

# Day 3: Introduction to Machine Learning

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## How do we get "true" condition?

- ▶ In some domains: through more expensive or extensive tests
- ▶ In social sciences: typically by expert annotation or coding
- ▶ A scheme should be tested and reported for its reliability

## Inter-rater reliability

Different types are distinguished by the way the reliability data is obtained.

Type	Test Design	Causes of Disagreements	Strength
<b>Stability</b>	test-retest	intraobserver inconsistencies	weakest
<b>Reproducibility</b>	test-test	intraobserver inconsistencies + interobserver disagreements	medium
<b>Accuracy</b>	test-standard	intraobserver inconsistencies + interobserver disagreements + deviations from a standard	strongest

# Measures of agreement

- ▶ **Percent agreement** Very simple: (number of agreeing ratings) / (total ratings) \* 100%
- ▶ **Correlation**
  - ▶ (usually) Pearson's  $r$ , aka product-moment correlation
  - ▶ Formula:  $r_{AB} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{A_i - \bar{A}}{s_A} \right) \left( \frac{B_i - \bar{B}}{s_B} \right)$
  - ▶ May also be ordinal, such as Spearman's rho or Kendall's tau-b
  - ▶ Range is [0,1]
- ▶ **Agreement measures**
  - ▶ Take into account not only observed agreement, but also *agreement that would have occurred by chance*
  - ▶ **Cohen's  $\kappa$**  is most common
  - ▶ **Krippendorff's  $\alpha$**  is a generalization of Cohen's  $\kappa$
  - ▶ Both range from [0,1]

## Reliability data matrixes

Example here used binary data (from Krippendorff)

Article:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Coder A	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coder B	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0

- ▶ A and B agree on 60% of the articles: 60% agreement
- ▶ Correlation is (approximately) 0.10
- ▶ Observed *disagreement*: 4
- ▶ Expected *disagreement* (by chance): 4.4211
- ▶ Krippendorff's  $\alpha = 1 - \frac{D_o}{D_e} = 1 - \frac{4}{4.4211} = 0.095$
- ▶ Cohen's  $\kappa$  (nearly) identical

# Naive Bayes classification

- ▶ The following examples refer to “words” and “documents” but can be thought of as generic “features” and “cases”
- ▶ We will begin with a discrete case, and then cover continuous feature values
- ▶ Objective is typically **MAP**: identification of the *maximum a posteriori* class probability

## Multinomial Bayes model of Class given a Word

Consider  $J$  word types distributed across  $I$  documents, each assigned one of  $K$  classes.

*At the word level*, Bayes Theorem tells us that:

$$P(c_k|w_j) = \frac{P(w_j|c_k)P(c_k)}{P(w_j)}$$

For two classes, this can be expressed as

$$= \frac{P(w_j|c_k)P(c_k)}{P(w_j|c_k)P(c_k) + P(w_j|c_{-k})P(c_{-k})} \quad (1)$$

## Multinomial Bayes model of Class given a Word

### Class-conditional word likelihoods

$$P(c_k|w_j) = \frac{P(w_j|c_k)P(c_k)}{P(w_j|c_k)P(c_k) + P(w_j|c_{\neg k})P(c_{\neg k})}$$

- ▶ The **word likelihood within class**
- ▶ The maximum likelihood estimate is simply the proportion of times that word  $j$  occurs in class  $k$ , but it is more common to use Laplace smoothing by adding 1 to each observed count within class

# Multinomial Bayes model of Class given a Word

## Word probabilities

$$P(c_k|w_j) = \frac{P(w_j|c_k)P(c_k)}{P(w_j)}$$

- ▶ This represents the **word probability** from the training corpus
- ▶ Usually uninteresting, since it is constant for the training data, but needed to compute posteriors on a probability scale

# Multinomial Bayes model of Class given a Word

## Class prior probabilities

$$P(c_k|w_j) = \frac{P(w_j|c_k)P(c_k)}{P(w_j|c_k)P(c_k) + P(w_j|c_{\neg k})P(c_{\neg k})}$$

- ▶ This represents the **class prior probability**
- ▶ Machine learning typically takes this as the document frequency in the training set
- ▶ This approach is flawed for scaling, however, since we are scaling the latent class-ness of an unknown document, not predicting class – **uniform priors** are more appropriate

# Multinomial Bayes model of Class given a Word

## Class posterior probabilities

$$P(c_k|w_j) = \frac{P(w_j|c_k)P(c_k)}{P(w_j|c_k)P(c_k) + P(w_j|c_{\neg k})P(c_{\neg k})}$$

- ▶ This represents the **posterior probability of membership in class  $k$**  for word  $j$
- ▶ Under *certain conditions*, this is identical to what LBG (2003) called  $P_{wr}$
- ▶ Under those conditions, **the LBG “wordscore” is the linear difference between  $P(c_k|w_j)$  and  $P(c_{\neg k}|w_j)$**

## “Certain conditions”

- ▶ The LBG approach required the identification not only of texts for each training class, but also “reference” scores attached to each training class
- ▶ Consider two “reference” scores  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  attached to two classes  $k = 1$  and  $k = 2$ . Taking  $P_1$  as the posterior  $P(k = 1|w = j)$  and  $P_2$  as  $P(k = 2|w = j)$ , A generalised score  $s_j^*$  for the word  $j$  is then

$$\begin{aligned} s_j^* &= s_1 P_1 + s_2 P_2 \\ &= s_1 P_1 + s_2 (1 - P_1) \\ &= s_1 P_1 + s_2 - s_2 P_1 \\ &= P_1 (s_1 - s_2) + s_2 \end{aligned}$$

## Moving to the document level

- ▶ The “Naive” Bayes model of a joint document-level class posterior assumes conditional independence, to multiply the word likelihoods from a “test” document, to produce:

$$P(c|d) = P(c) \prod_j \frac{P(w_j|c)}{P(w_j)}$$

- ▶ This is why we call it “naive”: because it (wrongly) assumes:
  - ▶ *conditional independence* of word counts
  - ▶ *positional independence* of word counts

# Naive Bayes Classification Example

(From Manning, Raghavan and Schütze, *Introduction to Information Retrieval*)

► **Table 13.1** Data for parameter estimation examples.

	docID	words in document	in $c = \textit{China}$ ?
training set	1	Chinese Beijing Chinese	yes
	2	Chinese Chinese Shanghai	yes
	3	Chinese Macao	yes
	4	Tokyo Japan Chinese	no
test set	5	Chinese Chinese Chinese Tokyo Japan	?

# Naive Bayes Classification Example

**Example 13.1:** For the example in Table 13.1, the multinomial parameters we need to classify the test document are the priors  $\hat{P}(c) = 3/4$  and  $\hat{P}(\bar{c}) = 1/4$  and the following conditional probabilities:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{P}(\text{Chinese}|c) &= (5 + 1)/(8 + 6) = 6/14 = 3/7 \\ \hat{P}(\text{Tokyo}|c) = \hat{P}(\text{Japan}|c) &= (0 + 1)/(8 + 6) = 1/14 \\ \hat{P}(\text{Chinese}|\bar{c}) &= (1 + 1)/(3 + 6) = 2/9 \\ \hat{P}(\text{Tokyo}|\bar{c}) = \hat{P}(\text{Japan}|\bar{c}) &= (1 + 1)/(3 + 6) = 2/9\end{aligned}$$

The denominators are  $(8 + 6)$  and  $(3 + 6)$  because the lengths of  $text_c$  and  $text_{\bar{c}}$  are 8 and 3, respectively, and because the constant  $B$  in Equation (13.7) is 6 as the vocabulary consists of six terms.

We then get:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{P}(c|d_5) &\propto 3/4 \cdot (3/7)^3 \cdot 1/14 \cdot 1/14 \approx 0.0003. \\ \hat{P}(\bar{c}|d_5) &\propto 1/4 \cdot (2/9)^3 \cdot 2/9 \cdot 2/9 \approx 0.0001.\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the classifier assigns the test document to  $c = \textit{China}$ . The reason for this classification decision is that the three occurrences of the positive indicator Chinese in  $d_5$  outweigh the occurrences of the two negative indicators Japan and Tokyo.

# Naive Bayes with continuous covariates

```
library(e1071) # has a normal distribution Naive Bayes

# Congressional Voting Records of 1984 (abstentions treated as missing)
data(HouseVotes84, package="mlbench")
model <- naiveBayes(Class ~ ., data = HouseVotes84)

# predict the first 10 Congresspeople
data.frame(Predicted = predict(model, HouseVotes84[1:10,-1]),
           Actual = HouseVotes84[1:10,1],
           postPr = predict(model, HouseVotes84[1:10, -1], type = "raw"))
```

##	Predicted	Actual	postPr.democrat	postPr.republican
## 1	republican	republican	1.029209e-07	9.999999e-01
## 2	republican	republican	5.820415e-08	9.999999e-01
## 3	republican	democrat	5.684937e-03	9.943151e-01
## 4	democrat	democrat	9.985798e-01	1.420152e-03
## 5	democrat	democrat	9.666720e-01	3.332802e-02
## 6	democrat	democrat	8.121430e-01	1.878570e-01
## 7	republican	democrat	1.751512e-04	9.998248e-01
## 8	republican	republican	8.300100e-06	9.999917e-01
## 9	republican	republican	8.277705e-08	9.999999e-01
## 10	democrat	democrat	1.000000e+00	5.029425e-11

# Overall prediction performance

```
# now all of them: this is the resubstitution error  
(mytable <- table(predict(model, HouseVotes84[,-1]), HouseVotes84$Class))
```

```
##  
##          democrat republican  
## democrat      238         13  
## republican    29         155
```

```
prop.table(mytable, margin=1)
```

```
##  
##          democrat republican  
## democrat  0.94820717 0.05179283  
## republican 0.15760870 0.84239130
```

## With Laplace smoothing

```
model <- naiveBayes(Class ~ ., data = HouseVotes84, laplace = 3)
(mytable <- table(predict(model, HouseVotes84[,-1]), HouseVotes84$Class))

##
##          democrat republican
## democrat      237         12
## republican    30         156

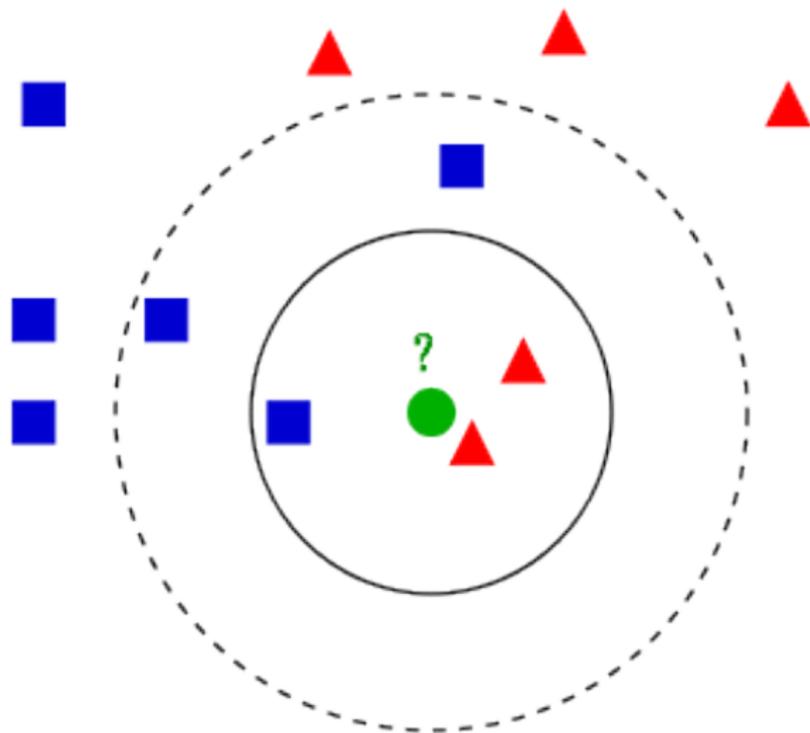
prop.table(mytable, margin=1)

##
##          democrat republican
## democrat  0.95180723 0.04819277
## republican 0.16129032 0.83870968
```

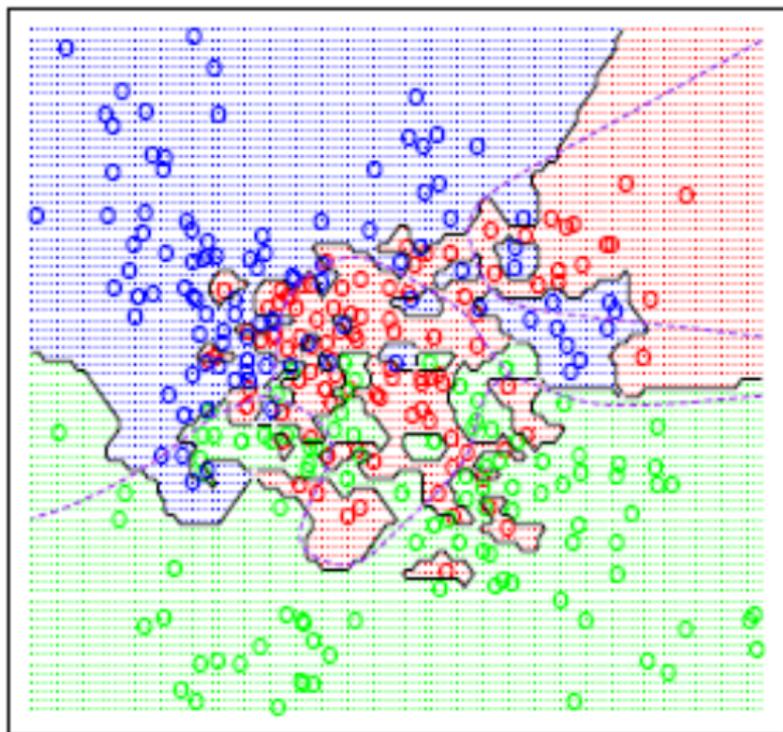
## *k*-nearest neighbour

- ▶ A non-parametric method for classifying objects based on the training examples that are *closest* in the feature space
- ▶ A type of instance-based learning, or “lazy learning” where the function is only approximated locally and all computation is deferred until classification
- ▶ An object is classified by a majority vote of its neighbors, with the object being assigned to the class most common amongst its  $k$  nearest neighbors (where  $k$  is a positive integer, usually small)
- ▶ Extremely *simple*: the only parameter that adjusts is  $k$  (number of neighbors to be used) - increasing  $k$  *smooths* the decision boundary

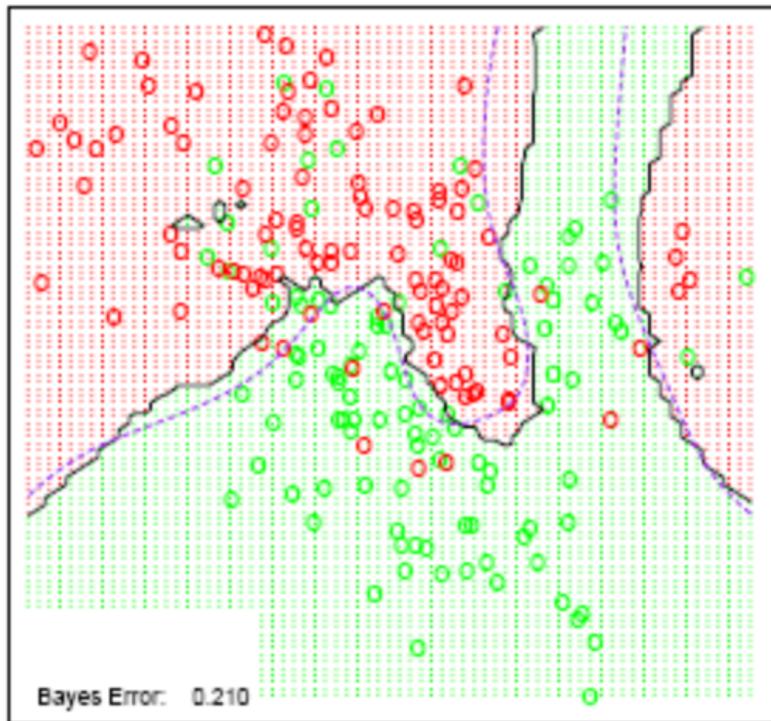
## *k*-NN Example: Red or Blue?



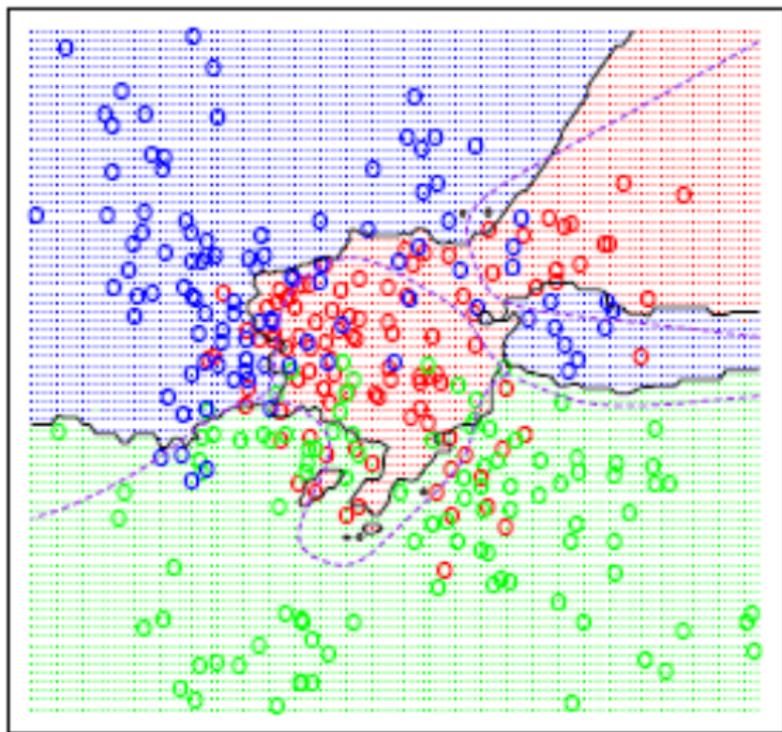
$k = 1$



$k = 7$



$k = 15$



# Classifying amicus curiae briefs (Evans et al 2007)

```
## kNN classification
require(class)

## Loading required package: class

require(quantedaData)

## Loading required package: quantedaData
## Loading required package: quanteda

data(amicusCorpus)
# create a matrix of documents and features
amicusDfm <- dfm(amicusCorpus, ignoredFeatures=stopwords("english"),
                 stem=TRUE, verbose=FALSE)

## note: using english builtin stopwords, but beware that one size may not fit

# threshold-based feature selection
amicusDfm <- trim(amicusDfm, minCount=10, minDoc=20)

## Features occurring less than 10 times: 9920
## Features occurring in fewer than 20 documents: 11381
```

## Classifying amicus curiae briefs (Evans et al 2007)

```
# tf-idf weighting
amicusDfm <- weight(amicusDfm, "tfidf")
# partition the training and test sets
train <- amicusDfm[!is.na(docvars(amicusCorpus, "trainclass")), ]
test  <- amicusDfm[!is.na(docvars(amicusCorpus, "testclass")), ]
trainclass <- docvars(amicusCorpus, "trainclass")[1:4]
```

## Classifying amicus curiae briefs (Evans et al 2007)

```
# classifier with k=1
classified <- knn(train, test, trainclass, k=1)
table(classified, docvars(amicusCorpus, "testclass")[-c(1:4)])

##
## classified AP AR
##           P 13  6
##           R  6 73
```

## Classifying amicus curiae briefs (Evans et al 2007)

```
# classifier with k=2
classified <- knn(train, test, trainclass, k=2)
table(classified, docvars(amicusCorpus, "testclass")[-c(1:4)])

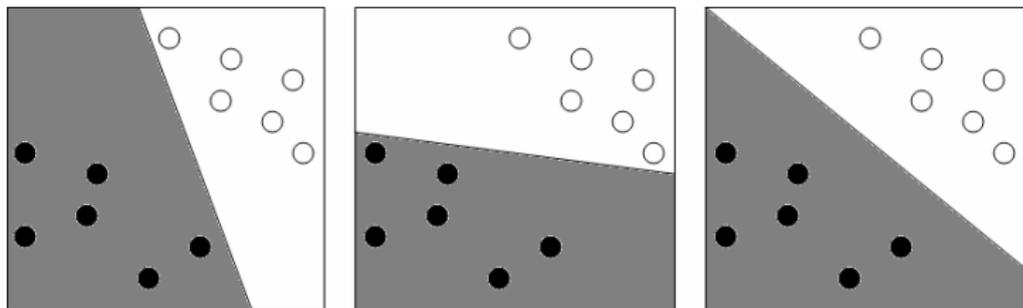
##
## classified AP AR
##           P  9 33
##           R 10 46
```

## *k*-nearest neighbour issues: Dimensionality

- ▶ Distance usually relates to all the attributes and assumes all of them have the same effects on distance
- ▶ Misclassification may result from attributes not conforming to this assumption (sometimes called the “curse of dimensionality”) – solution is to reduce the dimensions
- ▶ There are (many!) different *metrics* of distance

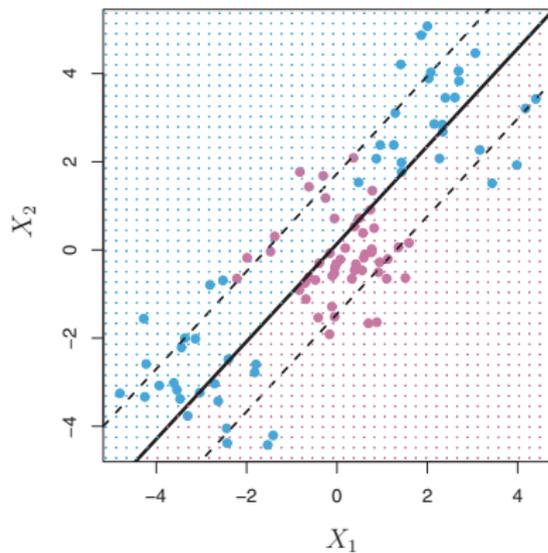
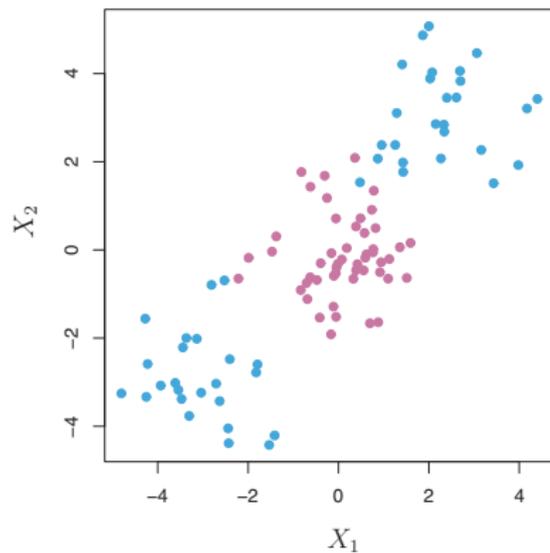
## (Very) General overview to SVMs

- ▶ Generalization of maximal margin classifier
- ▶ The idea is to find the classification boundary that maximizes the distance to the marginal points



- ▶ Unfortunately MMC does not apply to cases with non-linear decision boundaries

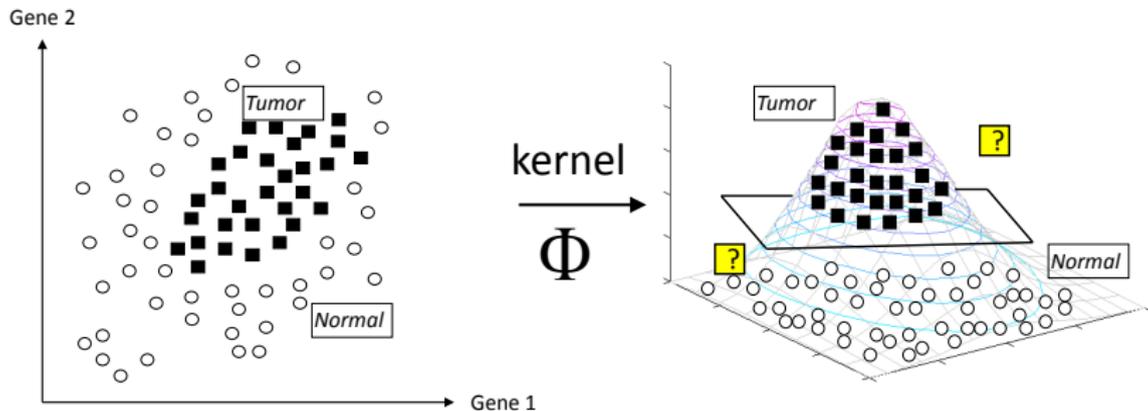
No solution to this using support vector classifier



## One way to solve this problem

- ▶ Basic idea: If a problem is non-linear, don't fit a linear model
- ▶ Instead, map the problem from the *input space* to a new (higher-dimensional) *feature space*
- ▶ Mapping is done through a non-linear transformation using suitably chosen basis functions
  - ▶ the “kernel trick”: using kernel functions to enable operations in the high-dimensional feature space without computing coordinates of that space, through computing inner products of all pairs of data in the feature space
  - ▶ different kernel choices will produce different results (polynomial, linear, radial basis, etc.)
- ▶ Makes it possible to then use a linear model in the feature space

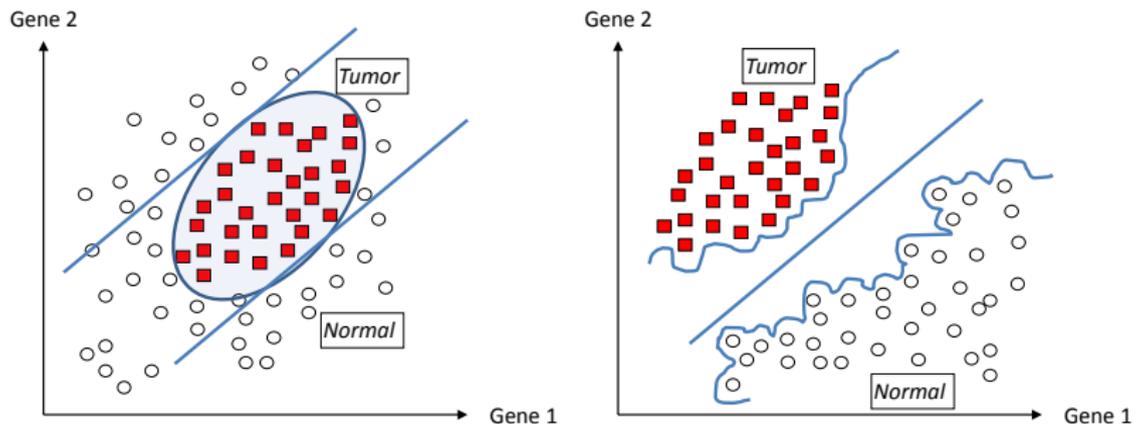
SVMs represent the data in a *higher* dimensional projection using a kernel, and bisect this using a hyperplane



Data is not linearly separable  
in the input space

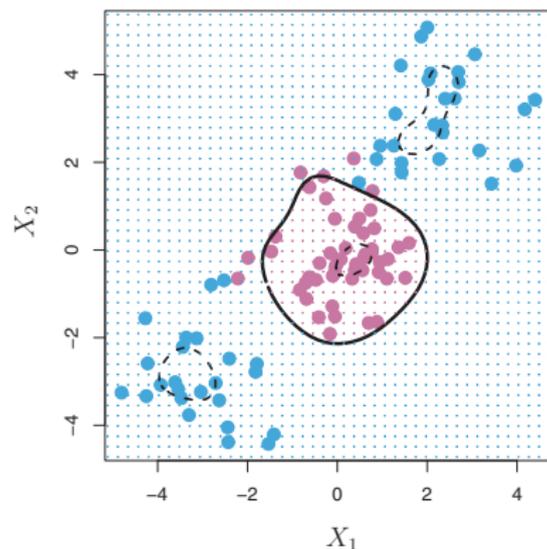
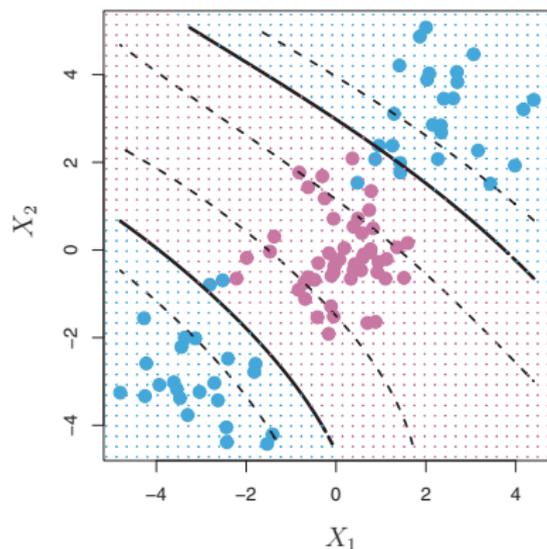
Data is linearly separable in the  
feature space obtained by a kernel

This is only needed when no linear separation plane exists - so not needed in second of these



## Different “kernels” can represent different decision boundaries

- ▶ This has to do with different projections of the data into higher-dimensional space
- ▶ The mathematics of this are complicated but solvable as forms of optimization problems - but the kernel choice is a user decision



# Precision and recall

- Illustration framework

		True condition	
		Positive	Negative
Prediction	Positive	True Positive	False Positive (Type I error)
	Negative	False Negative (Type II error)	True Negative

# Precision and recall and related statistics

- ▶ Precision:  $\frac{\text{true positives}}{\text{true positives} + \text{false positives}}$
- ▶ Recall:  $\frac{\text{true positives}}{\text{true positives} + \text{false negatives}}$
- ▶ Accuracy:  $\frac{\text{Correctly classified}}{\text{Total number of cases}}$
- ▶  $F1 = 2 \frac{\text{Precision} \times \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}}$   
(the harmonic mean of precision and recall)

## Example: Computing precision/recall

Assume:

- ▶ We have a sample in which 80 outcomes are really positive (as opposed to negative, as in sentiment)
- ▶ Our method declares that 60 are positive
- ▶ Of the 60 declared positive, 45 are actually positive

Solution:

$$\text{Precision} = (45 / (45 + 15)) = 45 / 60 = 0.75$$

$$\text{Recall} = (45 / (45 + 35)) = 45 / 80 = 0.56$$

# Accuracy?

		True condition	
		Positive	Negative
Prediction	Positive	45	
	Negative		
		80	60

add in the cells we can compute

		True condition		
		Positive	Negative	
Prediction	Positive	45	15	60
	Negative	35		80

# Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) plot

