

ST 705 Linear models and variance components

Homework problem set 2

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1. (2 points) Let $x, \mu_1, \mu_2 \in \mathbb{R}^p$ and $\Sigma_1, \Sigma_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$ be positive definite and symmetric. Derive expressions for $\tilde{\mu} \in \mathbb{R}^p$, $\tilde{\Sigma} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$, and $c \in \mathbb{R}$ that satisfy

$$-(x - \mu_1)' \Sigma_1^{-1} (x - \mu_1) - (x - \mu_2)' \Sigma_2^{-1} (x - \mu_2) = -(x - \tilde{\mu})' \tilde{\Sigma}^{-1} (x - \tilde{\mu}) + c,$$

where c does not depend on x .

2. (2 points) Let A be a positive definite matrix, and show that

$$\text{tr}(I - A^{-1}) \leq \log \det(A) \leq \text{tr}(A - I).$$

3. (2 points) Suppose you do not know that the rank of a matrix is equal to the number of nonzero singular values. Show that the rank of a projection matrix is equal to its trace. First think about how to show this in the symmetric case, and then consider the more general case of a non-symmetric idempotent matrix.
4. (2 points) Show that if $\text{rank}(BC) = \text{rank}(B)$, then $\text{column}(BC) = \text{column}(B)$, where $\text{column}(\cdot)$ denotes the column space.
5. (2 points) Exercise A.50 from Monahan.
6. (2 points) Let A, B, C , and D be real valued matrices of dimension $p \times p$, $p \times q$, $q \times p$, and $q \times q$, respectively. Show that if D is invertible, then

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} = \det(D) \cdot \det(A - BD^{-1}C).$$