

3. We saw closure properties allowed new kernels to be created from existing kernels. Prove the statements below regarding these closure properties, or give counter-examples to disprove them. Assume $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^d$.

(a) If K_1 is a kernel on \mathcal{X} , then $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = e^{K_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})}$ is also a kernel.

(b) $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = e^{(\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{z}\|^2)} \cdot \left(\frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{z}}{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 \|\mathbf{z}\|^2} \right)$ is a kernel.

(c) $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{i=1}^d \min(|x_i|, |z_i|)$ is a kernel.

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(c) To Prove $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{i=1}^d \min(|x_i|, |z_i|)$ is a Kernel.

Proof : Try to prove that kernel matrix is PSD.
 $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = \min(|x_1|, |x_2|) \quad \underline{x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}}$

Consider $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \in \mathbb{R}$

Without loss of generality, let

$$0 \leq x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots \leq x_m$$

Consider a Matrix R

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider Matrix P

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} |x_1| & & & 0 \\ & |x_2 - x_1| & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & |x_m - x_{m-1}| \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P = R^T K_1 R$$

P is diagonal, and PSD.
 R is full rank

$\Rightarrow K_1$ is PSD

$\Rightarrow K_1 = \min(|x_1|, |x_2|)$ is a valid kernel

$$\text{Consider } K(x, z) = \sum_{i=1}^d \min(|x_i|, |z_i|) \\ = \sum_{i=1}^d K_i(x, z)$$

where $K_i(x, z) = \min(x[i], z[i])$

\therefore Summation of kernels is a kernel in itself

$\Rightarrow K(x, z) = \sum_{i=1}^d \min(|x_i|, |z_i|)$ is a valid kernel.

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(a) If K_1 is a kernel then $e^{K_1(x, z)}$ is a valid kernel.

Proof: Consider infinite series expansion [Euler Series] of e^x

$$K(x, z) = e^{K_1(x, z)} = 1 + K_1(x, z) + \frac{K_1(x, z)^2}{2!} + \frac{K_1(x, z)^3}{3!} + \dots$$

Consider the Gram Matrix K . Claim is that K is p.s.d.

Let $u \geq 0$ be any vector

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Consider } u^T K u &= \sum_i \sum_j u_i u_j K_{ij} \\ &= \sum_i \sum_j u_i u_j K(x_i, x_j) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m u_i u_j \left(1 + K_1(x_i, x_j) + \frac{K_1(x_i, x_j)^2}{2!} + \dots \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m u_i u_j + \sum_i \sum_j u_i u_j K_1(x_i, x_j) + \sum_i \sum_j u_i u_j \frac{K_1(x_i, x_j)^2}{2!} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

\therefore Product of two kernels is a kernel itself.

$$= \underbrace{u^T u}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{u^T K_1 u}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{u^T K_2 u}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{u^T K_3 u}_{\geq 0} + \dots +$$

where K_i is the kernel matrix corresponding to kernel function

≥ 0

$$K_i(x_i', x_j') = K_i(x_i, x_j)^i$$

$\Rightarrow K$ is a p.s.d.

$\Rightarrow K(x, z) = e^{K_1(x, z)}$ (where K_1 is a kernel), is a valid kernel.
Hence Proved

(b) $K(x, z) = e^{(\|x\|^2 + \|z\|^2)} \cdot \left(\frac{x^T z}{\|x\|^2 \|z\|^2} \right)$ is a kernel.

$$\text{Consider } e^{\|x\|^2 + \|z\|^2} = e^{\|x\|^2} \cdot e^{\|z\|^2}$$

$$= f(x) \cdot f(z) \quad \text{where } f(x) = e^{\|x\|^2}$$

From closure properties of kernels $e^{\|x\|^2 + \|z\|^2}$ is a valid kernel.

$$\frac{x^T z}{\|x\|^2 \|z\|^2}$$

$$\text{Consider } \phi(x) = \frac{x}{\|x\|^2}$$

$$K'(x, z) = \langle \phi(x), \phi(z) \rangle = \frac{x^T z}{\|x\|^2 \|z\|^2}$$

We could find a valid mapping $\phi(x)$ corresponding to

$$K'(x, z) = \frac{x^T z}{\|x\|^2 \|z\|^2}, \quad \therefore K' \text{ is a valid kernel.}$$

From closure properties of kernels Product of two kernels is a kernel in itself

$$\therefore K(x, z) = e^{(\|x\|^2 + \|z\|^2)} \cdot \frac{x^T z}{\|x\|^2 \|z\|^2} \quad \text{is a valid kernel}$$