

# Kernel methods

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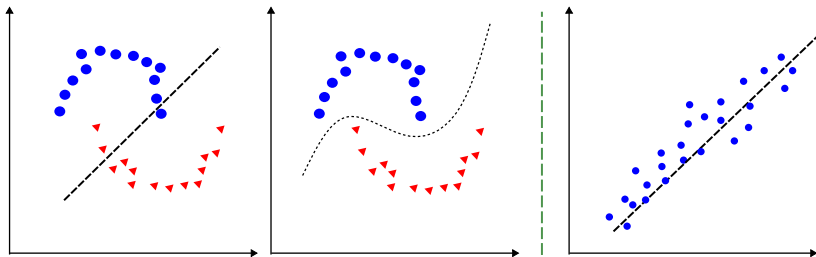
# Introduction

# Motivation

$\{(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_n)\}_{n=1}^N$ , where  $\mathbf{x}_n \in \mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{y}_n \in \mathbf{y}$

A linear model finds a hyperplane  $\mathbf{W}$  such that the output is:

$$f(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{W}^\top \mathbf{X} \quad (1)$$



## Mathematical review

# Basic definitions

## Norm

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ . A function  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{H}} : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is said to be a norm on  $\mathbb{R}$  if:

- 1  $\|\mathbf{u}\|_{\mathcal{H}} = 0$  if and only if  $\mathbf{u} = 0$
- 2  $\|\lambda \mathbf{u}\|_{\mathcal{H}} = |\lambda| \|\mathbf{u}\|_{\mathcal{H}}, \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \forall \mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{H}$
- 3  $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|_{\mathcal{H}} \leq \|\mathbf{u}\|_{\mathcal{H}} + \|\mathbf{v}\|_{\mathcal{H}}, \forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{H}$

## Cauchy sequence

A sequence  $\{\mathbf{x}_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of real number is said to be Cauchy sequence if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $m, n \geq N$   $\|\mathbf{x}_m - \mathbf{x}_n\|_{\mathcal{H}} < \varepsilon$

## Banach space

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a vector space equipped with a norm  $\|\cdot\|$ . We say that  $\mathcal{H}$  is Banach space with respect to  $\|\cdot\|$  if every Cauchy sequence in  $\mathcal{H}$  converged to a vector  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{H}$

# Inner product space

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ . A function  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} : \mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be an inner product on  $\mathcal{H}$  if:

1 Bilinearity

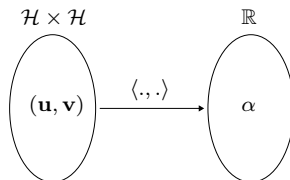
$$\langle \lambda_1 \mathbf{u} + \lambda_2 \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = \lambda_1 \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w} \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} + \lambda_2 \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$$

2 Symmetry

$$\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$$

3 Positive semi-definiteness

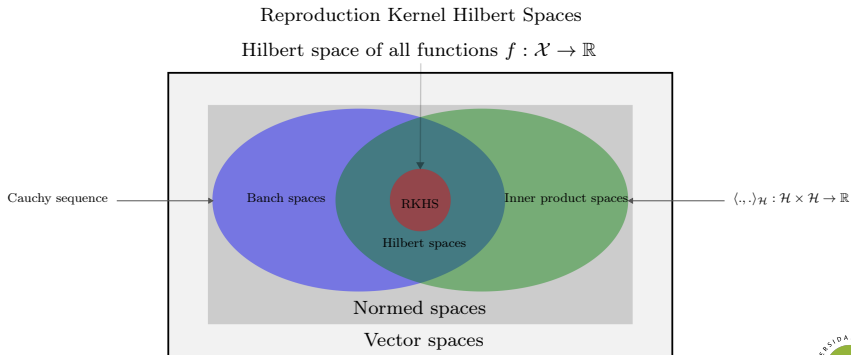
$$\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \geq 0 \text{ and } \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = 0 \text{ if and only if } \mathbf{u} = 0$$



# Hilbert spaces

## Hilbert space

Hilbert space is a complete inner product space, i.e., it is a Banach space with an inner product.



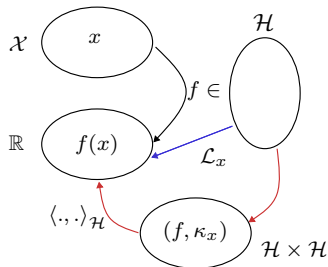


## Reproduction Kernel Hilbert Spaces

# Definition of RKHS I

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a set and  $\mathcal{H}$  a Hilbert space of all functions  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . For each element  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ , the evaluation functional is a linear functional that evaluates each  $f \in \mathcal{H}$  at the point  $x$ , written:

$$\mathcal{L}_x : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \text{ where } \mathcal{L}_x(f) = f(x) \text{ for all } f \in \mathcal{H}$$



We say that  $\mathcal{H}$  is a RKHS if, for all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_x$  is continuous at every  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ .

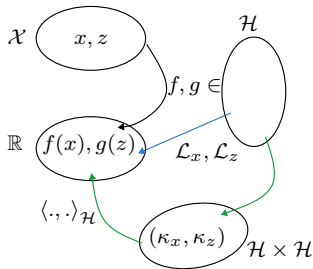
**Corollario: Reproducing property**

$$\mathcal{L}_x(f) = f(x) = \langle f, \kappa_x \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$$

# Definition of RKHS II

$$\mathcal{L}_x(f) = f(x) = \langle f, \kappa_x \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_z(g) = g(z) = \langle g, \kappa_z \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$$



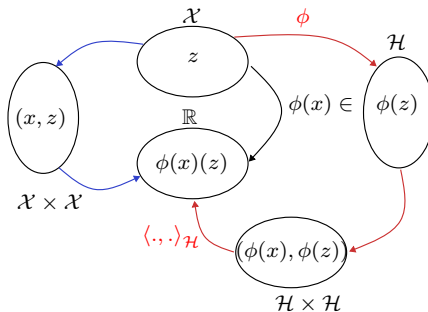
## Kernel reproduction

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space of  $\mathcal{R}$ -valued functions defined on a non-empty  $\mathcal{X}$ . A function  $\kappa : \mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  is called Reproduction Kernel of  $\mathcal{H}$  if it satisfies:

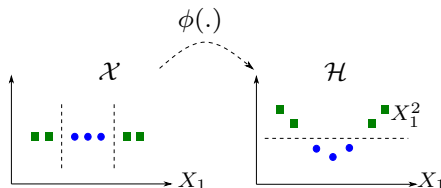
- 1  $\forall x \in \mathcal{X}, \kappa(\cdot, x) \in \mathcal{H}$
- 2  $\forall x \in \mathcal{X}, \forall f \in \mathcal{H}, \langle f, \kappa(\cdot, x) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = f(x)$  (the reproducing property)

# Kernel trick

$$\kappa(x, y) = \langle \phi(x), \phi(z) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$$



# How to make comparisons?



## Idea

$$\kappa(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c}) = (1 + \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{c}) ; \mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2], \mathbf{c} = [\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2]$$

$$\kappa(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c}) = \left( 1 + (\mathbf{x}_1 \quad \mathbf{x}_2) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{c}_1 \\ \mathbf{c}_2 \end{pmatrix} \right)^2 = (1 + \mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{c}_2 \mathbf{x}_2)^2$$

$$\kappa(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{c}_1^2 \mathbf{x}_1^2 + \mathbf{c}_2^2 \mathbf{x}_2^2 + 2\mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + 2\mathbf{c}_2 \mathbf{x}_2 + 2\mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{c}_2 \mathbf{x}_1 \mathbf{x}_2 + 1$$

So,

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = [1, \mathbf{x}_1^2, \sqrt{2}\mathbf{x}_1\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_2^2, \sqrt{2}\mathbf{x}_1, \sqrt{2}\mathbf{x}_2]^\top$$

$$\phi(\mathbf{c}) = [1, \mathbf{c}_1^2, \sqrt{2}\mathbf{c}_1\mathbf{c}_2, \mathbf{c}_2^2, \sqrt{2}\mathbf{c}_1, \sqrt{2}\mathbf{c}_2]^\top$$

# Kernel methods problem

## Kernel trick

$$\kappa(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \langle \phi(\mathbf{x}), \phi(\mathbf{y}) \rangle \quad (2)$$

## Main idea

- Define a comparison function:  $\mathbf{K} : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X}$
- Represent a set of  $n$  data points  $S = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n\}$  by the  $n \times n$  matrix:

$$[\mathbf{K}]_{ij} = \kappa(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) \quad (3)$$

## Remarks

- $K$  is always an  $n \times n$  matrix, whatever the nature of data.
- Poor scalability with respect to the dataset size ( $n^2$  to compute and store  $\mathbf{K}$ )

## Random Fourier Features

# Theorem I

This theorem expresses the power density in terms of the autocorrelation function

$$R(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \overline{f(\tau)} f(t + \tau) d\tau$$

$$f(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

## Wiener-khintchine

$$R(\tau) = \mathcal{F} [|f(\omega)|^2] (\tau)$$

The autocorrelation is simply given by the Fourier transform of the absolute square of  $f(t)$



## Theorem II

### Kosambi-Karhunen loeve

A stochastic process  $X(t, w)$  defined in some interval  $T$  and in some probability space  $w$ , characterized by its mean,  $u(t)$ , and its covariance,

$K(s, t) = (X(s) - u(t))(X(s)u(t))$  can be expressed through the expansion:

$$X(t, w) = u(t) + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{\lambda_j} \phi_j(t) z_j(w) \quad (4)$$

Where  $\lambda_j$  and  $\phi$  are Mercer eigenmodes (orthogonal functions) for  $K$ , and  $z_j$  are uncorrelated and of unit variance

# Main idea

## Basic idea

Let's go back to a lower-dimensional representation, using random Fourier features

Approximate the inner product  $\kappa(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \langle \phi(\mathbf{x}), \phi(\mathbf{y}) \rangle_v$  with a random mapping  $z : R^D \rightarrow R^R$  where  $D \ll R$

$$\kappa(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \langle \phi(\mathbf{x}), \phi(\mathbf{y}) \rangle_v \approx z(\mathbf{x})^\top z(\mathbf{y}) \quad (5)$$

Where  $z(\cdot)$  is a good projection of  $\phi$

# Translation invariant kernel

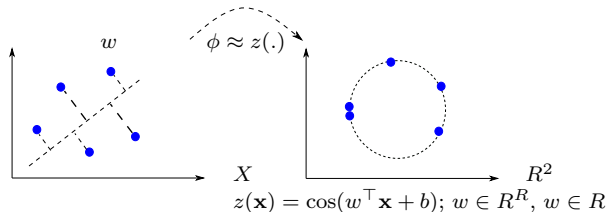
A Kernel  $\kappa : \mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  is called translation invariant, if it only depends on the difference between its argument:

$$\forall_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \in Z, \kappa(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \varphi(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$$

For some  $\varphi : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ . Such a function  $\varphi$  is called positive definite if the corresponding kernel  $\varphi$  is positive definite.

# Random Fourier Features

*"Each component of the feature map  $z(\mathbf{x})$  projects  $\mathbf{x}$  onto a random direction  $w$  drawn from the Fourier transform"*



## Bochner theorem

A continuous function  $\varphi : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  is positive definite if and only if it is the Fourier transform of a symmetric and positive finite measure  $\mu \in M(R^d)$ .

$$\varphi(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) = \underbrace{\int p(w) \exp(jw\Delta) dw}_{(6)} = E [\xi_w(\mathbf{x}) \xi_w(\mathbf{y})^*]$$

# Math review

$$\kappa(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \kappa(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) = \int p(w) e^{jw^\top(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})} dw = E_w [\xi_w(\mathbf{x}) \xi_w(\mathbf{y})^*] \quad (7)$$

where  $\xi_w(\mathbf{x}) = e^{jw^\top \mathbf{x}}$

$$\kappa(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \kappa(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) = E_w [e^{jw^\top \mathbf{x}} e^{-jw^\top \mathbf{y}}] = \int p(w) [\cos(w^\top(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})) + j \sin(w^\top(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}))]$$

$$\kappa(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \kappa(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) = \int p(w) \cos(w^\top(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})) + \underbrace{j \int p(w) \sin(w^\top(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}))}_0$$

$$\hat{\kappa}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \hat{\kappa}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) = E_w [z_w(\mathbf{x}) z_w(\mathbf{y})]$$

$$z(\mathbf{x}) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{D}} [\cos(w_1^\top \mathbf{x} + b_1), \cos(w_2^\top \mathbf{x} + b_2), \dots, \cos(w_D^\top \mathbf{x} + b_D)]$$



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Thank you!