

Biostat 250A HW1

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- 1 Fill in all the technical details on the first day handout when we argued that $X-Y$ is a chi-squared random variable with $n-m$ degrees of freedom.
- 2 We know that if X and Y are random variables and if they are independent, they are uncorrelated. Give an example, where we have uncorrelated random variables but they are not independent.
- 3 On page 16 of Lecture 1 Notes, show that all claims on the properties of the rank of a matrix are true.
- 4 Show that if A is a rectangular matrix and has linearly independent columns (i.e. A has full column rank), $A'A$ has an inverse. Deduce a corresponding result for the rows of A .
- 5 Show that if A has rank r than A can be written as $A=BC$ where B has full column rank and C has full row rank.
- 6 Do the exercises at the bottom of page 1 in Lecture 2 Notes.

Problem 1: $X \sim X_n^2$, $Y \sim X_m^2$,
 $X - Y \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$, find dist. of $X - Y$.

Solution: Since $X_n^2 \stackrel{d}{=} \text{Gal}\left(\frac{n}{2}, 2\right)$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} e^{tX} &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^+} \left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})} \frac{n}{2} x^{\frac{n}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{x}{2}} \right) e^{tx} dx \\ &= \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^+} x^{\frac{n}{2}-1} e^{-(\frac{1}{2}-t)x} dx \right] C_1 \end{aligned}$$

where $C_1 = (\Gamma(\frac{n}{2}) 2^{\frac{n}{2}})^{-1}$

But $[\cdot] = \Gamma(\frac{n}{2}) (\frac{1}{2} - t)^{\frac{n}{2}}$ since the integrand is a kernel of gamma function.

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E} e^{tX} = (1-2t)^{\frac{n}{2}}$$

To make $[\cdot]$ is indeed a definite integral, we need $\frac{1}{2} - t > 0$, or, $t < \frac{1}{2}$

• Next,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} e^{tX} &= \mathbb{E} e^{t(X-Y+Y)} = \mathbb{E} e^{t(X-Y)} e^{tY} \\ &\stackrel{(*)}{=} \mathbb{E} e^{t(X-Y)} \mathbb{E} e^{tY} \end{aligned}$$

where $(*)$ comes from independence assumption.

Then

$$\text{LHS} = (1-2t)^{\frac{n}{2}} = \mathbb{E} e^{t(X-Y)} (1-2t)^{\frac{m}{2}} = \text{RHS}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E} e^{t(X-Y)} = (1-2t)^{\frac{n-m}{2}}$$

Thus, by Lévy's inversion thm,
we have

$$X - Y \sim \chi_{n-m}^2$$

Problem 2: Show that

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0 \Rightarrow X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y.$$

Solution:

$$\text{Let } X = \sin \Theta, \quad Y = \cos \Theta, \quad \Theta \sim U(0, 2\pi]$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(X, Y) &= \mathbb{E} \sin \Theta \cos \Theta - \mathbb{E} \sin \Theta \mathbb{E} \cos \Theta \\ &= \mathbb{E} \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\Theta - (\mathbb{E} \sin \Theta)(\mathbb{E} \cos \Theta) \\ &= 0 \quad (\text{A fact from Calculus I}) \end{aligned}$$

However,

$$\mathbb{P}(X > \frac{1}{2}, Y > \frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$\text{Since } \{X > \frac{1}{2}\} = \left\{ \frac{\pi}{3} < \Theta < \frac{2\pi}{3} \right\}$$

$$\{Y > \frac{1}{2}\} = \left\{ \Theta < \frac{\pi}{6} \right\} \cup \left\{ \frac{11\pi}{6} < \Theta \right\}$$

$$\text{But } \mathbb{P}(X > \frac{1}{2}) \mathbb{P}(Y > \frac{1}{2})$$

$$= \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \cdot \frac{\pi}{3} \right) \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{36} > 0$$

Problem: Show the following:

(i): $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, then $\text{rank}(A) \leq \min(m, n)$

Pf: WLOG, suppose $m \leq n$ & $\text{rank}(A) = m+1$

$$\text{Then } \text{Dim}(\text{Span}(a_1, \dots, a_m)) = m+1$$

where a_i is the i^{th} column of A .

But $\forall b \in \text{Span}(a_1, \dots, a_m), \exists c_1, \dots, c_m$ s.t.

$b = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i a_i$, so the dimension can not exceed m , a contradiction.

(ii): $\text{Rank}(A+B) \leq \text{Rank}(A) + \text{Rank}(B)$

Pf: ETS $\forall x \perp \text{Span}(A) \& x \perp \text{Span}(B)$

$x \perp A+B$ since $(x \neq \vec{0})$

$$\text{Dim}(\{y+z : y \in \text{Span}(A), z \in \text{Span}(B)\}) \leq$$

$\text{Rank}(A) + \text{Rank}(B)$

But $A^T x = 0 \& B^T x = 0 \Rightarrow$

$$(A+B)^T x = 0.$$

Thus

$$\text{Dim}(\text{Span}(A+B)) \leq \text{Dim}(\{y+z : y \in \text{Span}(A), z \in \text{Span}(B)\})$$

(iii): $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \min(\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(B))$

Pf: $\forall x \perp \text{Span}(A), x \perp \text{Span}(AB)$

$$\text{Since } A^T x = 0 \Rightarrow (AB)^T x = 0$$

Same argument for $\text{Span}(B) \Rightarrow$

$$\text{rank}(AB) \leq \min(\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(B))$$

(iv) A invertible iff $\det|A| \neq 0$ (Assume we know $\det|AB| = \det|A|\det|B|$)

Pf: (\Rightarrow): $I = A^{-1}A \& 1 = \det|I| = \det|A^{-1}A|$

$$= \det|A^{-1}| \det|A|$$

Thus, $\det|A| \neq 0$.

(\Leftarrow): Transform A into its echelon form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cdots & 1 & \cdots & \cdots \\ \cdots & 0 & \cdots & \cdots \\ \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

, Since \forall elementary matrices, the det is always ± 1 .

$$\text{We have } |\det|A|| = \prod_{i=1}^n \text{diag}(\text{echelon})$$

Thus the diagonal elements are not 0, which suggests that A' exists.

(v): A, B invertible, then $\text{rank}(C) =$

$$\text{rank}(AC) = \text{rank}(CB) = \text{rank}(ACB)$$

Pf: Let $x \perp \text{Span}(CB)$, $(x \neq \vec{0})$

then $B^T C^T x = 0$, since B is of full rank. we have $C^T x = 0 \Rightarrow x \perp \text{Span}(C)$

Let $x \perp \text{Span}(AC)$,

then $ACx = 0$, but A is of full rank

$$\Rightarrow Cx = 0 \Rightarrow x \perp \text{Span}(C^T)$$

$$\text{But } \text{Dim}(\text{Span}(C^T)) = \text{Dim}(\text{Span}(C)) \quad (\text{*})$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{rank}(C) \leq \text{rank}(AC)$$

Similarly,

$$\text{rank}(CB) \leq \text{rank}(ACB)$$

Since if $x \perp \text{Span}(ACB)$, $ACBx = 0$,

A invertible $\Rightarrow CBx = 0 \Rightarrow x \perp CB$.

Then other 3 directions are

trivial. (see (ii))

Q. E. D.

For a proof of (*), see next problem.

$$(vi): \text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^T) = \text{rank}(AA^T) = \text{rank}(A^TA)$$

Pf: ETS ② Since ③ is implied by ①.
& $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(AA^T) \leq \text{rank}(A^T) = \text{rank}(A^TA) \leq \text{rank}(A)$
(see problem ③)

$$②: \text{ETS } \leq: \forall x \perp \text{Span}(AA^T)$$

$$AA^T x = 0 \Rightarrow x^T AA^T x = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\|A^T x\|_2^2 = 0 \Rightarrow A^T x = 0 \Rightarrow x \perp \text{Span}(A).$$

$$(vii): \text{rank}([A, b]) \geq \text{rank}(A)$$

Pf: $\forall x \in \text{Span}(A), \exists c_1, \dots, c_n$ s.t.
 $x = \sum_i^n c_i a_i$ where a_i is the i^{th}
column of A

$$\text{Thus, } x = \sum_i^n c_i a_i + 0b \Rightarrow$$

$$x \in \text{Span}([A, b])$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{rank}([A, b]) \geq \text{rank}(A)$$

$$(viii): C(A^TA) = C(A^T)$$

Pf: See (vi).

$$(ix): C(ACB) = C(AC) \text{ if } \text{rank}(CB) = \text{rank}(C)$$

Pf: $\text{rank}(CB) = \text{rank}(C) \Rightarrow \text{Span}(CB) = \text{Span}(C) \quad (\Delta)$
 $\Rightarrow \forall x \in \text{Span}(AC), \exists b \text{ s.t.}$

$x = ACb$, but for $\forall b, \exists \tilde{b}$ s.t.

$Cb = (CB)\tilde{b}$ by (Δ) , it doesn't have
to be unique. $\Rightarrow x = ACB\tilde{b}$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \text{Span}(ACB)$$

Problem 4: If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ &
 $\text{rank}(A) = n$, Then A^TA is invertible.

Pf: $\text{rank}(A^TA) = \text{rank}(A) = n$

But $A^TA \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

$\Rightarrow A^TA$ is invertible.

- If $\text{rank}(A) = m$, then AA^T is invertible.

Problem 5: If $\text{rank}(A) = r$, then $\exists BC$,
 $A = BC$ where B has full column rank
& C has full row rank.

Pf:

Method 1: SVD

$$A = U \Lambda V^T = (U \Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}})(\Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} V^T)$$

$$\& U \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times r}, \Lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}, V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$$

Then by problem 4 part (v),

$$B = U \Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} \& C = \Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} V^T.$$

Method 2: Dr. Wong's method

Let $\{b_1, \dots, b_r\}$ be a basis of $C(A)$
then $a_i = BC_i$ where $B = [b_1, \dots, b_r]$

$$\Rightarrow A = BC \text{ where } C = [c_1, \dots, c_r]$$

$$\& r = \text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(BC) \leq$$

$$\text{rank}(C) \leq r$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{rank}(C) = r.$$

Problem 6: Show the following:

Exercises:

- Show that all columns of an orthogonal matrix are orthogonal and each has length 1. Can the same be said of its rows?
- Show all eigenvalues of a real symmetric matrix are real.
- Show that eigenvectors corresponding to distinct eigenvalues of a real symmetric matrix are orthogonal.
- Show that if $Q = X'AX$, then we can always assume A to be symmetric.
- Show that any matrix A can be written as a sum of a symmetric matrix and a skew matrix, and these summands are unique.

$$A = S + T, \quad S^T = S, \quad T^T = -T$$

Pf: (1): $A^T A = I$ & $A = [a_1 \dots a_n] \Rightarrow a_i^T a_i = 1 \quad \& \quad a_i^T a_j = 0 \quad \forall i \neq j$.

• But AA^T may not be I . Consider

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(2): I will do this at the end. [Too long]

(3): Assume λ 's are real from (2).

Then $Ax_i = \lambda_i x_i$ with $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$

$$Ax_j = \lambda_j x_j$$

$$\Rightarrow x_j^T A x_i = \lambda_i \quad x_i^T x_j = \lambda_j \quad x_j^T x_i = x_i^T A^T x_j$$

Since A is symmetric

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda_i - \lambda_j) x_i^T x_j = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_i \perp x_j$$

□.

$$(4): x^T A x = x^T \left(\underbrace{\frac{A+A^T}{2}}_{\text{Symmetric}} \right) x \quad \square.$$

$$(5): M = \frac{A+A^T}{2} \Rightarrow M^T = M$$

$$\text{Existence: } S = \frac{A-A^T}{2} \Rightarrow S^T = -S^T$$

$$\& A = M+S$$

Uniqueness: Suppose

$$A = M+S = \tilde{M} + \tilde{S} \quad \&$$

$$\tilde{M} \neq M, \quad \tilde{S} \neq S, \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$\tilde{M}^T = M, \quad \tilde{S}^T = -\tilde{S}$$

Denote $\Delta_1 = M - \tilde{M}$, $\Delta_2 = S - \tilde{S}$, we have

$$\Delta_1 + \Delta_2 = 0 \quad \& \quad \dots \quad (1)$$

$$A = (\Delta_1 + \tilde{M}) + (\Delta_2 + \tilde{S})$$

$$\text{Also, } \Delta_1^T = \Delta_1 \quad \dots \quad (2)$$

$$\Delta_2^T = -\Delta_2 \quad \dots \quad (3)$$

$$(2) - (3) = \Delta_1^T - \Delta_2^T = \Delta_1 + \Delta_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{M} = M \quad \& \quad S = \tilde{S}.$$

(See next page)

- Show if $A^T = A$ then eigen-vals of A are real.

Pf: Let $Ax = (a+bi)x$ where $x \neq 0$.

$$\text{Then let } B = (A - (a+bi)I)^T \overline{(A - (a+bi)I)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{by symmetry} \\ &\& A \text{ is real} \\ &= (A - (a+bi)I)(A - (a-bi)I) \end{aligned}$$

$$= A^2 - 2aA + (a^2+b^2)I \quad (\star)$$

and we have

$$\det|B| = 0 = \det|[(A - (a+bi)I)^2]|$$

$$\text{But } (\star) = (A - aI)^2 + b^2I$$

$(A - aI)^2$ is p.s.d. implies that

$b=0$, otherwise $\det(\star) > 0$.

Thus, eigen-vals of A are all real.