

• Vector space

A vector space is a set V with

addition $+: V \times V \rightarrow V$
multiplication $\cdot: \mathbb{R} \times V \rightarrow V$

with property

- commutative $a+b = b+a$
- associative $(a+b)+c = a+(b+c)$
- distributive $k(a+b) = ka+kb$
- negativity $\forall v \in V \quad -v \in V$

• Norm & Normed space

A norm on a vector space is a function $\|\cdot\|: V \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$

with property

- $\|v\| = 0 \iff v = 0$
- $\|a \cdot v\| = |a| \|v\|$
- $\|x+y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$

A vector space with a norm on it is a normed space

• Banach space

A normed space V is a Banach space

iff V is complete wrt the metric induced by the norm $d(x,y) = \|x-y\|$

• Pre-Hilbert space

A pre-Hilbert space H is a vector space over $\mathbb{C}$ (or $\mathbb{R}$)

with a Hermitian inner product

$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_H: H \times H \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ s.t.

- $\forall \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{C} \quad \langle \lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2, w \rangle_H = \lambda_1 \langle v_1, w \rangle_H + \lambda_2 \langle v_2, w \rangle_H$
- $\forall v, w \in H \quad \langle v, w \rangle_H = \overline{\langle w, v \rangle_H}$
- $\forall v \in H \quad \langle v, v \rangle_H \geq 0 \text{ real}, \quad \langle v, v \rangle_H = 0 \iff v = 0$

can prove Cauchy-Schwarz from these 3 conditions

then $\|v\|_H = \langle v, v \rangle_H^{1/2}$ is a norm on H

• Hilbert space

A Hilbert space is a pre-Hilbert space

that is complete wrt norm $\|x\|_H = \langle x, x \rangle_H^{1/2}$

Eg. $\mathbb{C}^n: \langle u, v \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \overline{v_i}$

$\ell^2: \{x \in \mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}}: \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x_i|^2 < +\infty\} \quad \langle x, y \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \overline{y_i}$

$L^2: \{f: \int |f|^2 < +\infty\} \quad \langle f, g \rangle = \int f \overline{g}$

Constructing Reproducing Kernel Hilbert Space

①: Start with a PSD function $k: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \exists f \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } k_{ij} = k(x_i, x_j) \\ \text{then } k \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \end{array} \right.$

①: define the feature map $\phi: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$
 $\phi(x) = k(x, \cdot)$

②: Construct vectors in vector space

$f = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \phi(x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i k(x_i, \cdot)$ any linear combination of $k(x_i, \cdot)$
 the vector space is $\text{span}(\{\phi(x_i) : x_i \in \mathcal{X}\}) = \left\{ f = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i k(x_i, \cdot) : n \in \mathbb{N}, \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}, x_i \in \mathcal{X} \right\}$

③: To make it a pre-Hilbert space, define the inner product

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f = \sum_i \alpha_i k(x_i, \cdot) \\ g = \sum_j \beta_j k(x_j, \cdot) \end{array} \right\} \langle f, g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = \sum_i \sum_j \alpha_i \beta_j k(x_i, x_j)$$

Reproducing property:

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \sum_i \alpha_i k(x_i, \cdot) \\ \langle f, k(x, \cdot) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} &= \sum_i \alpha_i k(x_i, x) = f(x) \\ \langle k(x, \cdot), k(y, \cdot) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} &= k(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

Can show that $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$ satisfies the properties required in pre-Hilbert space

(1): Symmetry: By symmetry of $k(\cdot, \cdot)$

(2): Linearity: $\langle f_1 + f_2, g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = \left\langle \sum_i \alpha_i k(x_i, \cdot) + \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j k(x_j, \cdot), \sum_k \beta_k k(x_k, \cdot) \right\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$
 $= \left\langle \sum_i \alpha_i k(x_i, \cdot), \sum_k \beta_k k(x_k, \cdot) \right\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$
 $= \sum_i \sum_k \alpha_i \beta_k k(x_i, x_k)$
 $= \sum_i \sum_k \alpha_i \beta_k k(x_i, x_k) + \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_k \alpha_j \beta_k k(x_j, x_k)$
 $= \langle f_1, g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} + \langle f_2, g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$

(3): PSD.

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \sum_i \alpha_i k(x_i, \cdot) & \langle f, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} &= \sum_i \sum_j \alpha_i \alpha_j k(x_i, x_j) = \mathbf{\alpha}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{\alpha} \geq 0 \\ f(x) &= \langle k(x, \cdot), f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \\ &\leq \langle k(x, \cdot), k(x, \cdot) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^{1/2} \cdot \langle f, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^{1/2} \\ &= k(x, x)^{1/2} \cdot \langle f, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

if $\langle f, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = 0$, then $f(x) = 0 \forall x$, thus $f = 0$
 if $f = 0$, then $\langle f, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = 0$ is obvious

⑩ For $\mathcal{H}$ to be a Hilbert space, we need it to be complete

$$\mathcal{H} = \overline{\left\{ f = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i k(x_i, \cdot) : \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}, x_i \in \mathcal{X}, m \in \mathbb{N} \right\}}$$

Definition: RKHS

$\mathcal{H}$ is a RKHS if

$$\exists k: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \mapsto \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } \begin{cases} k \text{ has the reproducing property } f(x) = \langle f, k(x, \cdot) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \\ k \text{ spans } \mathcal{H} : \mathcal{H} = \overline{\text{span} \{ k(x, \cdot) : x \in \mathcal{X} \}} \end{cases}$$

Theorem:

if psd function $k(\cdot, \cdot)$, $\exists$ a unique RKHS