

# Binary Classification

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(many slides from Greg Durrett and Vivek Srikumar)

# Administrivia

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- ▶ Readings on course website
- ▶ Homework 1 is out, due January 23

# This Lecture

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- ▶ Linear classification fundamentals
- ▶ Naive Bayes, maximum likelihood in generative models
- ▶ Three discriminative models: logistic regression, perceptron, SVM
  - ▶ Different motivations but very similar update rules / inference!

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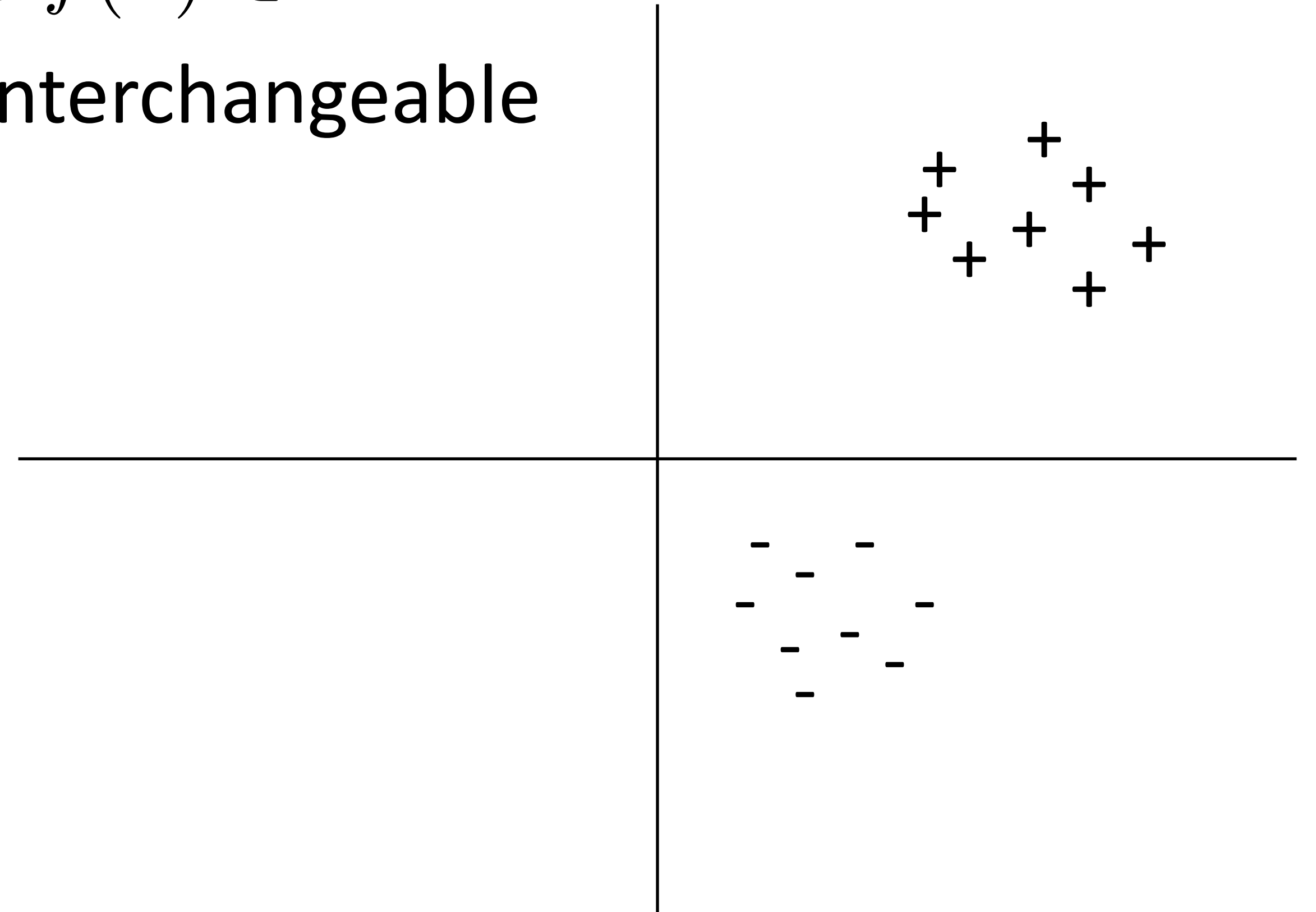
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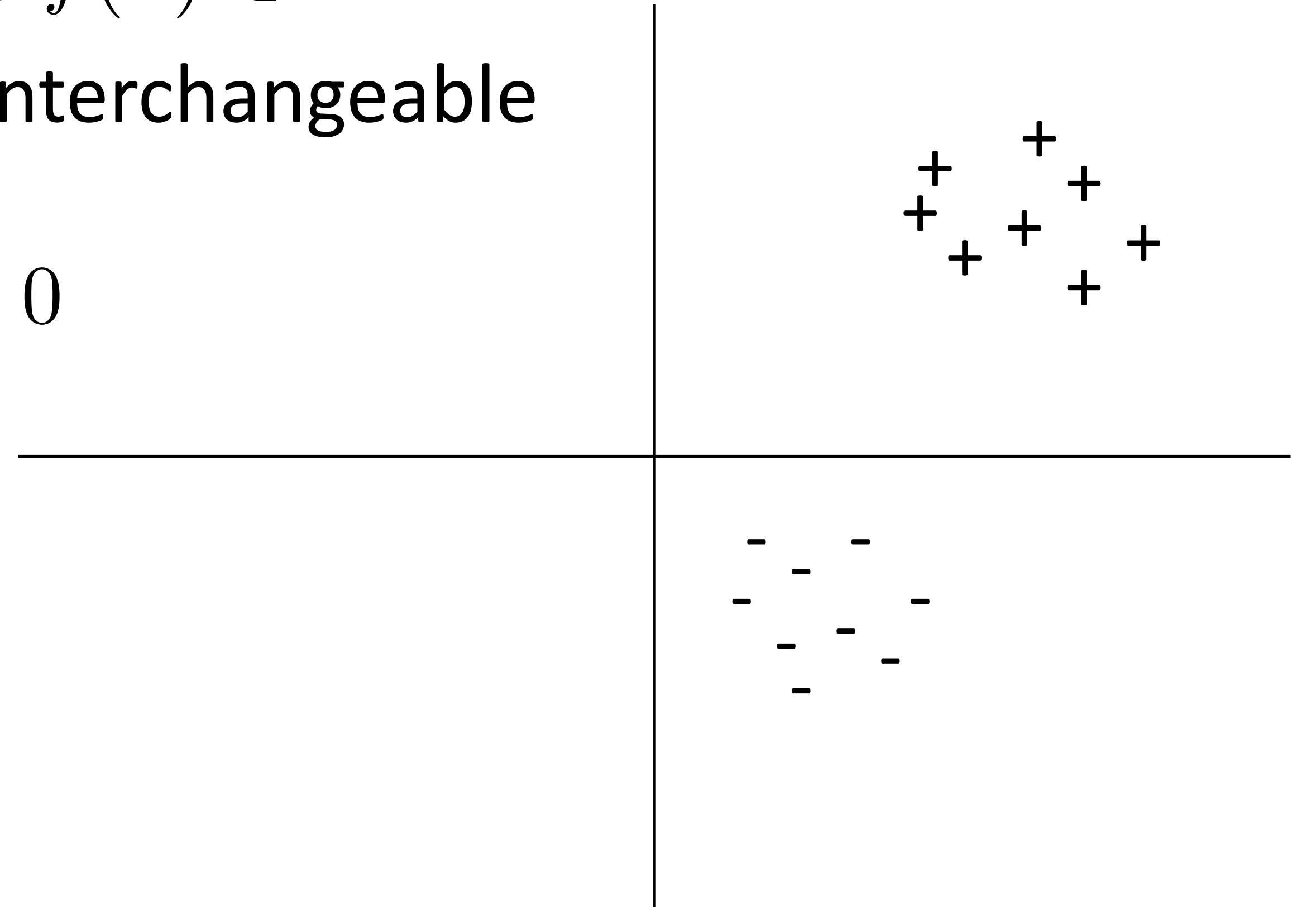




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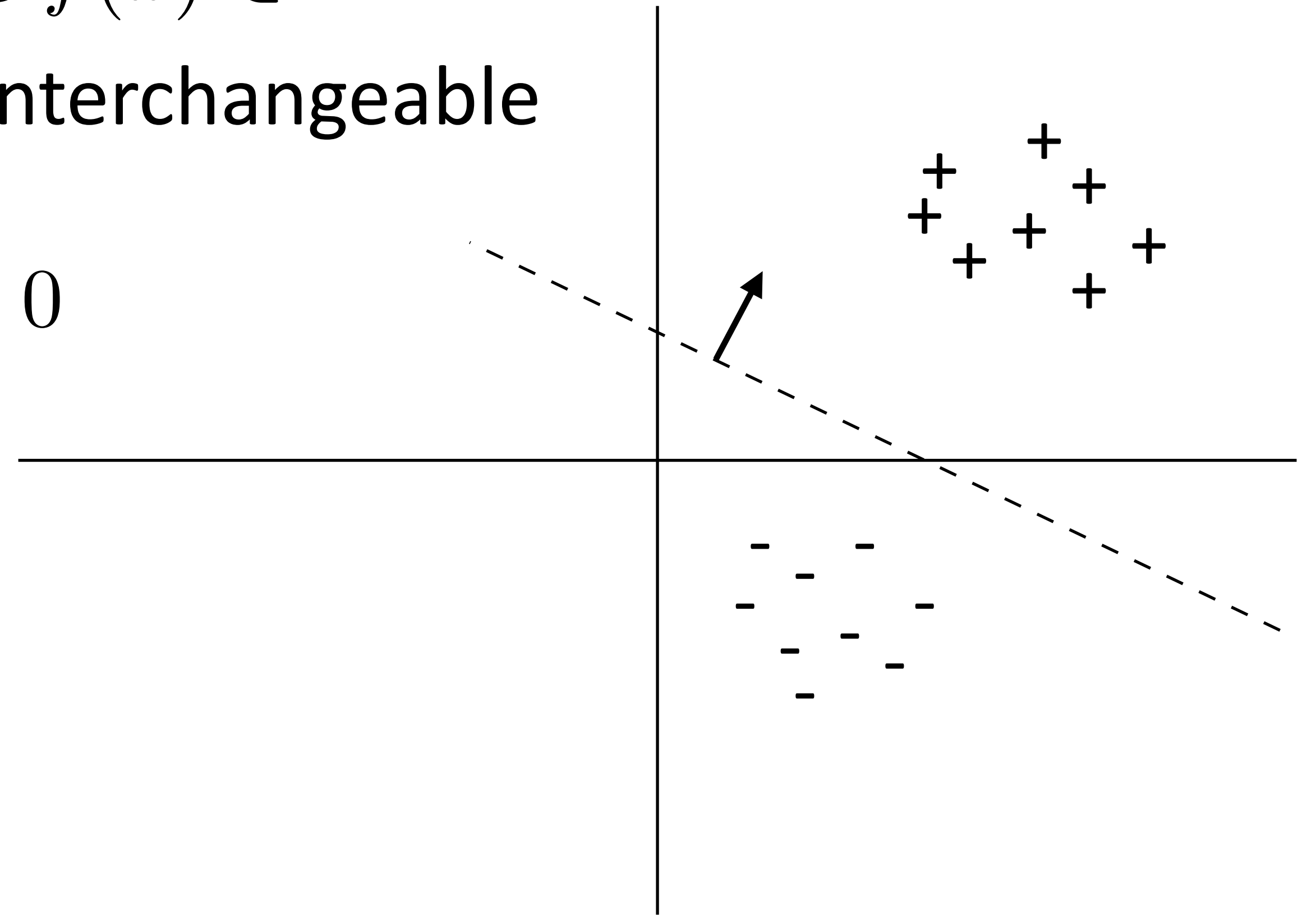
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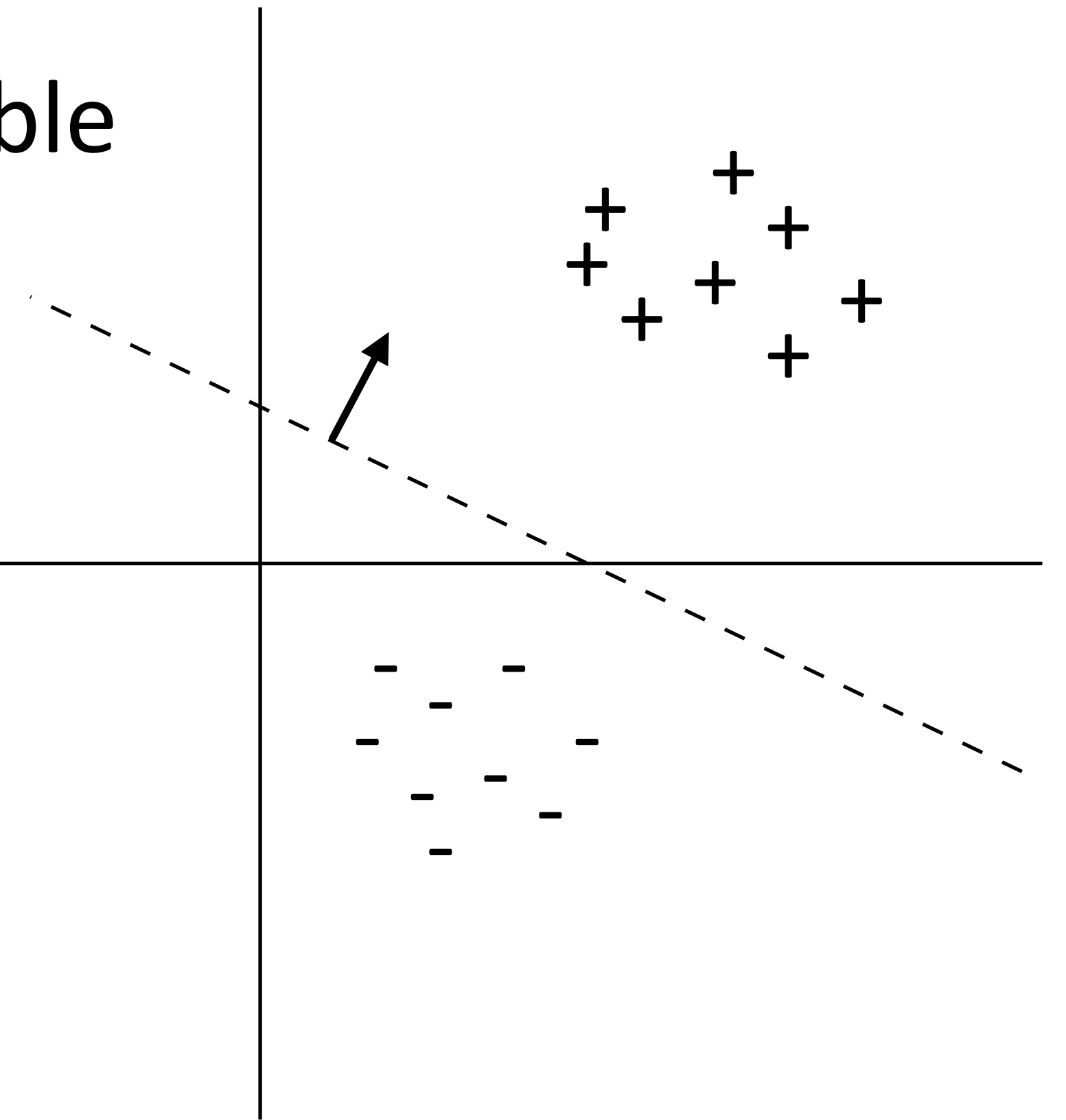
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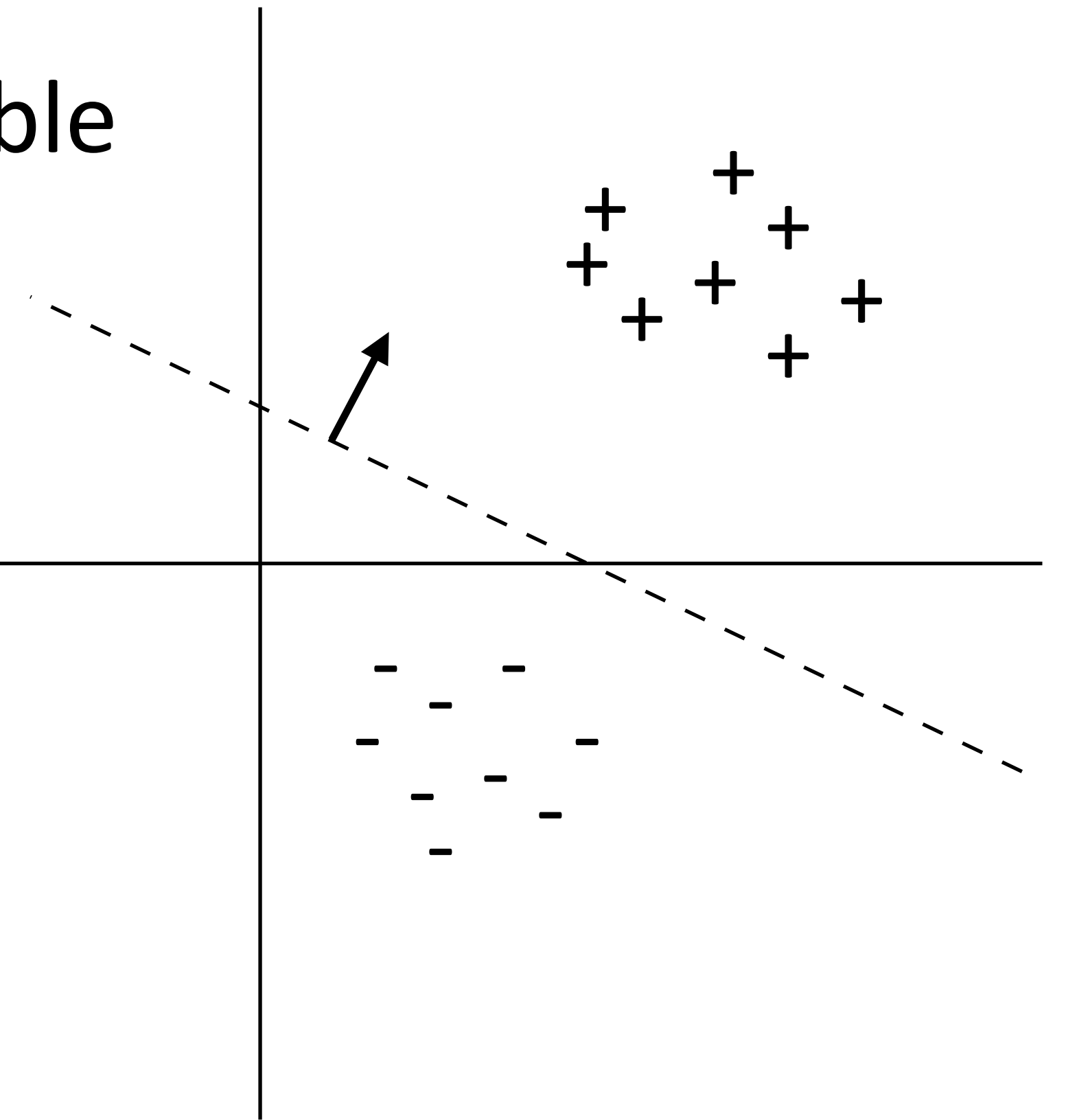
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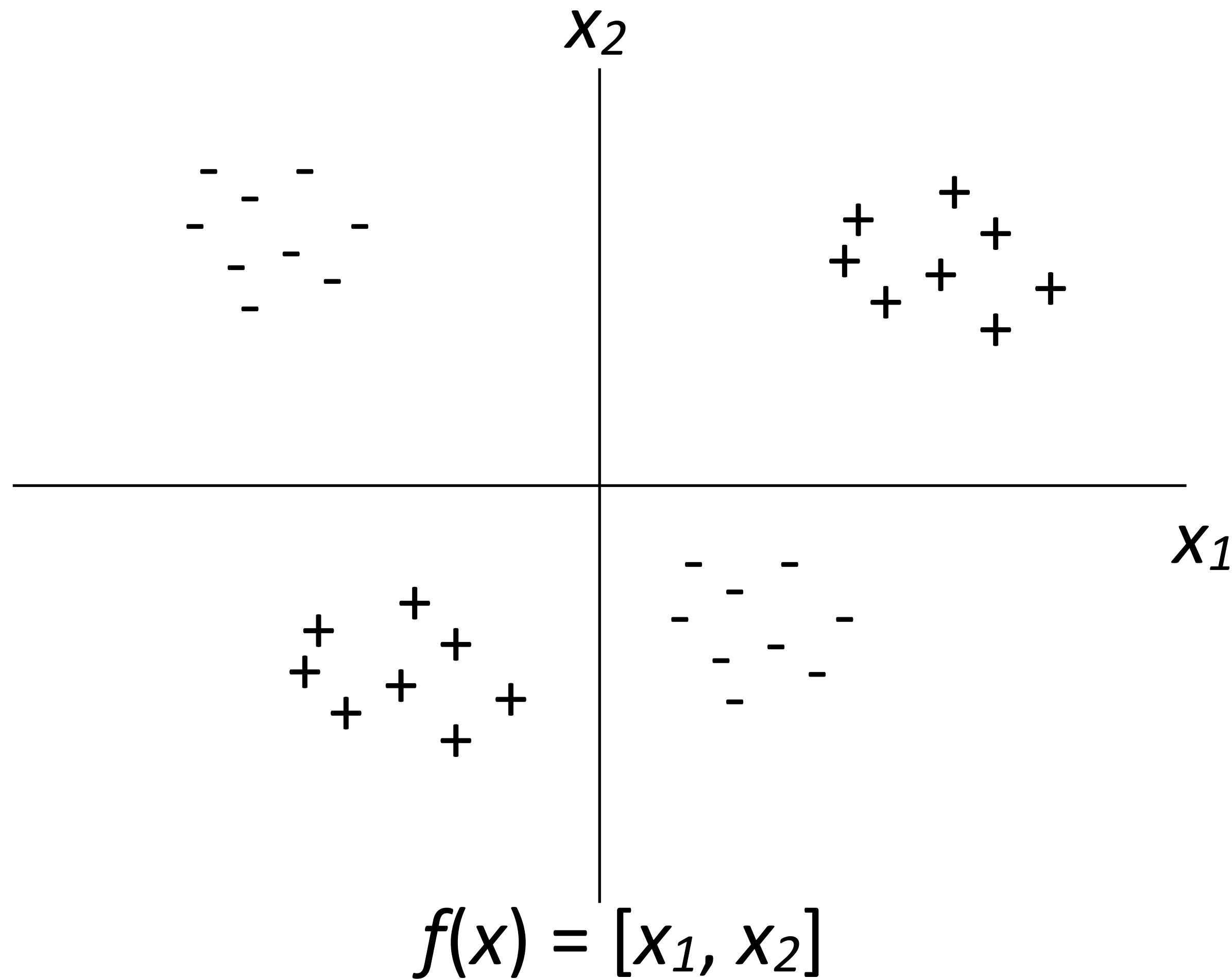
- ▶ Can delete bias if we augment feature space:

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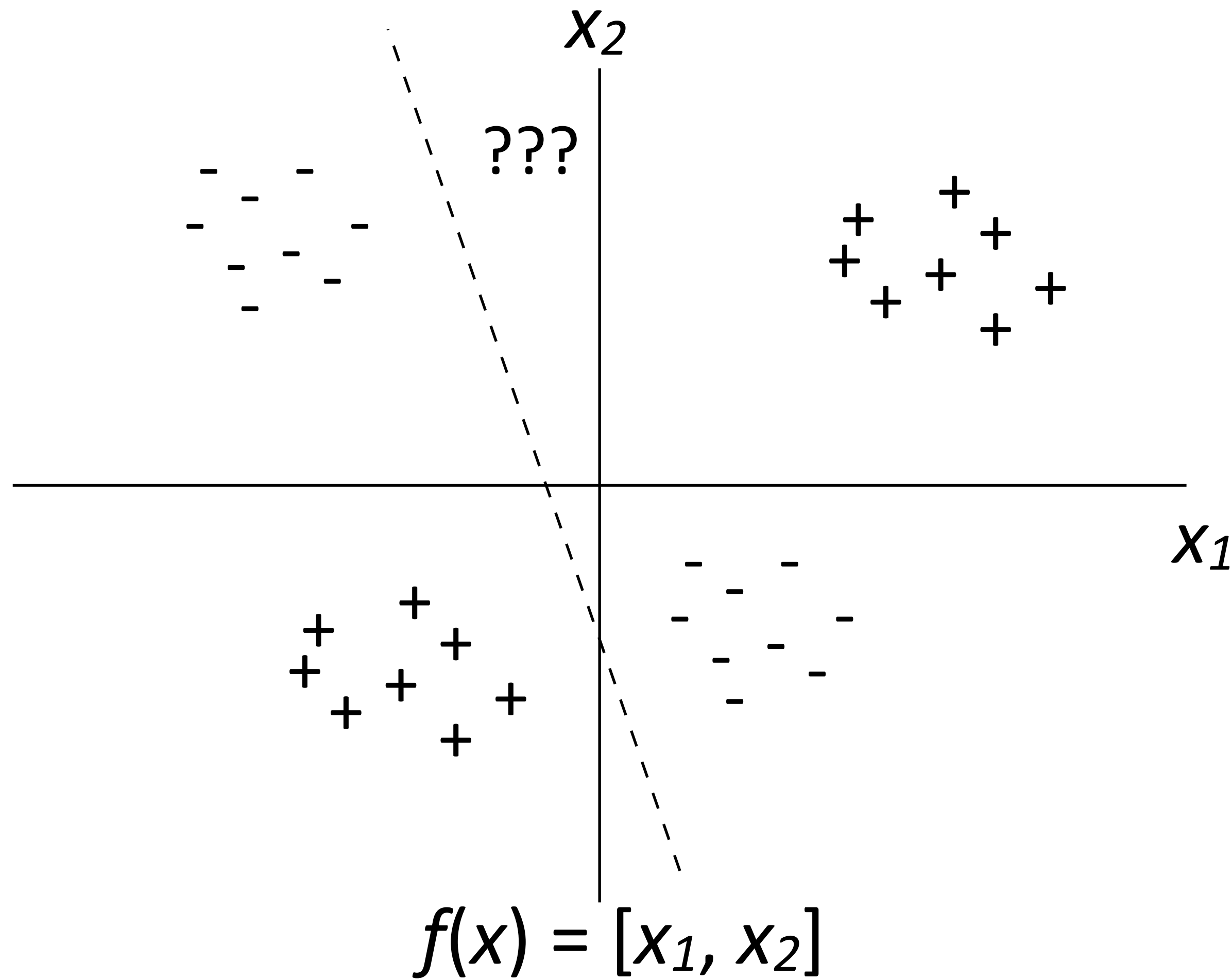
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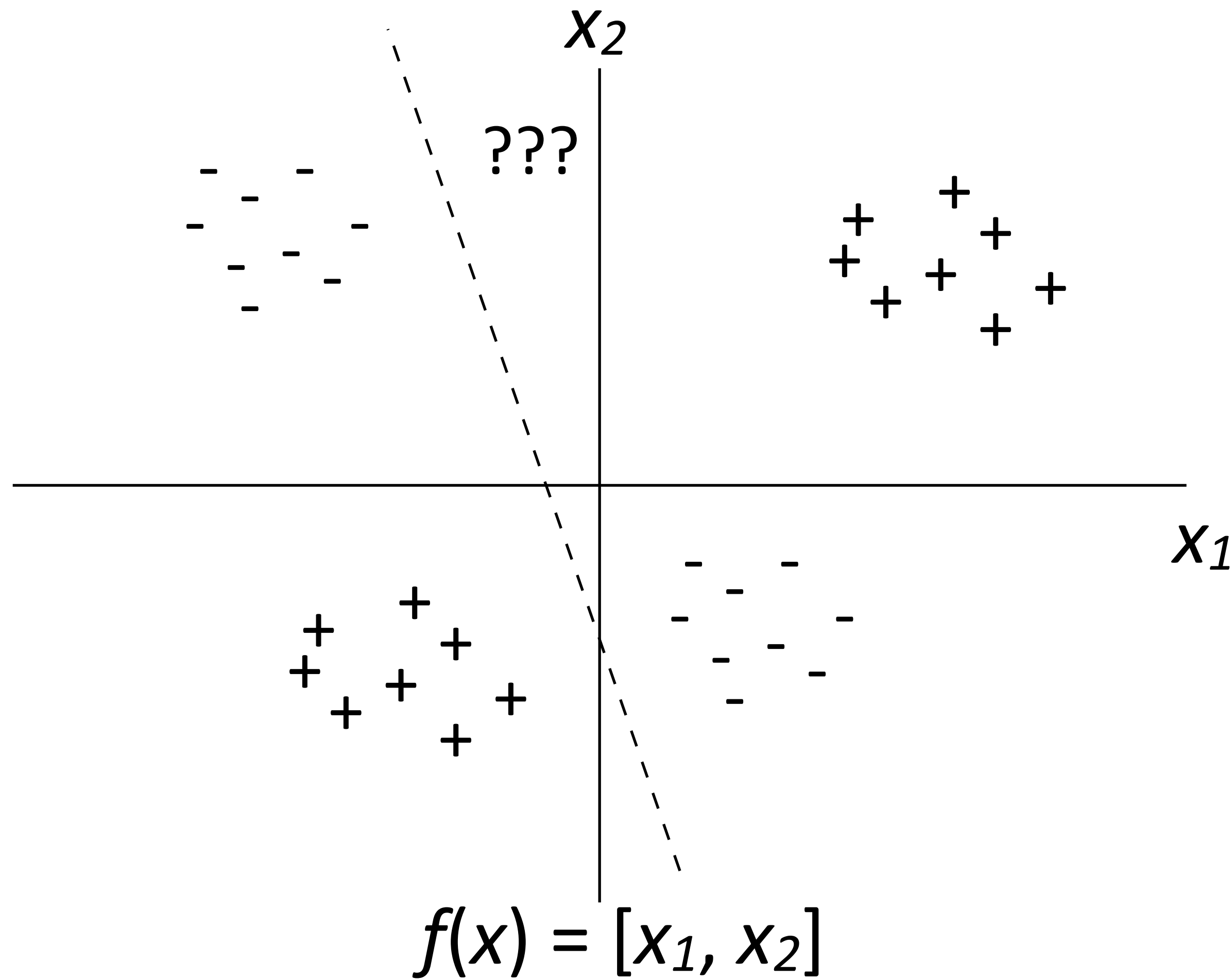
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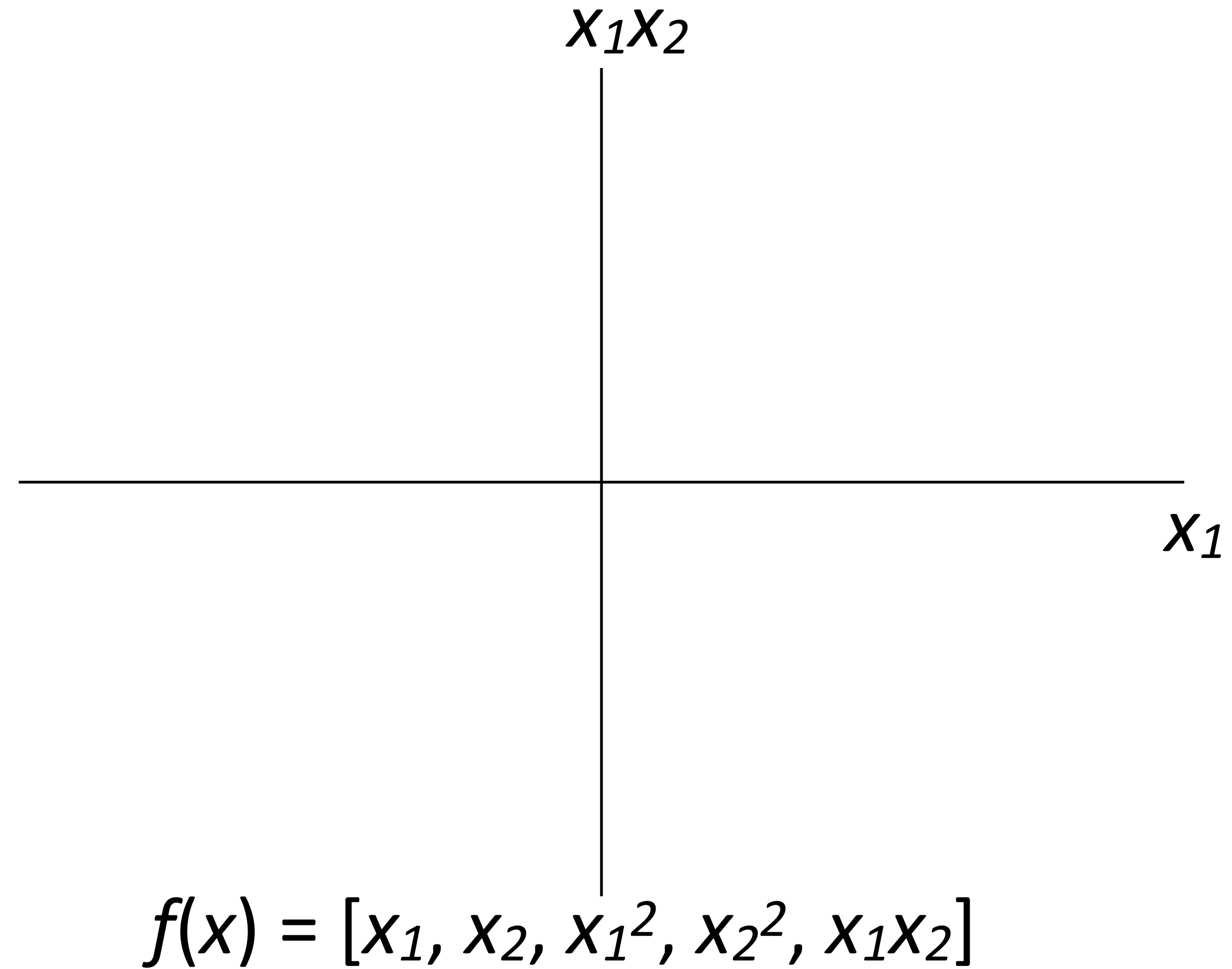
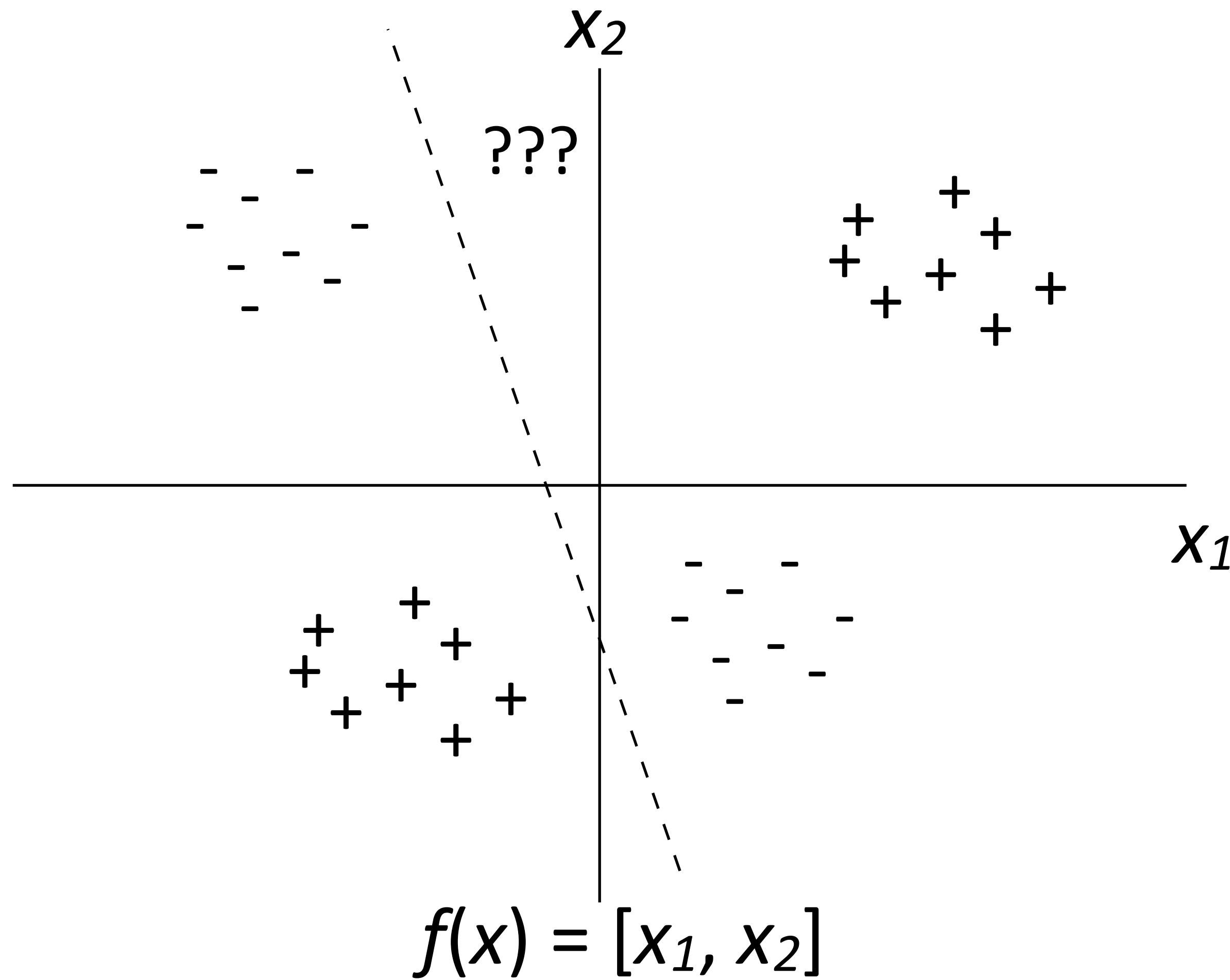
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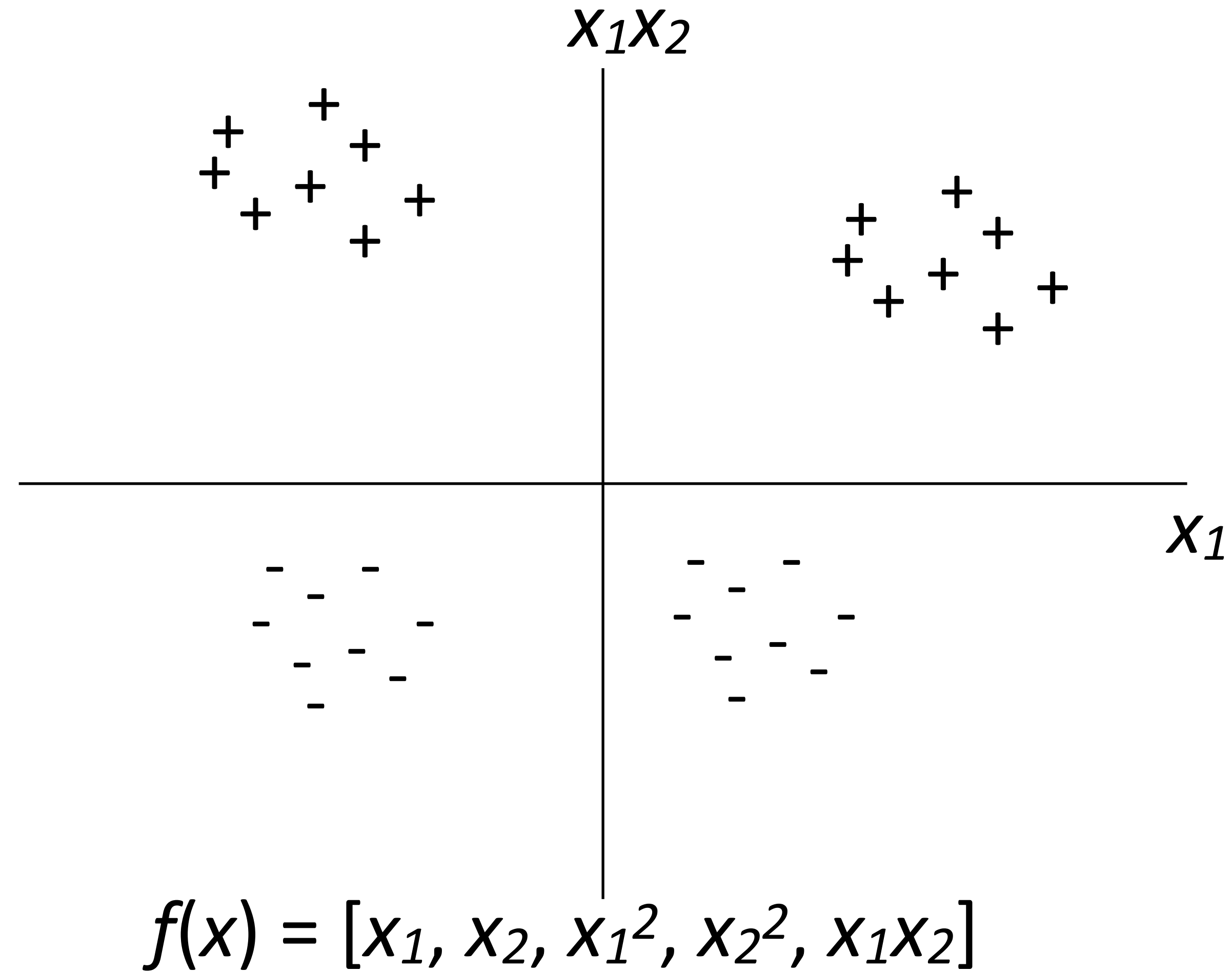
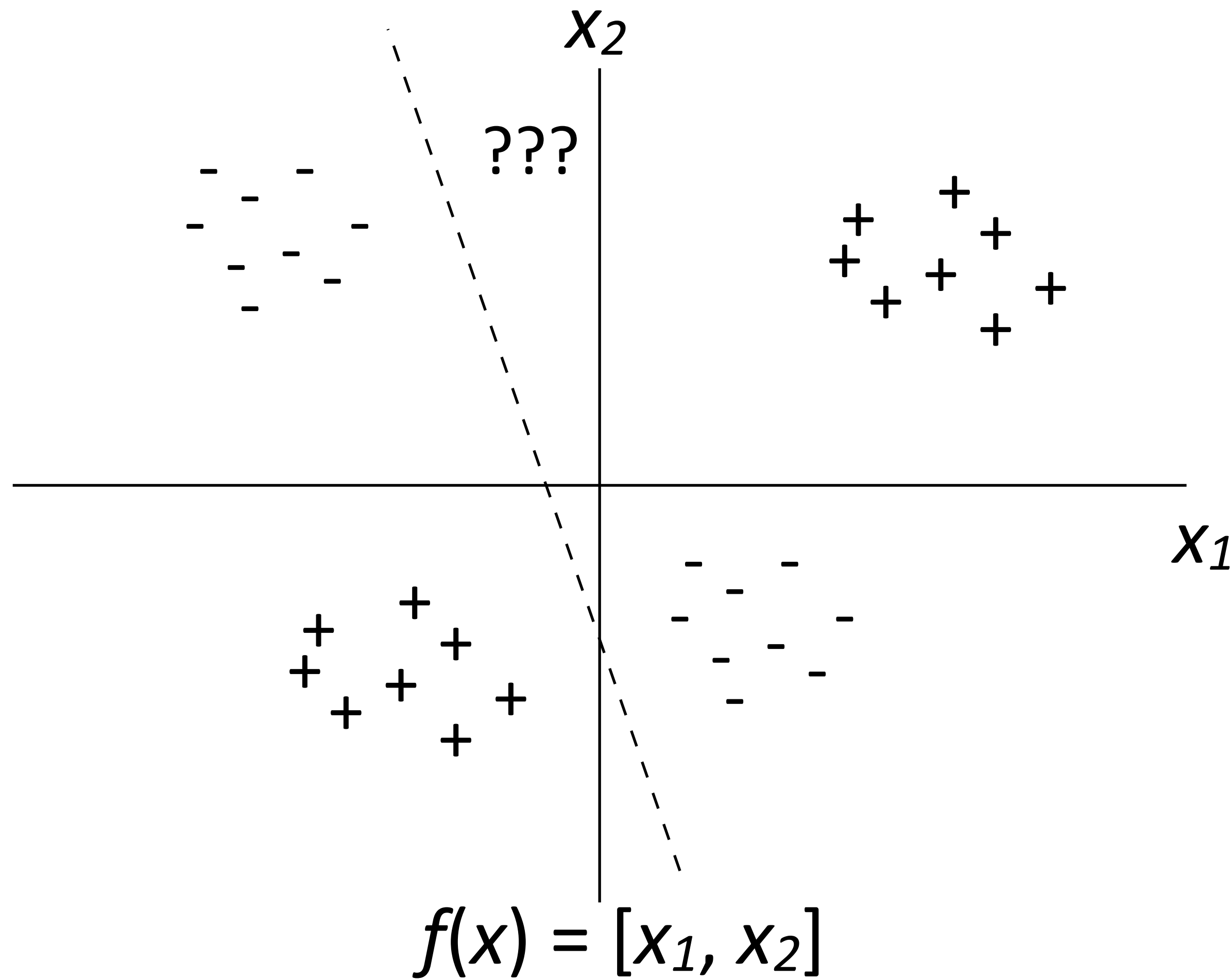
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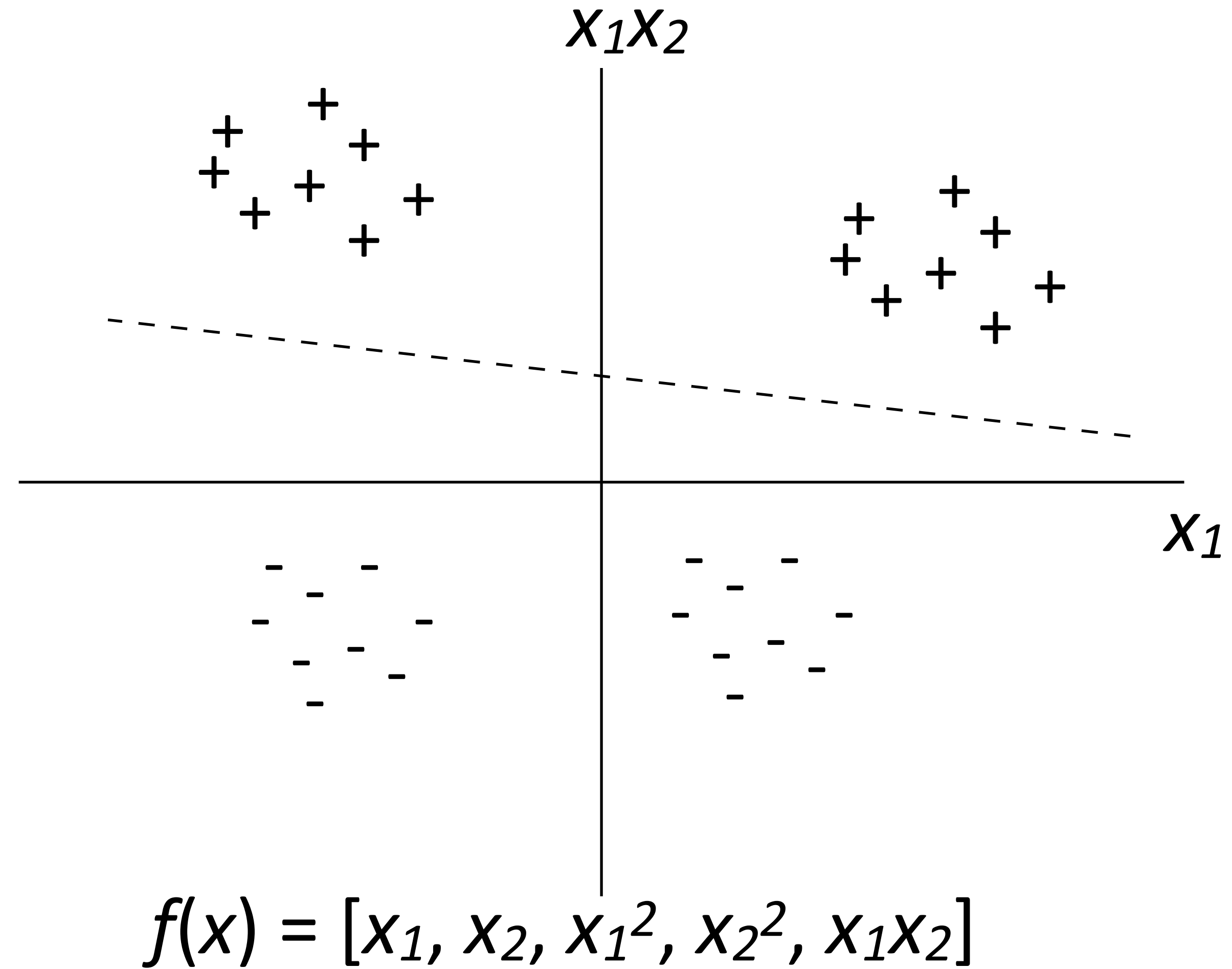
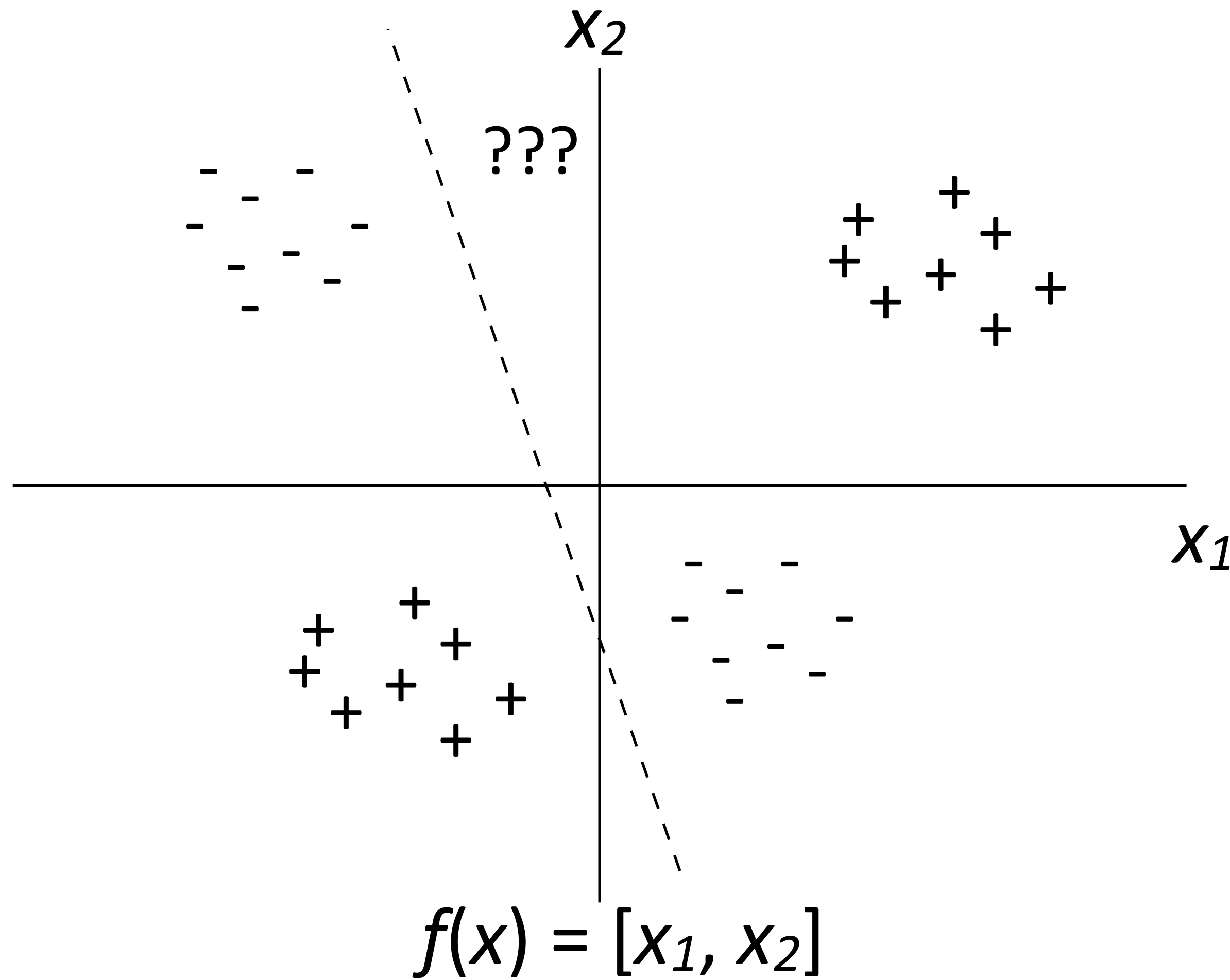




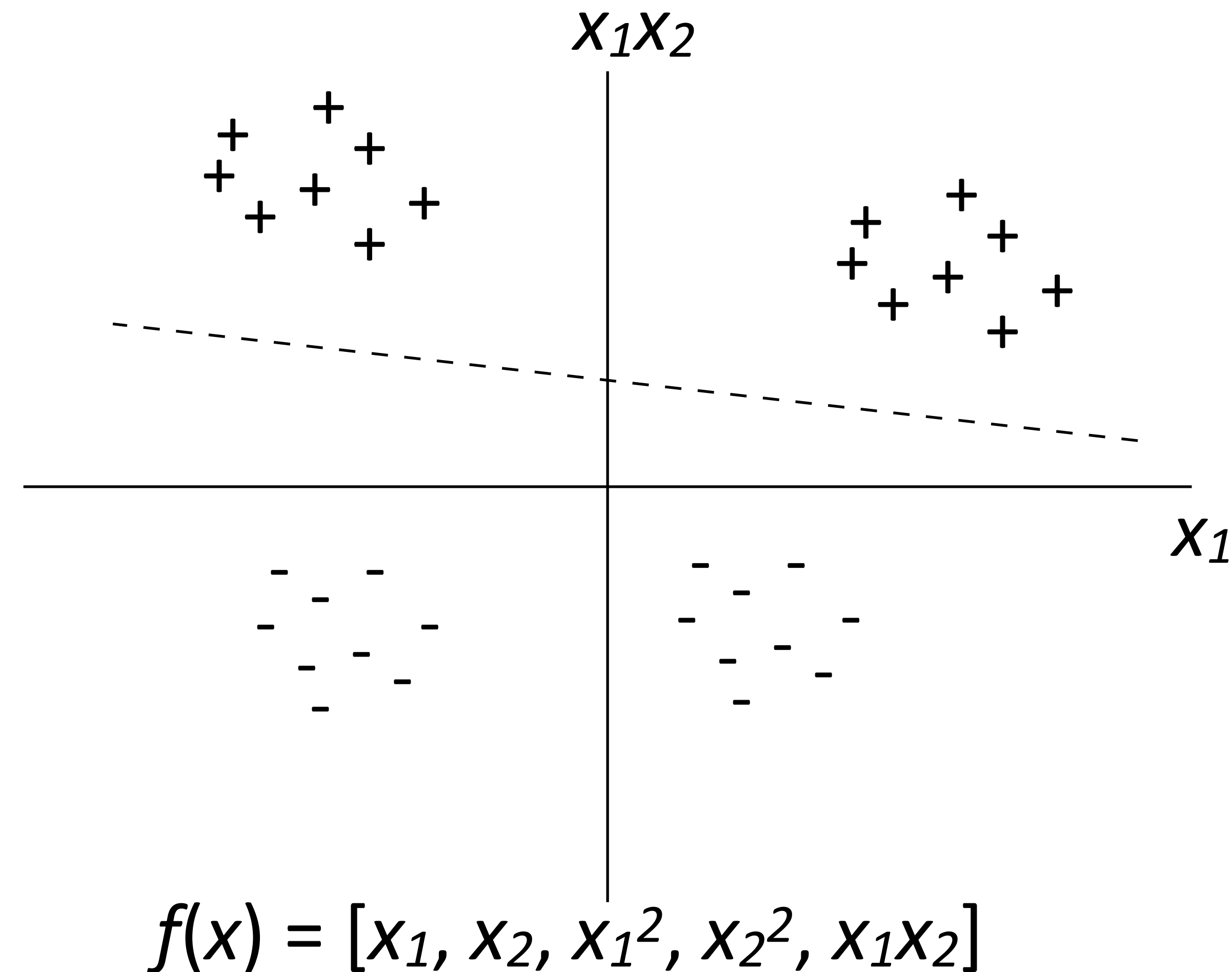
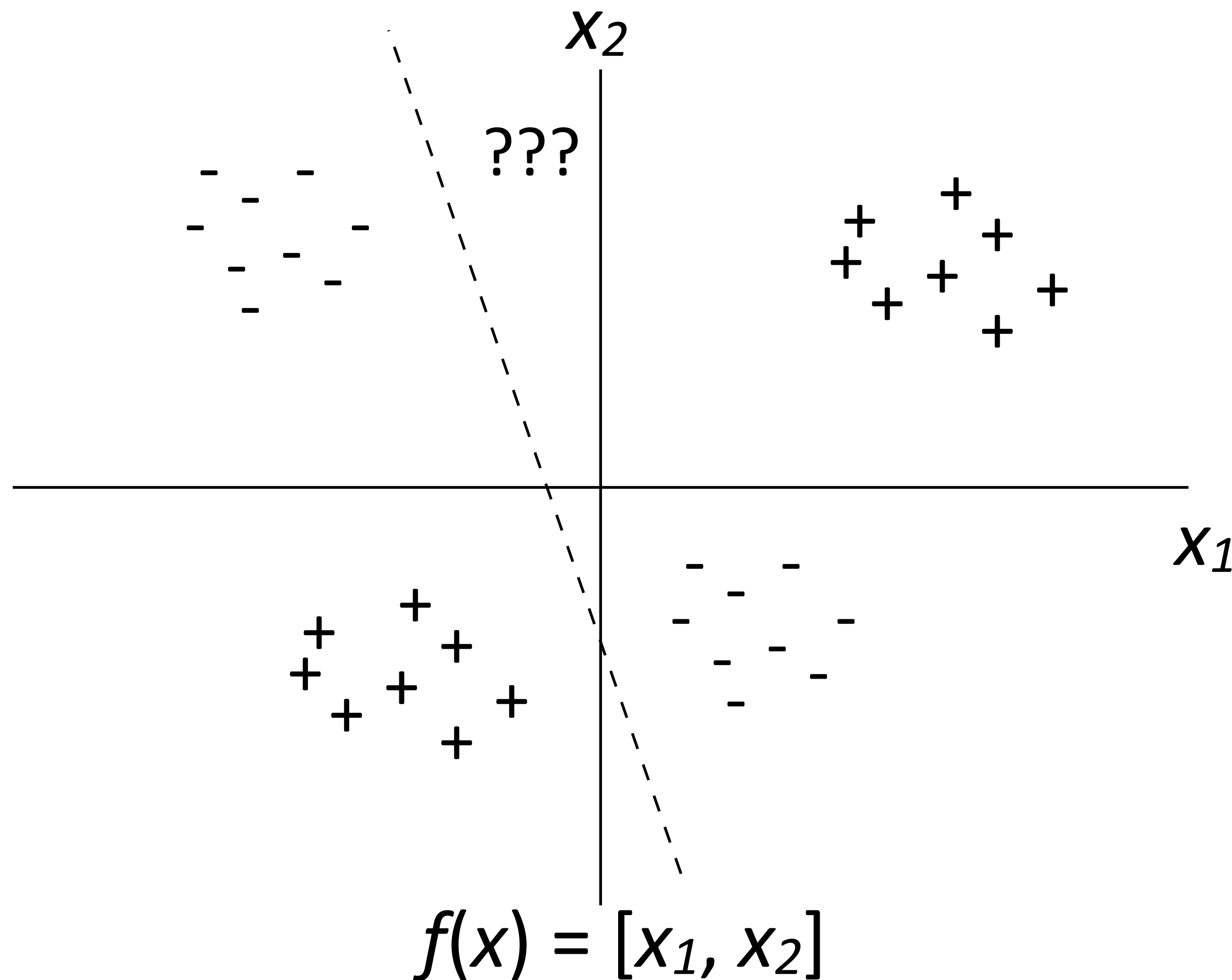
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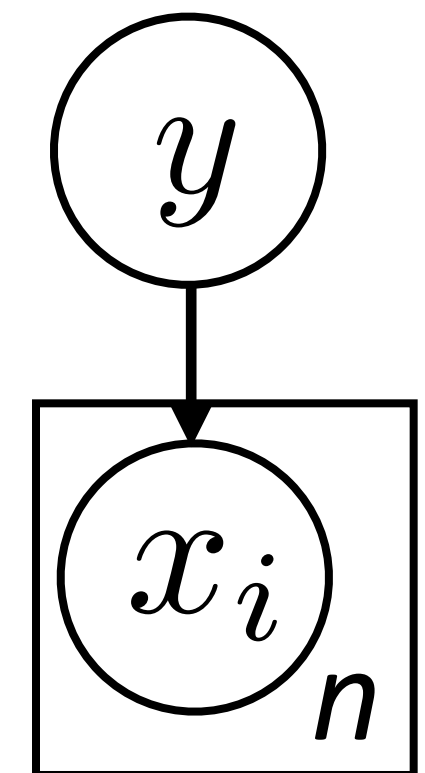
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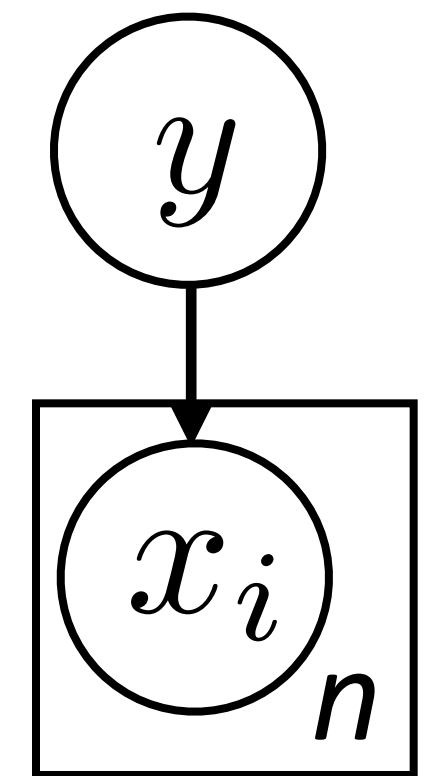
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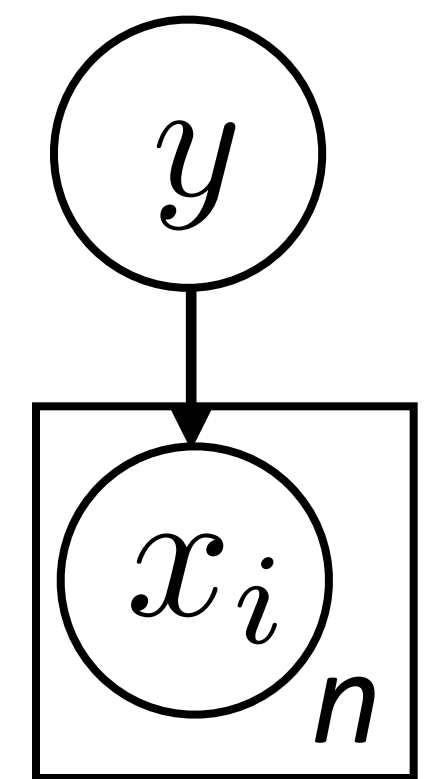
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linear model!

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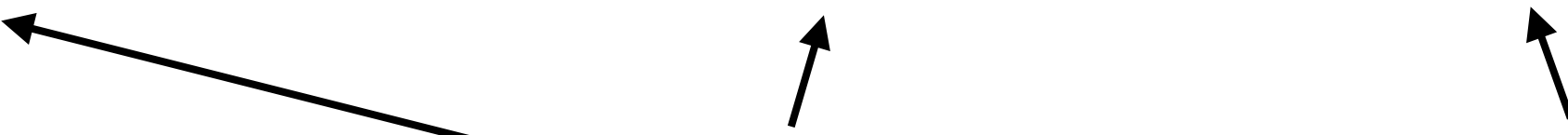
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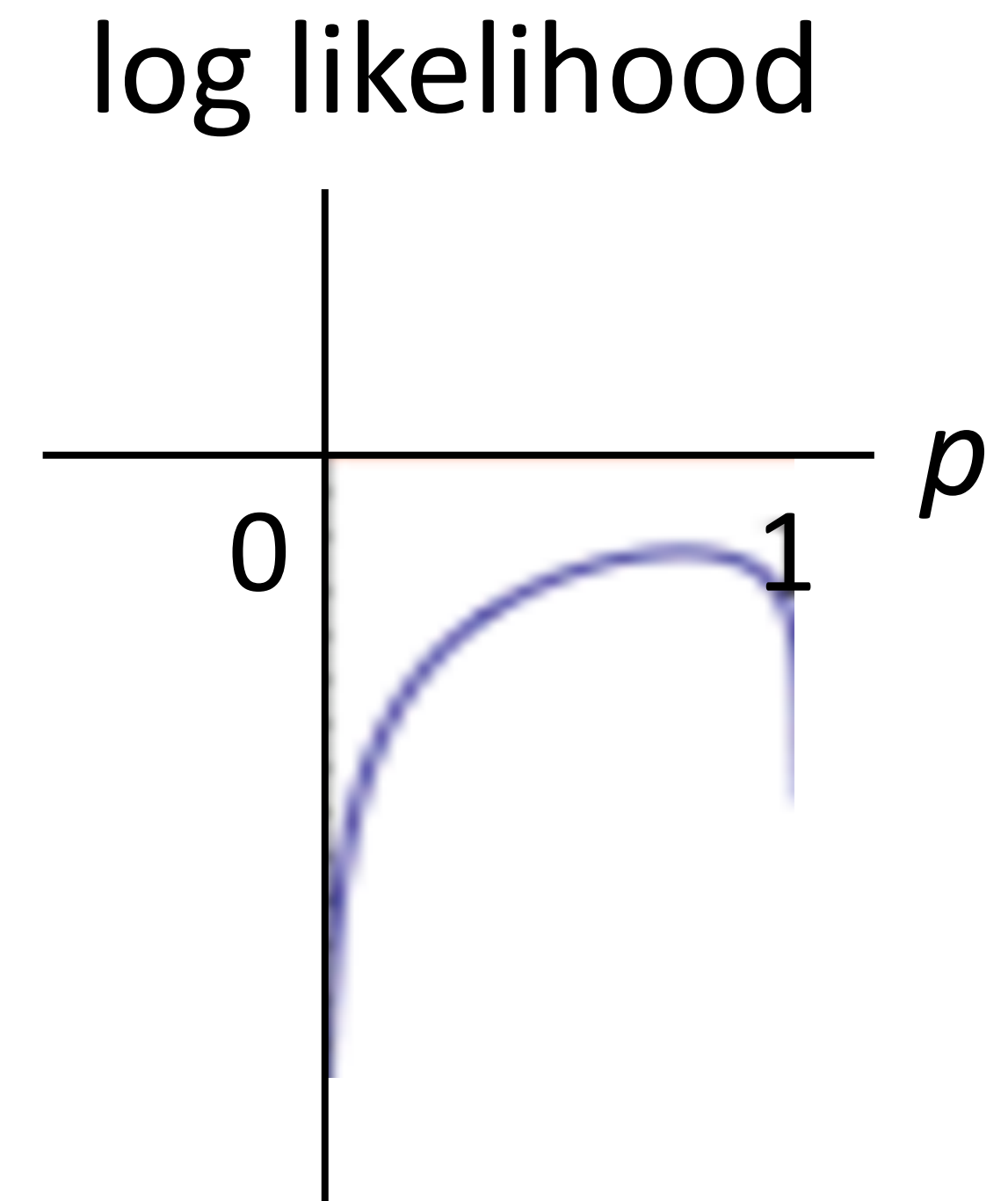
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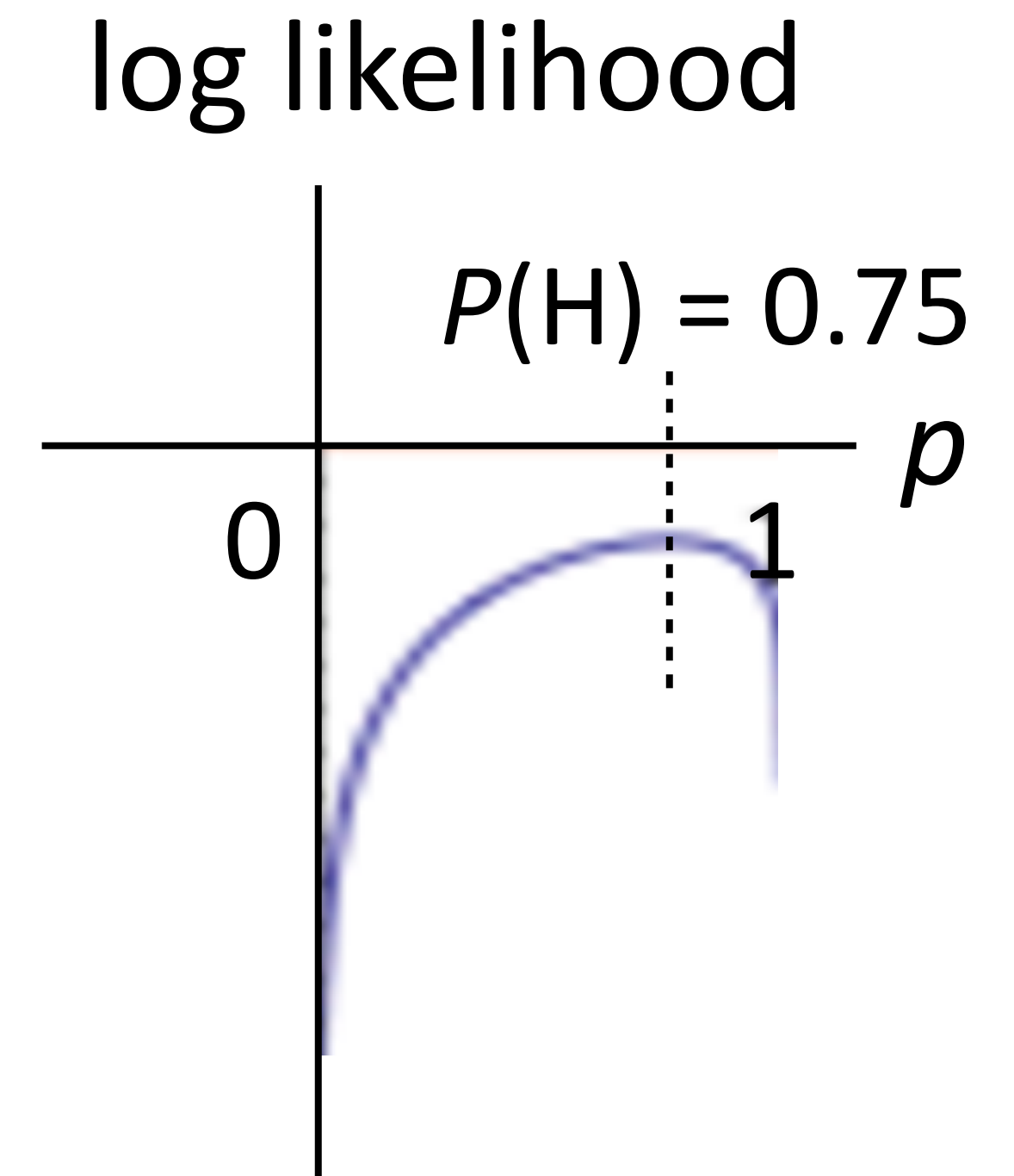
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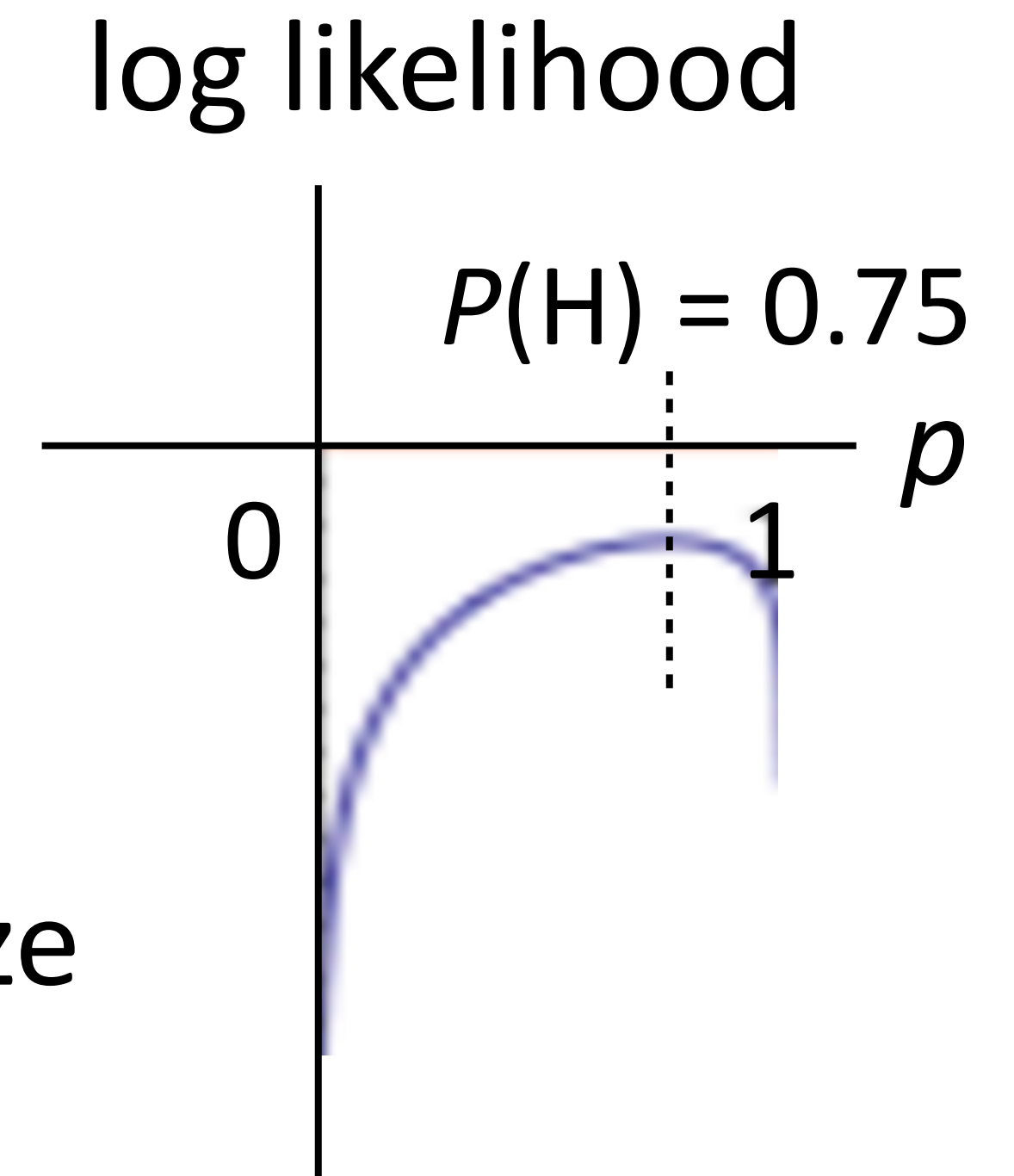
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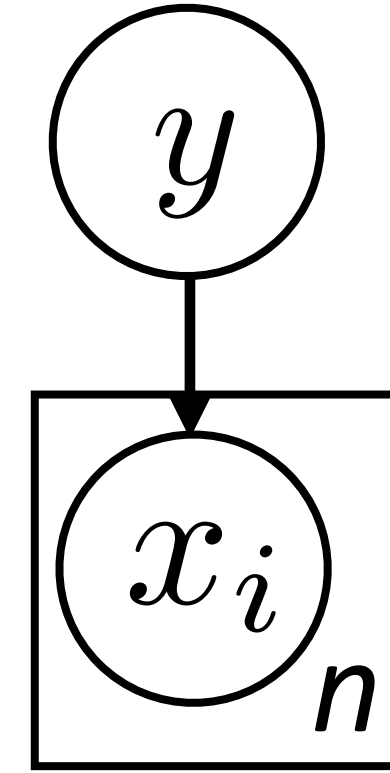
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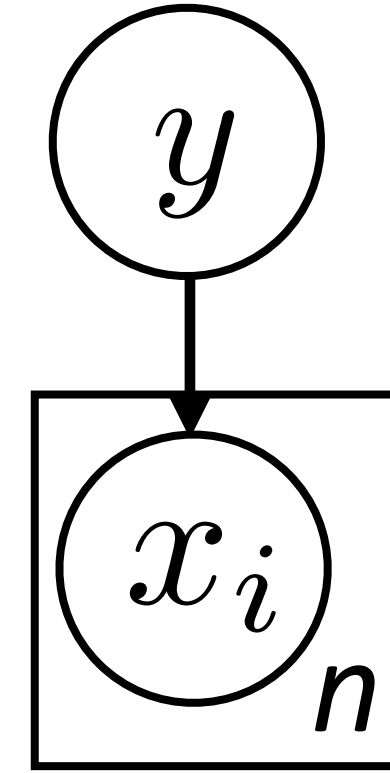


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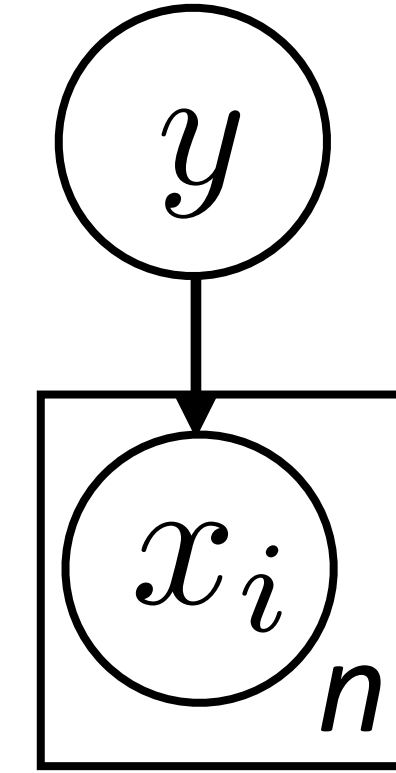
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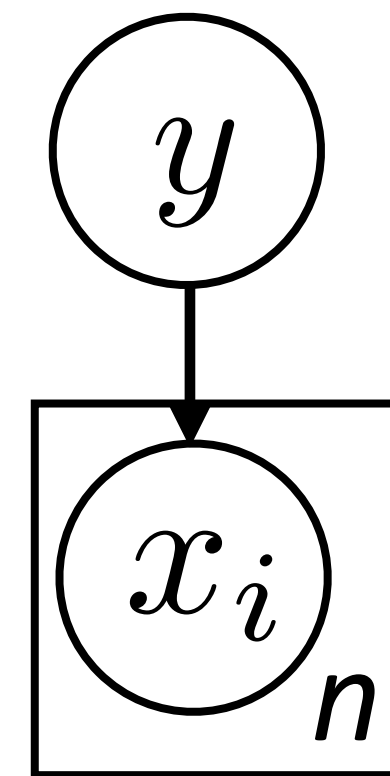
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# Homework 1 Demo (Numpy)

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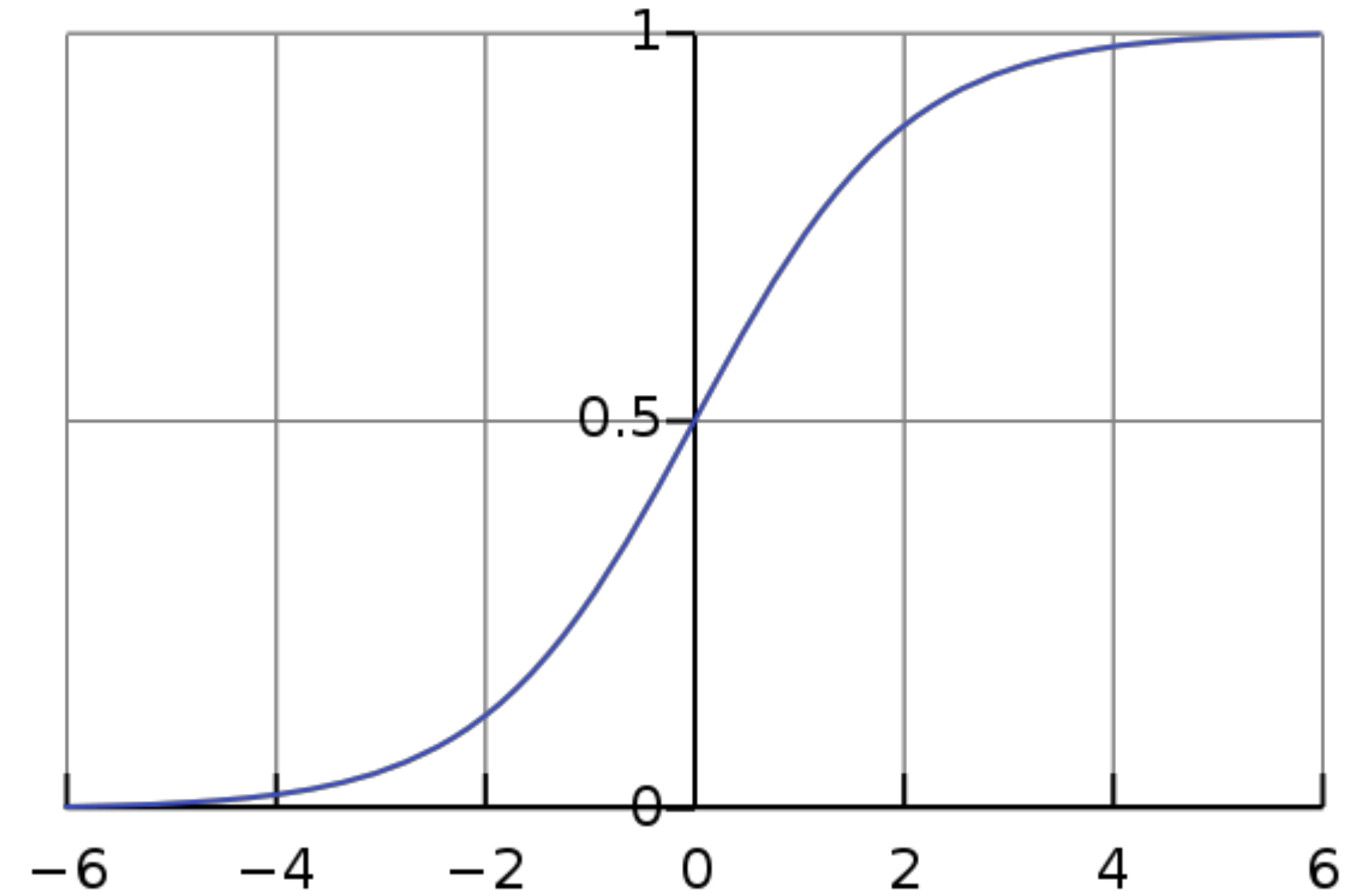
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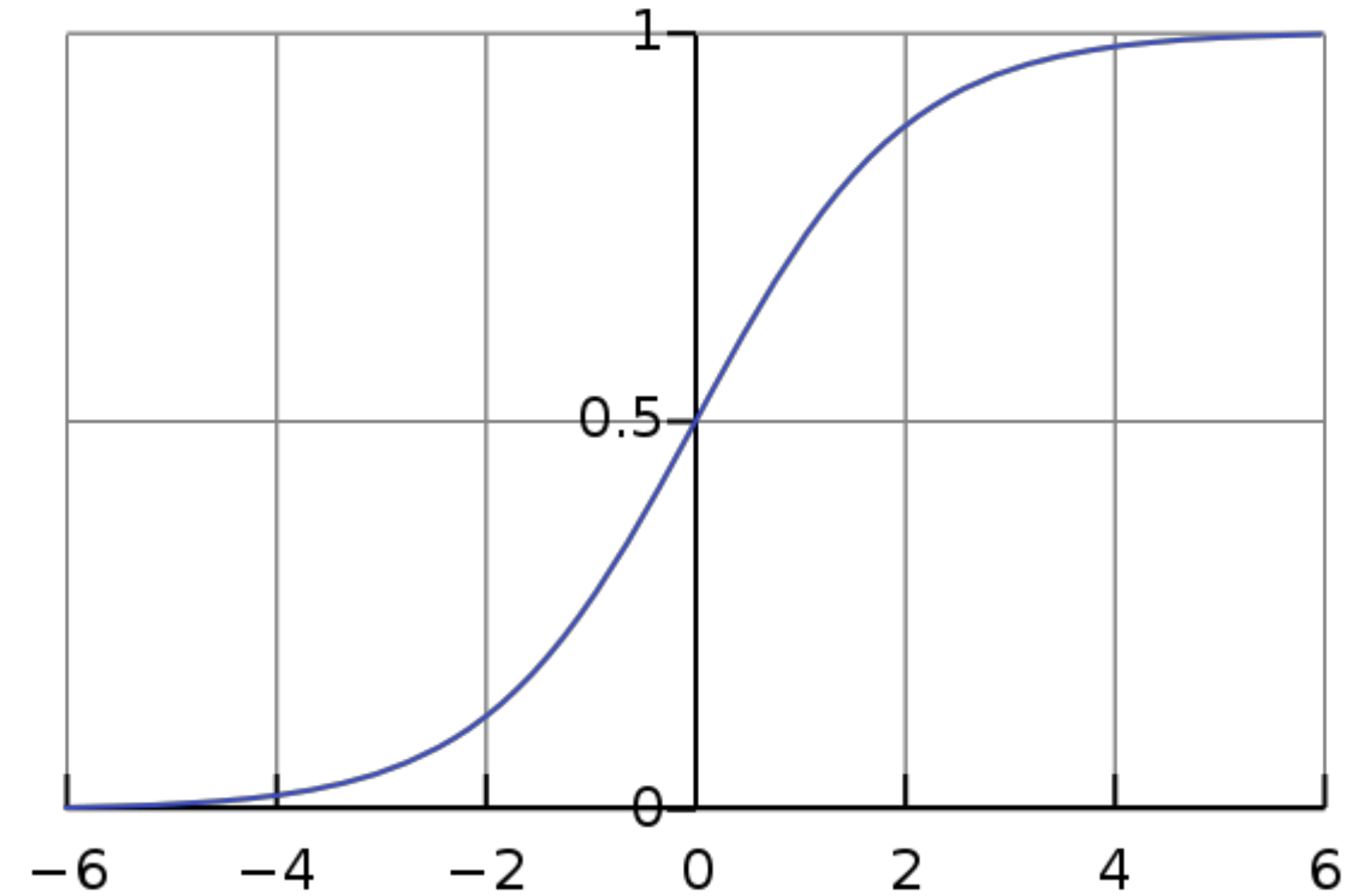


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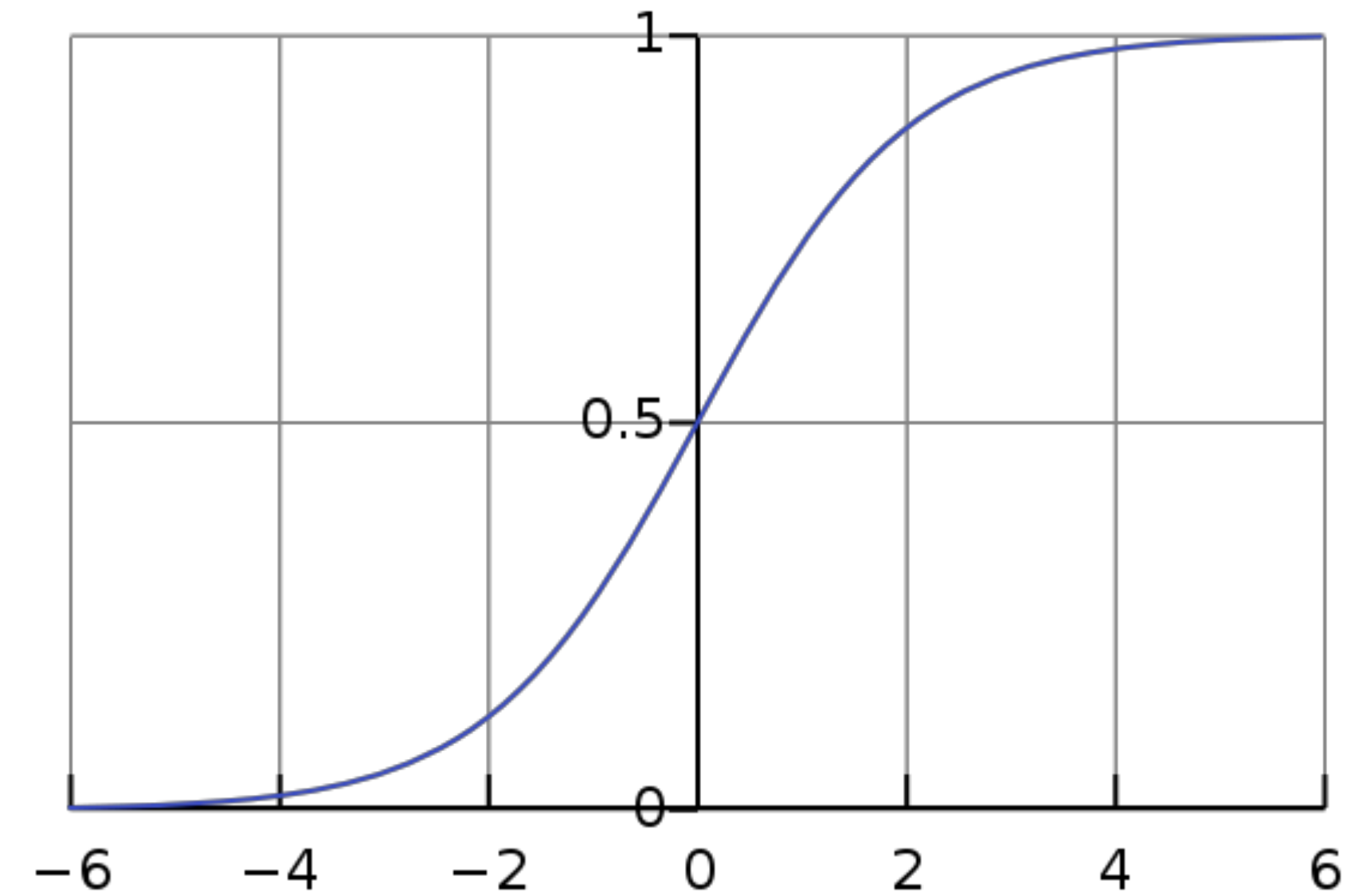


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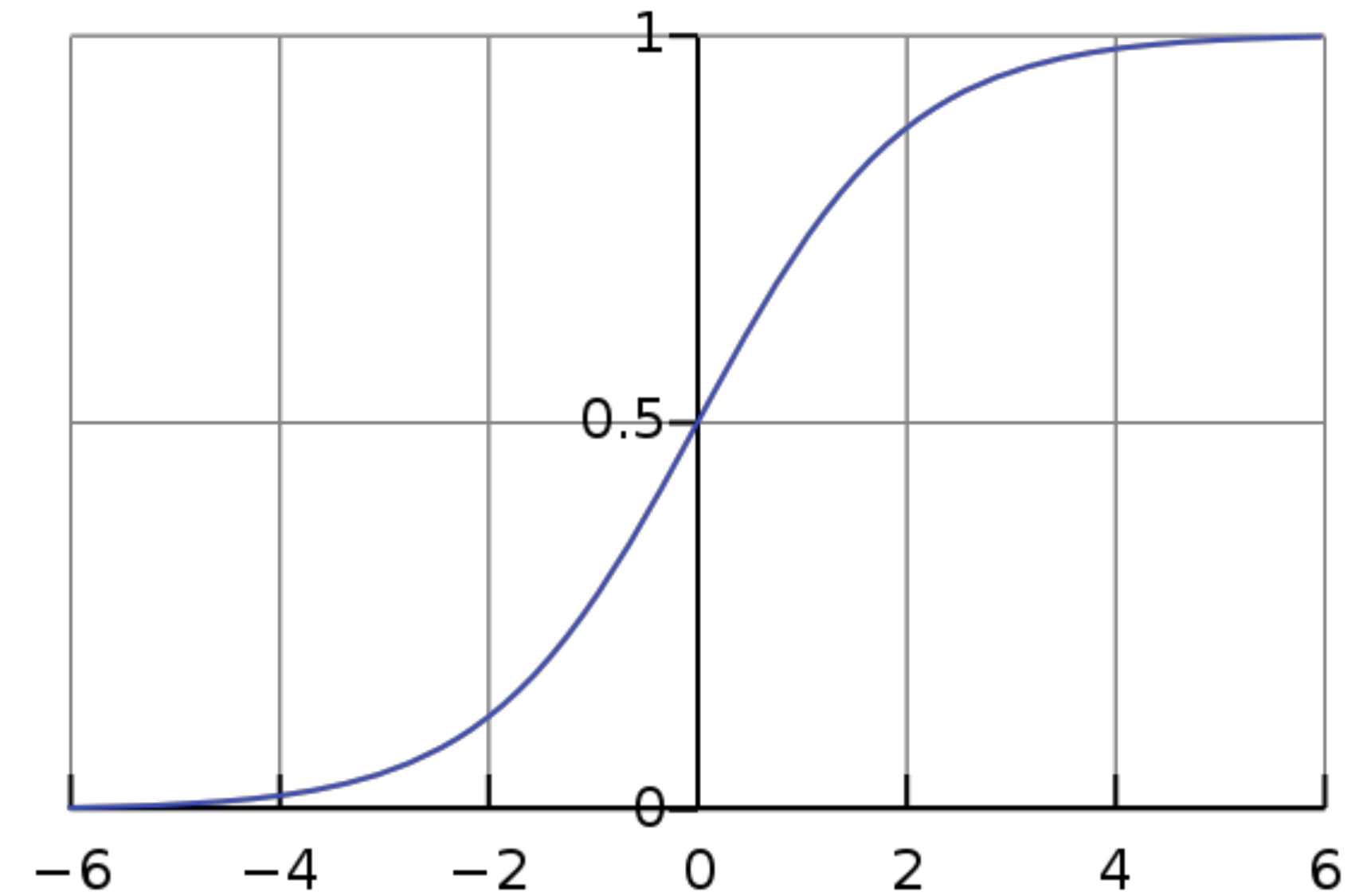


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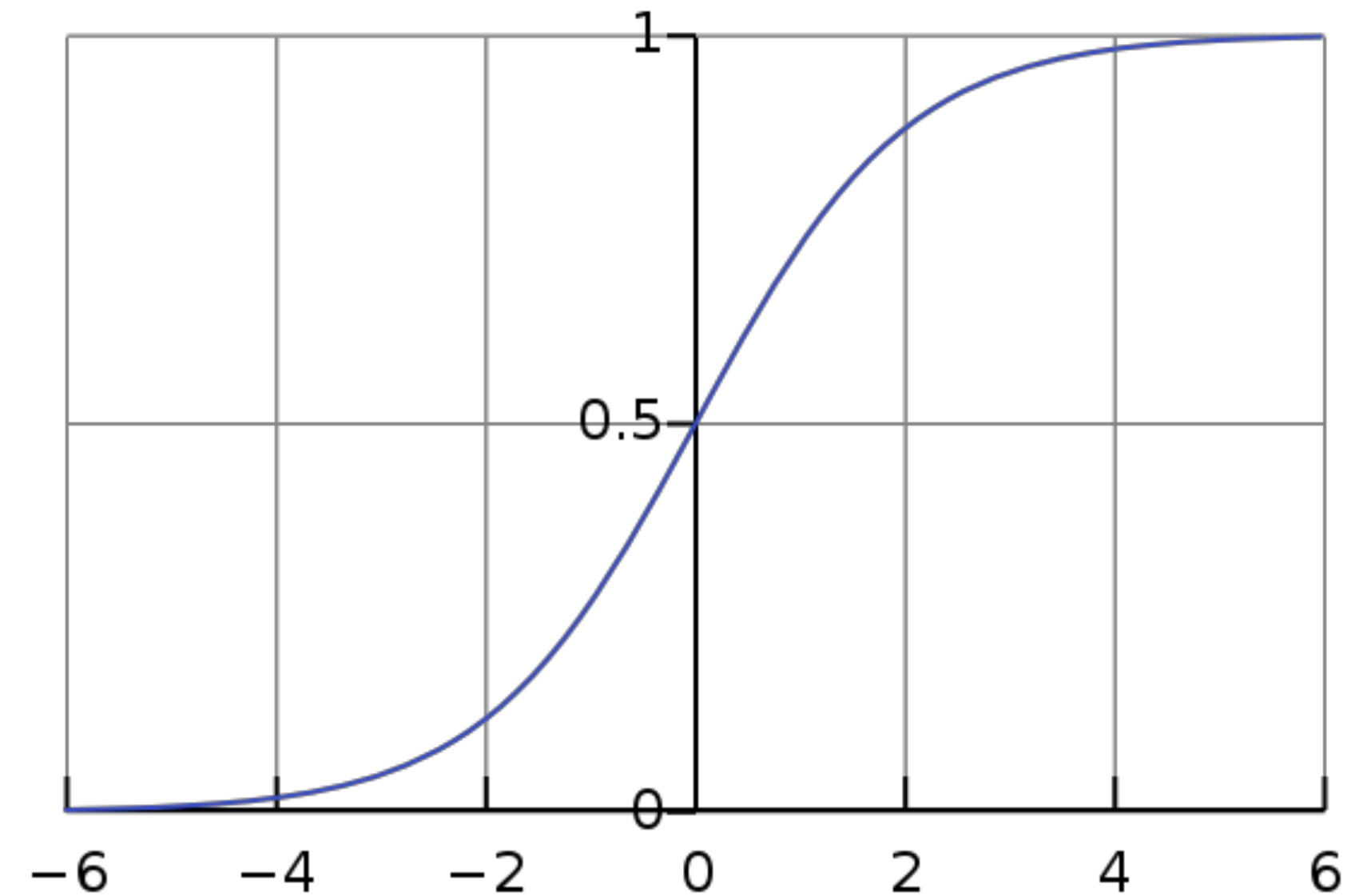
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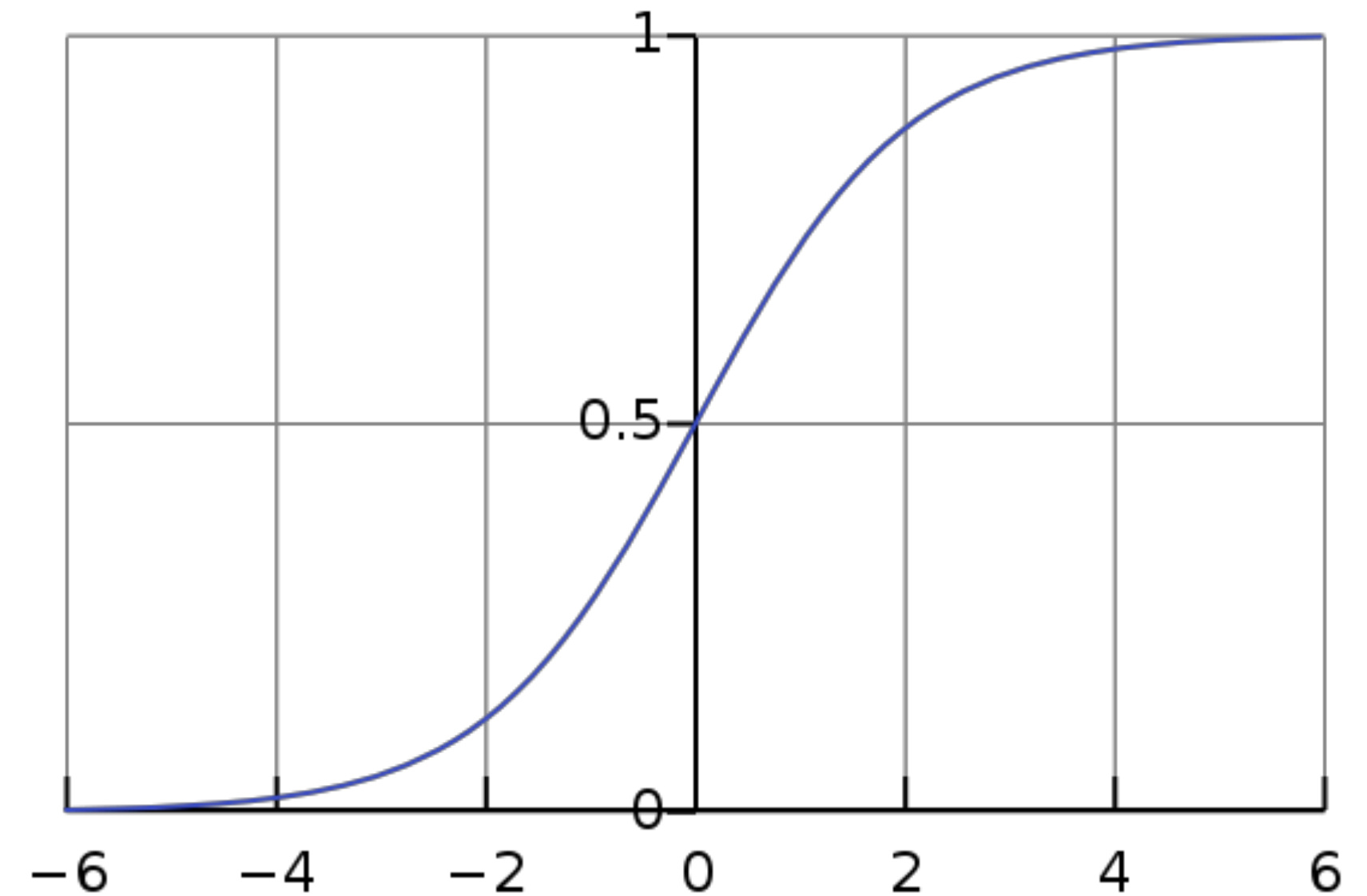
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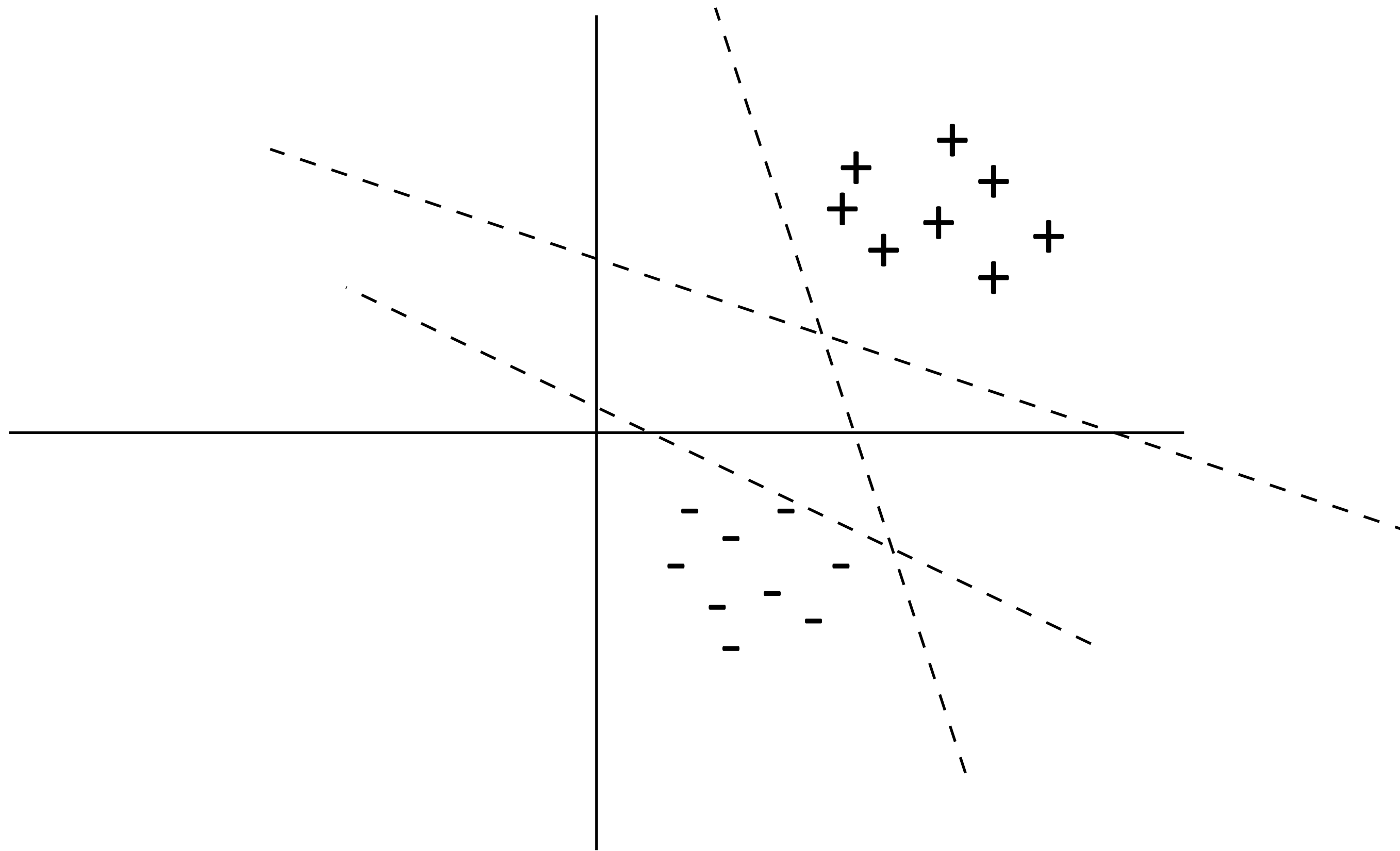
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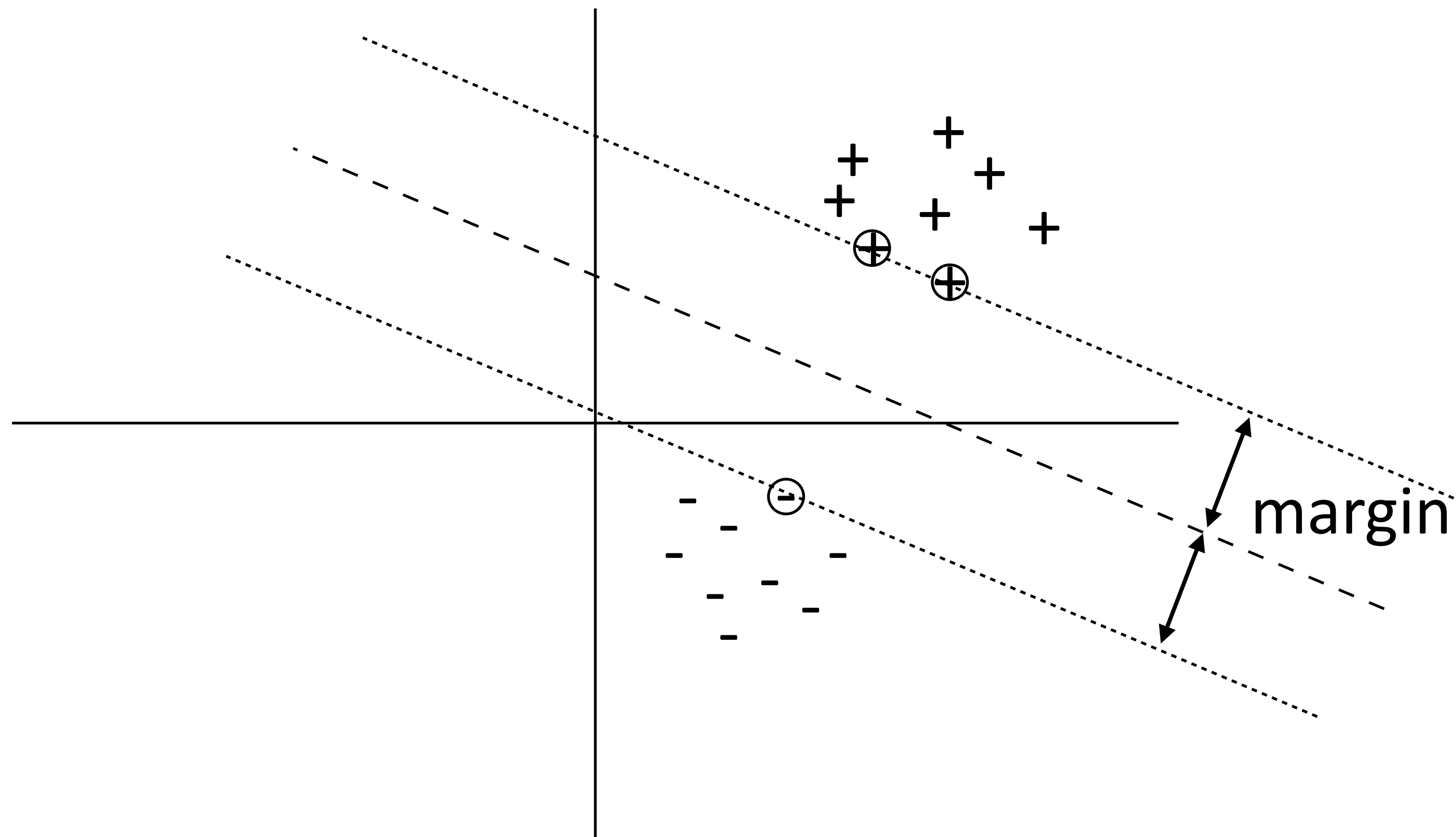
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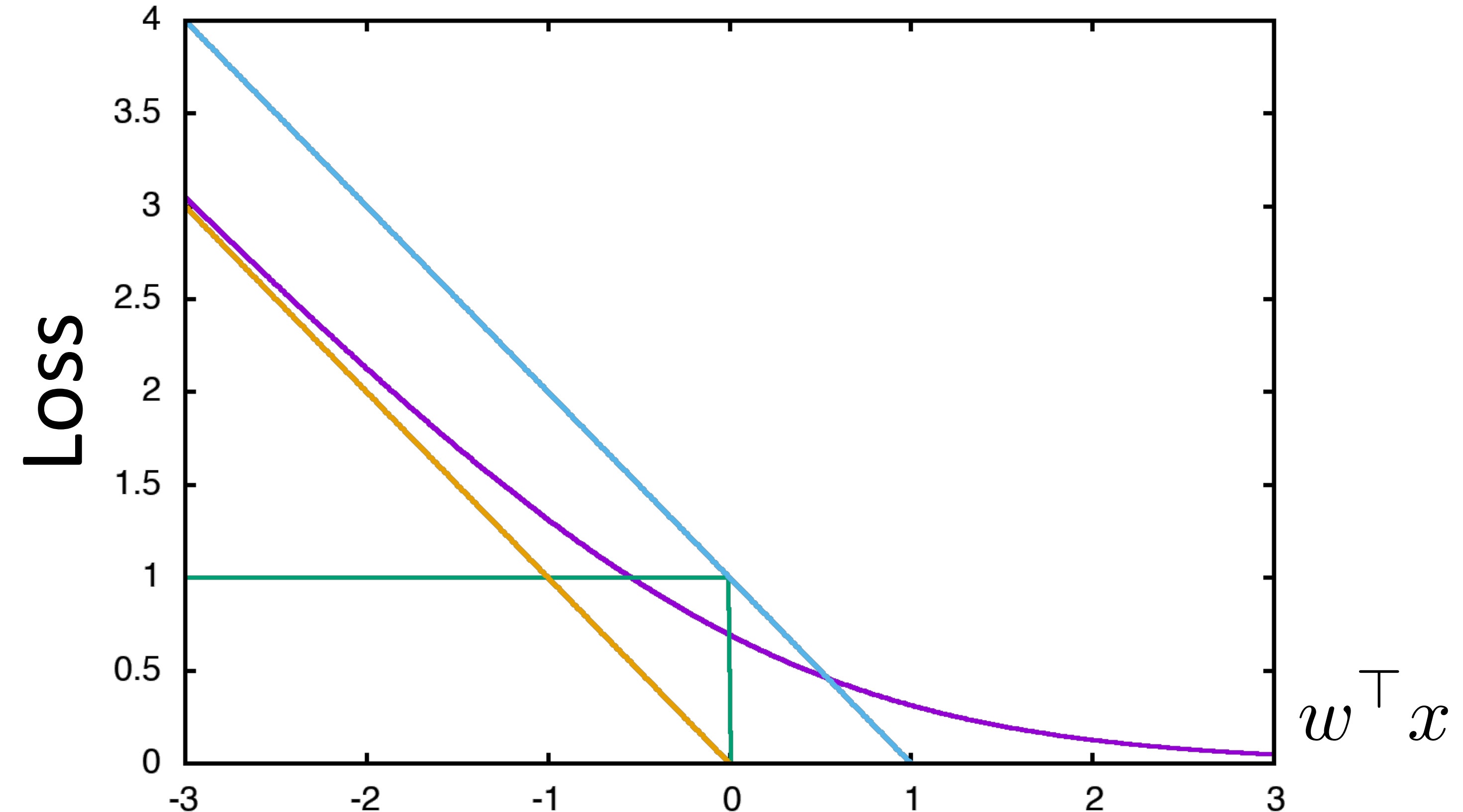
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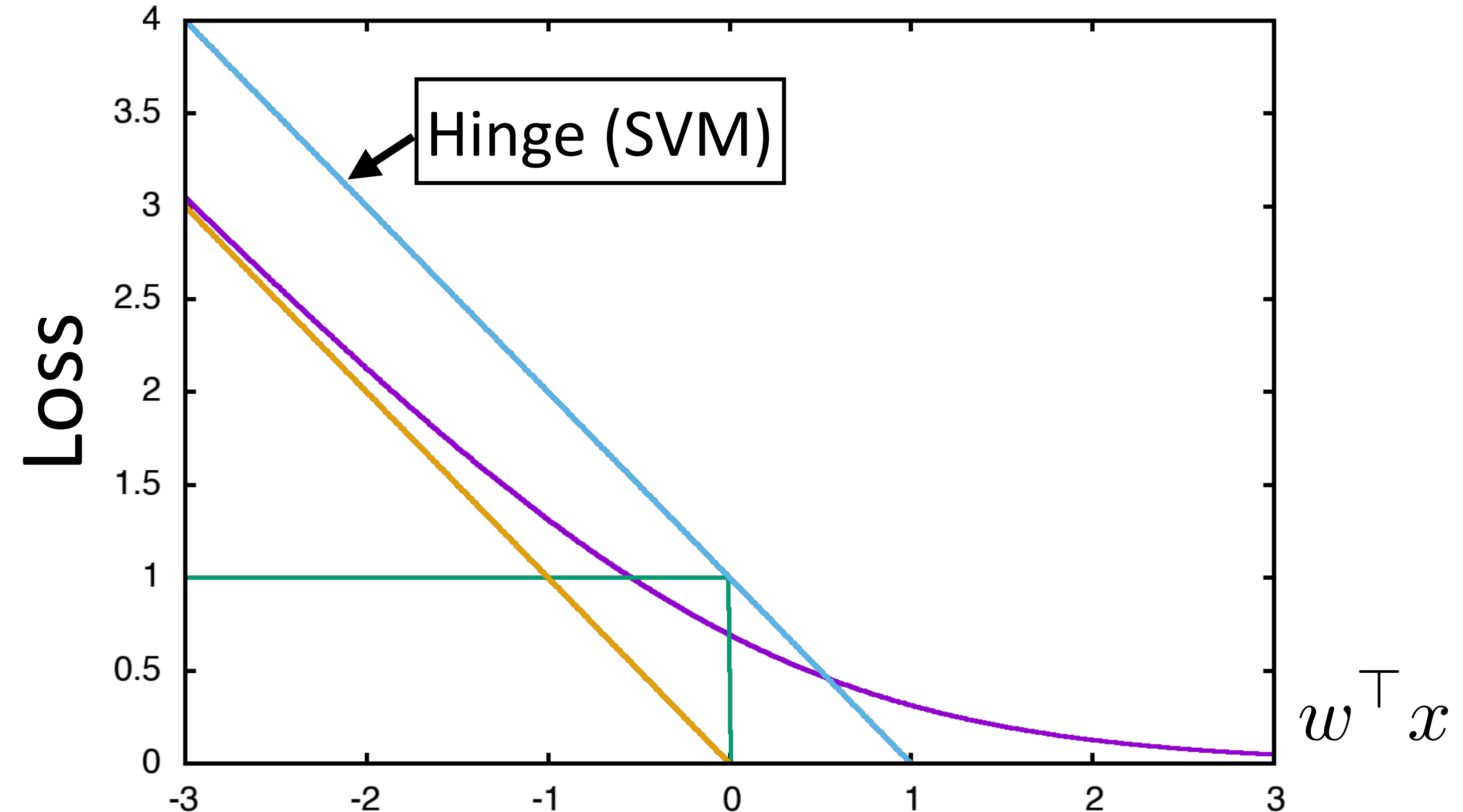
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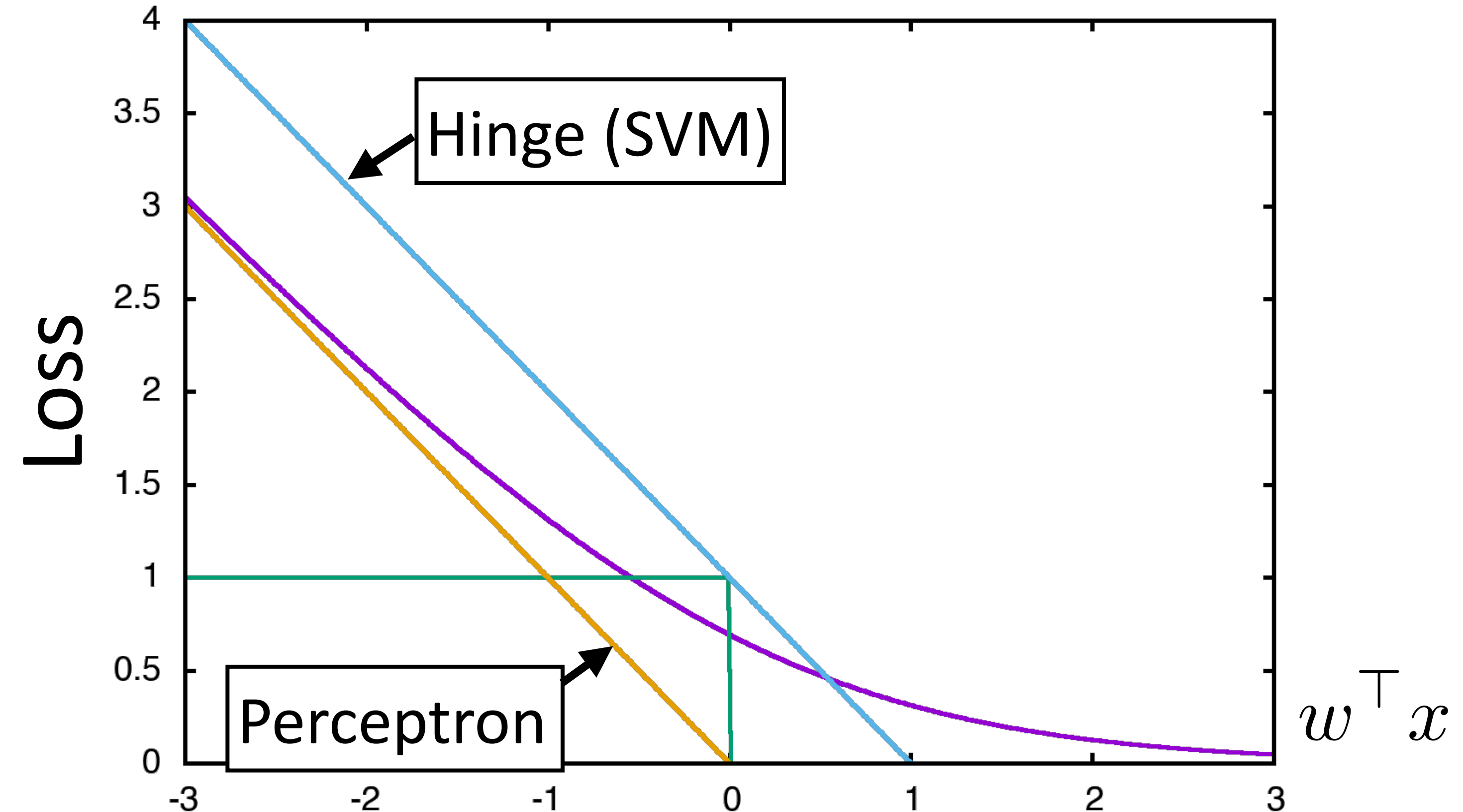
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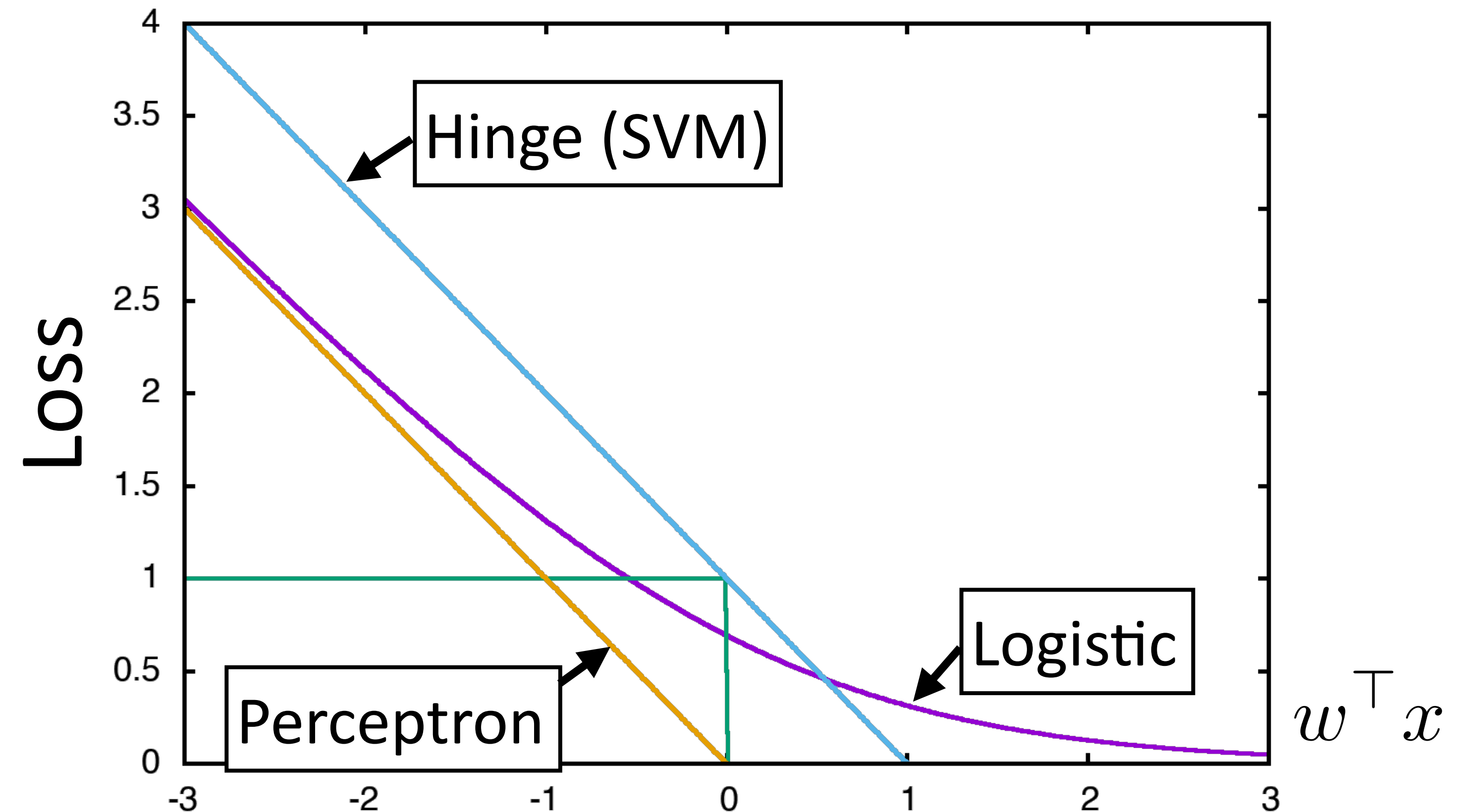
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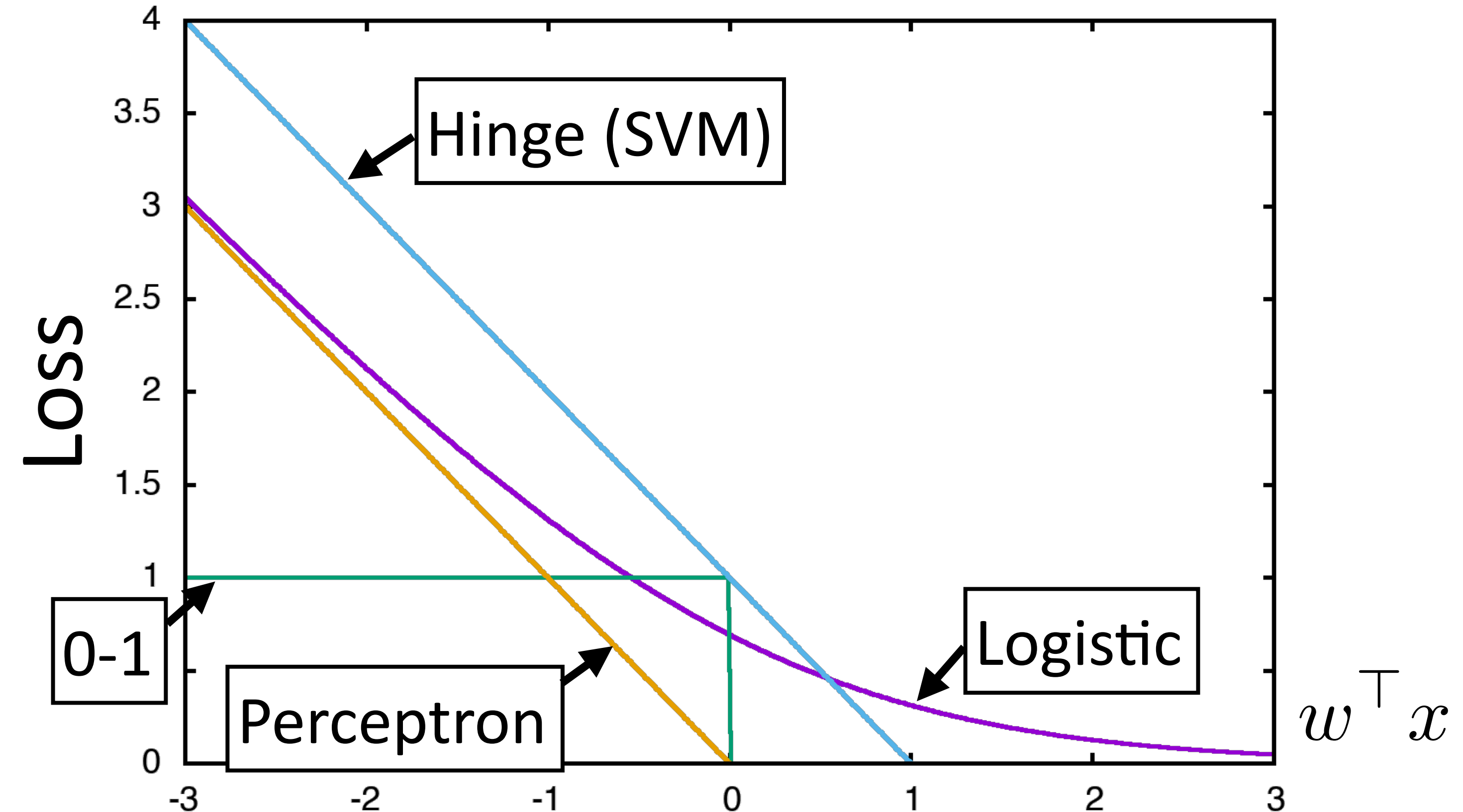
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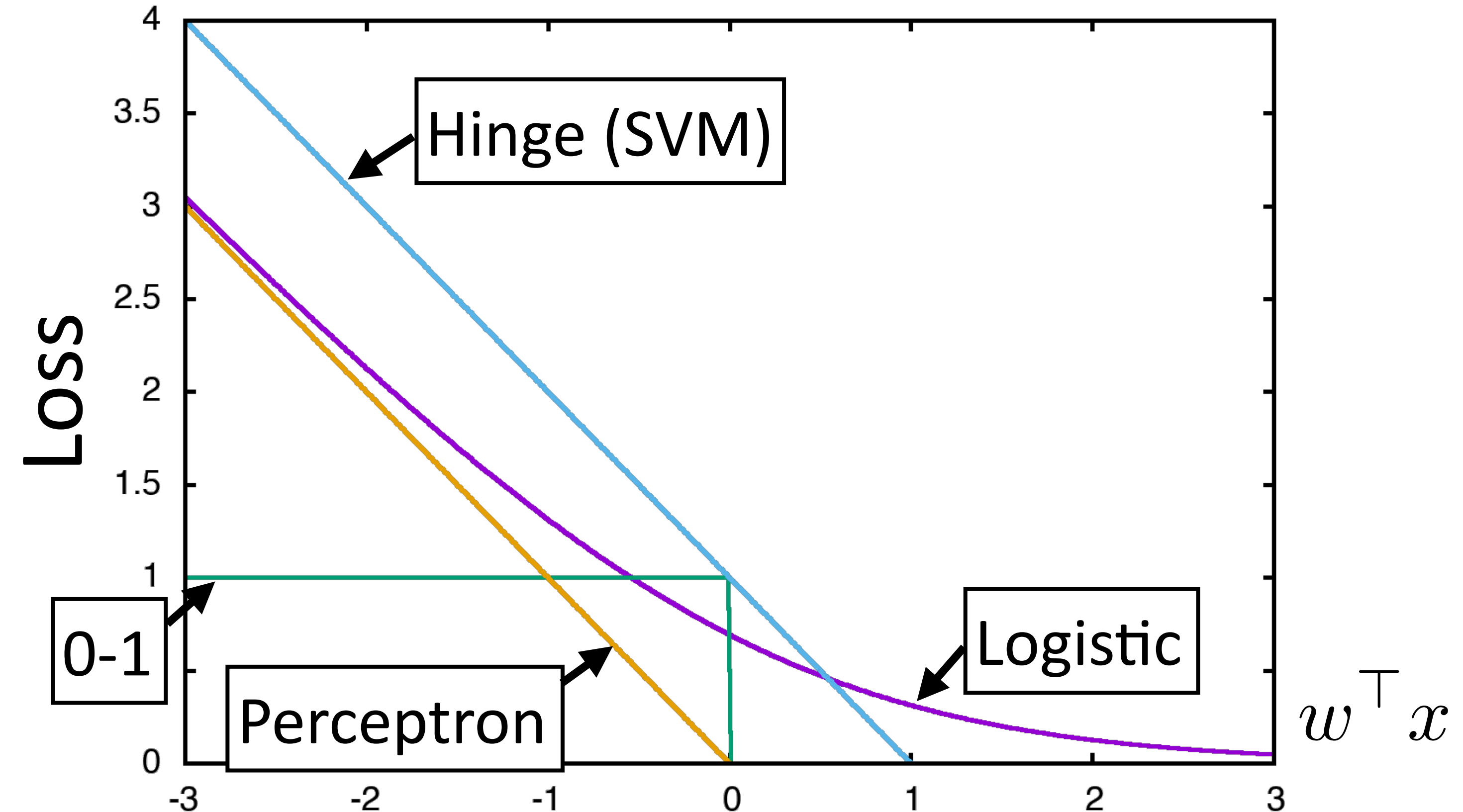
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# Comparing Gradient Updates (Reference)

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$y = 1$  for pos,  
0 for neg

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$(2y - 1)x$  if classified incorrectly

0 else

SVM

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# Optimization — next time...

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► Logistic regression:  $P(y = 1|x) = \frac{\exp(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i)}{(1 + \exp(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i))}$

Decision rule:  $P(y = 1|x) \geq 0.5 \Leftrightarrow w^\top x \geq 0$

Gradient (unregularized):  $x(y - P(y = 1|x))$

► SVM:

Decision rule:  $w^\top x \geq 0$

(Sub)gradient (unregularized): 0 if correct with margin of 1, else  $x(2y - 1)$

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