

# Info Retrieval Assignment 2

## Task 1

a) Provide  $\hat{s} \in \mathbb{R}^p$  s.t.  $\hat{s} = \arg \max_{s \text{ s.t. } \|s\|=1} s^T \Sigma \Sigma^T s$

$$\begin{aligned} s^T \Sigma \Sigma^T s &= s^T \Sigma_p^2 s \\ &= s^T \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{1,1}^2 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sigma_{p,p}^2 \end{bmatrix} s \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^p (s_i \sigma_{i,i})^2 \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Note:  $\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^p s_i^2} = 1$   
 $\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^p s_i^2 = 1$   
 So  $s_i \leq 1$

Since  $\sigma_{1,1} > \dots > \sigma_{p,p}$ , we maximise (1) by setting  $s_i$  to be highest value possible, i.e.  $s_i = 1$ , and  $s_i = 0$  for  $i \neq 1$

So  $\hat{s} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^p$  maximises (1)

b) Show  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (a^T x_i)^2 = \frac{1}{N} a^T X X^T a$  maximised when  $a = u_1$  ( $\|a\|=1$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{N} a^T X X^T a &= \frac{1}{N} a^T U \Sigma V^T V \Sigma^T U^T a & (X = U \Sigma V^T) \\ &= \frac{1}{N} a^T U \Sigma \Sigma^T U^T a & (V^T V = I_N) \\ &= \frac{1}{N} a^T U \Sigma_p^2 U^T a \end{aligned}$$

Let  $s^T = a^T U$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{N} a^T X X^T a = \frac{1}{N} s^T \Sigma_p^2 s \quad (2)$

(2) maximised when  $s = \hat{s} = [1 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0]^T$

$\therefore \hat{s}^T = a^T U \Rightarrow \hat{s} = U^T a$

So  $a = u_1$ , since  $U^T u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \cdot u_1 \\ u_2 \cdot u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \cdot u_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \hat{s}$