

Problem Set 5

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Due on: never

Problem 1: 8 points

In the following problems, suppose that K , K_1 and K_2 are kernels with feature maps ϕ , ϕ^1 and ϕ^2 . For the following functions $K'(x, z)$, state if they are kernels or not. If they are kernels, write down the corresponding feature map, in terms of ϕ , ϕ^1 , ϕ^2 and c , c_1 , c_2 . If they are not kernels, prove that they are not.

1. $K'(x, z) = cK(x, z)$, for $c > 0$.
2. $K'(x, z) = cK(x, z)$, where $c < 0$, and there exists some x for which $K(x, x) > 0$.
3. $K'(x, z) = c_1K_1(x, z) + c_2K_2(x, z)$ for $c_1, c_2 > 0$.
4. $K'(x, z) = K_1(x, z)K_2(x, z)$.

Problem 2: 14 points

For the following functions $K(x, z)$, state if it is a kernel or not. If the function is a kernel, then write down its feature map. If it is not a kernel, prove that it is not one. For your proof, you can use the answers to Problem 1.

1. $x = [x_1, x_2]$, $z = [z_1, z_2]$, x_1, x_2, z_1, z_2 are real numbers. $K(x, z) = x_1z_2$.
2. Let $x = [x_1, \dots, x_d]$, $z = [z_1, \dots, z_d]$, x_i s and z_i s are real numbers. $K(x, z) = 1 - \langle x, z \rangle$.
3. $x = [x_1, \dots, x_d]$, $z = [z_1, \dots, z_d]$, and f is a function. $K(x, z) = f(x_1, x_2)f(z_1, z_2)$.
4. $x = [x_1, \dots, x_d]$, $z = [z_1, \dots, z_d]$, x_i s and z_i s are integers between 0 and 100. $K(x, z) = \sum_{i=1}^d \min(x_i, z_i)$.
5. $x = [x_1, \dots, x_d]$, $z = [z_1, \dots, z_d]$, x_i s and z_i s are real numbers.

$$K(x, z) = (1 + x_1z_1)(1 + x_2z_2) \dots (1 + x_dz_d)$$

6. $x = [x_1, \dots, x_d]$, $z = [z_1, \dots, z_d]$, x_i s and z_i s are integers between 0 and 100. $K(x, z) = \sum_{i=1}^d \max(x_i, z_i)$.
7. x and z are documents with words from some dictionary D . $K(x, z)$ is the number of words that occur in both x and z , where each unique common word is counted once.