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Exercise 1:

a) Prove that  $K(x, y) = (\langle x, y \rangle + c)^m$  is a kernel

where  $c \geq 0$ ,  $m$  is a positive number,  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$

⊛ Apply Binomial Theorem:

$$(\langle x, y \rangle + c)^m = \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} c^{m-j} \cdot (\langle x, y \rangle)^j = \sum_{j=0}^m a_j (\langle x, y \rangle)^j$$

$$\text{, where } a_j = \binom{m}{j} c^{m-j} \geq 0, j \text{ is an integer } 0 \leq j \leq m \quad (i)$$

⊛ From the conic sum of kernels:

$$\sum_{j=0}^m a_j \cdot K_j \text{ is also a kernel, } \forall a_j \geq 0 \quad (ii)$$

⊛  $(\langle x, y \rangle)^j$  is a kernel, whose feature space  $\mathcal{H}'$  could be explained as  $x_1^{u_1} x_2^{u_2} x_3^{u_3} x_4^{u_4} \dots x_j^{u_j}$ , where  $\sum_{v=1}^j u_v = j$  (iii)

(i) (ii) (iii)  $\Rightarrow K(x, y) = (\langle x, y \rangle + c)^m$  is a kernel.

b) For  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^2$  (meaning we have  $\{x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2\}$ , and  $m=3, c=0$ ).

$$\begin{aligned} K(x, y) &= (\langle x, y \rangle)^3 = (x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2)^3 = x_1 x_1 x_1 y_1 y_1 y_1 + x_1 x_2 x_1 y_1 y_2 y_1 \\ &+ x_2 x_1 x_1 y_2 y_1 y_1 + x_2 x_2 x_1 y_2 y_2 y_1 + x_1 x_1 x_2 y_1 y_1 y_2 + x_1 x_2 x_2 y_1 y_2 y_2 \\ &+ x_2 x_1 x_2 y_2 y_1 y_2 + x_2 x_2 x_2 y_2 y_2 y_2 \end{aligned}$$

So the feature space is

$$\phi(x) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_1 \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_1 \\ x_2 & x_1 & x_1 \\ x_2 & x_2 & x_1 \\ x_1 & x_1 & x_2 \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_2 \\ x_2 & x_1 & x_2 \\ x_2 & x_2 & x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\phi(y) = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_1 & y_1 \\ y_1 & y_2 & y_1 \\ y_2 & y_1 & y_1 \\ y_2 & y_2 & y_1 \\ y_1 & y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 & y_2 \\ y_2 & y_1 & y_2 \\ y_2 & y_2 & y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$