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SYMBOLS AND NOTATION

Matrices are capitalized bold face letters while vectors are lowercase bold face letters.

<i>Syntax</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
\triangleq	An equality which acts as a statement
$ \mathbf{A} $	The determinate of a matrix.
$\mathbf{x}^\top, \mathbf{X}^\top$	The transpose operator.
$\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{X}^*$	The hermitian operator.
$\mathbf{a}.*\mathbf{b}$ or $\mathbf{A}.*\mathbf{B}$	Element-wise vector (matrix) multiplication, similar to Matlab.
\propto	Proportional to.
∇ or ∇_f	The partial derivative (with respect to f).
∇	The Hessian.
\sim	Distributed according to, example $x \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$
$\mathbf{0}$ or $\mathbf{0}_n$ or $\mathbf{0}_{n \times m}$	The zero vector (matrix) of appropriate length (size) or the zero vector of length n or the zero matrix with dimensions $n \times m$.
$\mathbf{1}$ or $\mathbf{1}_n$ or $\mathbf{1}_{n \times m}$	The one vector (matrix) of appropriate length (size) or the one vector of length n or the one matrix with dimensions $n \times m$.
$\mathbb{1}_{n \times m}$	The matrix with ones along the diagonal and zeros on off diagonal elements.

$\mathbf{A}_{(:, :)}$	Index slicing to extract a submatrix from the elements of $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, similar to indexing slicing from the python and Matlab programming languages. Each parameter can receive a single value or a 'slice' consisting of a start and an end value separated by a semicolon. The first and second parameter describe what row and columns should be selected, respectively. A single value means that only values from the single specified row/column should be selected. A slice tells us that all rows/columns between the provided range should be selected. Additionally if now start and end values are specified in the slice then all rows/columns should be selected. For example, the slice $\mathbf{A}_{(1:3, j:j')}$ is the submatrix $\mathbb{R}^{3 \times (j' - j + 1)}$ matrix containing the first three rows of \mathbf{A} and columns j to j' . As another example, $\mathbf{A}_{(:, j)}$ is the j^{th} column of \mathbf{A} .
\mathbf{A}^\dagger	Denotes the unique psuedo inverse or Moore-Penore inverse of \mathbf{A} .
\mathbb{C}	The complex numbers.
$\text{diag}(\mathbf{w})$	Vector argument, a diagonal matrix containing the elements of vector \mathbf{w} .
$\text{diag}(\mathbf{W})$	Matrix argument, a vector containing the diagonal elements of the matrix \mathbf{W} .
\mathbb{E} or $\mathbb{E}_{q(x)}[z(x)]$	Expectation, or expectation of $z(x)$ where $x \sim q(x)$.
\mathbb{R}	The real numbers.
$\text{tr}(\mathbf{A})$	The trace of a matrix.
\mathbb{V} or $\mathbb{V}_{q(x)}[z(x)]$	Variance, the variance of $z(x)$ when $x \sim q(x)$.
\mathbb{Z}	The integers, $\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$.

REVIEW

Theorems and definitions here are mostly concepts seen before from other courses.

Useful Formulae and Theorems.

(Geometric Series)
$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} r^k = \left(\frac{1 - r^n}{1 - r} \right)$$

or

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} r^i = \frac{1}{1 - r} \quad \text{with} \quad |r| < 1$$

(Euler's formula)
$$e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x$$

(Newton's Binomial formula)
$$(a + b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^{n-k} b^k$$

Theorem 1 (Young's inequality for products). *If $a \geq 0$ and $b \geq 0$ are nonnegative real numbers and if $p > 1$ and $q > 1$ are real numbers such that $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, then*

$$ab \leq \frac{a^p}{p} + \frac{b^q}{q}.$$

Equality holds iff $a^p = b^q$.

Common Distributions. Common distributions seen from prior courses. Notations mostly borrowed from STAT2003.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Notation</i>	<i>Support</i>	<i>pf</i>	<i>Expectation</i>	<i>Variance</i>
Bernoulli	$\text{Ber}(p)$	$\{0, 1\}$	$p^k(1-p)^{1-k}$	p	$p(1-p)$
Binomial	$\text{Bin}(n, p)$	$\{0, \dots, n\}$	$\binom{n}{k} p^k(1-p)^{n-k}$	np	$np(1-p)$
Geometric	$\text{Geo}(n, p)$	\mathbb{N}_0	$(1-p)^k p$	$\frac{1-p}{p}$	$\frac{1-p}{p^2}$
Poisson	$\text{Poi}(\lambda)$	\mathbb{N}_0	$\frac{\lambda^x}{x!} e^{-\lambda}$	λ	λ
Uniform	$\text{U}[a, b]$	$[a, b]$	$\frac{1}{b-a}$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(a-b)^2}{12}$
Exponential	$\text{Exp}(\lambda)$	\mathbb{R}^+	$\lambda e^{-\lambda x}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda}$
Normal	$\text{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$	\mathbb{R}	$\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2\right)$	μ	σ^2
Gamma	$\text{Gam}(\alpha, \lambda)$	\mathbb{R}^+	$\frac{\lambda^\alpha x^{\alpha-1} \exp(-\lambda x)}{\Gamma(\alpha)}$	$\frac{\alpha}{\lambda}$	$\frac{\alpha}{\lambda^2}$
Chi-Squared	χ_n^2	\mathbb{R}^+	$\frac{x^{\frac{n}{2}-1} \exp(-\frac{1}{2}x)}{2^{\frac{n}{2}} \Gamma(\frac{n}{2})}$	n	$2n$

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