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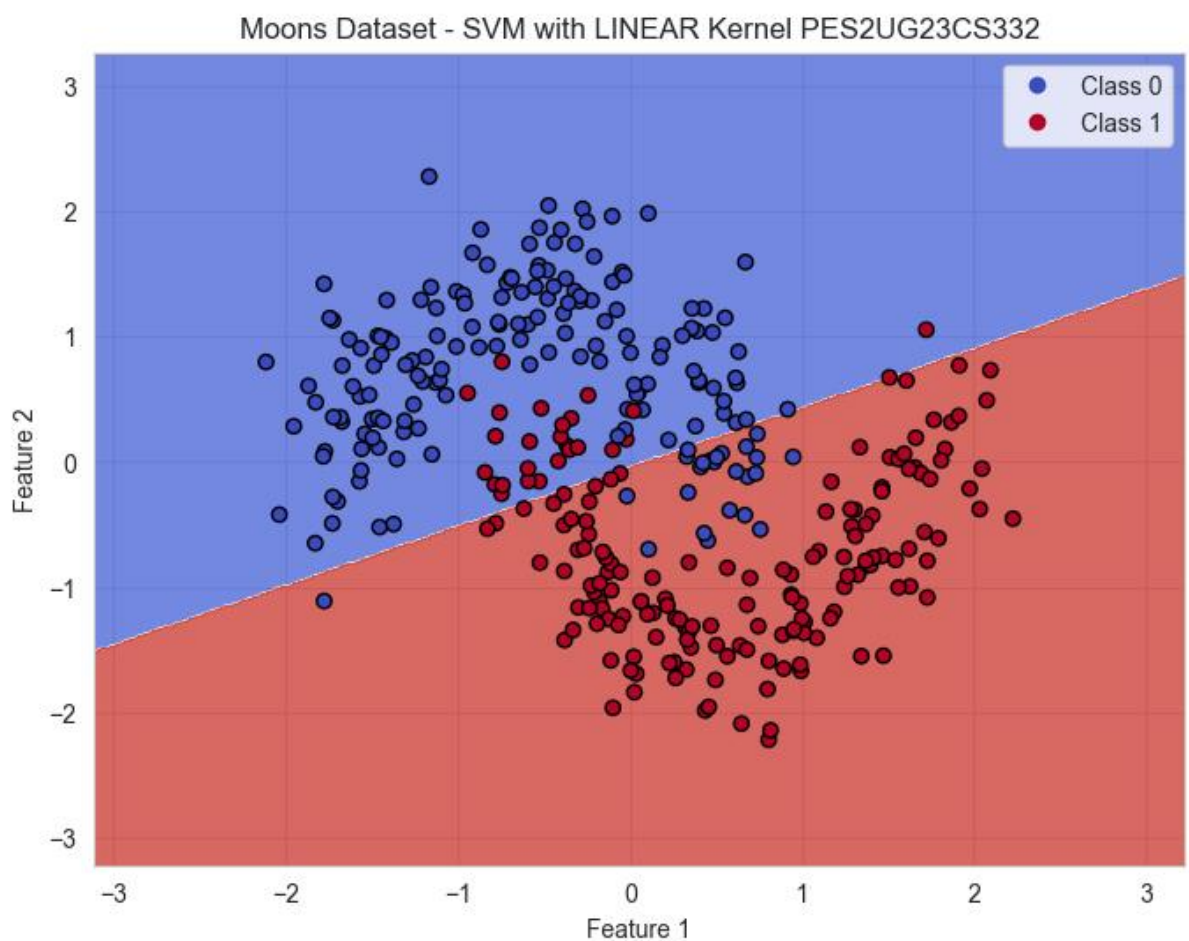
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1. Which kernel was most effective for this dataset?

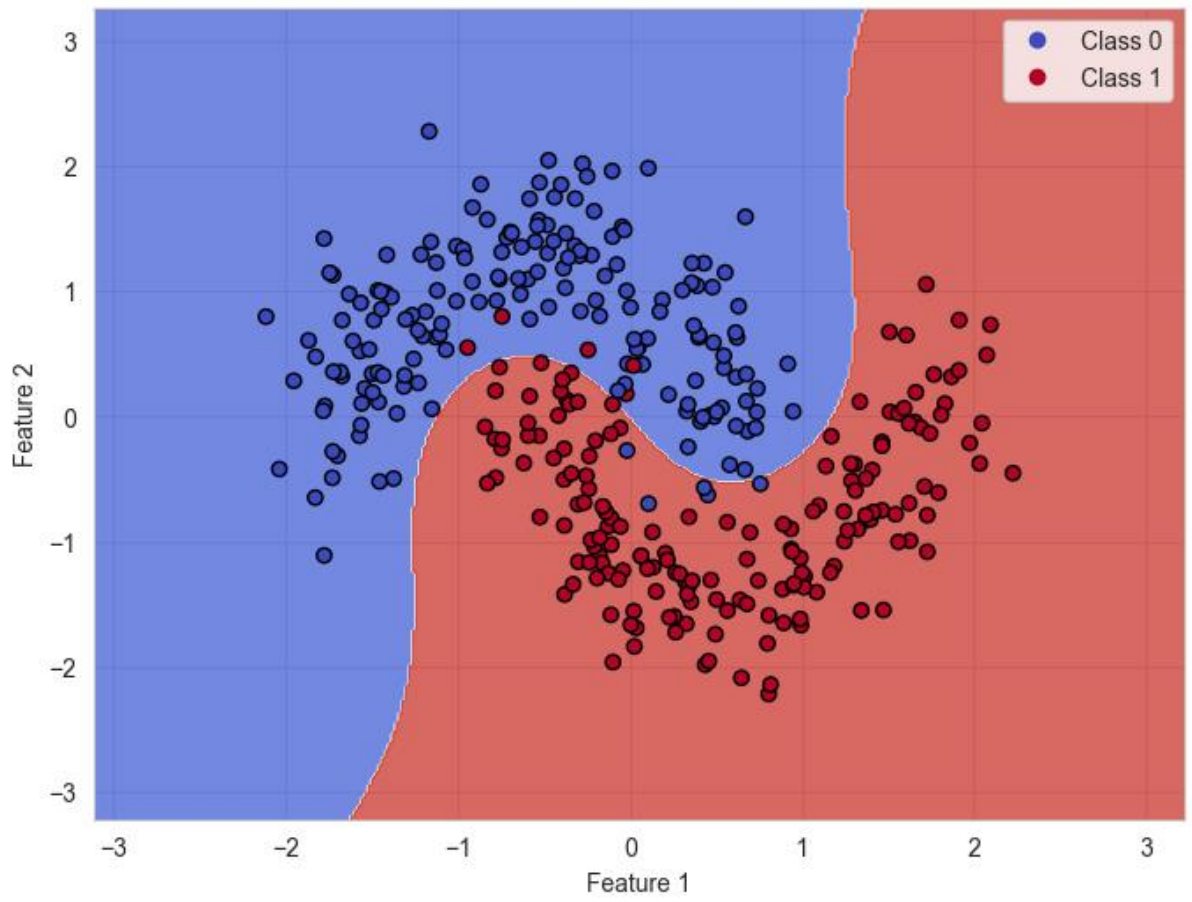
The RBF kernel performed best on the Moons dataset, as it captured the non-linear shape of the data and achieved higher classification accuracy compared to the linear and polynomial kernels.

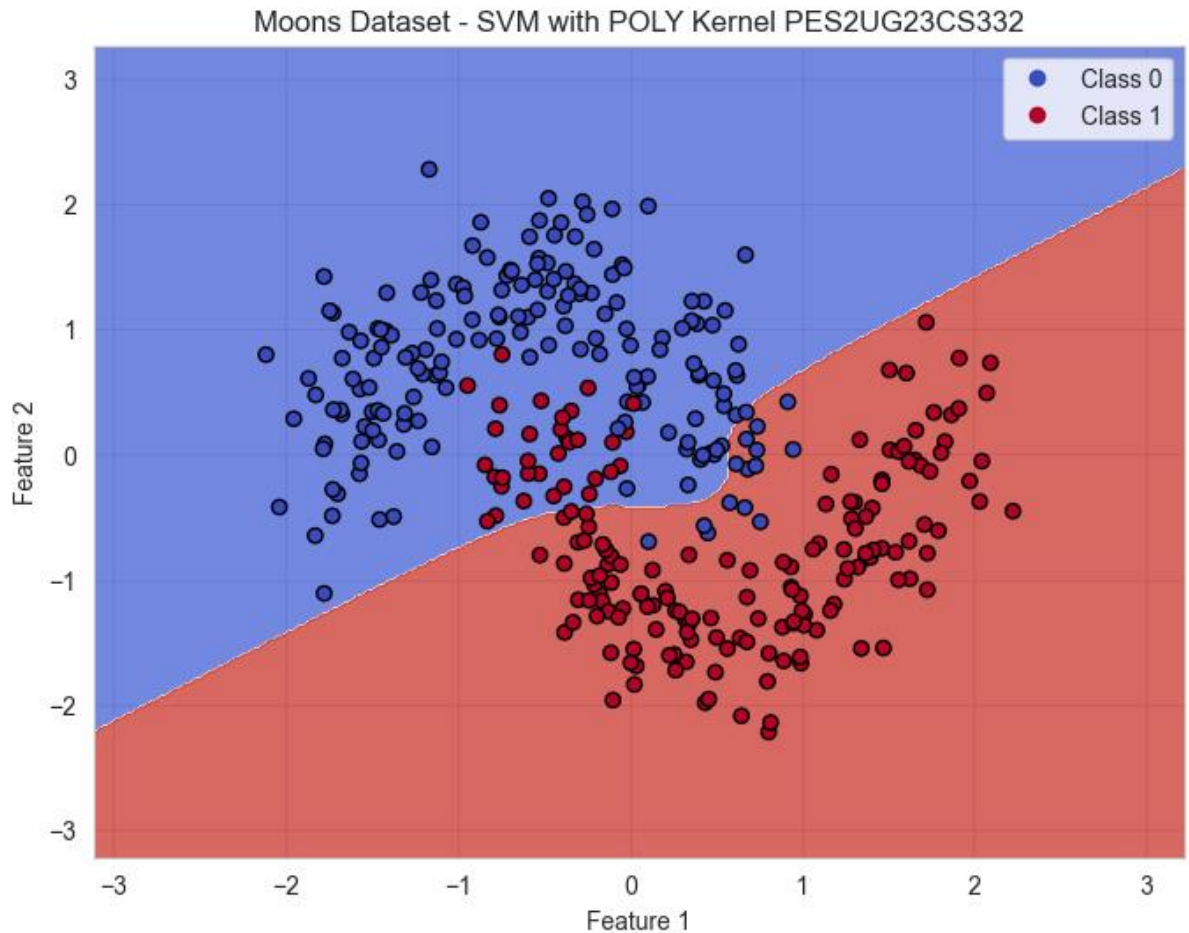
2. Why might the Polynomial kernel have underperformed here?

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





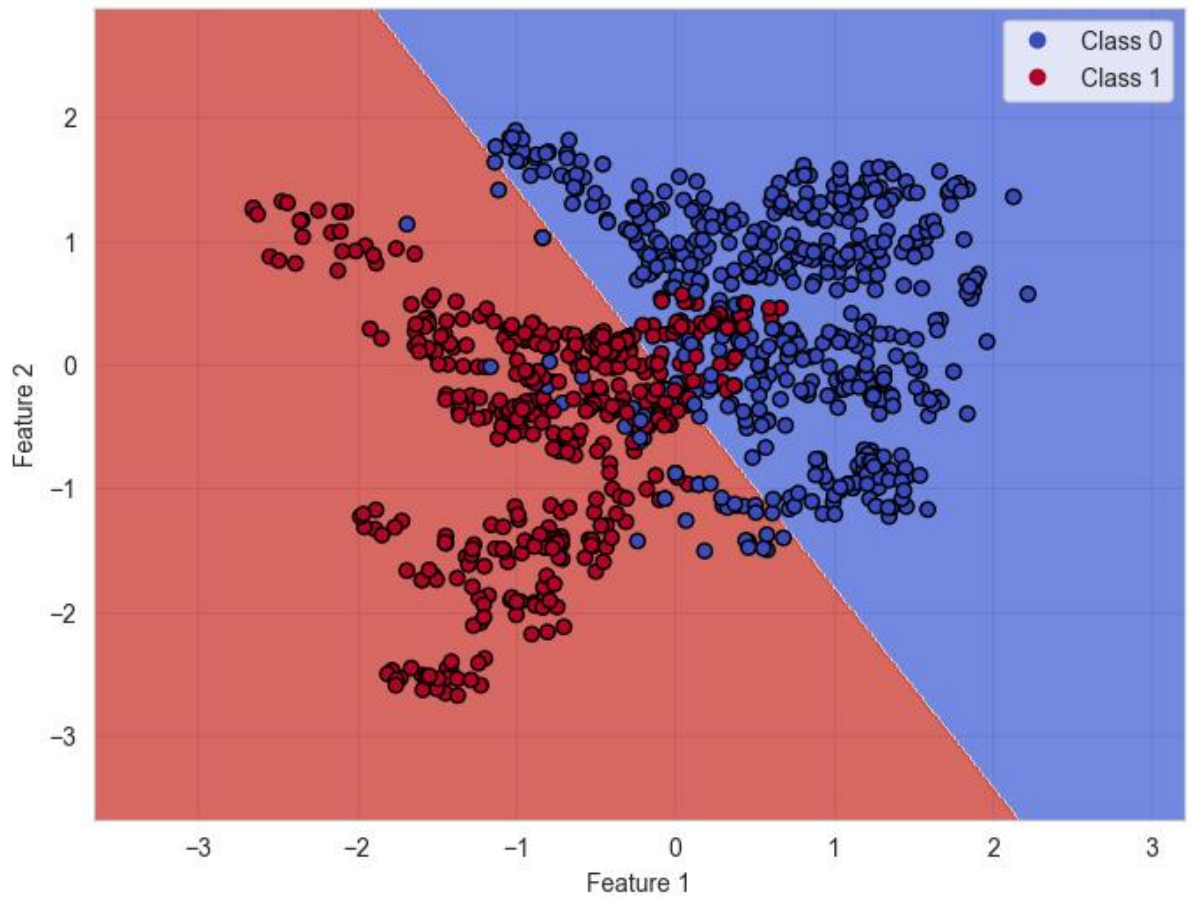
3. Which kernel was most effective for this dataset?

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.

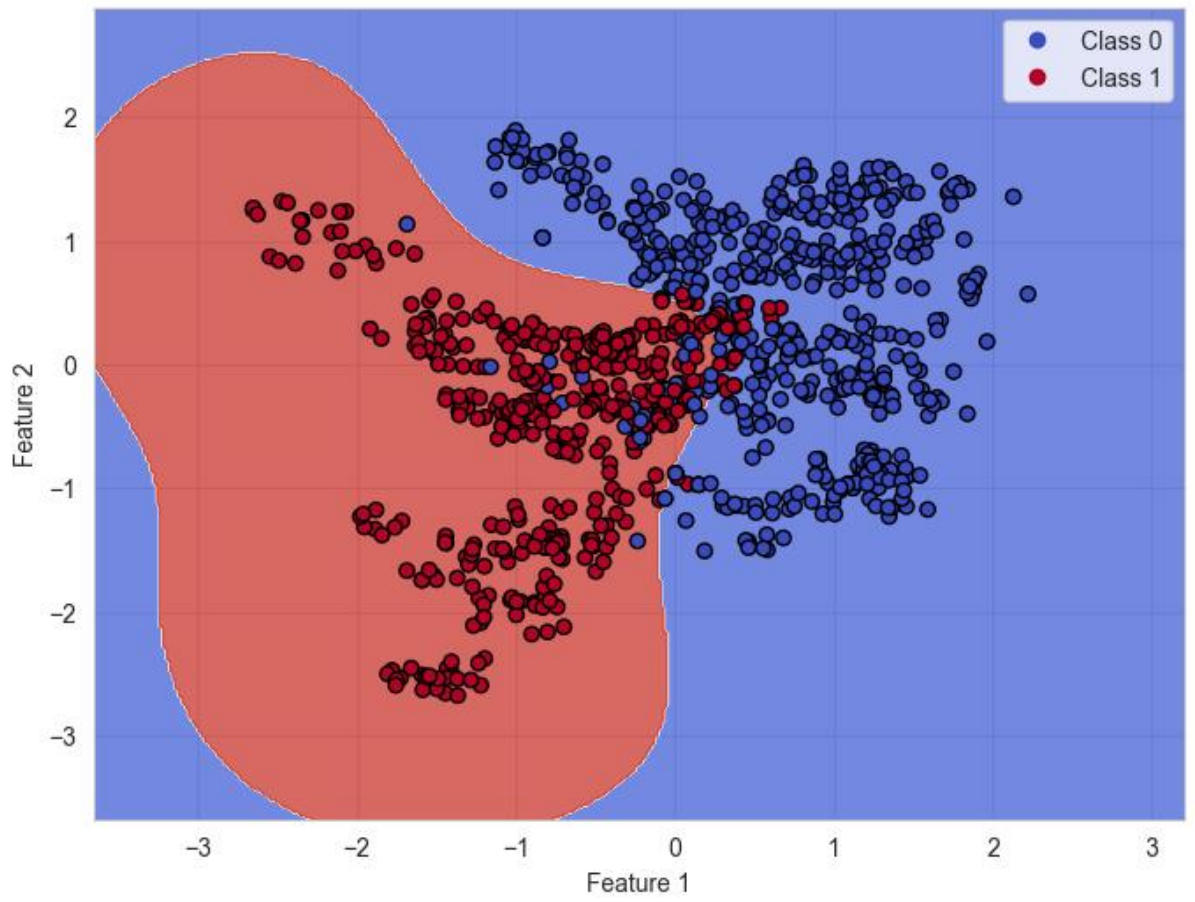
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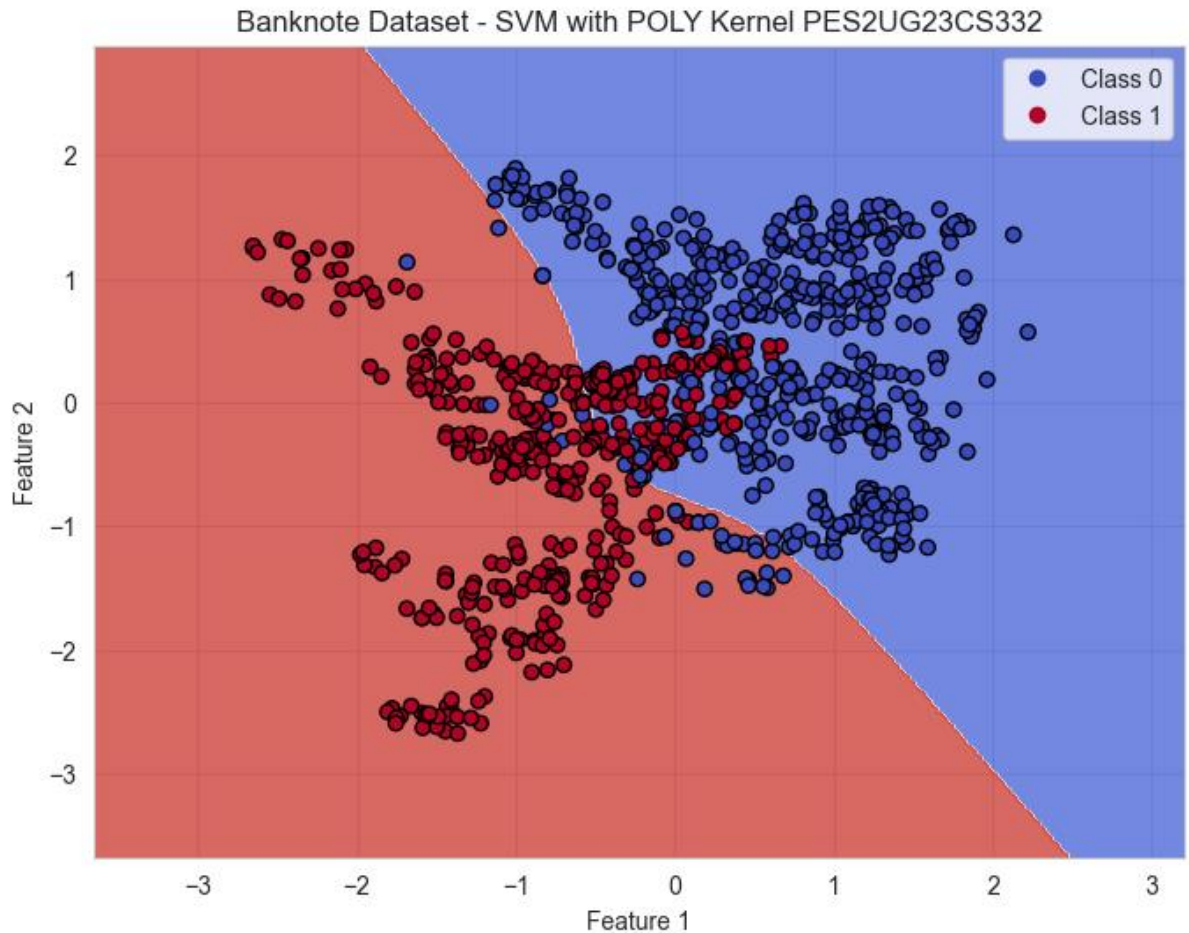
The Polynomial kernel introduced unnecessary complexity for a dataset that is linearly separable, leading to slight overfitting and reduced generalization on the test set.

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Banknote Dataset - SVM with RBF 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.

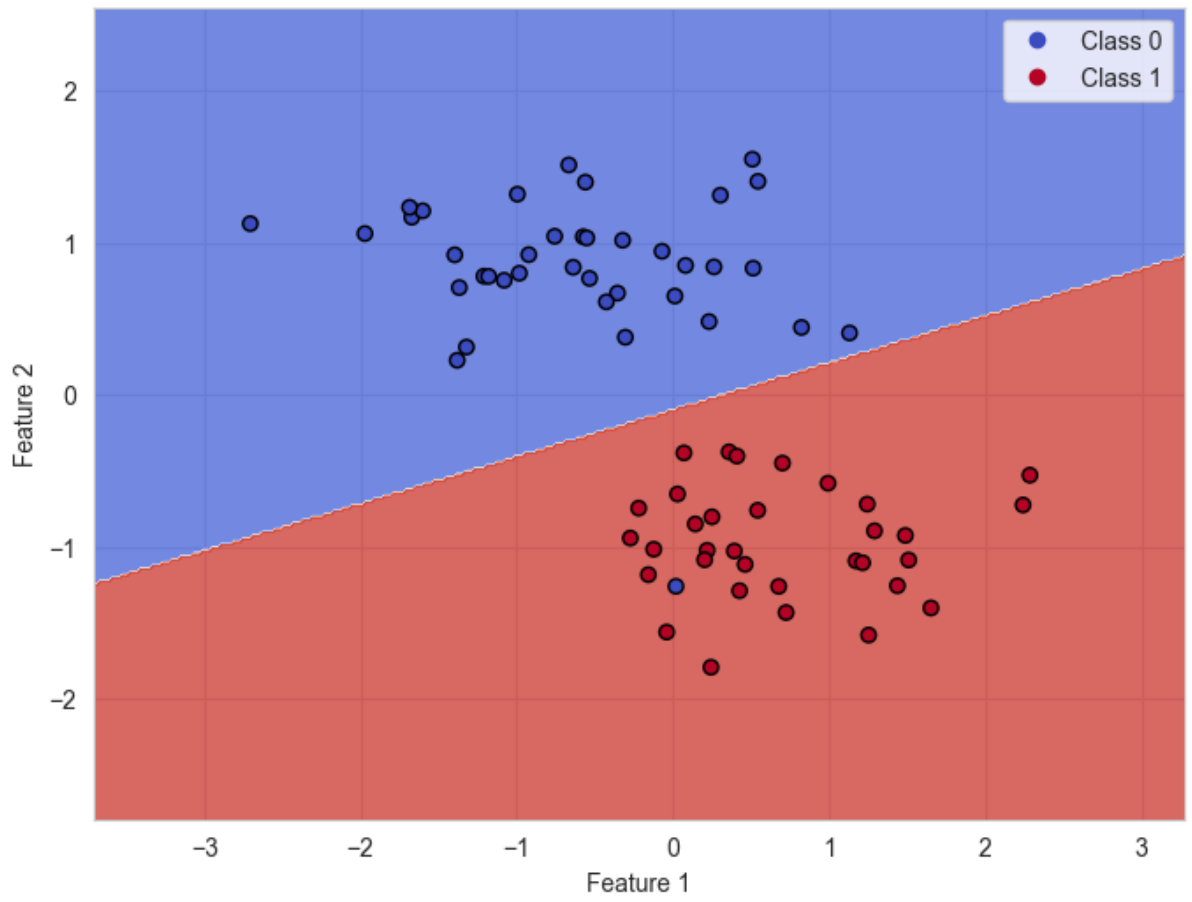
7. Which model is more likely to be overfitting and why?

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

