

1. (Kernel Trick for polynomial SVM) Consider the polynomial Kernel $K(u, v) = (1 + u * v)^2$ where $u, v \in [-1, 1]^d$.
- (a) show that for $d = 2$ that $K(u, v)$ can be written as a scalar product $\Phi(u) * \Phi(v)$ in a six-dimensional state space and provide explicit expressions for the feature transform $\Phi(u)$.

Solution:

$$K(u, v) = (1 + u * v)^2 = \left(1 + \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} * \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix}\right)^2 \quad (1)$$

$$= (1 + u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2)^2 \quad (2)$$

$$= 1 + 2u_1 v_1 + 2u_2 v_2 + 2u_1 v_1 u_2 v_2 + (u_1 v_1)^2 + (u_2 v_2)^2 \quad (3)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2}u_1 \\ \sqrt{2}u_2 \\ \sqrt{2}u_1 u_2 \\ u_1^2 \\ u_2^2 \end{pmatrix} * \begin{pmatrix} 1, \\ \sqrt{2}v_1, \\ \sqrt{2}v_2, \\ \sqrt{2}v_1 v_2, \\ v_1^2, \\ v_2^2, \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

$$= \Phi(u) * \Phi(v) \quad (5)$$

- (b) generalize your result for general (integer) $d > 1$.

Solution:

$$K(u, v) = (1 + u * v)^2 = \left(1 + \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_d \end{pmatrix} * \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_d \end{pmatrix}\right)^2 \quad (6)$$

$$= 1 + 2u_1v_1 + \cdots + 2u_dv_d + \quad (7)$$

$$2u_1v_1u_2v_2 + \cdots + 2u_1v_1u_dv_d + \quad (8)$$

$$2u_2v_2u_3v_3 + \cdots + 2u_2v_2u_dv_d + \quad (9)$$

$$\vdots \quad (10)$$

$$2u_{d-1}v_{d-1}u_dv_d + \quad (11)$$

$$(u_1v_1)^2 + \cdots + (u_dv_d)^2 \quad (12)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2}u_1 \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{2}u_d \\ \sqrt{2}u_1u_2 \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{2}u_1u_d \\ \sqrt{2}u_2u_3 \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{2}u_2u_d \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{2}u_{d-1}u_d \\ u_1^2 \\ \vdots \\ u_d^2 \end{pmatrix} * \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2}v_1 \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{2}v_d \\ \sqrt{2}v_1v_2 \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{2}v_1v_d \\ \sqrt{2}v_2v_3 \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{2}v_2v_d \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{2}v_{d-1}v_d \\ v_1^2 \\ \vdots \\ v_d^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (13)$$

$$= \Phi(u) * \Phi(v) \quad (14)$$

- (c) demonstrate for this case explicitly the validity of Mercer's condition, if the integration range is chosen as the hypercube $[-1, 1]^d$.

Solution: