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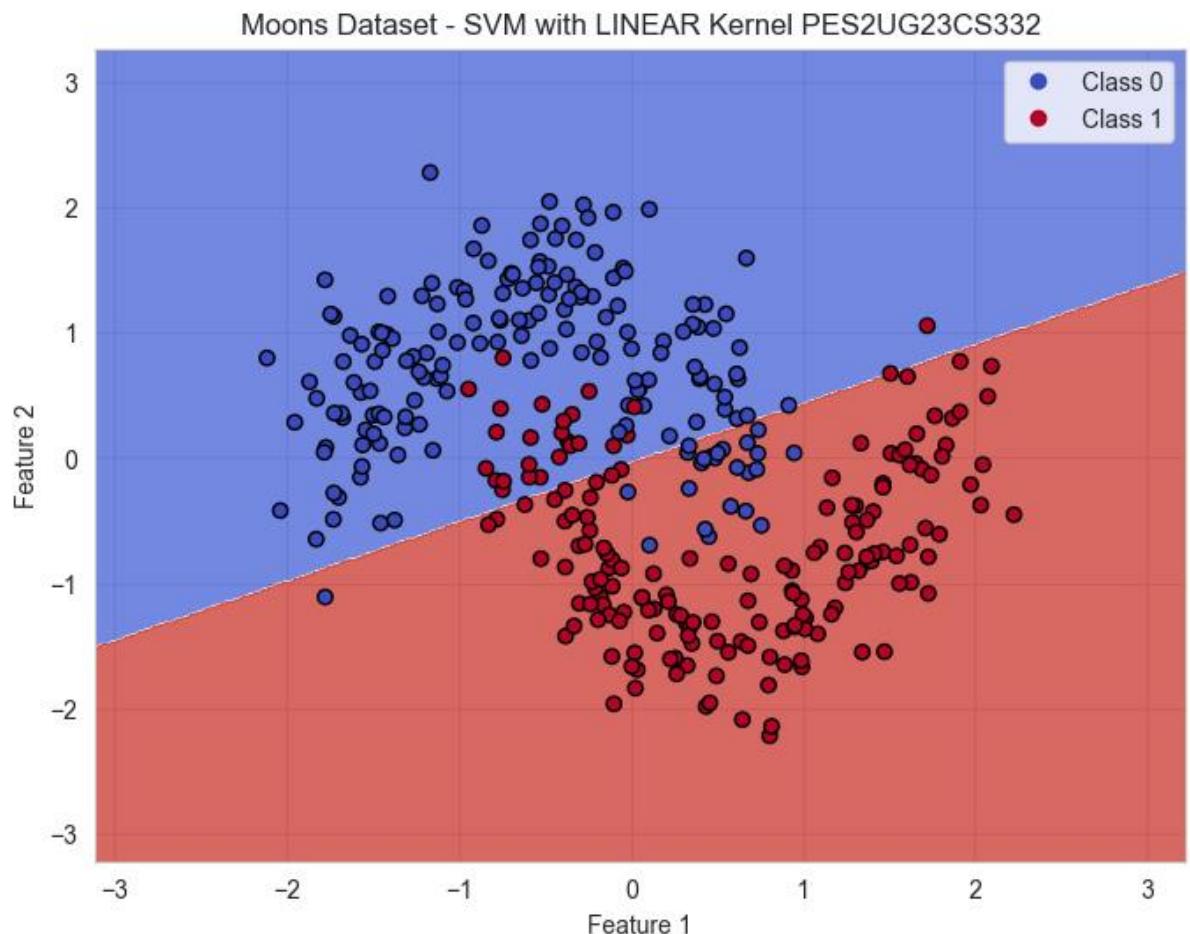
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**1. Which kernel was most effective for this dataset?**

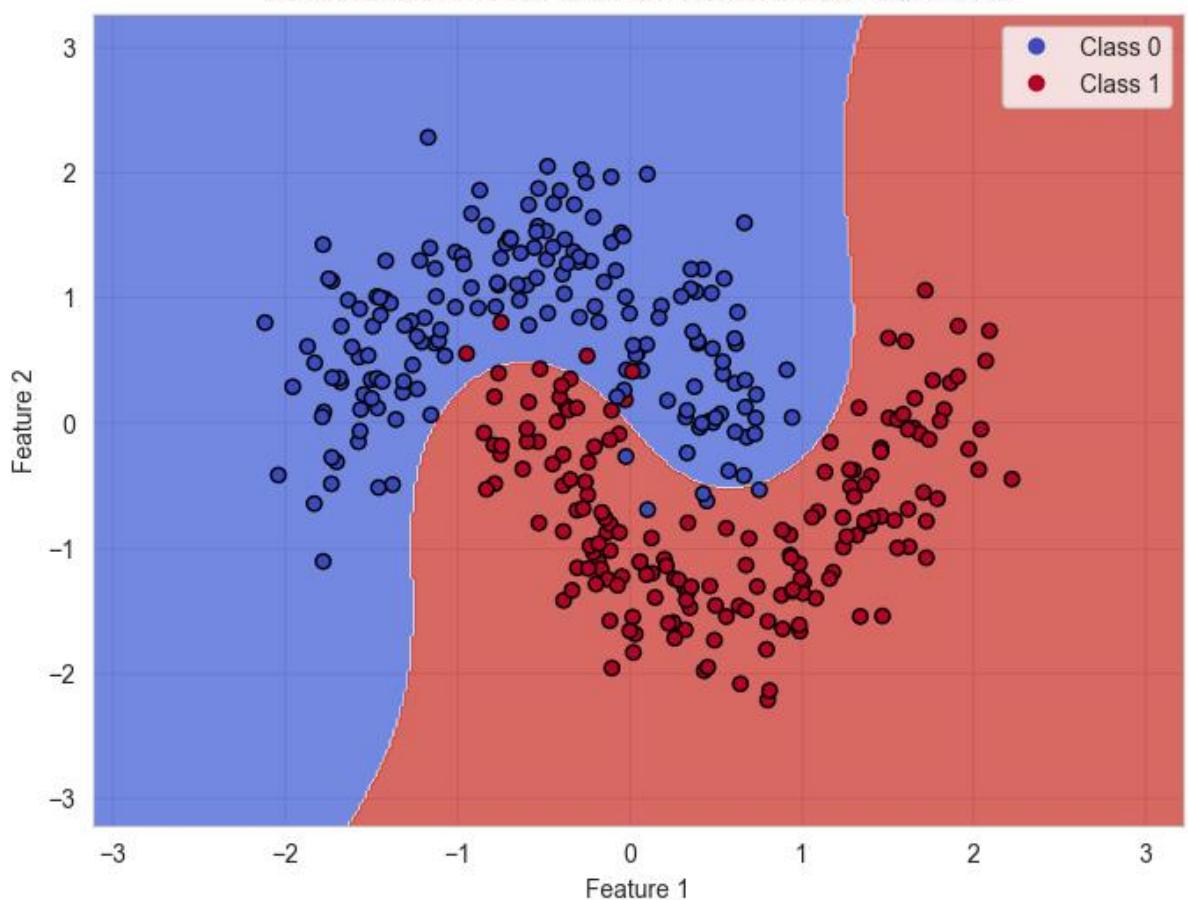
The RBF kernel performed best on the Moons dataset, as it captured the non-linear shape of the data and achieved higher classification accuracy compared to the linear and polynomial kernels.

**2. Why might the Polynomial kernel have underperformed here?**

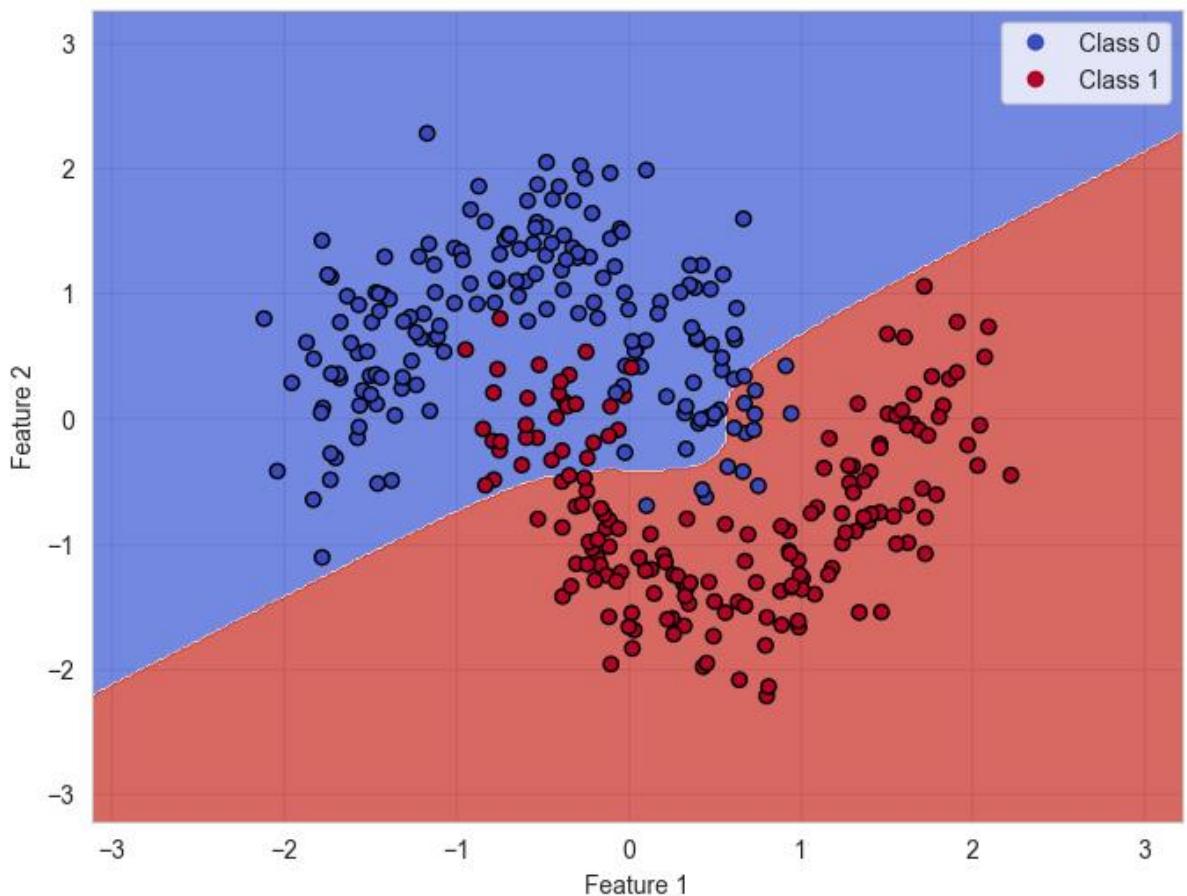
The Polynomial kernel tends to overfit when data is noisy or non-linearly separable with irregular boundaries, which causes it to perform worse than the RBF kernel for the Moons dataset.



Moons Dataset - SVM with RBF Kernel PES2UG23CS332



Moons Dataset - SVM with POLY Kernel PES2UG23CS332



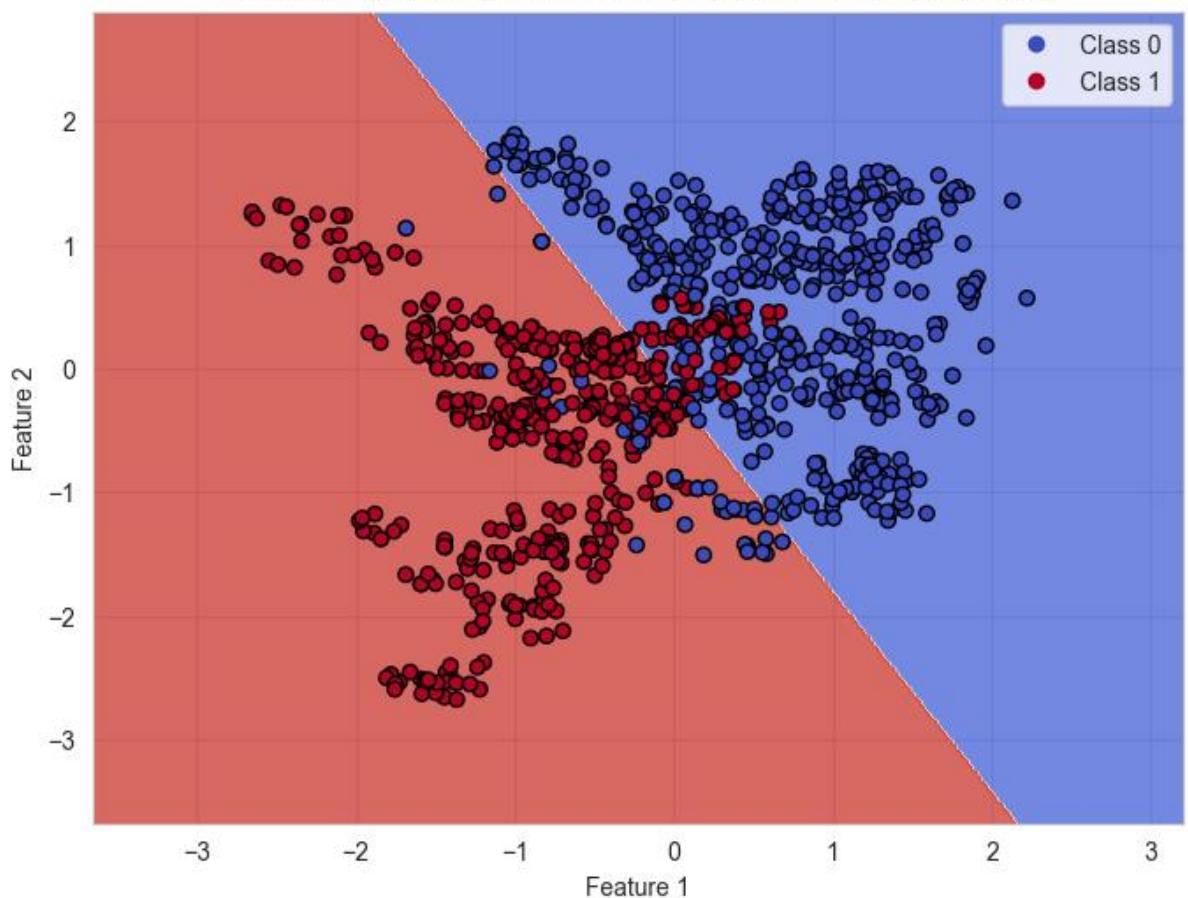
**3. Which kernel was most effective for this dataset?**

The Linear kernel performed best for the Banknote dataset because the data is nearly linearly separable, allowing a simple hyperplane to classify the samples accurately.

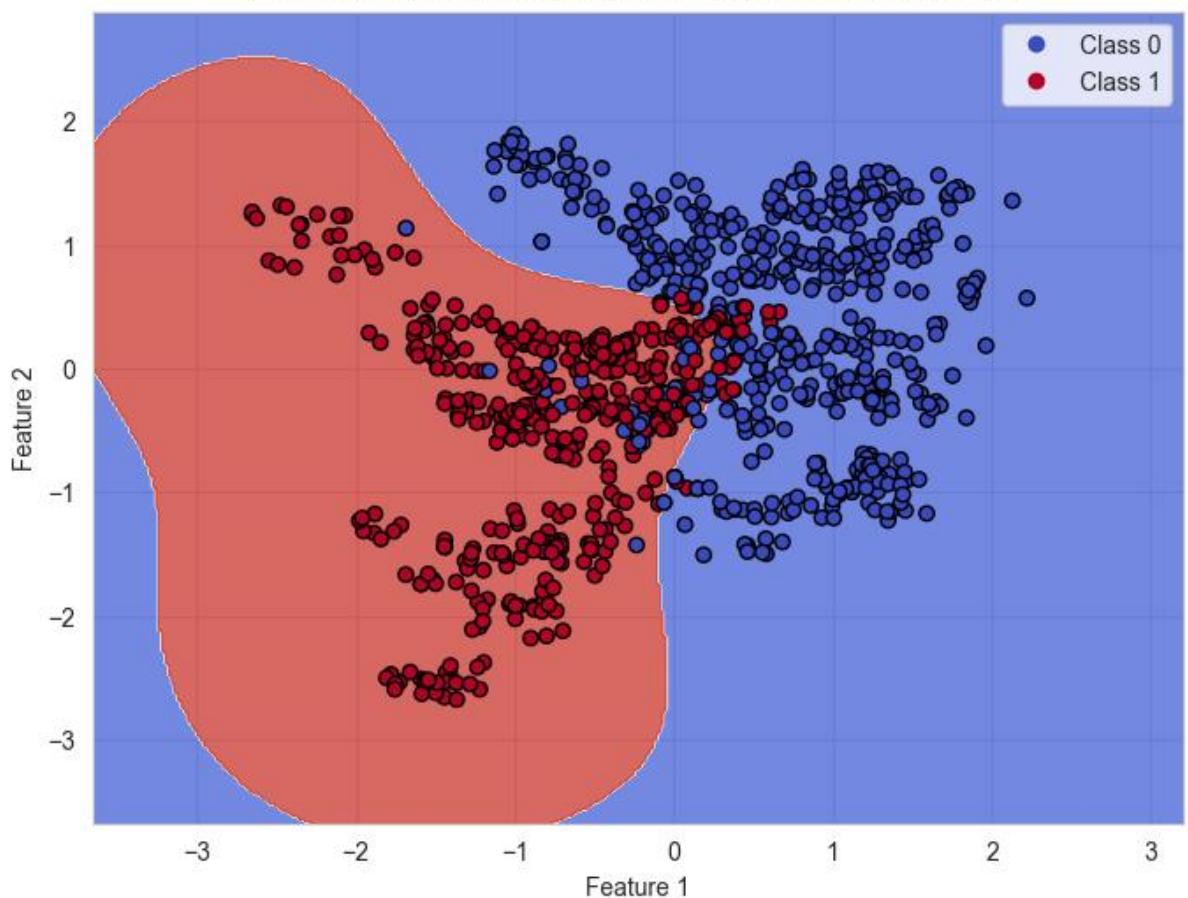
**4. Why might the Polynomial kernel have underperformed here?**

The Polynomial kernel introduced unnecessary complexity for a dataset that is linearly separable, leading to slight overfitting and reduced generalization on the test set.

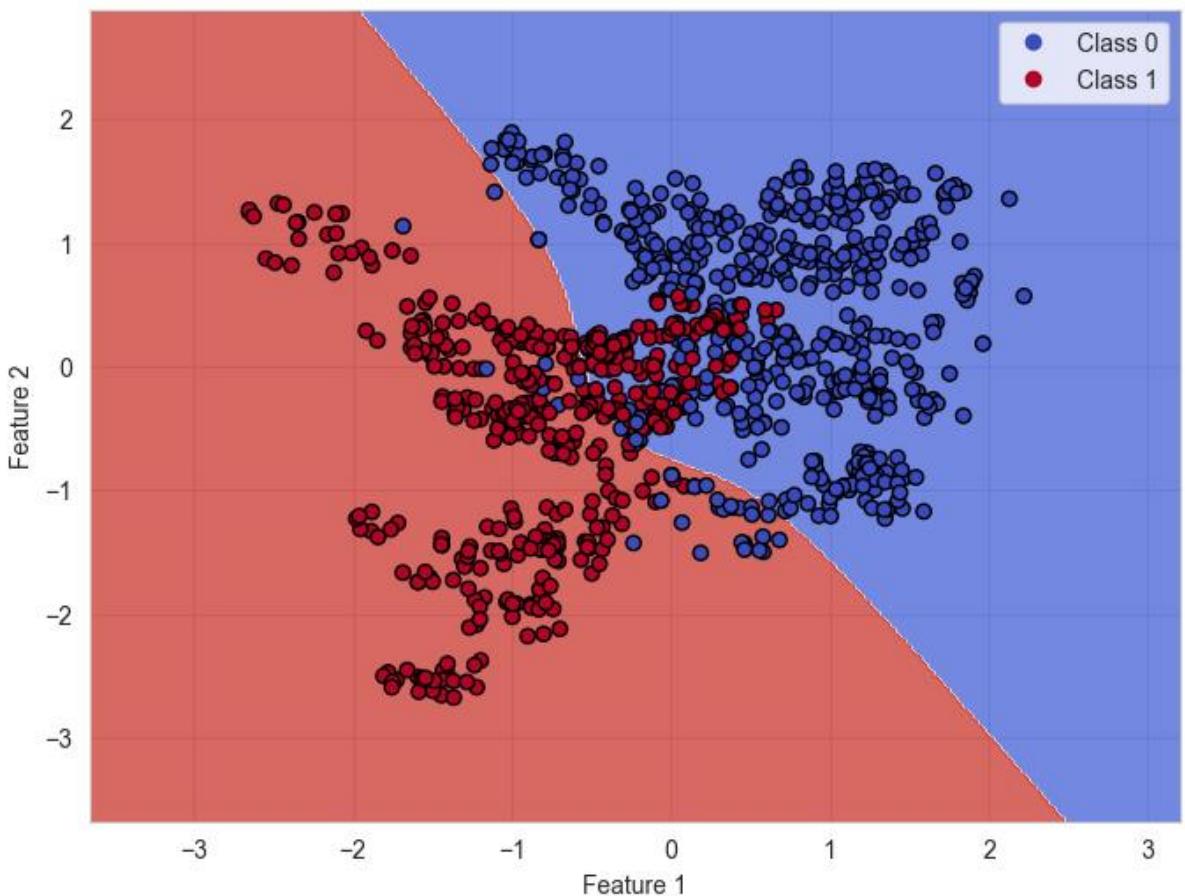
Banknote Dataset - SVM with LINEAR Kernel PES2UG23CS332



Banknote Dataset - SVM with RBF Kernel PES2UG23CS332



Banknote Dataset - SVM with POLY Kernel PES2UG23CS332



**5. Which margin (soft or hard) is wider?**

The soft margin ( $C=0.1$ ) produces a wider margin because it allows more flexibility and tolerance for misclassifications.

**6. Why does the soft margin model allow “mistakes”?**

The soft margin SVM trades off perfect classification for a larger margin, improving generalization by allowing some misclassified points near or within the margin

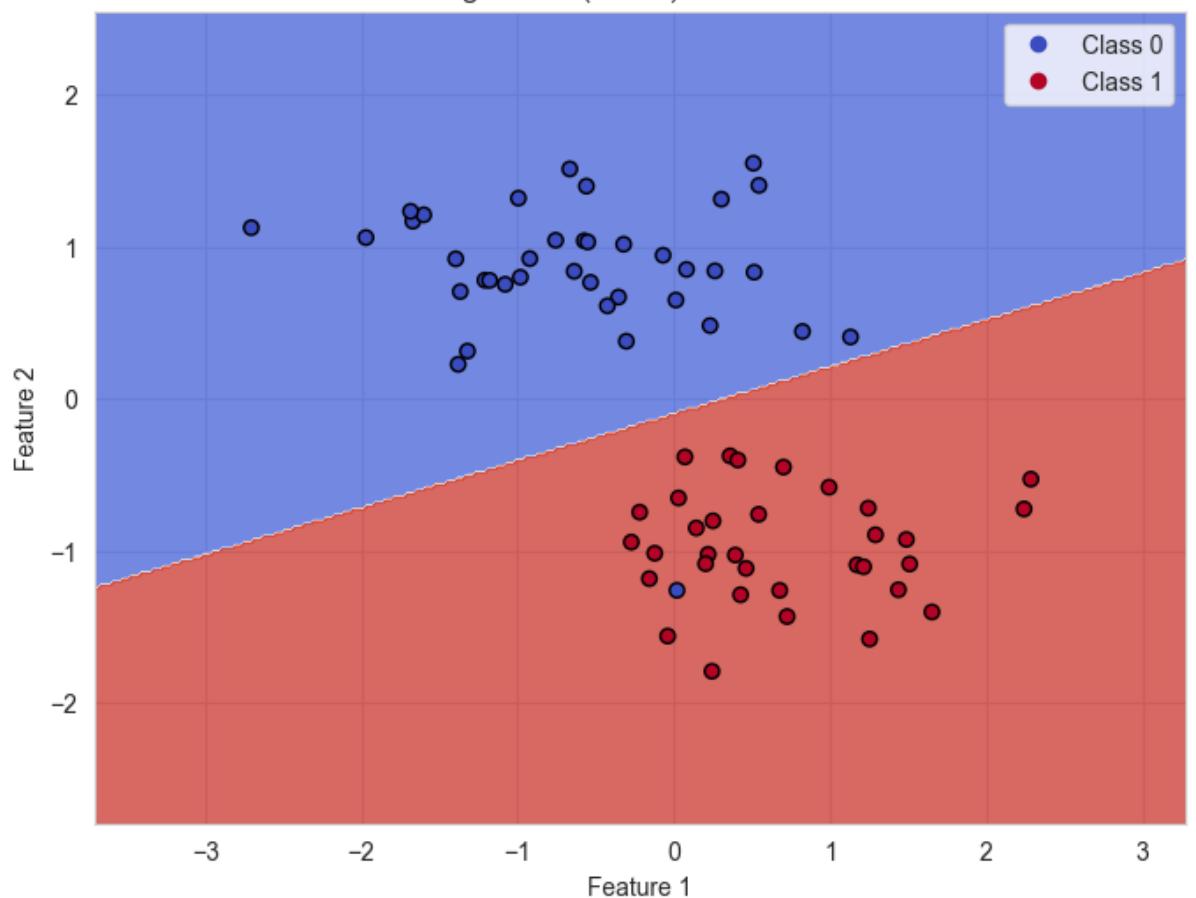
**7. Which model is more likely to be overfitting and why?**

The hard margin SVM ( $C=100$ ) is more likely to overfit since it forces perfect classification on training data, making it sensitive to noise and outliers.

**8. Which model would you trust more for new data and why?**

The soft margin SVM ( $C=0.1$ ) is more reliable for unseen data because it generalizes better by avoiding overfitting to training samples.

Soft Margin SVM (C=0.1) PES2UG23CS332



Hard Margin SVM (C=100) PES2UG23CS332

