

Support Vector Machines

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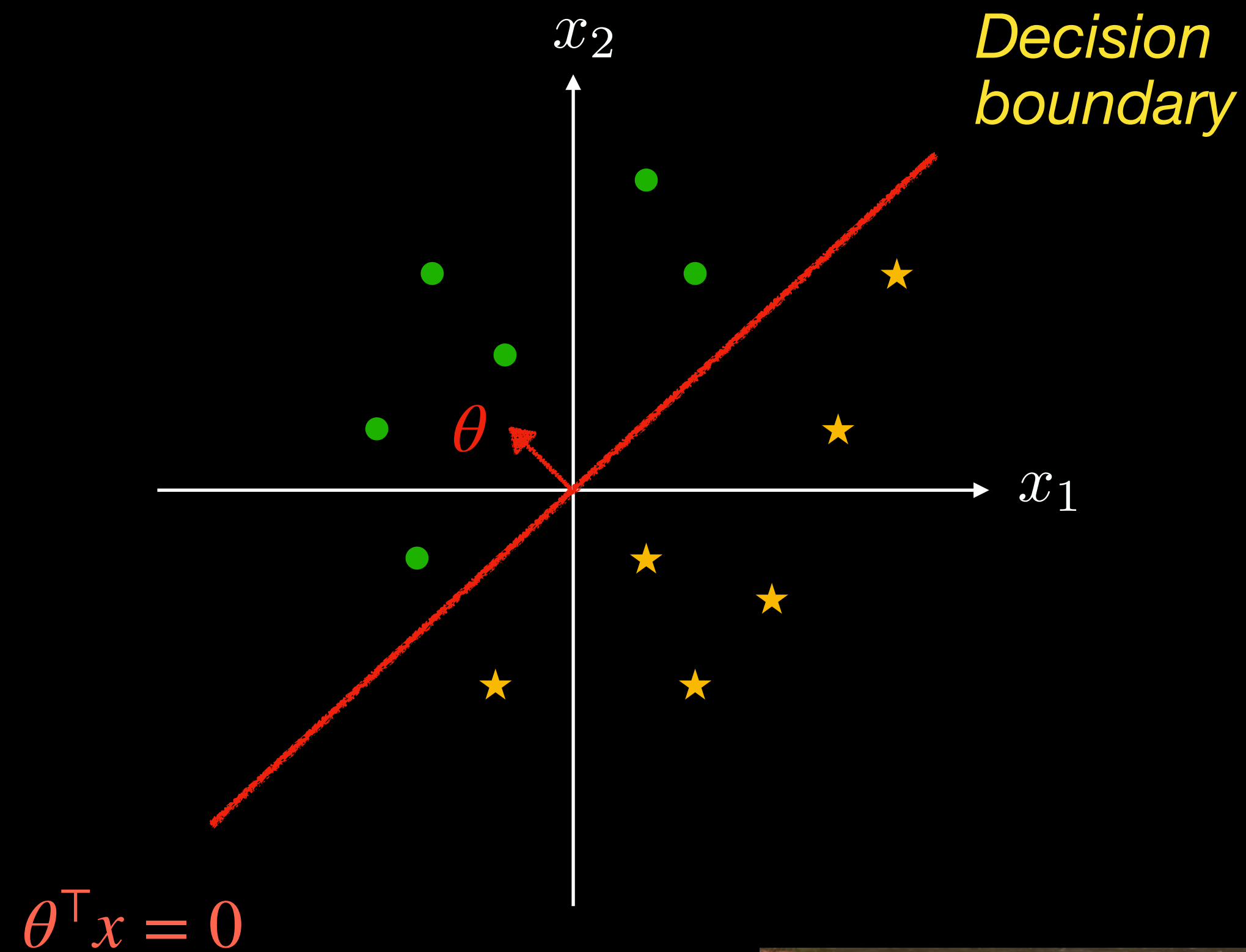
Classification

$$x = [x_1, x_2]$$

x_1	x_2	y
-2	-1	●
3	1	★
2	3	●
1	-1	★
	⋮	

★ 1

● 0



Logistic Regression

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \sigma(\theta^T x)$$



how confident?

score

$$\theta^T x$$

how correct?

margin

$$(\theta^T x)y$$

For $y \in [1, -1]$

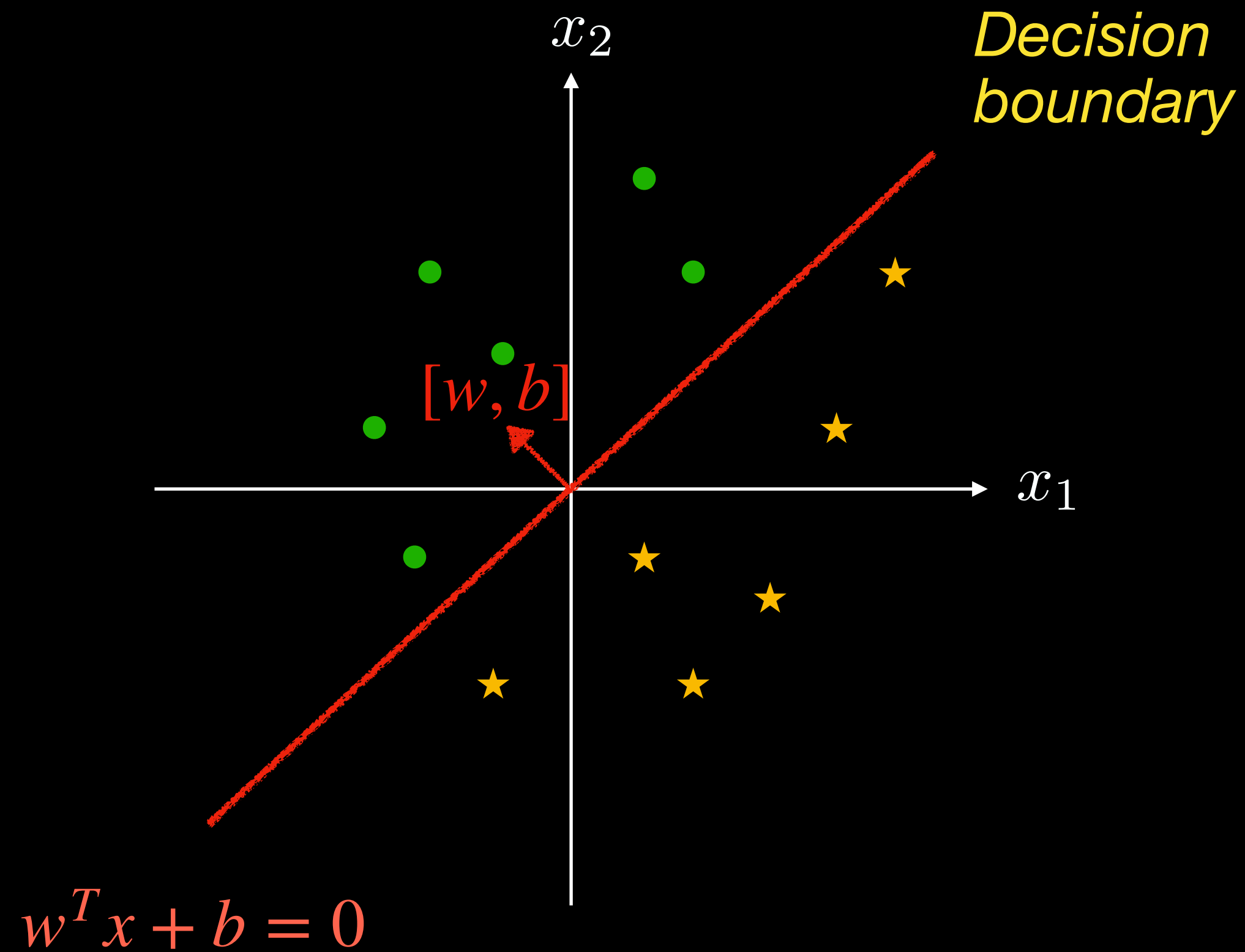
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Classifier

$$h_{w,b}(x) = g(w^T x + b)$$

What is g ?

how confident?

score

$$w^T x + b$$

how correct?

margin

$$(w^T x + b)y$$

For $y \in [1, -1]$

Functional Margin

Confidence and Correctness

Functional margin

$$\hat{\gamma}^{(i)} = (w^T x^{(i)} + b) y^{(i)}$$

For $y \in [1, -1]$

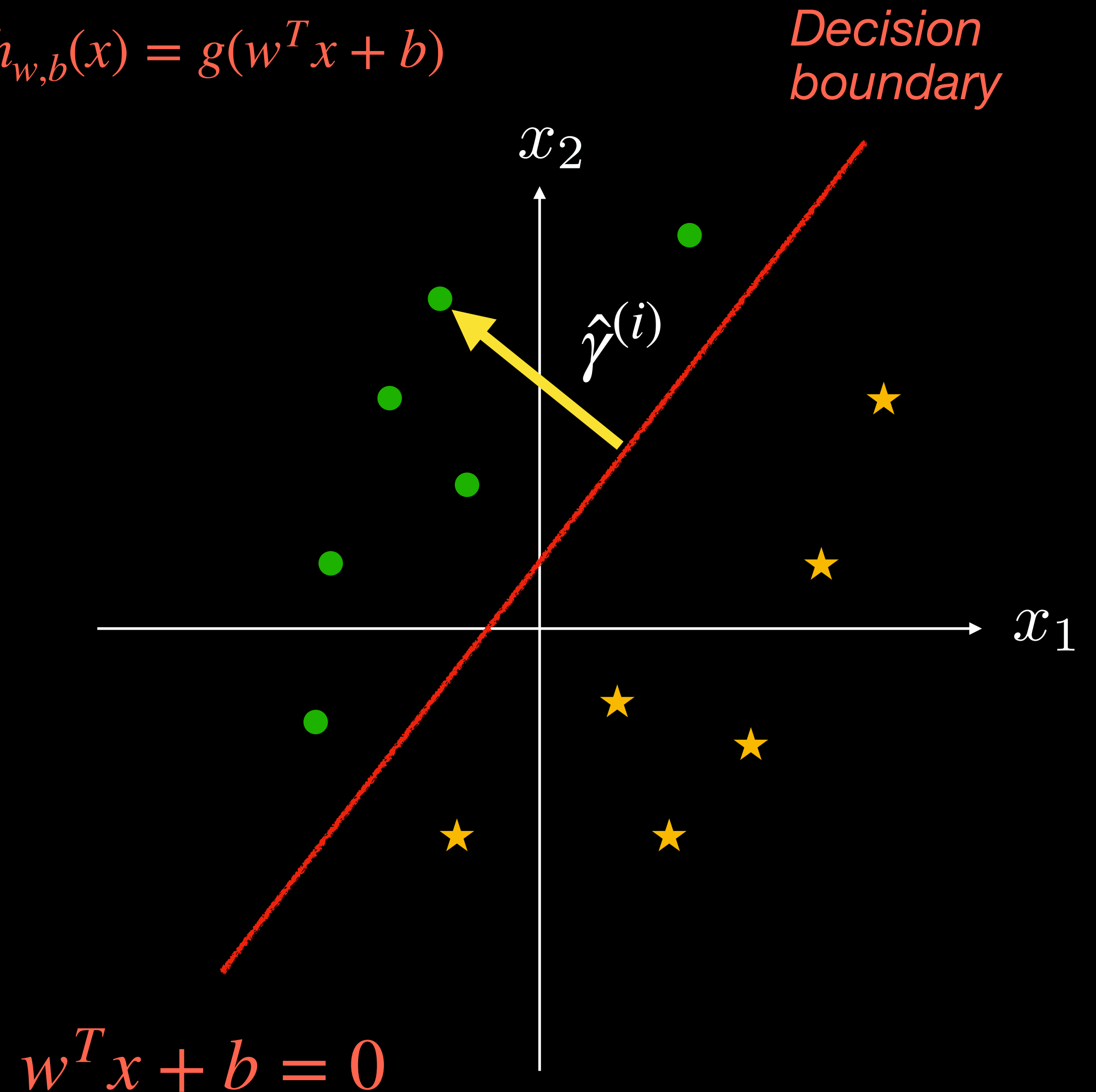
Functional margin

with respect to $S = \{(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})\}_{i=1}^n$

$$\hat{\gamma} = \min_{i=1, \dots, n} \hat{\gamma}^{(i)}$$

Problem with Classifier?

$$h_{w,b}(x) = g(w^T x + b)$$



Geometric Margin

What's the Value of $\gamma^{(i)}$ (distance to Decision Boundary)?

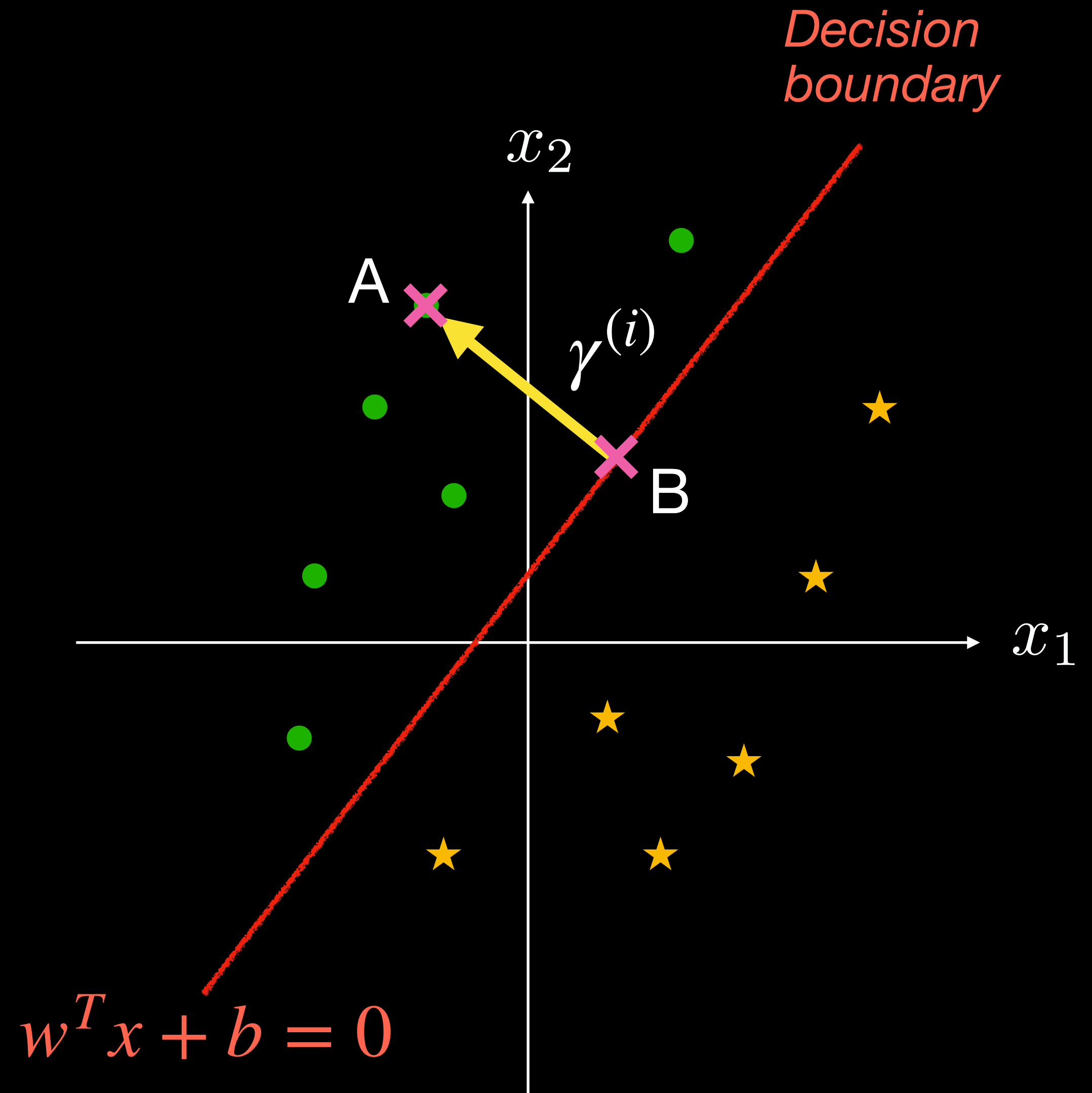
$\frac{w}{\|w\|}$ is the a unit length vector

Point "A" represents $x^{(i)}$

What's "B"?

$$x^{(i)} - \gamma^{(i)} \cdot \frac{w}{\|w\|}$$

Lies on the boundary -> Satisfies equation of Decision Boundary



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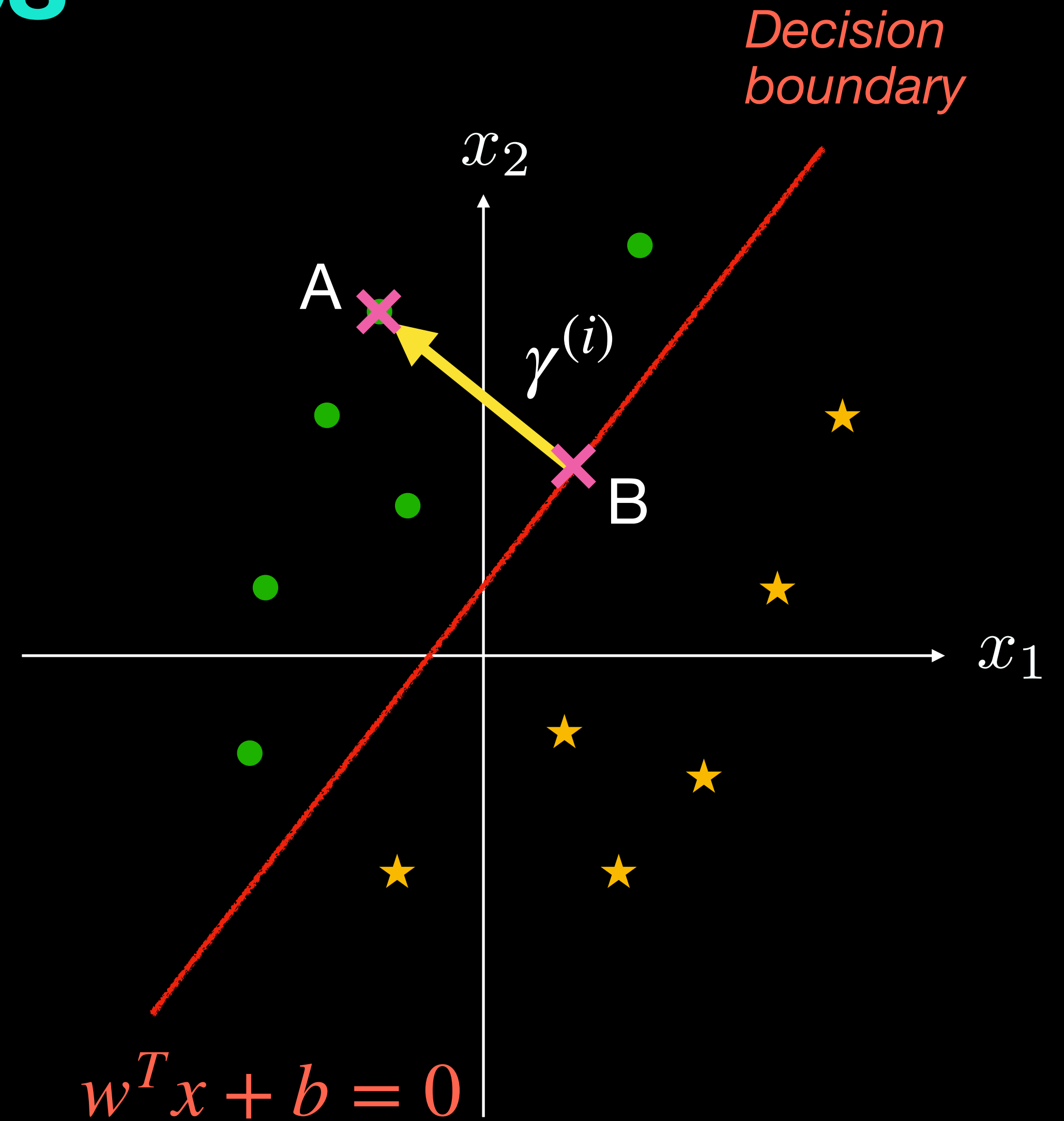
$$w^T \left(x^{(i)} - \gamma^{(i)} \cdot \frac{w}{\|w\|} \right) + b = 0$$

Solve for $\gamma^{(i)}$

$$\gamma^{(i)} = \left(\frac{w}{\|w\|} \right)^T x^{(i)} + \frac{b}{\|w\|}$$

More generally (for non-positive $y^{(i)}$)

$$\gamma^{(i)} = y^{(i)} \left(\left(\frac{w}{\|w\|} \right)^T x^{(i)} + \frac{b}{\|w\|} \right)$$



When $\|w\| = 1$, Geom. = Func. Margin

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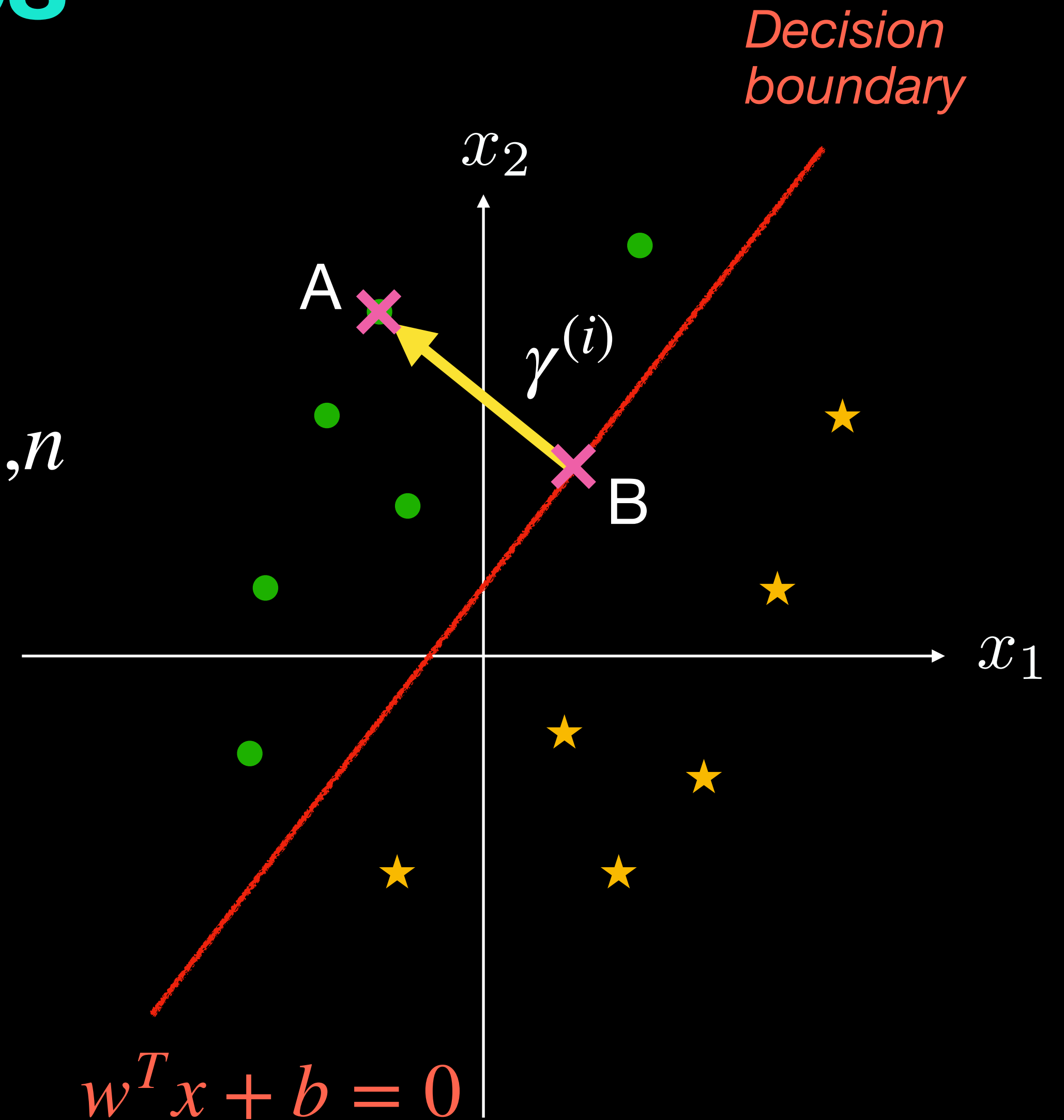
$$\max_{\gamma, w, b} \gamma$$

$$\text{s.t } y^{(i)}(w^T x^{(i)} + b) \geq \gamma, \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\|w\| = 1$$

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Find a 'nicer' optimization problem
using Lagrange Multipliers

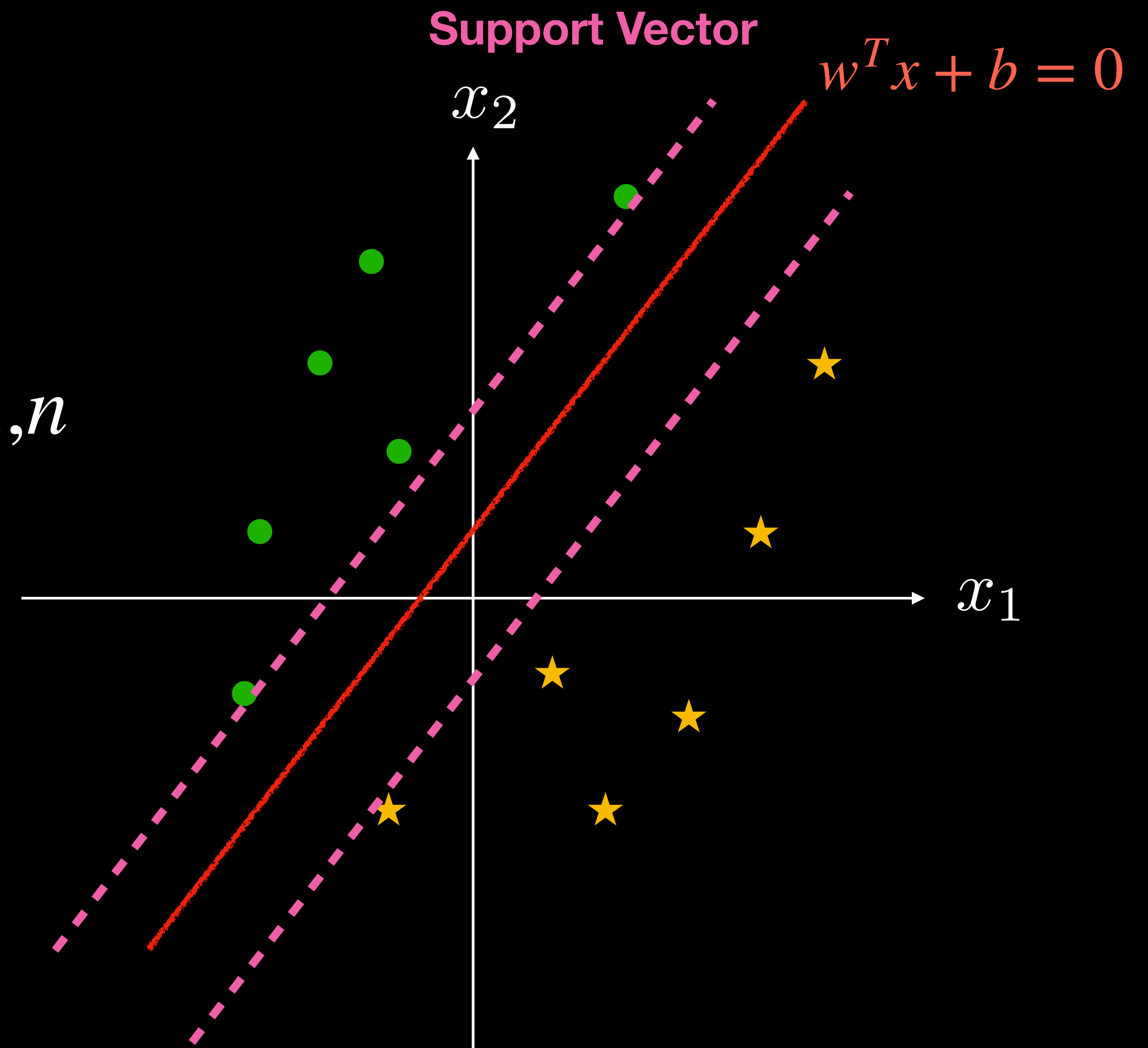


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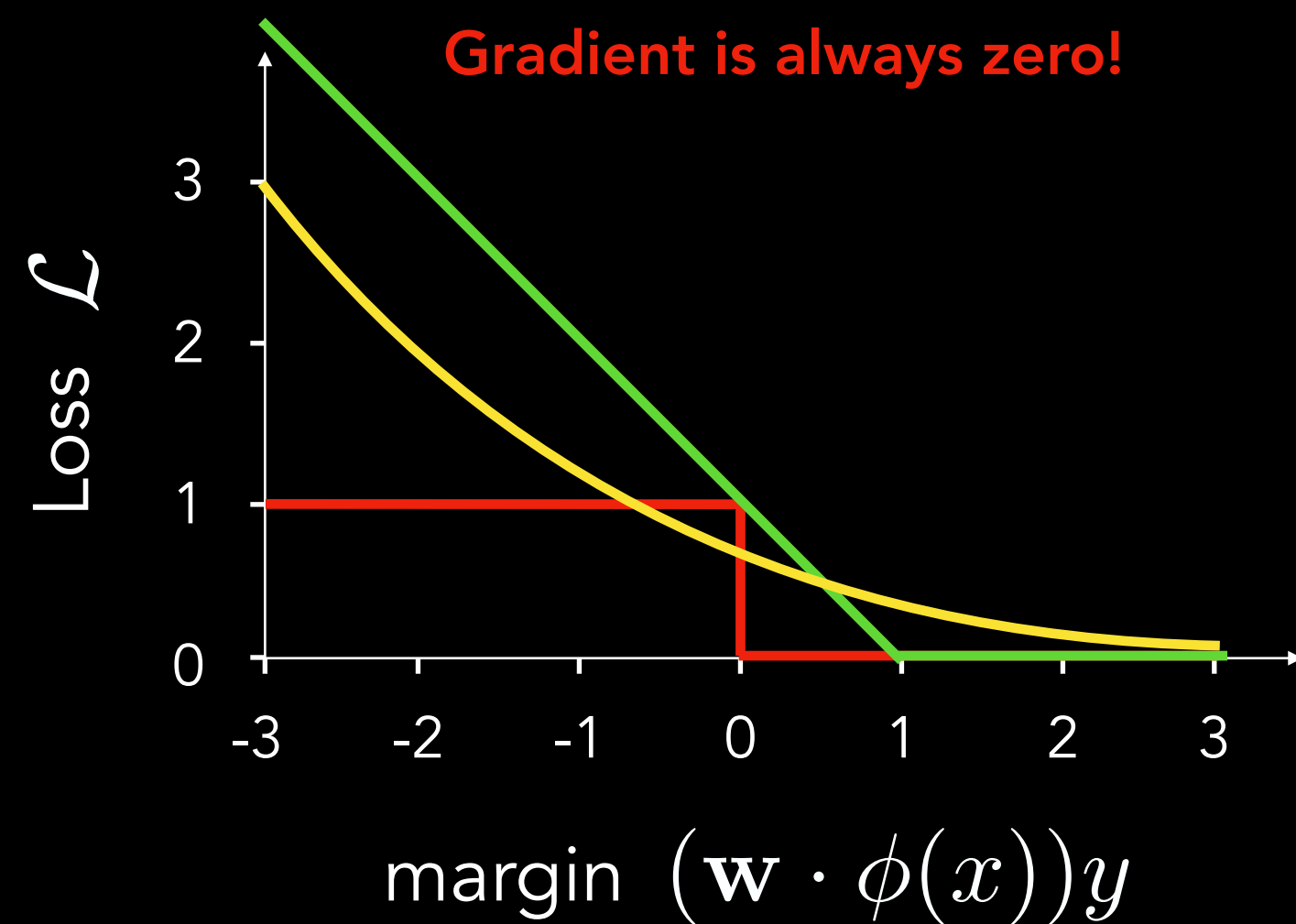
$$\max_{\gamma, w, b} \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2$$

$$\text{s.t } y^{(i)}(w^T x^{(i)} + b) \geq 1, \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, n$$

This problem can be expressed
in terms of $\langle x^{(i)}, x^{(j)} \rangle$



Classification losses



$$\mathcal{L}_{0-1} = \mathbf{1} [(\mathbf{w} \cdot \phi(x)) y \leq 0]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{hinge}} = \max \{1 - (\mathbf{w} \cdot \phi(x)) y, 0\}$$
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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{logistic}} = \log \left(1 + e^{-(\mathbf{w} \cdot \phi(x)) y} \right)$$
 Logistic Regression

Example MCQ

- What is the main purpose of logistic regression in machine learning?
 - A. To predict continuous values
 - B. To classify data into multiple categories
 - C. To calculate probabilities for binary classification tasks
 - D. To cluster data points

Example MCQ

- Which of the following is an advantage of using logistic regression over SVM for classification?
 - A. Logistic regression can handle non-linear boundaries easily.
 - B. Logistic regression provides probabilities for class predictions.
 - C. Logistic regression is computationally more complex than SVM.
 - D. Logistic regression is only suitable for regression problems.

Example MCQ

- What role does the “kernel trick” play in Support Vector Machines?
 - A. It transforms the data into a higher-dimensional space to handle non-linear boundaries.
 - B. It regularizes the data to prevent overfitting.
 - C. It is used to calculate probabilities of the predictions.
 - D. It only works for binary classification problems.

Example MCQ

- Which of the following methods is used to evaluate the accuracy of a classification model?
 - A. Mean Squared Error (MSE)
 - B. Cross-entropy Loss
 - C. Confusion Matrix
 - D. Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)

Example MCQ

- In logistic regression, what does the sigmoid function output represent?
 - A. The actual class label of the data point
 - B. The probability of the data point belonging to a particular class
 - C. The distance of the data point from the decision boundary
 - D. A constant threshold for classification