# Welcome to the course!

LINEAR CLASSIFIERS IN PYTHON



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#### Assumed knowledge

In this course we'll assume you have some prior exposure to:

- Python, at the level of Intermediate Python
- scikit-learn, at the level of Supervised Learning with scikit-learn
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### Fitting and predicting

```
import sklearn.datasets
newsgroups = sklearn.datasets.fetch_20newsgroups_vectorized()
X, y = newsgroups.data, newsgroups.target
X.shape
(11314, 130107)
y.shape
(11314,)
```



### Fitting and predicting (cont.)

```
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
knn = KNeighborsClassifier(n_neighbors=1)
knn.fit(X,y)

y_pred = knn.predict(X)
```



#### Model evaluation

```
knn.score(X,y)
```

#### 0.99991

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y)

knn.fit(X_train, y_train)

knn.score(X_test, y_test)
```

0.66242



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# Applying logistic regression and SVM

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#### Using LogisticRegression

from sklearn.linear\_model import LogisticRegression

```
lr = LogisticRegression()
lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
lr.predict(X_test)
lr.score(X_test, y_test)
```



#### LogisticRegression example

```
import sklearn.datasets
wine = sklearn.datasets.load_wine()
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
lr = LogisticRegression()
lr.fit(wine.data, wine.target)
lr.score(wine.data, wine.target)
```

0.966

```
lr.predict_proba(wine.data[:1])
```

array([[9.966e-01, 2.740e-03, 6.787e-04]])



### **Using LinearSVC**

LinearSVC works the same way:

```
import sklearn.datasets
wine = sklearn.datasets.load_wine()
from sklearn.svm import LinearSVC

svm = LinearSVC()

svm.fit(wine.data, wine.target)
svm.score(wine.data, wine.target)
```

0.955



#### Using SVC

```
import sklearn.datasets
wine = sklearn.datasets.load_wine()
from sklearn.svm import SVC
svm = SVC()
svm.fit(wine.data, wine.target);
svm.score(wine.data, wine.target)
```

0.708

Model complexity review:

- Underfitting: model is too simple, low training accuracy
- Overfitting: model is too complex, low test accuracy

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# Linear decision boundaries

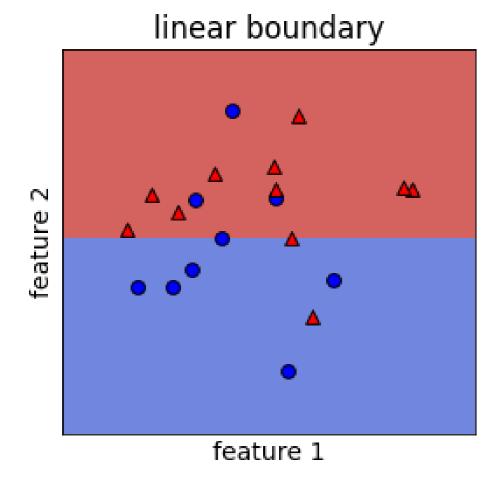
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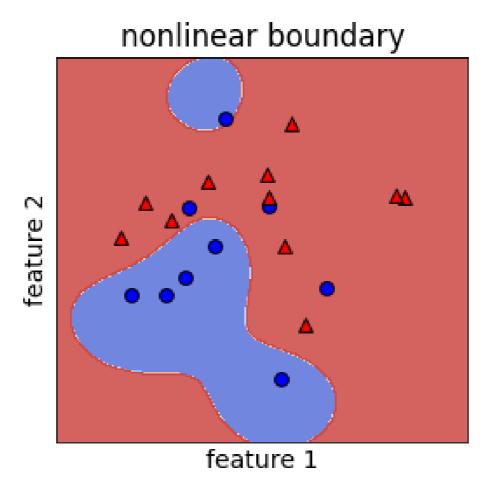


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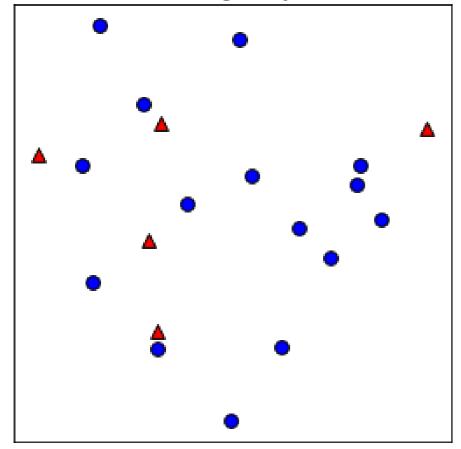
#### **Definitions**

#### Vocabulary:

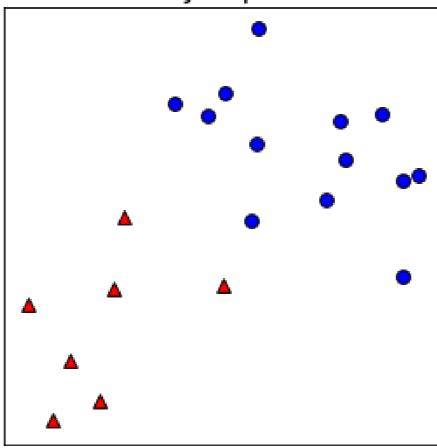
- classification: learning to predict categories
- decision boundary: the surface separating different predicted classes
- **linear classifier**: a classifier that learns linear decision boundaries
  - e.g., logistic regression, linear SVM
- **linearly separable**: a data set can be perfectly explained by a linear classifier

## Linearly separable data

not linearly separable



linearly separable



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