

Q & A: Linear Classification

Lecture Series „Machine Learning“

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$$\begin{aligned} p(y = 1 | \mathbf{x}_0, \boldsymbol{\theta}^*) &= \sigma(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{*\top} \mathbf{x}_0) \\ &= \sigma(-0.5) \\ &= \frac{\exp(-0.5)}{1 + \exp(-0.5)} \\ &\approx 0.378 \end{aligned}$$

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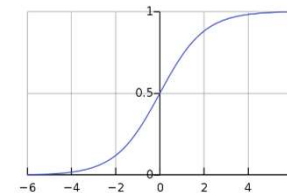
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- Solution:**

Both models have exactly the same classification accuracy. The reason is that both models make the same predictions, just with different confidence:

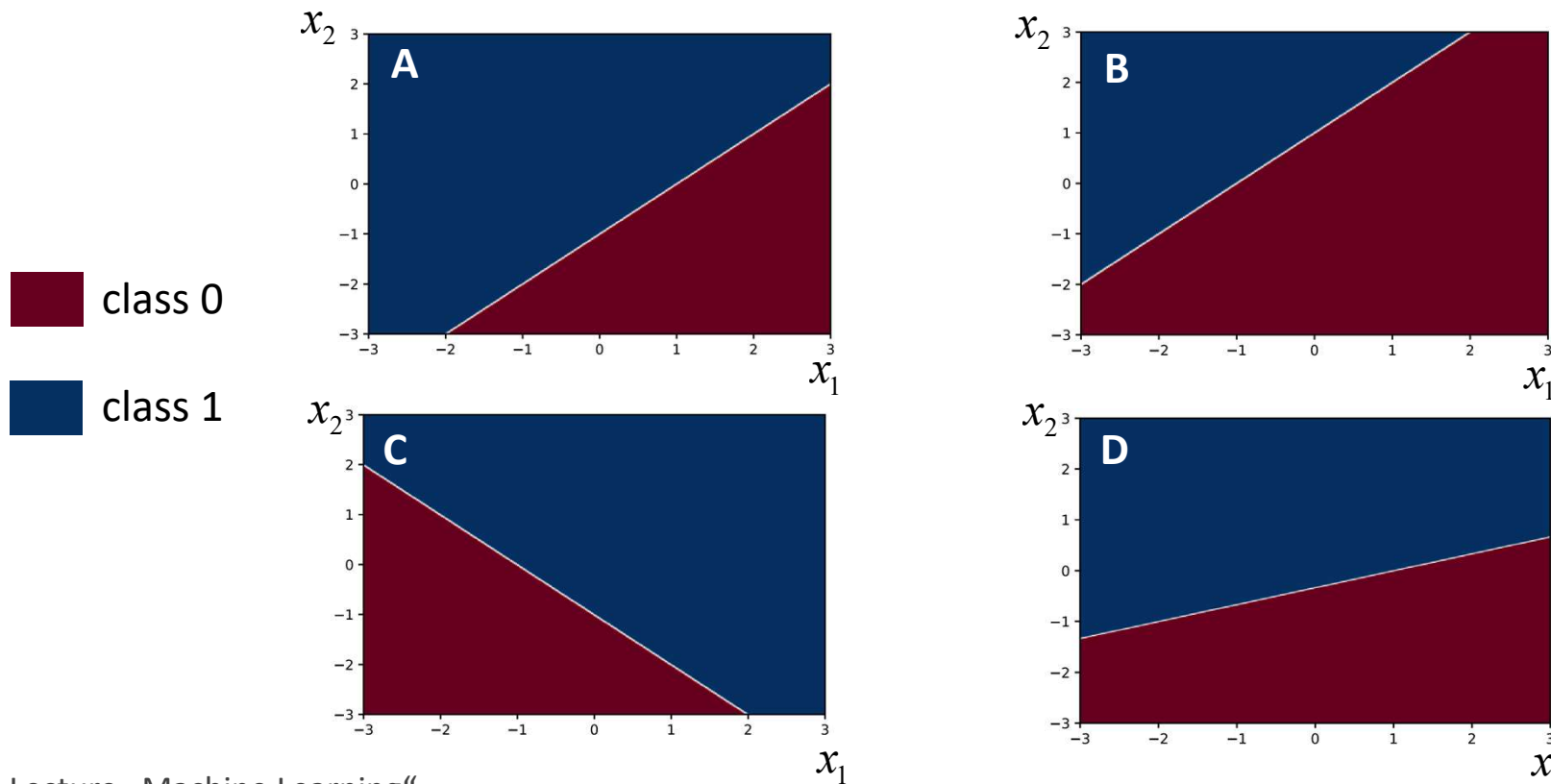
- A logistic regression model predicts the positive class if $p(y=1 | \mathbf{x}, \theta^*) \geq 0.5$, which is equivalent to $\mathbf{x}^T \theta \geq 0$
- Of course, $\mathbf{x}^T 2\theta \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}^T \theta \geq 0$



Quiz: Visualizing Linear Model

- Assume two dimensional data, $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$
- Which decision boundary matches the following binary logistic regression model:

$$f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma(-x_1 + x_2 + 1)$$



Solution: Visualizing Linear Model

- **Solution:**
- The points on the decision boundary are given by the condition

$$f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma(-x_1 + x_2 + 1) = 0.5$$

which implies

$$-x_1 + x_2 + 1 = 0.$$

- From this condition, we can derive the condition

$$x_2 = x_1 - 1.$$

- This is clearly the line in Figure A.

Solution: Visualizing Linear Model

- **Alternative Solution:**

- For the point $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$ the model predicts class 1:

$$f_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma(-(-3) + (-3) + 1) = \sigma(1) = \frac{e}{1+e} > 0.5$$

- Therefore, it has to be Figure A.