

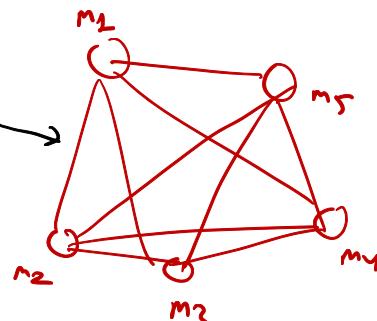
Similarity value

$$= k(m_i, m_j)$$

kernel function

Symmetric

PSD kernel



Similarity matrix

Kernel matrix  $K$

$O(n^2)$

PSD

Positive semi-definite

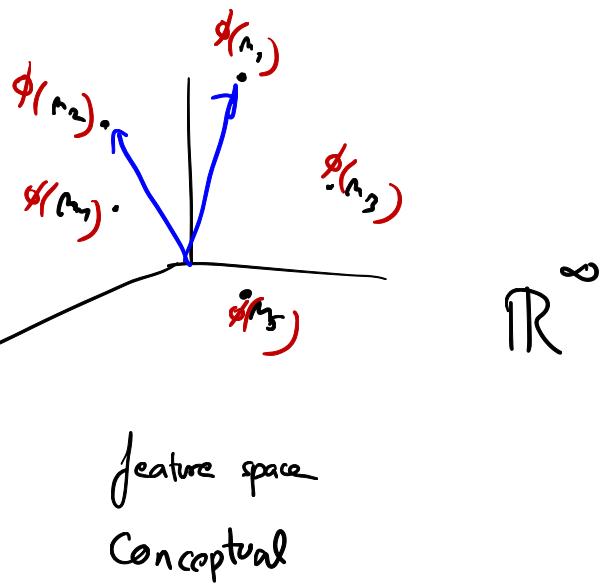
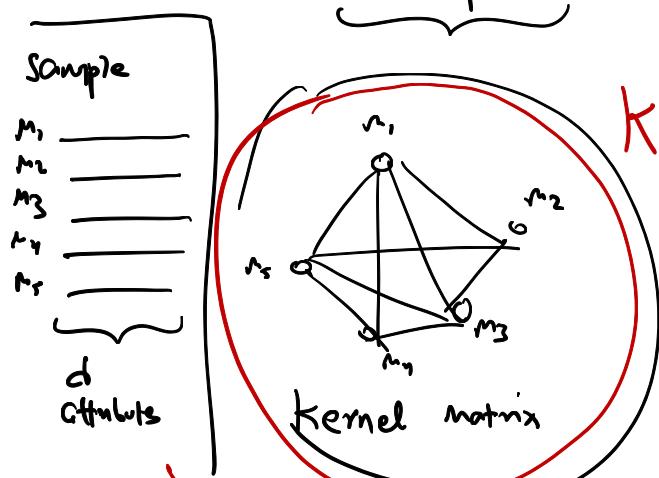
$$K(m_i, m_j) = k(m_i, m_j)$$

$$\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n \geq 0$$

$$\vec{u}_1 \quad \vec{u}_2 \quad \dots \quad \vec{u}_n$$

non-negative real eigenvalues

If  $k$  is a psd kernel, then  $k(\vec{x}_i, \vec{x}_j)$  is a dot-product in some abstract vector space

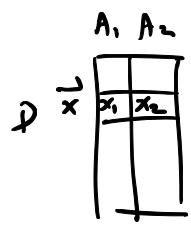


non-linear transformation  $\phi$

$$k(m_1, m_2) = \phi(m_1)^T \phi(m_2)$$

we never actually map  $m_i \rightarrow \phi(m_i)$

Can be computed in input space!



$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\phi$   
homogeneous  
quadratic

$$\phi(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^2 \\ x_2^2 \\ x_1 x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\phi(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2^2 \\ 1 \cdot 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

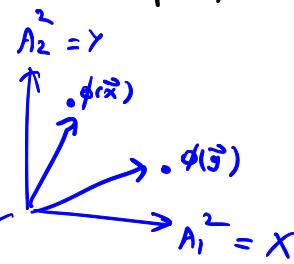
input space

$$\vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \phi(\vec{y}) = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 2 \cdot 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\phi \xrightarrow{\text{O}(d^2)}$$

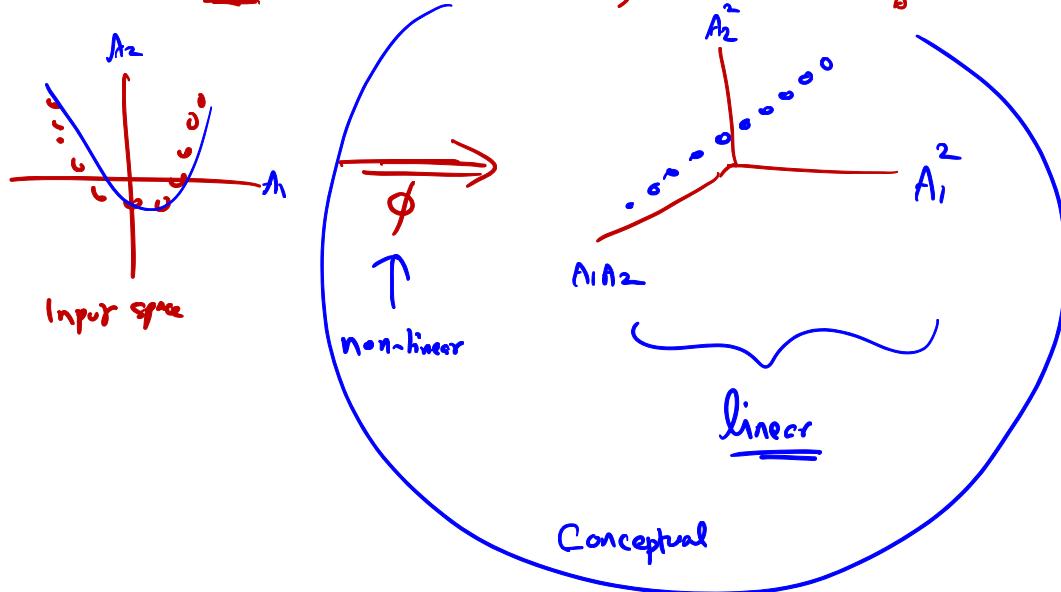
$$\sqrt{2} x_1 x_2 = z$$

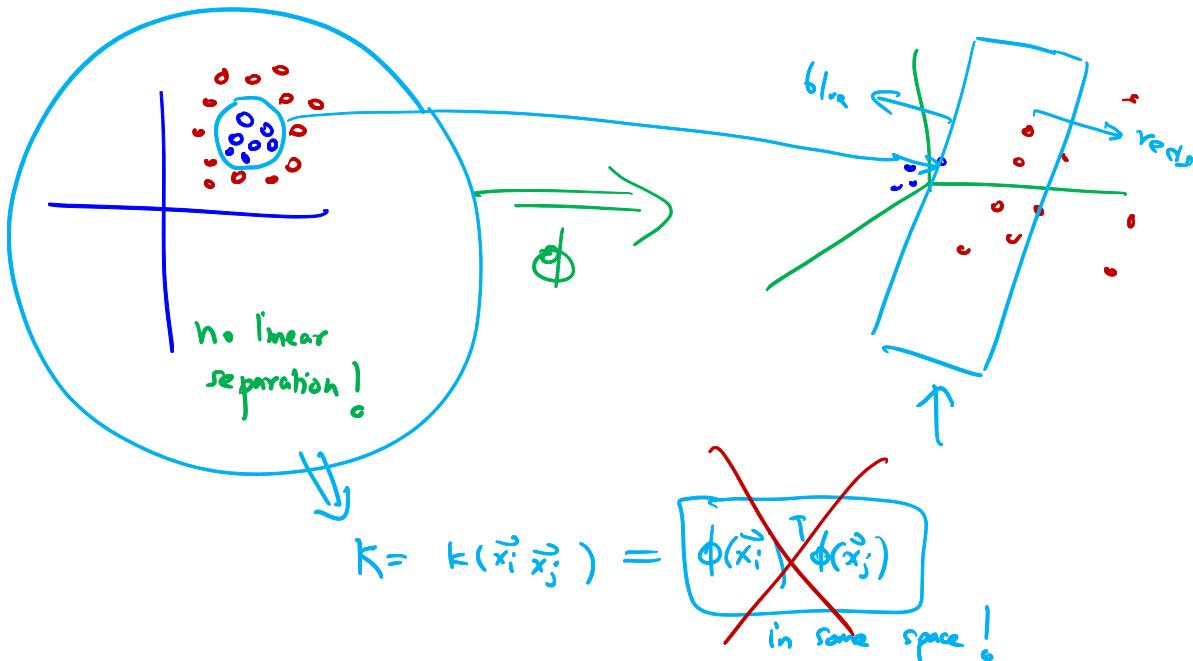
$$\phi(\vec{x})^T \phi(\vec{y}) = 4 + 4 + 8 = 16 = k(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$$



I want to avoid  $\phi$  completely!

$$k(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = (\vec{x}^T \vec{y})^2 = (2+2)^2 = (4)^2 = 16 !$$





$\phi$  inhomogeneous  
( $q=2$ ) degree  
c = 1 constant

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\phi(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \text{constant } + c \\ \sqrt{2}x_1 \\ \sqrt{2}x_2 \\ x_1^2 \\ x_2^2 \\ \sqrt{2}x_1 x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \\ 2\sqrt{2} \\ 1 \\ 4 \\ 2\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$K(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = (\vec{x}^T \vec{y} + c)^2 = \phi(\vec{x})^T \phi(\vec{y})$$

Polynomial kernel ( $q$ : degree,  $c$ : constant)

$$K(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = (\underbrace{\vec{x}^T \vec{y}}_{\text{scalar}} + c)^q \rightarrow \begin{cases} c=0 & : \text{homogeneous} \\ c>0 & : \text{inhomogeneous} \end{cases}$$

If  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , then  $\phi(\vec{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^{\binom{d+q}{2}}$  space

$$\approx O(d^q)$$

Gaussian kernel

$$\mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\infty$$

$\vec{x} \rightarrow \phi(\vec{x})$  impossible to physically  
construct  $\phi(\vec{x})$

$$k(\vec{x}, \vec{y} | \sigma) = e^{-\frac{(\|\vec{x} - \vec{y}\|)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

you choose

$$K = \begin{matrix} & n \\ \begin{matrix} \vdots \\ \vec{x}_n \end{matrix} & \left[ \begin{array}{c c c} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & k(\vec{x}_i, \vec{x}_j) \end{array} \right] \\ & n \end{matrix}$$

linear kernel

$$q=1 \quad \vec{x}^\top \vec{y} = k(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$$

### Kernel operations

1) length or norm of a point

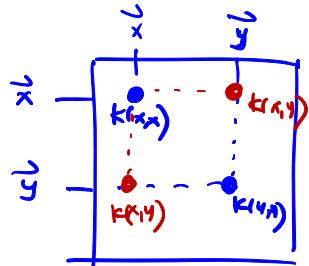
$$k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}) = \|\phi(\vec{x})\|^2$$

$$\sqrt{k(\vec{x}, \vec{x})} = \|\phi(\vec{x})\|$$

2) distance between  $\phi(\vec{x})$  &  $\phi(\vec{y})$

Using Only  $K$

$$\|\phi(\vec{x}) - \phi(\vec{y})\|^2 = k(\vec{x}, \vec{x}) + k(\vec{y}, \vec{y}) - 2k(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$$



$$\phi(\vec{y}) \quad \phi(\vec{x})$$

$$\|\phi(\vec{x})\| ?$$

$$\underbrace{\phi(\vec{x})^\top \phi(\vec{x})}_{k(\vec{x}, \vec{x})} = \|\phi(\vec{x})\|^2$$

$$k(\vec{x}, \vec{x})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\phi(\vec{x}) - \phi(\vec{y})\|^2 &= \\ (\underline{\phi(\vec{x})} \cdot \underline{\phi(\vec{y})})^\top (\underline{\phi(\vec{x})} - \underline{\phi(\vec{y})}) &= \end{aligned}$$

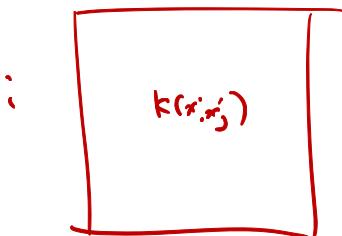
$$\underline{\phi(\vec{x})^\top \phi(\vec{x})} \left[ \begin{array}{c} -\phi(\vec{x})^\top \phi(\vec{y}) \\ -\phi(\vec{x})^\top \phi(\vec{y}) + \underline{\phi(\vec{y})^\top \phi(\vec{y})} \end{array} \right]$$

3) Mean vector in feature space via  $K$ ?

NOT POSSIBLE

however we can compute

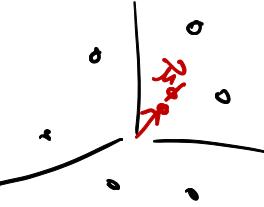
$$\|\mu_f\|^2 = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_i \sum_j K(\vec{x}_i, \vec{x}_j)$$



Average  
kernel/sim  
value

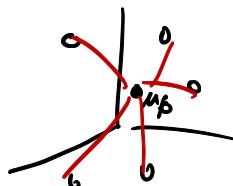
$$\vec{\mu}_f = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \phi(\vec{x}_i)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\|\vec{\mu}_f\|^2 &= \vec{\mu}_f^\top \vec{\mu}_f \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_i \sum_j \phi(\vec{x}_i)^\top \phi(\vec{x}_j) \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_i \sum_j K(\vec{x}_i, \vec{x}_j)\end{aligned}$$

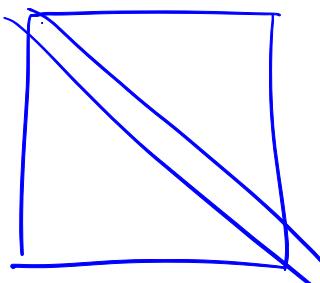


4) Total variance via  $K$

$$\text{totvar}_{\text{in feature space}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n K(\vec{x}_i, \vec{x}_i)}_{\text{avg sq norm of a point in feature space}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_i \sum_j K(\vec{x}_i, \vec{x}_j)}_{\text{sq norm of mean vector}}$$



$$\arg \|\phi(\vec{x}_i)\|^2 - \|\mu_f\|^2$$

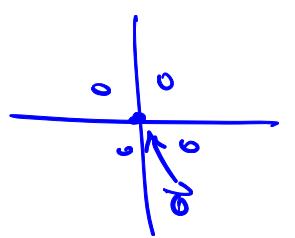


Avg diagonal = avg of matrix

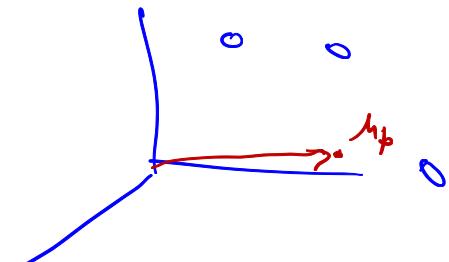
$$\begin{aligned}\text{totvar} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum \|\phi(\vec{x}_i) - \mu_f\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum (\phi(\vec{x}_i) - \mu_f)^\top (\phi(\vec{x}_i) - \mu_f)\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$$

5) Centering    6) angles    7) projections



$\phi$



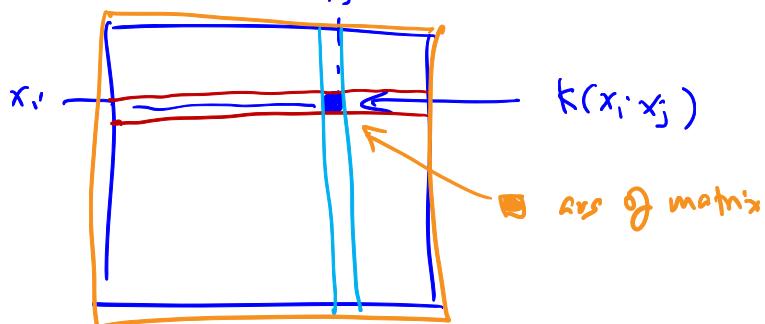
Center

$\bar{K}$ : centered kernel

$$\underbrace{\bar{K}(x_i, x_j)}_{\text{(centered value}}} = \underbrace{k(x_i, x_j)}_{\text{original value}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_a k(x_i, x_a)}_{\text{avg sim of } x_i} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_b k(x_b, x_j)}_{\text{avg sim of } x_j} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_a \sum_b k(x_a, x_b)}_{\text{avg of matrix}}$$

avg sim of  $\vec{x}_i$

avg sim of  $\vec{x}_j$



6) angle

$$\cos \theta = \frac{k(x, y)}{\sqrt{k(x, x) \cdot k(y, y)}}$$

$\cos \theta = \left( \frac{\phi(x)}{\|\phi(x)\|} \right)^T \left( \frac{\phi(y)}{\|\phi(y)\|} \right)$

7) projections

$$= \frac{k(x_i, \cdot)}{\sqrt{k(x_i, x_i)} \sqrt{k(y_i, y_i)}}$$

handicap: we cannot construct a vector  
in feature space

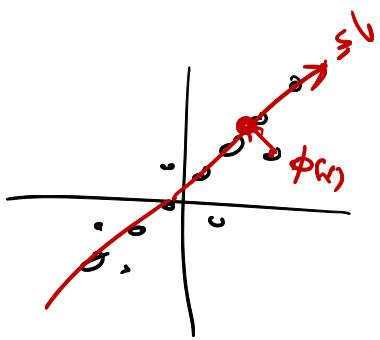
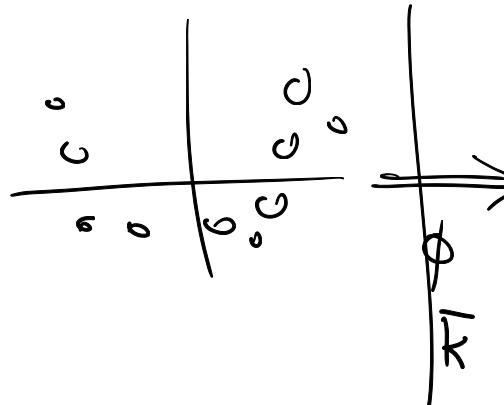
$$\vec{u}_b = ?$$

$\vec{a}$  proj onto  $\vec{u}_i$

$$\vec{u}_1 = ?$$

$$\text{proj}_{\vec{u}_i}(\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{x}_i$$

$$\frac{\vec{u}_i^T \vec{a}}{\vec{u}_i^T \vec{u}_i}$$



$$\text{proj}_{\vec{u}_i}(\phi(x_i))$$

$$\frac{\vec{u}_i^T \phi(x_i)}{\vec{u}_i^T \vec{u}_i} = \frac{c_1 \sum_k k(x_i, x_k)}{c_1 \sum_{a,b} k(x_a, x_b)}$$