Skolkovo Institute of Science and Technology

Homework 3. Matrix Calculus

Bayesian Methods Advanced Machine Learning, Spring 2016, Term 3

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1. Prove Woodbury's matrix identity:

$$(A + UCV)^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}U(C^{-1} + VA^{-1}U)^{-1}VA^{-1}.$$

Dimensions: $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $C \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$, $U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, $V \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$.

- 2. Find $\frac{\partial}{\partial X} \operatorname{tr}(AX^{-1}B)$.
- 3. Let $p(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma)$ and $\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{x}_b]$. Find $p(\mathbf{x}_a)$.
- 4. Let $p(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$. Find $\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{x} \mathbf{a})^T B(\mathbf{x} \mathbf{a})$. Hint: $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{x} \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{x} \boldsymbol{\mu})^T$.
- 5. Let $p(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{\mu}, \Sigma)$, $p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}|A\mathbf{x}, \Gamma)$. Prove that $p(\mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}|A\mathbf{\mu}, \Gamma + A\Sigma A^T)$. Hint: use "completing the square" technique. See, for example, Bishop "Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning", chapter 2.3.1.