

The linear regression model was chosen due to the apparent linear trend in the data, with the fitted line closely following the central tendency of the data points.

(a)

I used a polynomial regression model to capture the non-linear trend observed in the data. The second-degree polynomial provide a good fit, modeling the curvature observed among the data points without appearing to overfit. I choose the degree of polynomial as 2 because it was the capturing the pattern keeping the model simple.

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I used a linear SVM, and the resulting decision boundary shows a good separation of the two classes. This model choice is supported by initial value assessment that the classes are fairly linearly separable.