

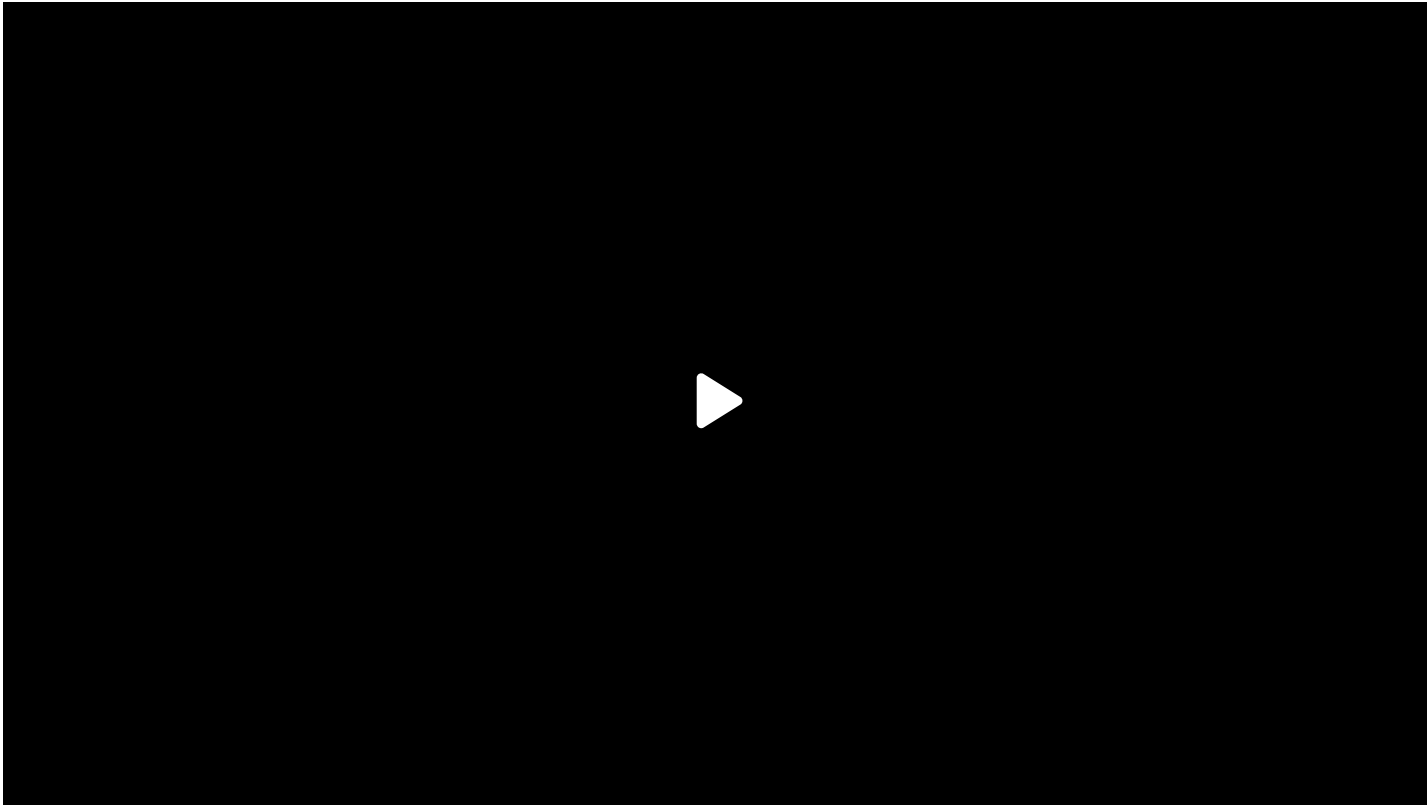
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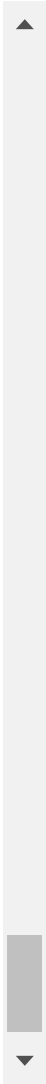
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powerful.  
Then, we can collapse those computations by operating implicitly in the feature representations with the help of kernel functions.  
And one kernel function, radial basis kernel, is particularly powerful, because it is easy to evaluate, but it corresponds to infinite dimensional feature vectors, that we could not operate explicitly, **but we can operate through the kernel function quite well.**



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## Calculating the Radial Basis Kernel

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Recall from the video above that the **radial basis kernel**  $K$  is given by

$$K(x, x') = e^{-\frac{1}{2}\|x-x'\|^2}$$

Let

$$x = [1, 0, 0]^T$$

$$x' = [0, 1, 0]^T.$$

Compute the radial basis kernel  $K(x, x')$ .

☐  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

☒  $e^{-1}$  ✓

☐  $e^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

☐  $e^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}$



**Solution:**

$$K(x, x') = e^{-\frac{1}{2}\|x-x'\|^2} = e^{-\frac{1}{2}(2)} = e^{-1}.$$

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