

MACHINE LEARNING LAB

SUPPORT VECTOR MACHINE

WEEK-10

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SECTION: 5C

Moons Dataset Questions:

1. Inferences about the Linear Kernel's performance.
 - Linear kernel performs poorly on the Moons dataset (accuracy ~87%)
 - Cannot capture the non-linear relationship between the two interlocking half-moons
 - Creates a straight-line decision boundary that cannot properly separate the curved moon shapes
 - Struggles with the non-linearly separable nature of this synthetic dataset
 - Demonstrates the limitation of linear kernels when data has complex, curved patterns
2. Comparison between RBF and Polynomial kernel decision boundaries.
 - RBF kernel (accuracy ~97%) creates smooth, curved boundaries that naturally follow the moon shapes
 - Polynomial kernel (accuracy ~89%) creates more angular, polynomial-shaped boundaries
 - RBF captures the data shape more naturally because it can create smooth curves and circles
 - RBF is more flexible in adapting to the specific curvature of the moons
 - Polynomial kernel tends to create more rigid, mathematical curve patterns that don't fit as well

Banknote Dataset Questions:

1. Which kernel was most effective for this dataset?
 - RBF kernel was most effective (accuracy ~93%)
 - Linear kernel performed well (accuracy ~88%) but not as good as RBF
 - Polynomial kernel underperformed (accuracy ~84%)
 - RBF kernel was able to capture the subtle non-linear patterns in the banknote features
2. Why might the Polynomial kernel have underperformed here?
 - Banknote data is more linearly separable than the Moons dataset
 - Polynomial kernel may be overfitting to the training data with its complex polynomial curves
 - The data doesn't have the same curved structure as the Moons dataset
 - Polynomial kernel's complexity is unnecessary for this relatively simple separation task
 - RBF kernel's smooth boundaries work better for the banknote feature space

Hard vs. Soft Margin Questions:

1. Which margin (soft or hard) is wider?
 - Soft margin ($C=0.1$) produces a wider margin
 - Hard margin ($C=100$) produces a narrower margin
 - Soft margin allows more space between the decision boundary and support vectors
 - Hard margin tries to maximize the margin while still classifying all points correctly
2. Why does the soft margin model allow "mistakes"?
 - Primary goal is better generalization, not perfect training accuracy
 - Trades some training accuracy for better performance on new data
 - More robust to outliers and noise in the dataset
 - Prevents overfitting by not forcing perfect classification of every training point
 - Creates a more stable decision boundary that's less sensitive to individual data points
3. Which model is more likely to be overfitting and why?
 - Hard margin model ($C=100$) is more likely to overfit

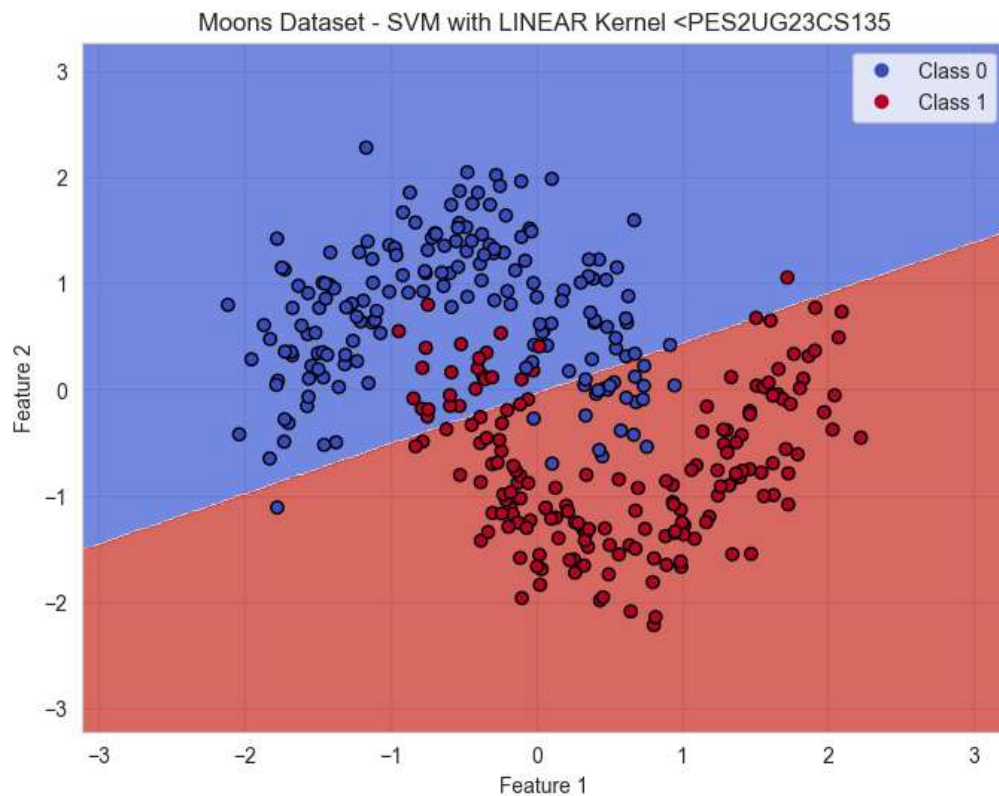
- Tries to classify every training point perfectly, including outliers
- Creates a very specific decision boundary that may not generalize well
- Sensitive to noise and outliers in the training data
- Less regularization means it can memorize the training data patterns

SCREENSHOTS:

MOONS DATASET:

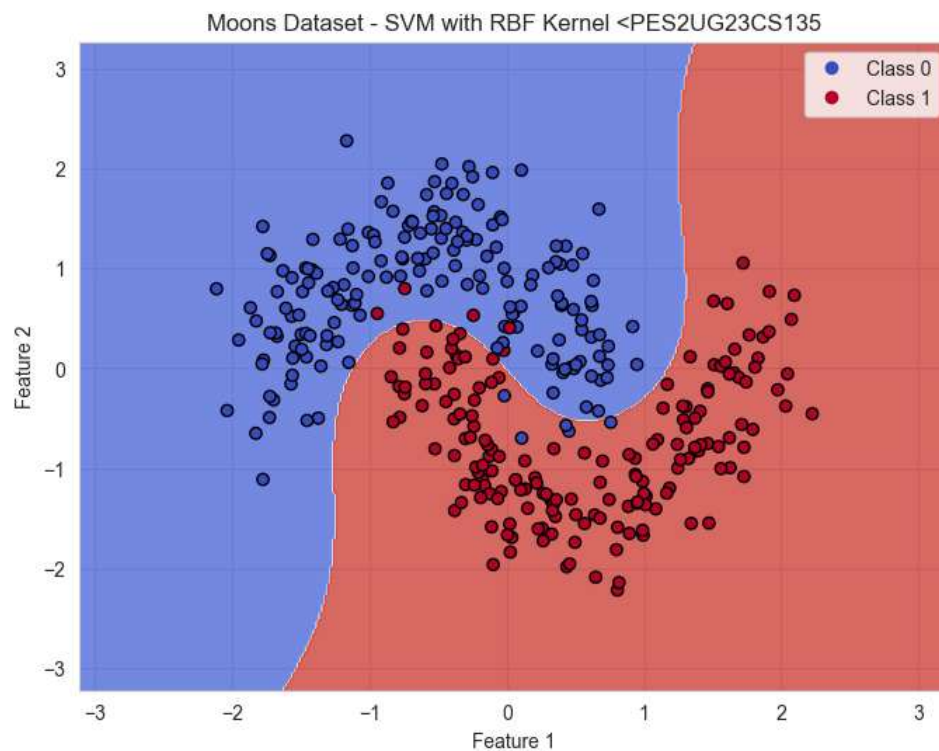
LINEAR KERNEL:

SVM with LINEAR Kernel <PES2UG23CS135>					
	precision	recall	f1-score	support	
0	0.85	0.89	0.87	75	
1	0.89	0.84	0.86	75	
accuracy			0.87	150	
macro avg	0.87	0.87	0.87	150	
weighted avg	0.87	0.87	0.87	150	



RBF KERNEL:

SVM with RBF Kernel <PES2UG23CS135>					
	precision	recall	f1-score	support	
0	0.95	1.00	0.97	75	
1	1.00	0.95	0.97	75	
accuracy			0.97	150	
macro avg	0.97	0.97	0.97	150	
weighted avg	0.97	0.97	0.97	150	

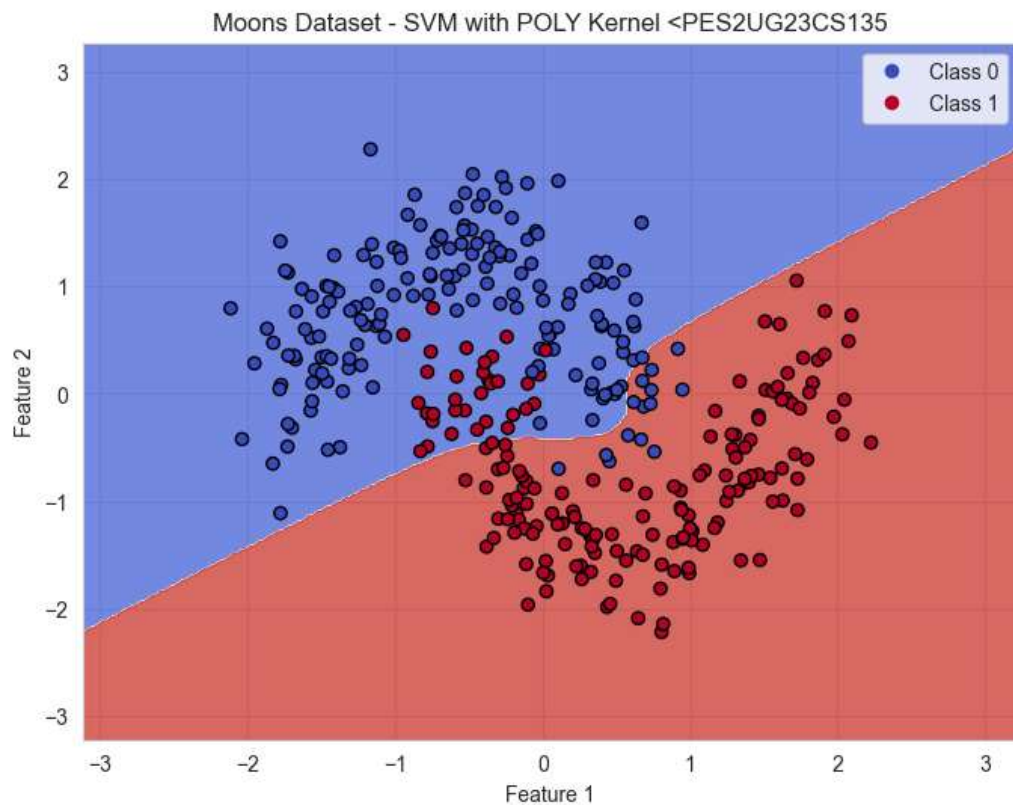


POLYNOMIAL KERNEL:

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SVM with POLY Kernel <PES2UG23CS135>
      precision    recall  f1-score   support

     0       0.85      0.95      0.89         75
     1       0.94      0.83      0.88         75

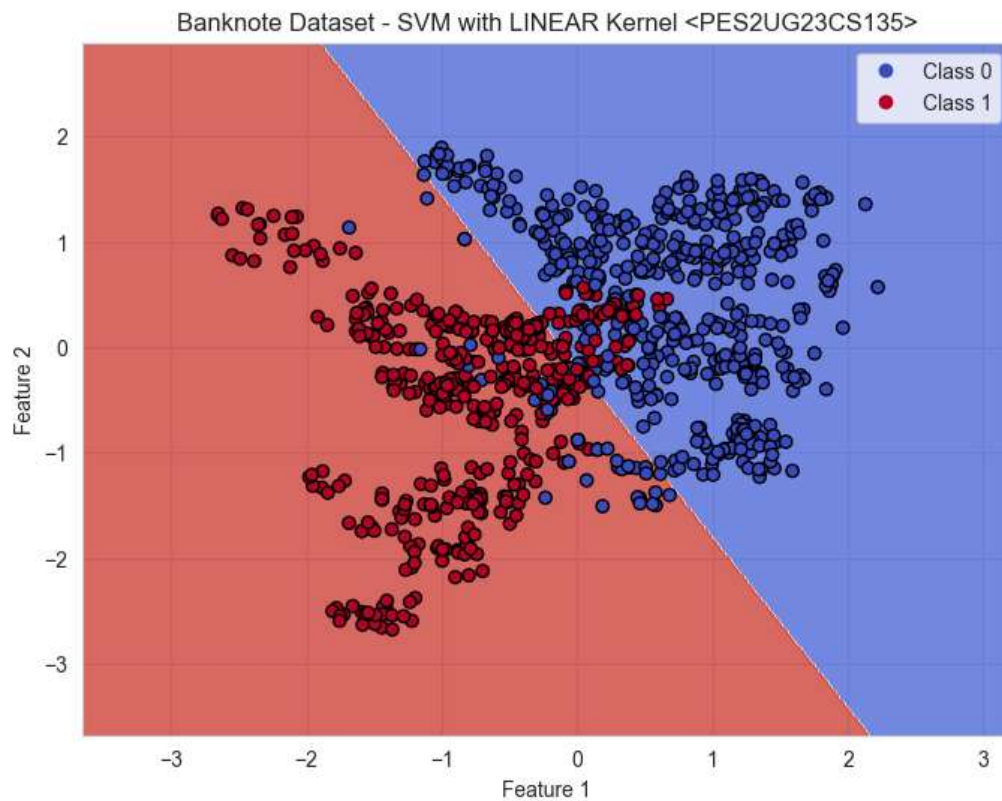
 accuracy          0.89         150
 macro avg          0.89      0.89      0.89         150
weighted avg          0.89      0.89      0.89         150
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Banknote Dataset:

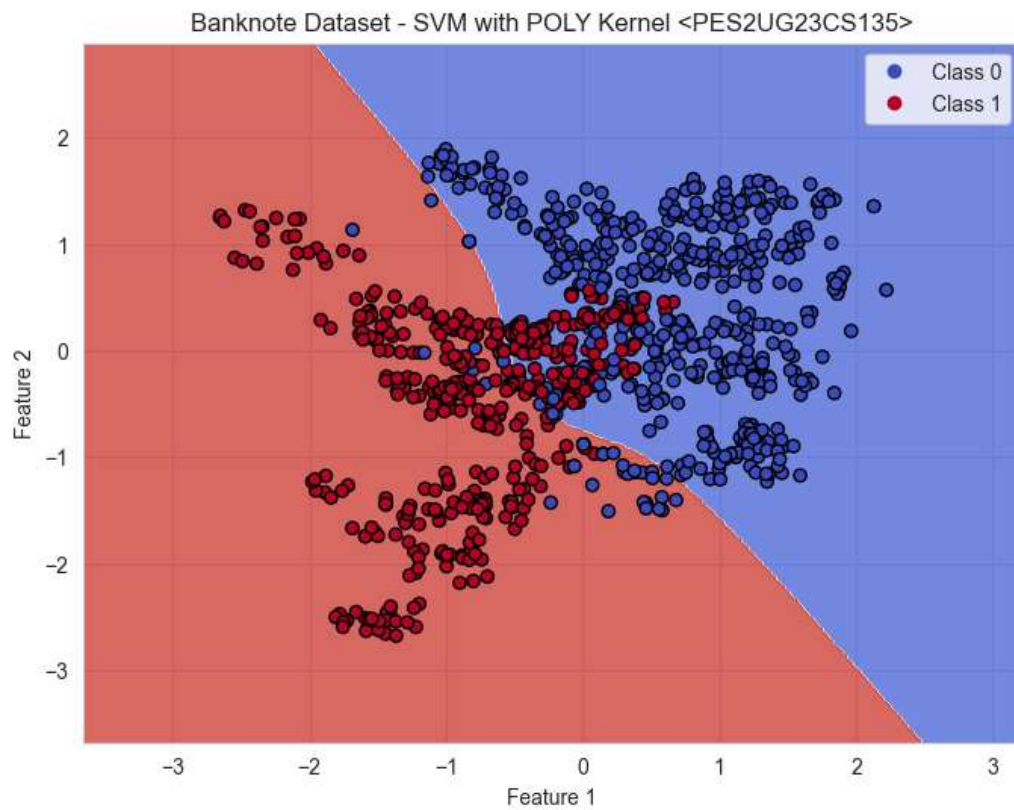
Linear Kernel:

SVM with LINEAR Kernel <PES2UG23CS135>				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
Forged	0.90	0.88	0.89	229
Genuine	0.86	0.88	0.87	183
accuracy			0.88	412
macro avg	0.88	0.88	0.88	412
weighted avg	0.88	0.88	0.88	412



Polynomial kernel:

SVM with POLY Kernel <PES2UG23CS135>				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
Forged	0.82	0.91	0.87	229
Genuine	0.87	0.75	0.81	183
accuracy			0.84	412
macro avg	0.85	0.83	0.84	412
weighted avg	0.85	0.84	0.84	412

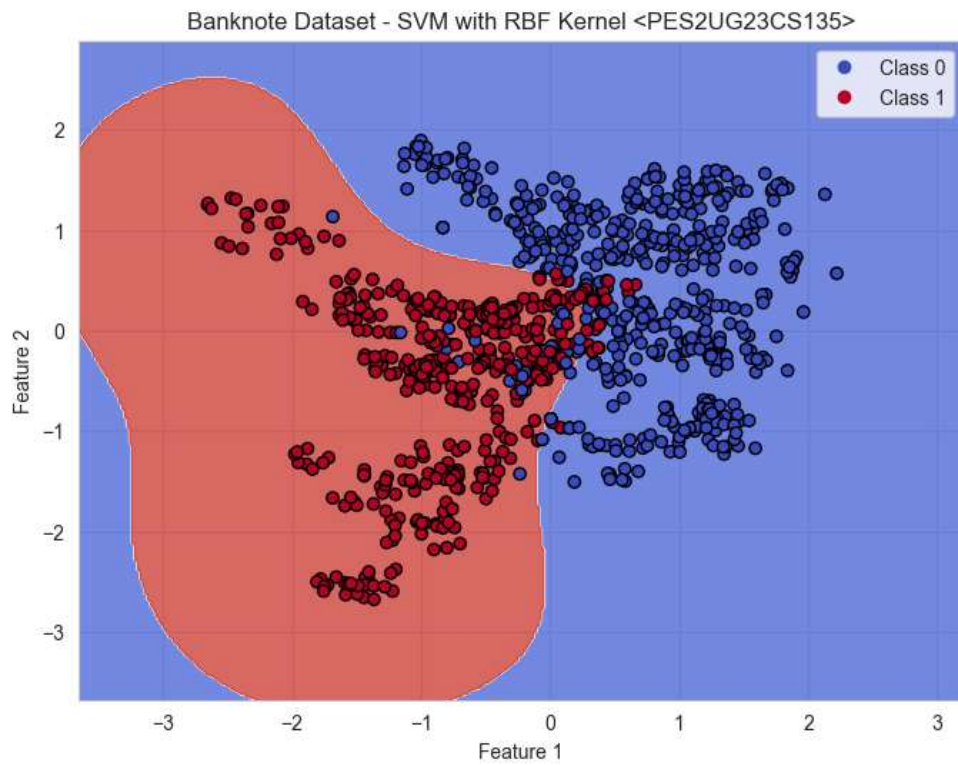


RBF Kernel:

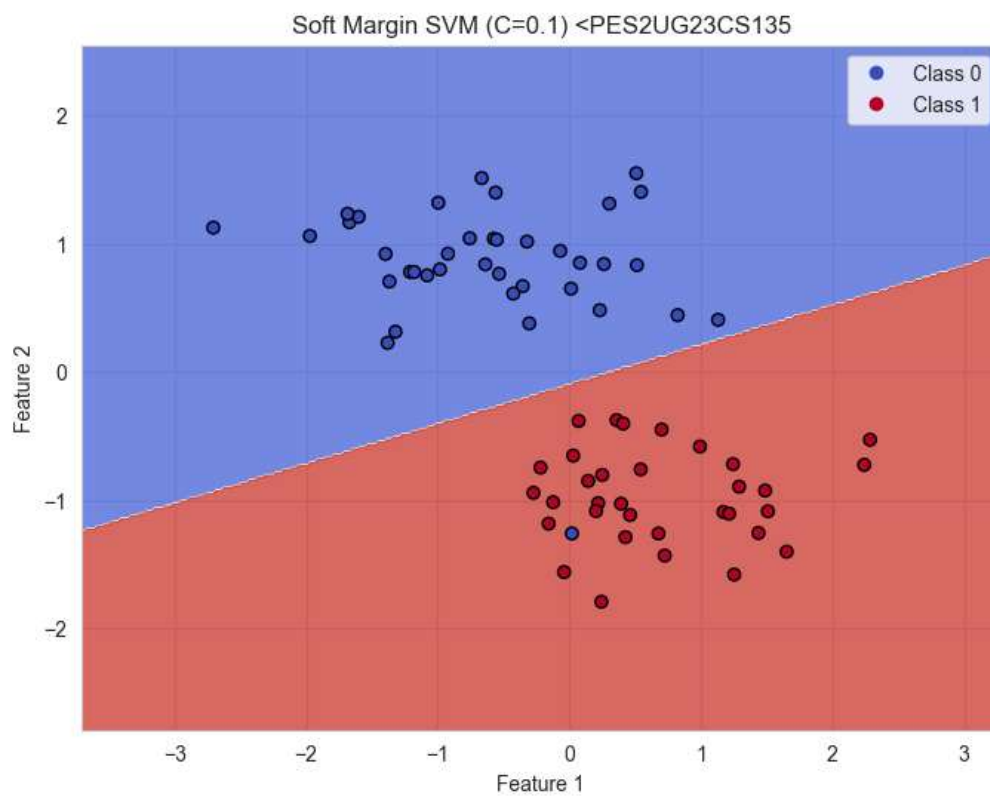
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SVM with RBF Kernel <PES2UG23CS135>
      precision    recall  f1-score   support

   Forged         0.96      0.91      0.94         229
   Genuine         0.90      0.96      0.93         183

 accuracy              0.93         412
 macro avg              0.93      0.93      0.93         412
weighted avg              0.93      0.93      0.93         412
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SOFT-MARGIN:



HARD-MARGIN:

