Linear models are great

- I lied to you in the (linear) regression example:
 For small enough data sets, you can one-shot the solution!
 (compute it explicitly in a single iteration, no need for iterative methods like GD)
- Use some algebra and find:

Feature maps

Feature maps

Why not perform the opposite of PCA?

Poor model (not very expressive/complex)?

- → increase complexity by adding input features!
- → But how? Can I make up additional data features?
- A simple spatial transformation (a map)

$$\phi: \mathbb{R}^D \to \mathbb{R}^{D'}, \quad \vec{x}_i \mapsto \vec{\phi}(\vec{x}_i), \quad D < D'$$

e.g. polynomial feature maps

Data standardization is the simplest example:

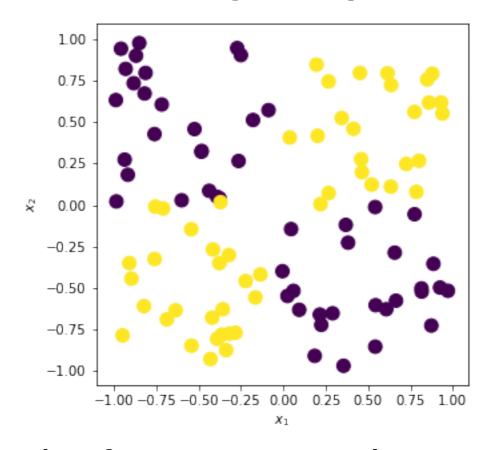
for a fixed
$$\vec{x} = \vec{x}_n$$
, $\vec{\phi}(\vec{x}_{(D)}) = (\phi_1(x_1), \phi_2(x_2), \dots, \phi_D(x_D))^T$

$$\phi_d(x_{nd}) = \frac{x_{nd} - m_d}{s_d} \qquad m_d = \langle x_{nd} \rangle_n = \frac{1}{N} \sum_n x_{nd}$$

$$s_d = \sigma(x_{nd})_n = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_n (x_{nd} - m_d)^2}$$

(subtract by the mean, divide by the standard deviation, each component independently)

Can you *linearly* separate this?



The famous XOR data set

Answer: yes you can!! (in a sense)

→ want to see a magic trick ?

Your first feature map

→ we can make up new features!
(By combining the original ones)

For instance: D=3, D'=10

$$\vec{x}^{(n)} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)^{(n)} \longrightarrow \phi(\vec{x}^{(n)})$$

$$\vec{\phi}(\vec{x}) = (1, \sqrt{2}x_1, \sqrt{2}x_2, \sqrt{2}x_3, \sqrt{2}x_1x_2, \sqrt{2}x_1x_3, \sqrt{2}x_2x_3, x_1^2, x_2^2, x_3^2)$$

Why these weird coefficients? Because: (check it)

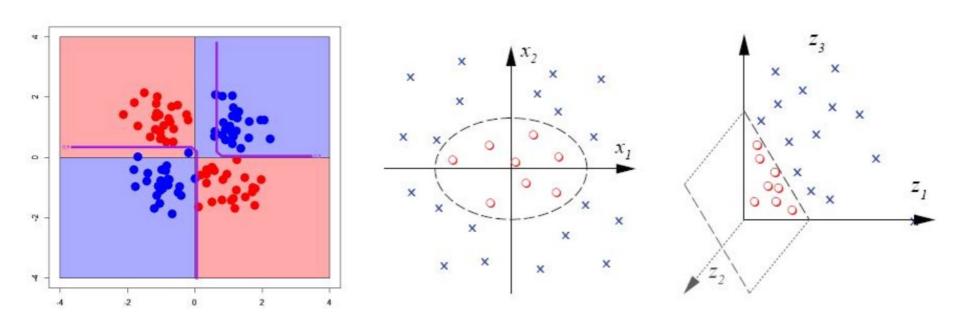
$$\vec{\phi}(x) \cdot \vec{\phi}(x') = (1 + \vec{x} \cdot \vec{x'})^2$$

→ equivalent to using a new definition of the scalar product:

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{x}' \mapsto K(x, x') = \phi(x)\phi(x')$$

Other feature maps

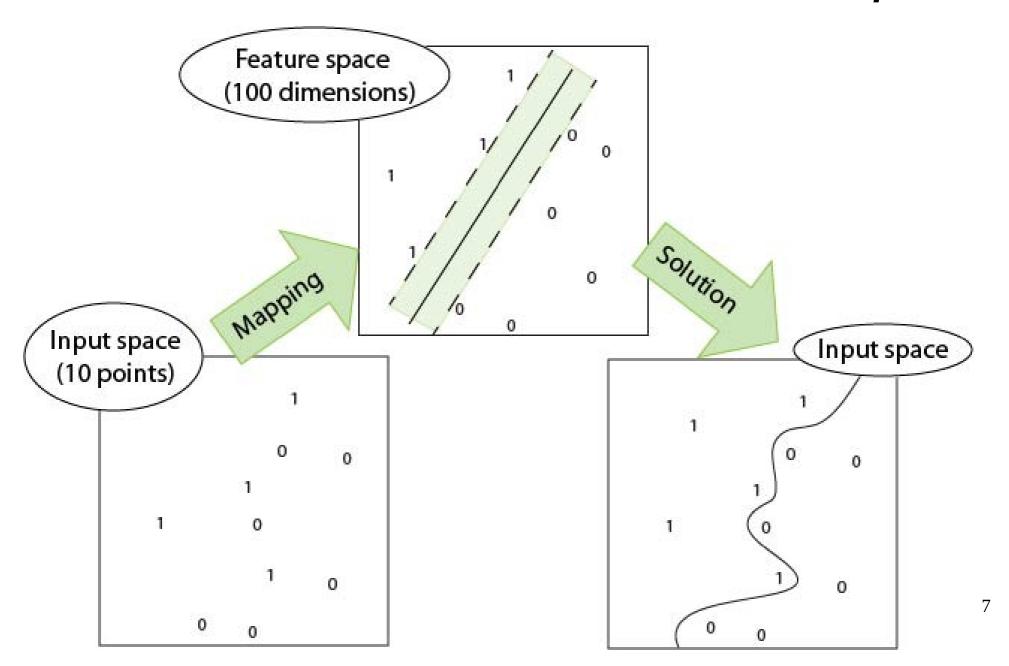
What about these data sets:



(separable, but not *linearly* separable a priori)

- → But in sufficiently higher dimensional spaces, data sets are always linearly separable
- \rightarrow Be careful: the **number of parameters** (complexity C) can quickly **explode** with D, P.

Intuitive Sketch of feature maps



References:

- a very clear explanation for *feature maps*:

https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/linear_model.html#polynomial-regression

- *Bishop book*, page 291-294 (section 6.1)
- our next classes, when we'll talk about Kernels

Before the tutorial a word on the *sklearn* logic

Scikit-learn Logic

- A word on sklearn: https://sklearn.org/tutorial/basic/tutorial.html
- Model = a python class
- Most models have some key methods:
 - fit(X,y) (or fit(X) when unsupervised)
 - predict(x)
 - score (often)
 - set_params (actually for changing hyper-params)
 - etc
- The logic is sound : understanding it makes you understand ML in general!