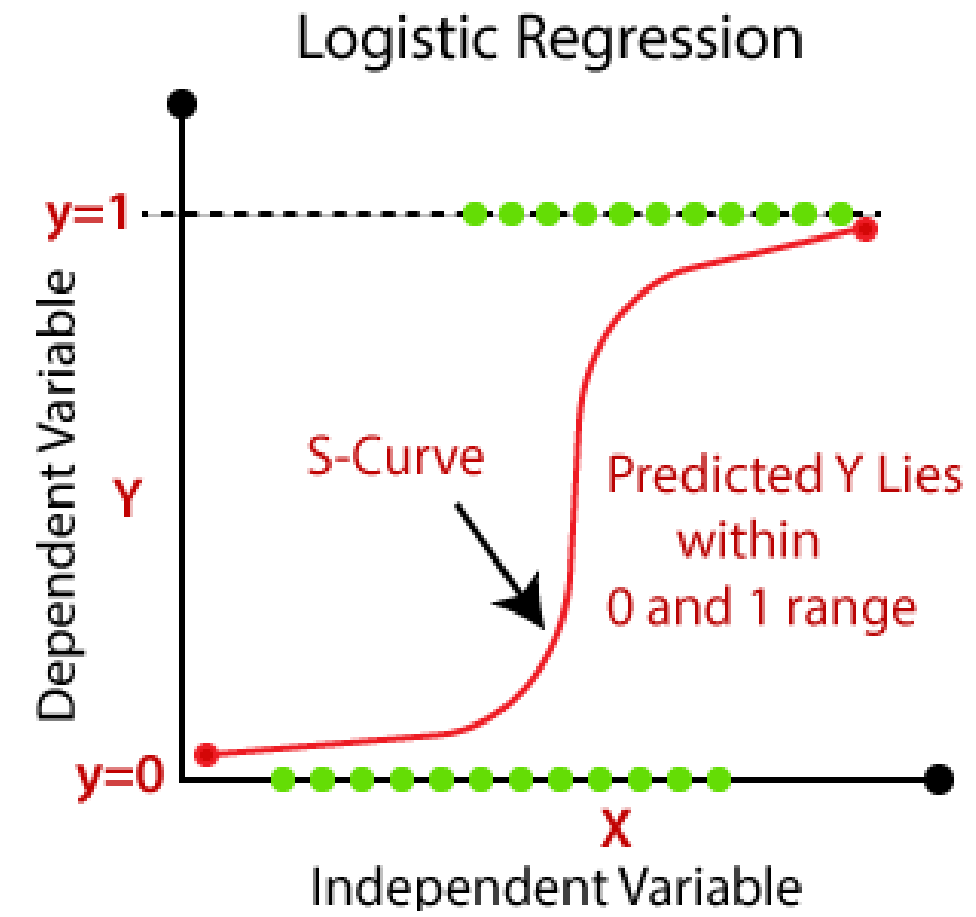
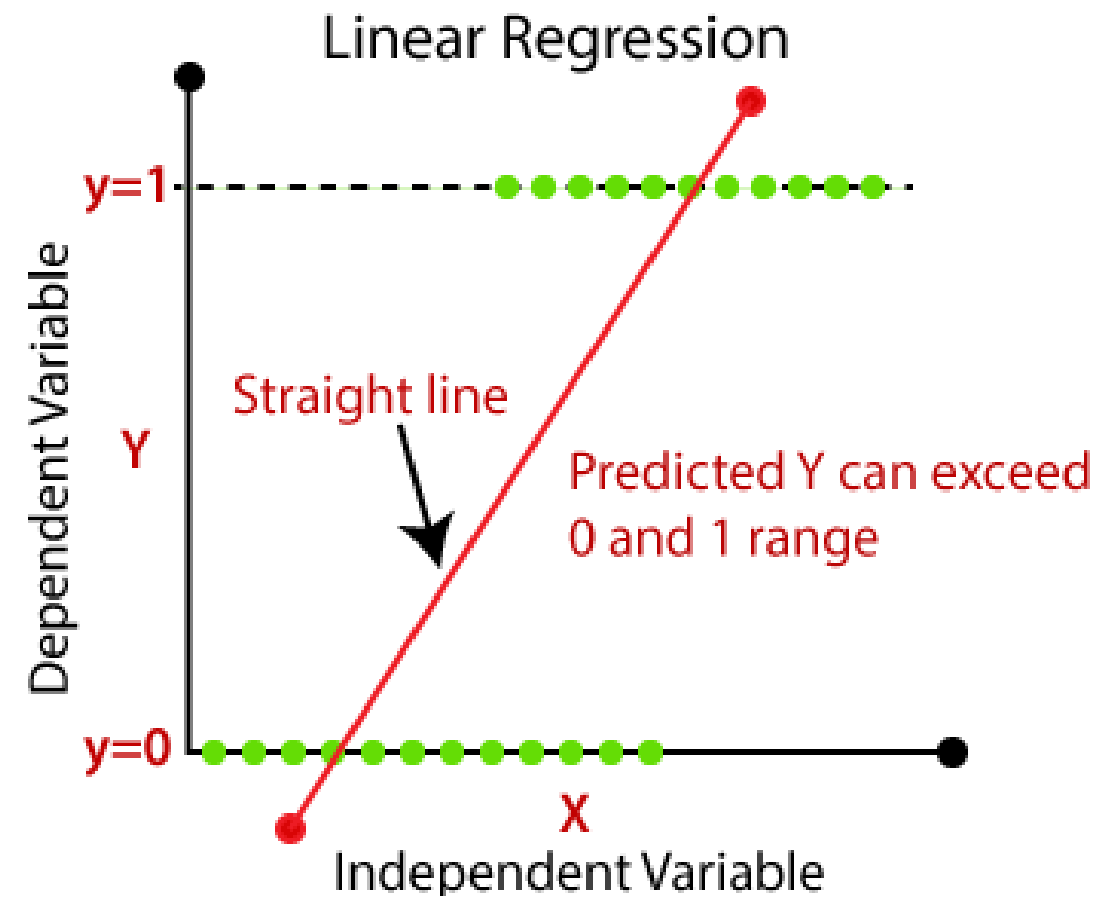
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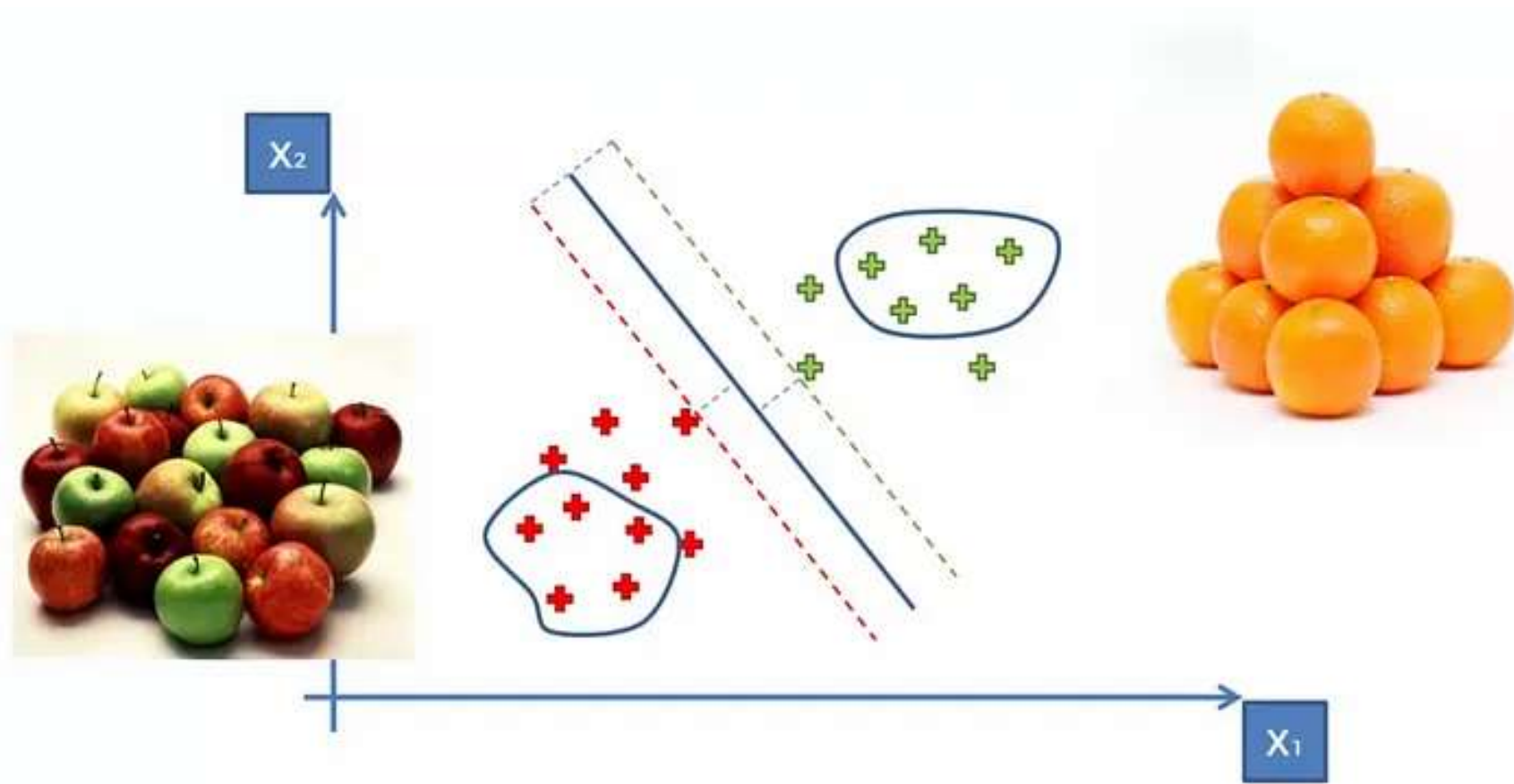


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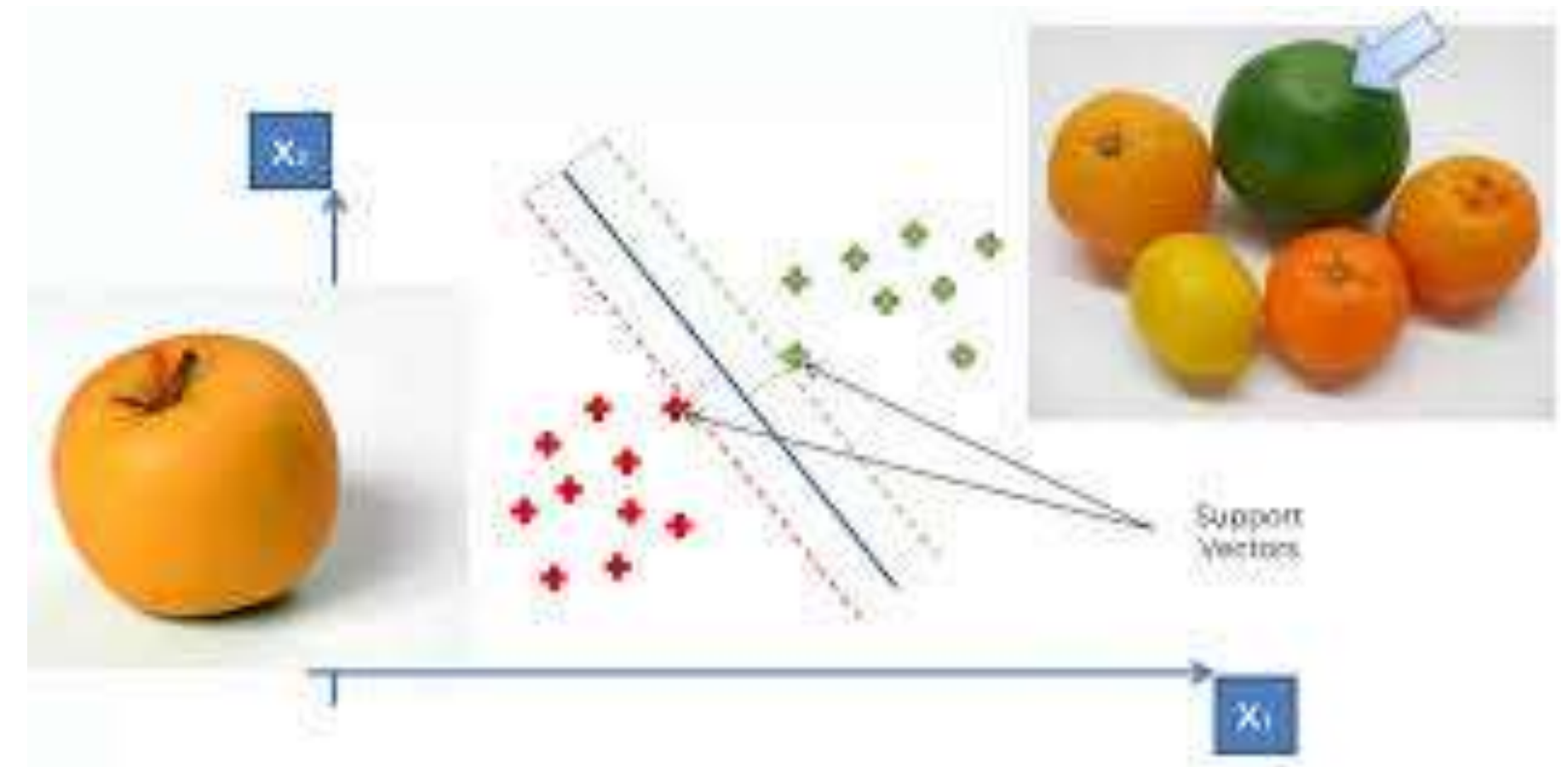


Support Vector Machine



Look at apples that are very much like orange and oranges that are very much like an apple

A machine would try to learn from the apples that are very much like apple so it would know what an apple and the same for orange.

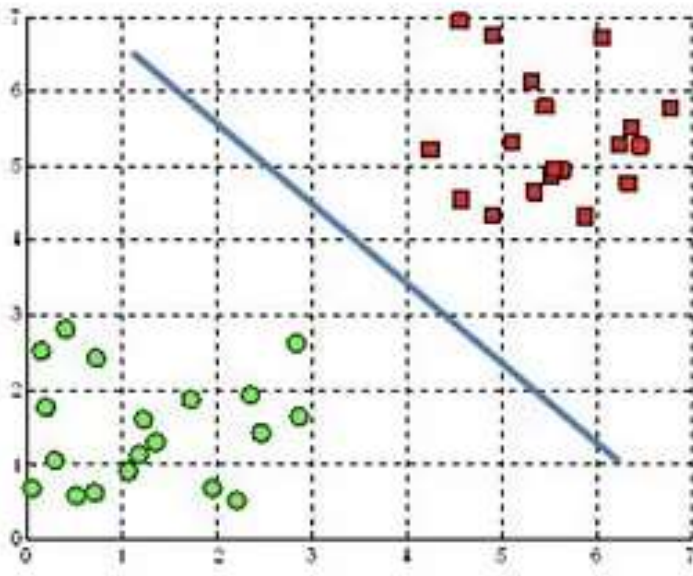




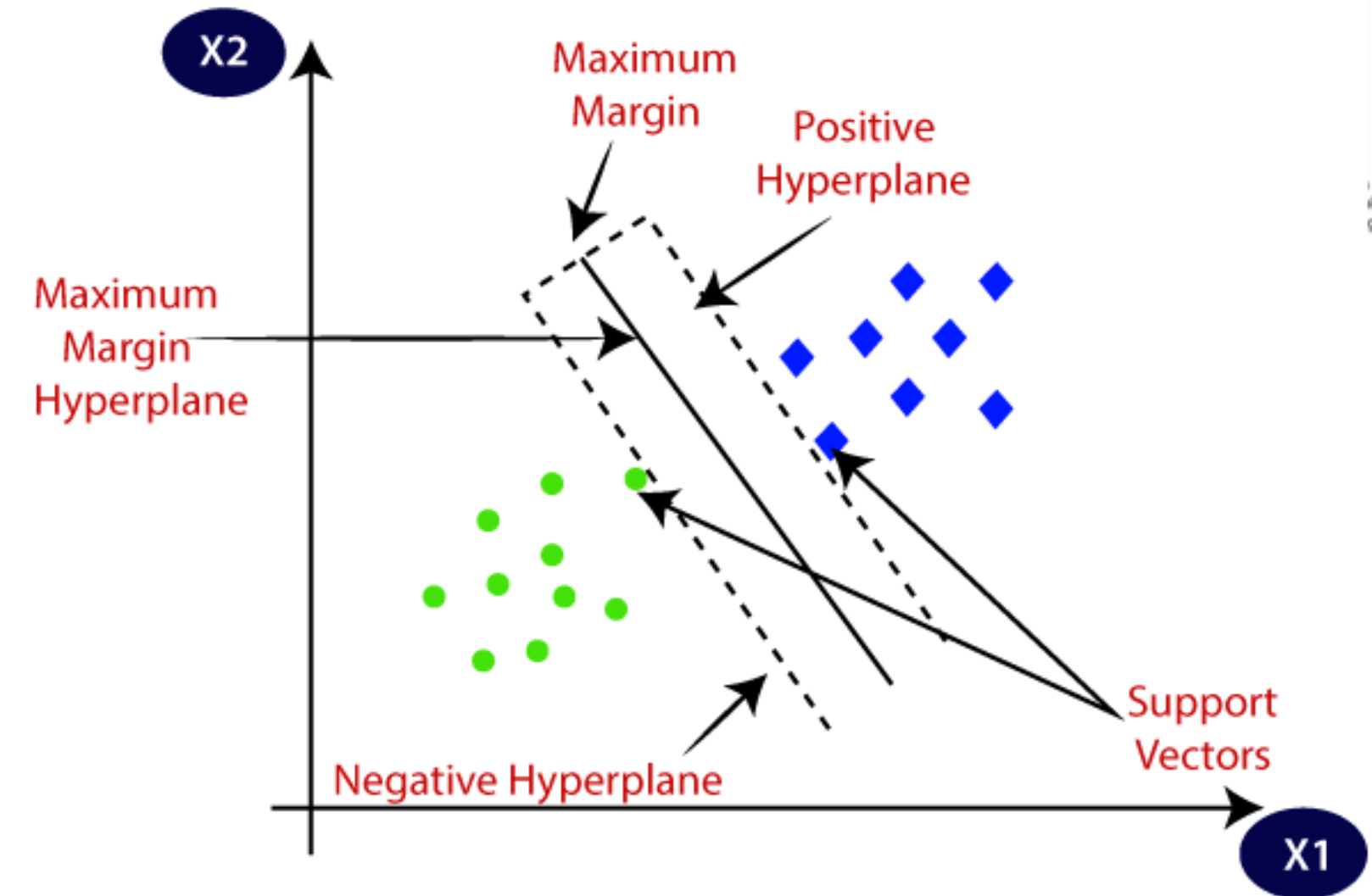
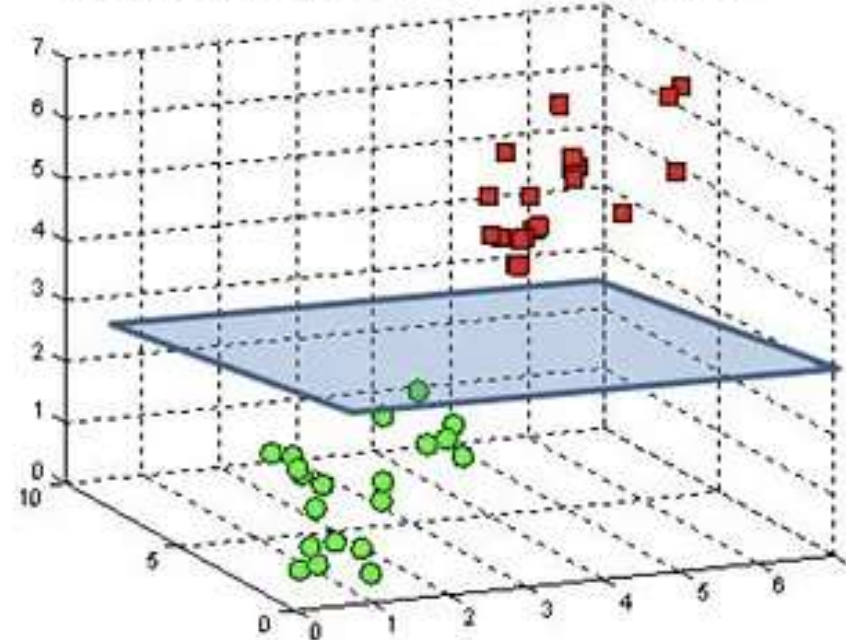
Why Support Vector Machine?

SVM searches the classifier line through maximum margin which means this line is drawn equidistant from both support vectors and the sum of margin from support vectors to the line is maximum.

A hyperplane in $\mathbb{R}^2$ is a line

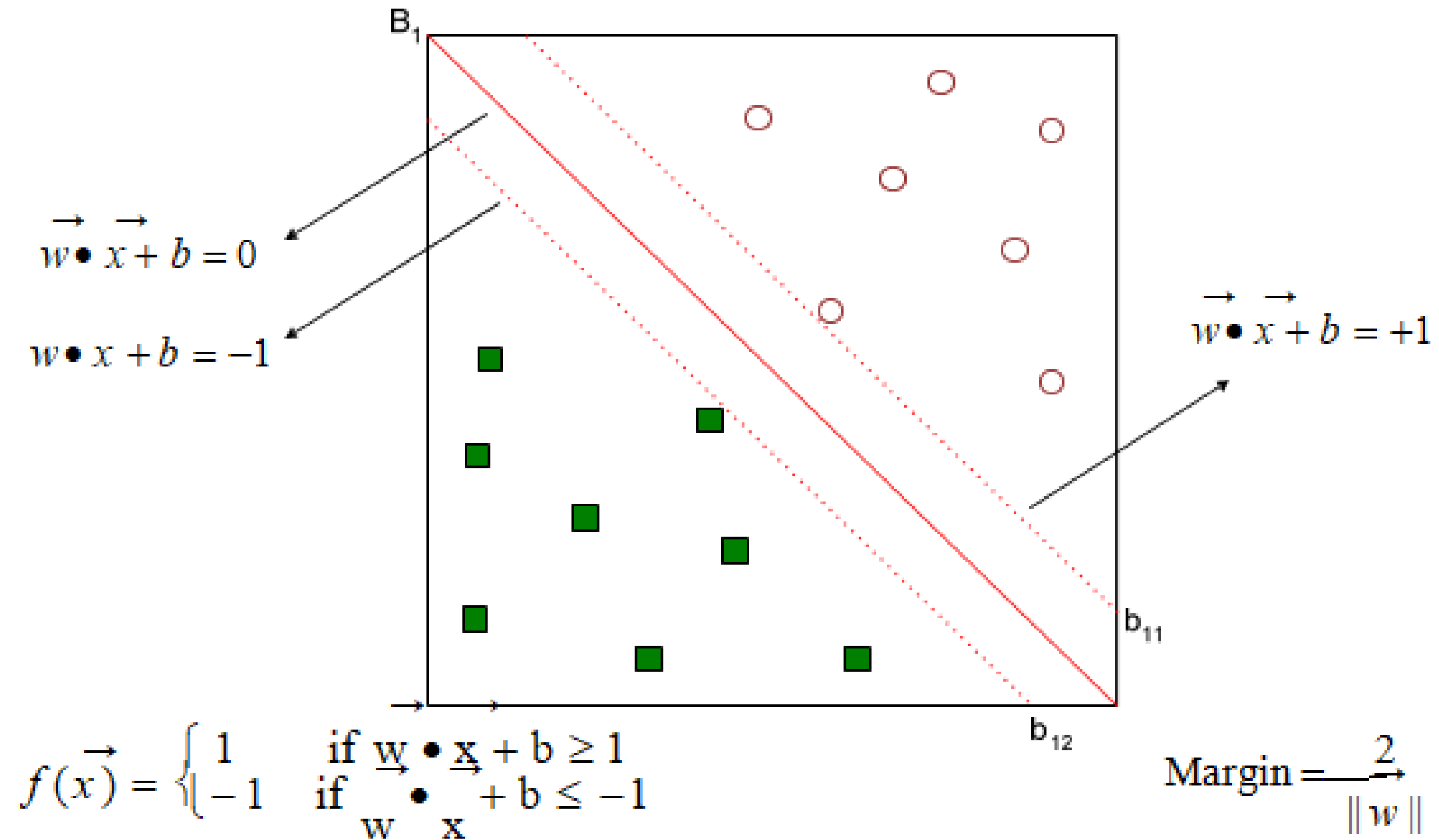


A hyperplane in $\mathbb{R}^3$ is a plane





SVM: Calculation





Support Vector Machines are a set of supervised learning methods used for classification, regression, and outliers detection problems.

1. **Hyperplane** – It is a decision plane or space which is divided between a set of objects having different classes.
2. **Support Vectors** – Datapoints that are closest to the hyperplane are called support vectors. The separating line will be defined with the help of these data points.
3. **Kernel** – A kernel is a function used in SVM for helping to solve problems. They provide shortcuts to avoid complex calculations.
4. **Margin** – It may be defined as the gap between two lines on the closet data points of different classes. A large margin is considered a good margin and a small margin is considered as a bad margin.

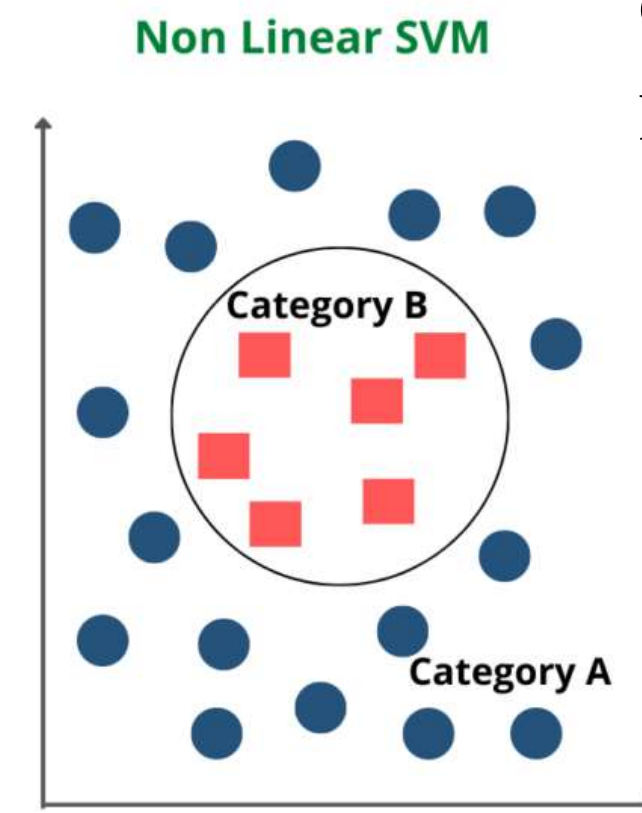
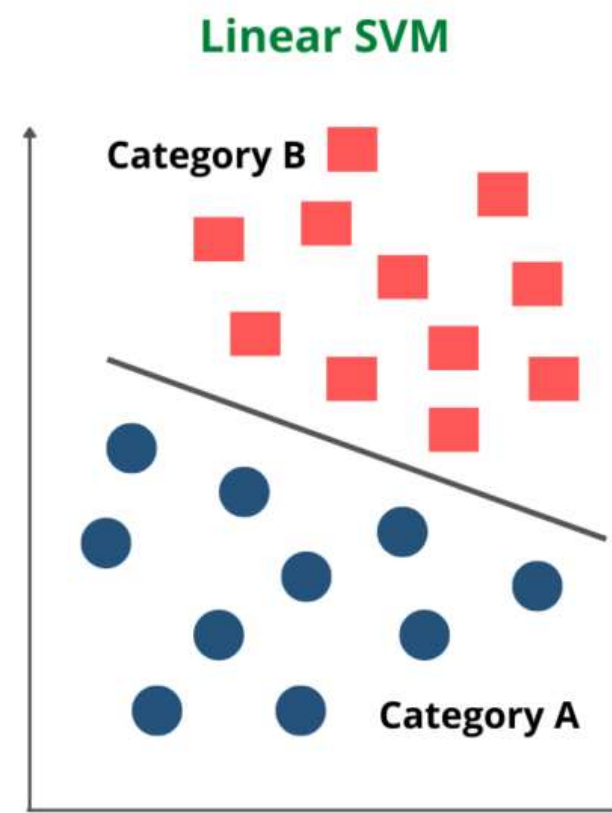


Types of Support vector Machine

Linear SVM is used in the case of linearly separable data. It means if a dataset can be classified into two classes by using a straight line, then such data is termed linearly separable data, and we can use the Linear SVM classifier.

$$K(x, x_i) = \text{sum}(x * x_i)$$

The product between two vectors is the sum of the multiplication of each pair of input values.



It means if a straight line cannot classify a dataset, then such data is termed non-linear data

$$K(x, x_i) = \exp(-\text{gamma} * \text{sum}(x - x_i)^2)$$

Radial Basis Kernel(RBF) is a kernel function that is used to find a non-linear classifier or regression line. RBF kernel, mostly used in SVM classification, maps input space in indefinite dimensional space.



1 Hard Margin SVM

- **Strict separation:** Assumes data is **perfectly separable**.
- **No misclassification allowed:** Every data point must be on the correct side of the decision boundary.
- **Maximizes the margin** while ensuring 100% correct classification.

When to Use?

- ✓ If data is **clean and linearly separable** (no overlap between classes).
- ✗ Not suitable for **noisy or overlapping** data.

Mathematical Constraint:

For a given dataset (x_i, y_i) , the decision boundary satisfies:

$$y_i(w \cdot x_i + b) \geq 1$$

where w is the weight vector and b is the bias.



2 Soft Margin SVM

- Allows some misclassification: Useful for data with overlapping classes or outliers.
- Introduces a penalty (slack variable ξ) for misclassified points.
- Trade-off between margin width and classification accuracy.

When to Use?

- ✓ If data is not perfectly separable.
- ✓ If dataset has noise or outliers.
- ✓ If slight misclassification is acceptable for better generalization.

Mathematical Constraint:

$$y_i(w \cdot x_i + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i, \quad \xi_i \geq 0$$



Dataset

We will classify two sets of points into two classes:

✓ **Class A (Positive class, +1):**

(1,1), (2,2), (3,3)

✗ **Class B (Negative class, -1):**

(1,3), (2,4), (3,5)

We assume these two classes are linearly separable.

Step 1: Define the Decision Boundary

SVM tries to find the optimal hyperplane in the form of:

$$w_1x + w_2y + b = 0$$

where:

- w_1, w_2 are the weights (parameters)
- b is the bias
- (x, y) are the data points

The goal of SVM is to maximize the **margin** while ensuring that all points are correctly classified.

For a correctly classified point (x_i, y_i) , the SVM condition is: $y_i(w_1x_i + w_2y_i + b) \geq 1$



Step 2: Identify the Support Vectors

Support Vectors are the closest points to the hyperplane.

In this case, the points (2,2) from Class A and (2,4) from Class B are the support vectors.

These points should satisfy:

$$w_1(2) + w_2(2) + b = +1$$

$$w_1(2) + w_2(4) + b = -1$$

Step 3: Solve for w_1 , w_2 , and b

We solve these two equations:

1. $2w_1 + 2w_2 + b = 1$

2. $2w_1 + 4w_2 + b = -1$

Step 3.1: Subtract the two equations

$$(2w_1 + 4w_2 + b) - (2w_1 + 2w_2 + b) = -1 - 1$$

$$2w_2 = -2$$

$$w_2 = -1$$

Step 3.2: Solve for w_1

Substituting $w_2 = -1$ into the first equation:

$$2w_1 + 2(-1) + b = 1$$

$$2w_1 - 2 + b = 1$$

$$2w_1 + b = 3$$

Step 3.3: Solve for b

Similarly, substituting $w_2 = -1$ into the second equation:

$$2w_1 + 4(-1) + b = -1$$

$$2w_1 - 4 + b = -1$$

$$2w_1 + b = 3$$



Since both equations are the same, we need another constraint to determine w_1 .

From the margin condition:

$$\text{Margin} = \frac{1}{\|w\|}$$

$$\|w\| = \sqrt{w_1^2 + w_2^2}$$

For simplicity, we assume $w_1 = 1$, so:

$$\|w\| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

Thus, $w_1 = 1$ and we substitute into $2(1) + b = 3$, giving:

$$b = 1$$

Step 4: Classifying New Points

Using our decision function: $f(x, y) = w_1x + w_2y + b$

- If $f(x, y) > 0 \rightarrow \text{Class A (+1)}$
- If $f(x, y) < 0 \rightarrow \text{Class B (-1)}$

Let's classify (3,2):

$$f(3, 2) = (1)(3) + (-1)(2) + 1 = 3 - 2 + 1 = 2 > 0$$

✅ Class A (+1)

Let's classify (3,4):

$$f(3, 4) = (1)(3) + (-1)(4) + 1 = 3 - 4 + 1 = 0$$

Since it lies on the decision boundary, it is a **support vector**.



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