

Probset #3

4. (d)

$$K(x, z) = -a k_1(x, z) \quad a \in \mathbb{R}^+ : \text{a positive real number}$$

Given any vector z ,

$$\begin{aligned} z^T K z &= \sum_i \sum_j z_i k_{ij} z_j \\ &= \sum_i \sum_j z_i \{-a \phi_1(x^{(i)})^T \phi_1(z^{(j)})\} z_j \\ &= \sum_i \sum_j z_i \sum_k \{-a (\phi_1(x^{(i)}))_k (\phi_1(z^{(j)}))_k\} z_j \\ &= -a \left(\sum_i z_i \phi_1(x^{(i)}) \right)^2 \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

→ Negative semi-definite

→ X Kernel