

$C$  defines the violation allowed. But in practice  $C$  is a variable chosen through cross-validation.

$C$  controls the bias-variance tradeoff...

$C \downarrow$  low bias, high variance

$C \uparrow$  high bias, low variance.

## Support vector machines

The examples that we took were for 2-class model and for linear factors. What if we had non-linear factors.

$$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p$$

and

$$X_1^2, X_2^2, \dots, X_p^2.$$

we would then maximize

$$\max_{\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_p} \quad M \quad \text{subject to}$$

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$$y_i \left( \beta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_{j1} X_{ij} + \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_{j2} X_{ij}^2 \right) \geq M(1 - \epsilon_i)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_i \leq C, \quad \epsilon_i \geq 0, \quad \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^2 \beta_{jk}^2 = 1.$$

This would yield a non-linear decision boundary.

So support vector machine is an enlargement of support vector classifiers.