CS 289A – Spring 2023 – Homework 2

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For this problem set referred to the Ed discussion, the unofficial course Discord, and office hours for general help. Additionally, I used various resources from the web, which I cite in the relevant problems. I also used ChatGPT occasionally to help me get started on a problem.

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1 Identities and Inequalities with Expectation

1.1

Lemma 1.1:

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} x^k e^{-\lambda x} = 0, \quad \forall k \ge 0$$

Proof by induction:

base case:

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} x e^{-\lambda x} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x}{e^{\lambda x}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda e^{\lambda x}}, \quad \text{By L'Hospital's rule}$$

$$= 0$$

Assume for arbitrary k that

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x^k}{e^{\lambda x}} = 0$$

Show $\lim_{x\to\infty} x^{k+1}e^{-\lambda x} = 0$:

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x^{k+1}}{e^{\lambda x}} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{(k+1)x^k}{\lambda e^{\lambda x}}$$
$$= \frac{k+1}{\lambda} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x^k}{e^{\lambda x}}$$
$$= 0$$

Q.E.D.

Next, show by induction that

$$\mathbb{E}[X^k] = \frac{k!}{\lambda^k}, \quad \forall k \ge 0$$

base case: k=1

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \mathbb{1}\{x < 0\} dx$$
$$= \lambda \int_{0}^{\infty} x e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

I.B.P

$$= \lambda \left[-\frac{xe^{-\lambda x}}{\lambda} \Big|_{0}^{\infty} + \frac{1}{\lambda} \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda x} dx \right]$$
$$0 - \lim_{x \to \infty} xe^{-\lambda x} - \frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-\lambda x} \Big|_{0}^{\infty}$$

Second term is zero by lemma 1.1

$$-\frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\lim_{x \to \infty} e^{-\lambda x} - 1 \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

Assume true for

$$\mathbb{E}[X^k] = \lambda \int_0^\infty x^k e^{-\lambda x} dx$$
$$= \frac{k!}{\lambda^k}$$

Show $\mathbb{E}[X^{k+1}] = \frac{(k+1)!}{\lambda^{k+1}}$

$$\mathbb{E}[X^{k+1}] = \lambda \int_0^\infty x^{k+1} e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

I.B.P

$$= \lambda \left[-\frac{x^{k+1}e^{-\lambda x}}{\lambda} \Big|_0^{\infty} + \frac{(k+1)}{\lambda} \int_0^{\infty} x^k e^{-\lambda x} dx \right]$$
$$= 0 - \lim_{x \to \infty} x^{k+1}e^{-\lambda x} + (k+1) \int_0^{\infty} x^k e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

Second term is zero by lemma 1.1

$$= (k+1) \frac{\mathbb{E}[X^k]}{\lambda}$$
$$= \frac{(k+1)}{\lambda} \frac{k!}{\lambda^k}$$
$$= \frac{(k+1)!}{\lambda^{k+1}}$$

 $Lemma\ 1.2$

$$\mathbb{1}\{a \ge b\} \le \frac{a}{b}$$

Proof:

Say $a \geq b$, then

$$\frac{a}{b} \ge 1$$

Note that $\mathbb{P}(a \geq b) \leq 1$. Then

$$\mathbb{P}\left(a \ge b\right) \le 1 \le \frac{a}{b}$$

and therefore

$$\mathbb{P}\left(a \geq b\right) \leq \frac{a}{b}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{1}\{a \geq b\}] \leq \frac{a}{b} = \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{a}{b}\right]$$

Therefore

$$\mathbb{1}\{a \ge b\} \le \frac{a}{b}$$

Q.E.D.

Show

$$\mathbb{P}\left(X \ge t\right) \le \frac{\mathbb{E}[X]}{t}$$

By lemma 1.2 we can say

$$\mathbb{1}\{X\geq t\}\leq \frac{X}{t}, \quad \forall X, t>0$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\mathbb{1}\{X \ge t\}\right] \le \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{X}{t}\right]$$

$$\mathbb{P}\left(X \geq t\right) \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[X]}{\mathbb{E}[t]}$$

$$\mathbb{P}\left(X \ge t\right) \le \frac{\mathbb{E}[X]}{t}$$

For a non-negative random variable X

$$\mathbb{P}(X \ge t) = \int_{t}^{\infty} f(x)dx$$
$$\int_{0}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(X \ge t)dt = \int_{0}^{\infty} \int_{t}^{\infty} f(x)dxdt$$

Note that for $\mathbb{P}(X \geq t)$, t is bounded above by x, i.e. $0 \leq t \leq x$ so

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(X \ge t)dt = \int_{0}^{\infty} \int_{0}^{x} f(x)dtdx$$

By Fubini's theorem, since the sum of probabilities is finite

$$= \int_0^\infty x f(x) dx$$
$$= \int_{-\infty}^\infty x f(x) dx$$

Because X is non-negative, f(x) = 0 for all x < 0

$$= \mathbb{E}[X]$$

For a non-negative r.v. X, according to Cauchy-Schwarz

$$|\mathbb{E}[X\mathbb{1}\{X>0\}]|^2 \le \mathbb{E}[X^2]\mathbb{E}[(\mathbb{1}\{X>0\})^2]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X1\{X>0\}]^2 \le \mathbb{E}[X^2]\mathbb{E}[1\{X>0\}]$$

Because range of the indicator function is $\{0,1\}$, which are equal to their squares (r.h.s.)

$$(\mathbb{E}[X])^2 \le \mathbb{E}[X^2]\mathbb{P}(X > 0)$$

Because X is non-negative, $X1\{X>0\}=0$ only when X=0 and =X otherwise, and also $\mathbb{E}[0]=0$ (l.h.s)

$$\mathbb{P}(X > 0) \ge \frac{(\mathbb{E}[X])^2}{\mathbb{E}[X^2]}$$

For $t \geq 0$, according Cauchy-Schwarz

$$|\mathbb{E}[(t-X)\mathbb{1}\{t-X>0\}]|^2 \le \mathbb{E}[(t-X)^2]\mathbb{E}[(\mathbb{1}\{t-X>0\})^2]$$
$$(\mathbb{E}[(t-X)\mathbb{1}\{t>X\}])^2 \le \mathbb{E}[t^2 - 2tX + X^2]\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{1}\{t>X\}]$$

Because range of the indicator function is $\{0,1\}$, which are equal to their squares (r.h.s.)

$$\left(\mathbb{E}[t-X]\right)^{2} \le \left(\mathbb{E}[t^{2}] - 2t\mathbb{E}[X] + \mathbb{E}[X^{2}]\right)\mathbb{P}(t > X)$$

Because $(t - X)\mathbb{1}\{t > X\} = 0$ only when $t \leq X$ and t - X otherwise, and also $\mathbb{E}[0] = 0$ (l.h.s)

$$\left(\mathbb{E}[t] - \mathbb{E}[X]\right)^2 \le \left(\mathbb{E}[t^2] - 2t\mathbb{E}[X] + \mathbb{E}[X^2]\right)\left(1 - \mathbb{P}(X \ge t)\right)$$

Because complementary probabilities sum to one (r.h.s)

$$t^2 \leq \left(t^2 + \mathbb{E}[X^2]\right) \left(1 - \mathbb{P}(X \geq t)\right)$$

Because $\mathbb{E}[X] = 0$

$$t^{2} \leq t^{2} + \mathbb{E}[X^{2}] - \left(t^{2} + \mathbb{E}[X^{2}]\right) \mathbb{P}(X \geq t)$$
$$\left(t^{2} + \mathbb{E}[X^{2}]\right) \mathbb{P}(X \geq t) \leq t^{2} + \mathbb{E}[X^{2}] - t^{2}$$
$$\mathbb{P}(X \geq t) \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[X^{2}]}{\mathbb{E}[X^{2}] + t^{2}}$$

2 Probability Potpourri

2.1

Sources: Math StackExchange and YouTube: Brunei Math Club, "Simple proof that any covariance matrix is positive semi-definite"

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be an arbitrary constant vector (assuming $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$)

$$x^T \Sigma x = x^T \mathbb{E}[(Z - \mu)(Z - \mu)^T] x$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[x^T]\mathbb{E}[(Z - \mu)(Z - \mu)^T]\mathbb{E}[x]$$

Because x is constant

$$\mathbb{E}[x^T(Z-\mu)(Z-\mu)^Tx]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[((Z-\mu)^T x)^T ((Z-\mu)^T x)]$$

Because $(Z - \mu)^T x$ is just a scalar

$$\mathbb{E}[((Z-\mu)^T x)^2]$$

$$\geq 0$$

Therefore Σ must be PSD Q.E.D.

Let H and W be the random variables for the archer hitting her target and whether there is wind, respectively.

2.2.1 (i)

$$P(H \cap W) = P(H|W)P(W)$$
$$= \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)\left(\frac{3}{10}\right)$$
$$= \frac{3}{25}$$

2.2.2 (ii)

$$P(H \text{ on 1st shot}) = P(H) = P(H|W)P(W) + P(H|W^c)P(W^c)$$
$$= \frac{3}{25} + \left(\frac{7}{10}\right)\left(\frac{7}{10}\right)$$
$$= \frac{61}{100}$$

2.2.3 (iii)

Assume that shots are independent

$$P(\text{hit exactly once in two shots}) = 1 - (P(HH) + P(H^cH^c))$$

$$=1-(P(H)^2+P(H^c)^2)$$

By independence $P(HH) = P(H)P(H) = P(H)^2$. Ditto for $P(H^cH^c)$.

$$= 1 - (P(H)^{2} + (1 - P(H))^{2})$$

$$= 1 - \left(\left(\frac{61}{100}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{39}{100}\right)^{2}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{2621}{5000}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2379}{5000}$$

2.2.4 (iv)

$$P(W^{c}|H^{c}) = \frac{P(H^{c}|W^{c})P(W^{c})}{P(H^{c}|W^{c})P(W^{c}) + P(H^{c}|W)P(W)}$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{3}{10}\right)\left(\frac{7}{10}\right)}{\left(\frac{3}{10}\right)\left(\frac{7}{10}\right) + \left(\frac{6}{10}\right)\left(\frac{3}{10}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{7}{10}$$

$$S(x) = \begin{cases} 4, & 0 \le x < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 3, & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \le x < 1 \\ 2, & 1 \le x < \sqrt{3} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[S(x)] = \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}} \frac{4}{1+x^2} dx + \int_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}^1 \frac{3}{1+x^2} dx + \int_1^{\sqrt{3}} \frac{2}{1+x^2} dx \right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left(4 \arctan(x) \Big|_{0}^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}} + 3 \arctan(x) \Big|_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}^{1} + 2 \arctan(x) \Big|_{1}^{\sqrt{3}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[4\frac{\pi}{6} + 3\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{6}\right) + 2\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right]$$

$$=\frac{13}{6}$$

Source: https://llc.stat.purdue.edu/2014/41600/notes/prob1805.pdf

Let Z = X + Y

$$P(Z = n) = \sum_{i=0}^{k} P(X = i)P(Y = n - i)$$

Because X and Y are independent.

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{k} \frac{\lambda^{i} e^{-\lambda}}{i!} \frac{\mu^{n-i} e^{-\mu}}{(n-i)!}$$

$$= e^{-(\lambda+\mu)} \sum_{i=0}^{k} \frac{\lambda^{i} \mu^{n-i}}{(n-i)!i!}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-(\lambda+\mu)}}{n!} \sum_{i=0}^{k} \frac{n! \lambda^{i} \mu^{n-i}}{(n-i)!i!}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-(\lambda+\mu)}}{n!} \sum_{i=0}^{k} \binom{n}{i} \lambda^{i} \mu^{n-i}$$

$$= \frac{(\lambda+\mu)^{n} e^{-(\lambda+\mu)}}{n!}$$

We see that $Z \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda + \mu)$

$$P(X = k | Z = n) = \frac{P(X = k \cap Z = n)}{P(Z = n)}$$

$$= \frac{P(X = k)P(Y = n - k)}{P(Z = n)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!} \frac{\mu^{n-k} e^{-\mu}}{(n-k)!}}{\frac{(\lambda + \mu)^n e^{-(\lambda + \mu)}}{k!}}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda^k \mu^{n-k} e^{-(\lambda+\mu)}}{(n-k)!k!} \frac{n!}{(\lambda+\mu)^n e^{-(\lambda+\mu)}}$$

$$= \frac{n!}{(n-k)!k!} \frac{\lambda^k \mu^{n-k}}{(\lambda+\mu)^n}$$

$$= \binom{n}{k} \frac{\lambda^k}{(\lambda+\mu)^k} \frac{\mu^{n-k}}{(\lambda+\mu)^{n-k}}$$

$$= \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda+\mu}\right)^k \left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda+\mu}\right)^{n-k}$$

So we see that

$$X|Z = n \sim \operatorname{Bin}\left(n, \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu}\right)$$

3 Properties of the Normal Distribution (Gaussians)

3.1

$$\mathbb{E}[e^{\lambda X}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\lambda x} f_X(x) dx$$
For $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(\lambda x\right) \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(x^2 - 2\sigma^2 \lambda x\right)\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(x^2 - 2\sigma^2 \lambda x + \sigma^4 \lambda^2 - \sigma^4 \lambda^2\right)\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{\left(x - \sigma^2 \lambda\right)^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{\sigma^2 \lambda^2}{2}\right) dx$$

$$= \exp\left(\frac{\sigma^2 \lambda^2}{2}\right) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\left(x - \sigma^2 \lambda\right)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) dx$$

$$= e^{\frac{\sigma^2 \lambda^2}{2}}$$

Because the integrand is the PDF for $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\sigma^2 \lambda, \sigma^2)$ summed over all possible values and probabilities sum to 1.

Source: Wikipedia

Use the Chernoff bound:

$$P(X \ge t) = P(e^{\lambda X} \ge e^{\lambda t}) \le \mathbb{E}[e^{\lambda X}]e^{-\lambda t}$$

This is a valid application of Markov's inequality because $e^{\lambda X} > 0$, $\forall x$

$$= \exp\left\{\sigma^2 \lambda^2 / 2\right\} \exp\left\{-\lambda t\right\}$$

by the result from 3.1. Want to find a lambda which gives the tightest bound for t.

$$=\exp\left\{\frac{\sigma^2}{2}\left(\lambda^2-\frac{2t}{\sigma^2}\lambda\right)\right\}$$

$$= \exp\left\{\frac{\sigma^2}{2} \left(\lambda^2 - \frac{2t}{\sigma^2}\lambda + \frac{t^2}{\sigma^4}\right) - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \frac{t^2}{\sigma^4}\right\}$$
$$= \exp\left\{\frac{\sigma^2}{2} \left(\lambda - \frac{t}{\sigma^2}\right)^2 - \frac{t^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\}$$
$$= \exp\left\{\frac{\sigma^2}{2} \left(\lambda - \frac{t}{\sigma^2}\right)^2\right\} \exp\left\{-\frac{t^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\}$$

To minimize the r.h.s. choose

$$\lambda = \frac{t}{\sigma^2}$$

And we get

$$P(X \ge t) \le \mathbb{E}[e^{\frac{tX}{\sigma^2}}]e^{-\frac{t^2}{\sigma^2}}$$

$$= \exp\left\{\frac{\sigma^2(t/\sigma^2)^2}{2}\right\} \exp\left\{-\frac{t^2}{\sigma^2}\right\}$$

$$= \exp\left\{\frac{t^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\} \exp\left\{-\frac{t^2}{\sigma^2}\right\}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{t^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

Note that

$$P(|X| \ge t) = P(X \ge t) + P(X \le -t)$$

and to find $P(X \leq -t)$ we can set

$$\lambda = -\frac{t}{\sigma^2}$$

as the upper-bound for the lower tail of the distribution for X, and by the symmetry of the normal distribution we will again get

$$P(X \le -t) \le e^{-\frac{t^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

Therefore,

$$P(|X| \ge t) \le 2e^{-\frac{t^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

Let

$$\bar{S}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$$

Which is itself a Gaussian r.v. with mean

$$\mathbb{E}[\bar{S}_n] = \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i]$$
$$= 0$$

Because $X_1, ..., X_n \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$. It has a variance

$$\operatorname{Var}(\bar{S}_n) = \operatorname{Var}\left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}X_i\right)$$

$$=\frac{1}{n^2}\sum_{i}^{n} \operatorname{Var}\left(X_{i}\right)$$

because $X_1, ..., X_n$ are independent

$$=\frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

Thus $\bar{S}_n \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2/n)$. To give an upper bound on the probability that \bar{S}_n is far from some t > 0, we can use the same Chernoff bound as in 3.2, replacing the variance of one Gaussian r.v. with that of \bar{S}_n .

$$P(\bar{S}_n \ge t) \le \exp\left\{-\frac{t^2}{\sigma^2/n}\right\}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{nt^2}{\sigma^2}}$$

And

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} P(\bar{S}_n \ge t)$$

$$= \left[\lim_{n \to \infty} e^{-\frac{nt^2}{\sigma^2}} = 0\right]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[Y] = \mathbb{E}[AX + b]$$

$$= A\mathbb{E}[X] + \mathbb{E}[b]$$

$$= b$$
Because $\mathbb{E}[X_1] = E[X_2] = \dots = E[X_n] = 0$

$$\operatorname{Var}(Y) = \mathbb{E}\left[((AX + b) - \mathbb{E}[Y])((AX + b) - \mathbb{E}[Y])^T\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[(AX)(AX)^T]$$

$$= A\mathbb{E}[XX^TA^T]$$

$$= A\mathbb{E}[XX^T]\mathbb{E}[A^T]$$

$$= A\sigma^2 I_n A^T$$

$$= \sigma^2 A A^T$$

Because

$$\mathbb{E}[XX^T] = \mathbb{E} \begin{bmatrix} X_1^2 & X_1X_2 & \dots & X_1X_n \\ X_2X_1 & X_2^2 & \dots & X_2X_n \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ X_nX_1 & X_nX_2 & \dots & X_n^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E}[X_1^2] & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbb{E}[X_2^2] & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \mathbb{E}[X_n^2] \end{bmatrix}$$

Because each X_i is i.i.d. and each $E[X_i] = 0$

$$=\sigma^2 I_n$$

Because

$$Var(X_i) = \mathbb{E}[X_i^2] - (E[X_i])^2$$
$$= \mathbb{E}[X_i^2]$$
$$= \sigma^2$$

Therefore

$$\mathbb{E}[Y] = b, \quad \text{Var}(Y) = \sigma^2 A A^T$$

Note that

$$\mathbb{E}[u_x] = \mathbb{E}[u^T X]$$
$$= u^T \mathbb{E}[X]$$
$$= 0$$

And

$$\mathbb{E}[v_X] = 0$$

by an analogous argument.

Also, note that for an i.i.d. standard normal random vector X

$$\mathbb{E}[X^2] = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - (\mathbb{E}[X])^2$$
$$= \operatorname{Var}(X)$$
$$= 1$$

Note that

$$\rho(X,Y) = \frac{\operatorname{Cov}(X,Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$

And this only equals zero when Cov(X, Y) = 0. Therefore, X and Y are independent if Cov(X, Y) = 0. For u_x and v_x

$$Cov(u_x, v_x) = \mathbb{E} \left[(u_x - \mathbb{E}[u_x])(v_x - \mathbb{E}[v_x]) \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E} \left[u_x v_x \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E} \left[\langle u, X \rangle \langle v, X \rangle \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E} \left[(u_1 X_1 + \dots + u_n X_n)(v_1 X_1 + \dots + v_n X_n) \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} u_i v_j X_i X_j \right]$$

$$= \sum_{i}^{n} \sum_{j}^{n} u_{i} v_{j} \mathbb{E}[X_{i} X_{j}]$$
$$= \sum_{i}^{n} u_{i} v_{i} \mathbb{E}[X_{i}^{2}]$$

Because $\mathbb{E}[X_i X_j] = \mathbb{E}[X_i] \mathbb{E}[X_j] = 0$ for all $i \neq j$

$$= \sum_{i}^{n} u_{i} v_{i}$$
$$= u^{T} v$$
$$= 0$$

Therefore u_x and v_x are independent. If instead each $X_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, i)$ then

$$Cov(u_x, v_x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} u_i v_i \mathbb{E}[X_i^2]$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} u_i v_i i$$

which is not generally equal to zero and depends on the specific vectors u and v. So yes, the answer changes.

Sources: ChatGPT

Let $X = \max_{1 \le i \le n} |X_i|$. Also, since X is non-negative we can use Markov's inequality to say

$$P(X \ge t) \le \frac{\mathbb{E}[X]}{t}$$

and

$$\mathbb{E}[X] \ge tP(X \ge t)$$

In 3.2 we found

$$P(|X| \ge t) \le 2e^{\frac{-t^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

for
$$X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$$

We can set a convenient upper bound on this probability that makes t sufficiently "extreme" by letting it be 1/n

$$2e^{\frac{-t^2}{2\sigma^2}} = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\frac{-t^2}{2\sigma^2} = \log\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

$$t = \sqrt{2\log(2n)}\sigma$$

So we have

$$\mathbb{E}[X] \ge \sqrt{2\log(2n)}\sigma \frac{1}{n}$$

4 Linear Algebra Review

4.1

4.1.1 (a)

Add in an A matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 \\ A & I_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 \\ 0 & AB \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 \\ A & AB \end{bmatrix}$$

Permute the columns

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 \\ A & AB \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I_n \\ I_p & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I_n \\ AB & A \end{bmatrix}$$

Add -1 of column 1 to B of column 2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & I_n \\ AB & A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -I_p & 0 \\ B & I_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B & I_n \\ 0 & A \end{bmatrix}$$

Together

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 \\ A & I_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 \\ 0 & AB \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I_n \\ I_p & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -I_p & 0 \\ B & I_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B & I_n \\ 0 & A \end{bmatrix}$$

4.1.2 (b)

Source: Linear Algebra 5e, Strang

Let

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0\\ 0 & AB \end{bmatrix}$$

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} B & I_n \\ 0 & A \end{bmatrix}$$

We can see that

$$rank(M) = n + rank(AB)$$

because the identity columns are linearly independent and have full rank, and the AB columns have as many independent columns as AB. Also

$$rank(N) \ge rank(A) + rank(B)$$

Where the inequality comes from the fact that A can have at most n linearly independent columns, but the identity matrix above forces the columns containing A to be linearly independent. Also, elementary row operations preserve rank, therefore

$$rank(M) = rank(N)$$

and therefore

$$\operatorname{rank}(A) + \operatorname{rank}(B) \le \operatorname{rank}(N) = \operatorname{rank}(M) = n + \operatorname{rank}(AB)$$

$$\operatorname{rank}(A) + \operatorname{rank}(B) - n \le \operatorname{rank}(AB)$$

Consider a vector $u \in \mathbb{R}^p$

$$\dim((AB)u) = \operatorname{rank}(AB)$$

and

$$\dim(A(Bu)) \leq \operatorname{rank}(A)$$

because $Bu \in C(A)$, and because multiplication with B may be reducing the rank. Therefore

$$\operatorname{rank}(AB) \le \operatorname{rank}(A)$$

Also

$$\dim(Bu) = \operatorname{rank}(B)$$

and

$$\dim(A(Bu)) \le \operatorname{rank}(B)$$

because multiplication by A may reduce the rank, as A(Bu) is a linear combination of the columns of A, of which, at most n are independent, which is the dimension of (Bu). Therefore

$$rank(AB) \le rank(B)$$

Because

$$rank(AB) \le rank(A)$$
 & $rank(AB) \le rank(B)$

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

and therfore

$$rank(A) + rank(B) - n \le rank(AB) \le min\{rank(A), rank(B)\}$$

4.1.3 (c)

For a matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ with columns $A_1, A_2, ..., A_n$ and $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$Av = v_1 A_1 + v_2 A_2 + ... + v_n A_n$$

In other words, Av is just a linear combination of the columns of A, weighted by the components of v, and Av is therefore in the column space of A. Now consider

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ A^T A_1 & A^T A_2 & . & . & . & A^T A_n \\ | & | & | & | \end{bmatrix}$$

We see this is a new matrix where each column is a linear combination of the columns of A^T (rows of A), each weighted by the components of the respective column vector. Thus, each column of A^TA is in the rowspace of A, and thus A^TA can only have as many linearly independent columns as the number of linearly independent rows of A. In other words

$$C(A^T A) = C(A^T)$$

and therefore

$$rank(A^T A) = rank(A^T) = rank(A)$$

Because the column rank is equal to the row rank of a matrix.

For a PSD matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ we have

For all
$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$
, $x^T A x \ge 0$

Then for every eigenvector $u_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with eigenvalue λ_i we know

$$u_i^T A u_i = u_i^T \lambda_i u_i$$
$$= \lambda_i u_i^T u_i$$
$$= \lambda_i ||u_i||^2$$

and

$$\lambda_i ||u_i||^2 = u_i^T A u_i \ge 0$$

Which means all eigenvalues $\lambda_i \geq 0$. To show in the other direction, since A is a symmetric matrix, we know we can form a basis for the column space of A with an orthonormal set of eigenvectors. Let $u_1, u_2, ..., u_n$ be the orthonormal eigenvectors of A, with corresponding eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_n$ such that $\lambda_i \geq 0, \forall i \in \{1, ..., n\}$. Then we can say for any vector x in the column space of A and $a_1, a_2, ..., a_n \in \mathbb{R}$

$$x = a_1 u_1 + a_2 u_2 + \dots + a_n u_n$$

and

$$x^{T}Ax = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}u_{i}^{T}A\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}u_{i}$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}u_{i}^{T}\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}\lambda_{i}u_{i}$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}^{2}\lambda_{i}||u_{i}||^{2} + \sum_{i\neq j}^{n} a_{i}a_{j}\lambda_{i}u_{i}^{T}u_{j}$$

But since $||u_i||^2 = 1, \forall i \in \{1, ..., n\}$, and $u_i^T u_j = 0, \forall i \neq j$ because the vectors are orthonormal

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i^2 \lambda_i ||u_i||^2 + \sum_{i \neq j}^{n} a_i a_j \lambda_i u_i^T u_j = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i^2 \lambda_i$$

$$\geq 0$$

Therefore

For all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $x^T A x \ge 0 \iff$ All eigenvalues of A are nonnegative

Suppose we can write A as $A = UU^T$, then

$$x^T A x = x^T U U^T x$$

$$= (U^T x)^T U^T x$$

$$||U^T x||^2 > 0, \ \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Therefore $A = UU^T \Rightarrow x^T Ax \ge 0$. Now suppose

$$x^T A x > 0, \ \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Since A is symmetric we can say

$$A = Q\Lambda Q^T$$

Where Q is an orthonormal matrix. We showed that $x^TAx \geq 0$ implies all positive eigenvalues. Since we have all positive eigenvalues, we can take their square roots. Let there be a matrix S such that

$$S^2 = \Lambda$$

and let there be an $n \times n$ matrix U defined as

$$U = QS$$

Then

$$UU^T = QS(QS)^T$$

$$= QSS^TQ^T$$

$$= QS^2Q^T$$

$$= Q\Lambda Q^T$$

$$= A$$

Therefore, $x^TAx \geq 0$, $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ implies there exists U such that $A = UU^T$ and therefore $A = UU^T \iff x^TAx \geq 0, \ \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n \iff \text{all eigenvalues of A are} \geq 0$ Q.E.D.

4.3.1 (a)

Note that

$$xy^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{1}y_{1} & x_{1}y_{2} & \dots & x_{1}y_{n} \\ x_{2}y_{1} & x_{2}y_{2} & \dots & x_{2}y_{n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{m}y_{1} & x_{m}y_{2} & \dots & x_{m}y_{n} \end{bmatrix}$$

And

$$A^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \dots & a_{m1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{m2} \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

By definition

$$\langle A, xy^T \rangle = \text{Tr}(A^T x y^T)$$

And

$$A^{T}xy^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} y_{1} \sum_{i}^{m} a_{i1}x_{i} & y_{2} \sum_{i}^{m} a_{i1}x_{i} & \dots & y_{n} \sum_{i}^{m} a_{i1}x_{i} \\ y_{1} \sum_{i}^{m} a_{i2}x_{i} & y_{2} \sum_{i}^{m} a_{i2}x_{i} & \dots & y_{n} \sum_{i}^{m} a_{i2}x_{i} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ y_{1} \sum_{i}^{m} a_{in}x_{i} & y_{2} \sum_{i}^{m} a_{in}x_{i} & \dots & y_{n} \sum_{i}^{m} a_{in}x_{i} \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore

$$Tr(A^T x y^T) = y_1 \sum_{i=1}^{m} a_{i1} x_i + y_2 \sum_{i=1}^{m} a_{i2} x_i + \dots + y_n \sum_{i=1}^{m} a_{in} x_i$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i}^{m} a_{i1} x_{i} & \sum_{i}^{m} a_{i2} x_{i} & \dots & \sum_{i}^{m} a_{in} x_{i} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_{1} \\ y_{2} \\ \vdots \\ y_{n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_{1} \\ y_{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x^TA_1 & x^TA_2 & \dots & x^TA_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Where A_i , $i \in \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ are the columns of A

$$= x^T \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2 & \dots & A_n \end{bmatrix} y$$
$$= x^T A y$$

4.3.2 (b)

Note that for a matrices $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ with columns (i.e. column vectors) $A_1, A_2, ..., A_n$ and $B_1, B_2, ..., B_n$, where $A_i = (A_{1i}, A_{2i}, ..., A_{mi})^T$ and $B_i = (B_{1i}, B_{2i}, ..., B_{mi})^T$

$$A^{T}B = \begin{bmatrix} -A_{1}^{T} - \\ -A_{2}^{T} - \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ -A_{n}^{T} - \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} & & & & & \\ B_{1} & B_{2} & \dots & B_{n} \\ & & & & \end{vmatrix} \\ A^{T}B_{1} & A^{T}B_{2} & A^{T}B_{n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} A_1^T B_1 & A_1^T B_2 & \dots & A_1^T B_n \\ A_2^T B_1 & A_2^T B_2 & \dots & A_2^T B_n \\ & \ddots & & \ddots & & \ddots \\ & \ddots & & \ddots & & \ddots \\ & \ddots & & \ddots & & \ddots \\ & \ddots & & \ddots & & \ddots \\ & A_n^T B_1 & A_n^T B_2 & \dots & A_n^T B_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Where

$$A_i^T B_j = A_{1i} B_{1j} + A_{2i} B_{2j} + \dots + A_{mi} B_{mj}$$

The inner product of A and B is

$$\langle A, B \rangle = \text{Tr}(A^T B)$$

From the above expansion we get

$$= A_1^T B_1 + A_2^T B_2 + \dots + A_n^T B_n$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^n A_i^T B_i$$

By Cauchy-Schwarz

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} A_i^T B_i\right)^2 \le \sum_{i=1}^{n} \|A_i\|^2 \sum_{i=1}^{n} \|B_i\|^2$$

Or in other words

$$\operatorname{Tr}(A^T B) \le \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n ||A_i||^2 \sum_{i=1}^n ||B_i||^2}$$

Note that

$$||A||_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n |A_{ij}|^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (|A_{i1}|^2 + |A_{i2}|^2 + \dots + |A_{in}|^2)}$$

$$= \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{m} |A_{i1}|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{m} |A_{i2}|^2 + \dots + \sum_{i=1}^{m} |A_{in}|^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\|A_1\|^2 + \|A_2\|^2 + \dots + \|A_n\|^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \|A_i\|^2}$$

In other words the Frobenius norm is the sum of the squares of the elements, which is equivalently the sum of the squares of the column norms. Therefore we see

$$\operatorname{Tr}(A^T B) \le \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \|B_i\|^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \|A_i\|^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \|B_i\|^2}$$

$$= ||A||_F ||B||_F$$

Therefore

$$\langle A, B \rangle \le ||A||_F ||B||_F$$

4.3.3 (c)

Sources: 189 Discord (CS 189 SP 23), Math StackExchange and Wikipedia

Because A is PSD (and symmetric) it is diagonalizable and can be decomposed into

$$A = U\Lambda U^T$$

where U and U^T are other normal and Λ is a diagonal matrix of the non-negative eigenvalues of A. Note that

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

Therefore, A has a defined square root and we can say

$$\operatorname{Tr}(AB) = \operatorname{Tr}(A^{\frac{1}{2}}A^{\frac{1}{2}}B)$$
$$= \operatorname{Tr}(A^{\frac{1}{2}}BA^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

by the cyclic property of the trace. Note that

$$x^{T}(A^{\frac{1}{2}}BA^{\frac{1}{2}})x = (x^{T}A^{\frac{1}{2}})B(A^{\frac{1}{2}}x)$$
$$(A^{\frac{1}{2}}x)^{T}B(A^{\frac{1}{2}}x) \ge 0$$

Because B is PSD, and therefore $A^{\frac{1}{2}}BA^{\frac{1}{2}}$ is PSD and has all non-negative eigenvalues. Say $A^{\frac{1}{2}}BA^{\frac{1}{2}}$ has eigenvalues μ_i , then

$$\operatorname{Tr}(A^{\frac{1}{2}}BA^{\frac{1}{2}}) = \sum_{i} \mu_{i}$$

$$\geq 0$$

Therefore, if A and B are PSD

$$\operatorname{Tr}(AB) \ge 0$$

4.3.4 (d)

Consider the matrix

$$\lambda_{\max}(A)I_n$$

which is PSD because

$$x^{T} \lambda_{\max}(A) I_{n} x = \lambda_{\max}(A) ||x||^{2}$$

$$> 0, \forall x$$

Also, note that since A is symmetric, by the spectral theorem it is diagonalizable and

$$x^{T}(\lambda_{\max}(A)I_{n} - A)x = x^{T}\lambda_{\max}(A)I_{n}x - x^{T}Ax$$
$$= \lambda_{\max}(A)||x||^{2} - x^{T}(Q\Lambda Q^{T})x$$

where Λ is the diagonal matrix containing the eigenvalues of A

$$= \lambda_{\max}(A) \|x\|^2 - (Q^T x)^T \Lambda (Q^T x)$$

Let $v = Q^T x$

$$= \lambda_{\max}(A) ||x||^2 - (\lambda_{\max}(A)v_1^2 + \dots + \lambda_{\min}(A)v_n^2)$$

But

$$||v||^2 = ||Q^T x||^2$$
$$= (Q^T x)^T (Q^T x)$$
$$= x^T Q Q^T x$$
$$= ||x||^2$$

Therefore, it is easy to see

$$\lambda_{\max}(A)||x||^2 = \lambda_{\max}(A)||v||^2$$

$$\geq \lambda_{\max}(A)v_1^2 + \ldots + \lambda_{\min}(A)v_n^2$$

Therefore

$$\lambda_{\max}(A) \|x\|^2 - x^T A x > 0, \quad \forall x$$

And therefore

$$\lambda_{\max}(A)I_n - A$$

is PSD. Now, consider

$$Tr((\lambda_{\max}(A)I_n - A)B) \ge 0$$

Which we proved in 4.3 (c) for the trace of two PSD matrices. Then

$$\operatorname{Tr}(\lambda_{\max}(A)I_nB - AB) \ge 0$$

$$\operatorname{Tr}(\lambda_{\max}(A)I_nB) - \operatorname{Tr}(AB) \ge 0$$

$$\operatorname{Tr}(AB) \le \operatorname{Tr}(\lambda_{\max}(A)I_nB)$$

$$\operatorname{Tr}(A^T B) \le \operatorname{Tr}((\lambda_{\max}(A)I_n)^T B)$$

$$\langle A, B \rangle \le \|\lambda_{\max}(A)I_n\|_F \|B\|_F$$

$$= |\lambda_{\max}(A)| ||I_n|| ||B||_F$$

$$= \lambda_{\max}(A) \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |I_{ij}|^{2}} ||B||_{F}$$

$$= \sqrt{n}\lambda_{\max}(A) \|B\|_F$$

Source: Math StackExchange, Linear Algebra 5e by Strang

Lemma 4.4.1:

Let A be a matrix with the appropriate dimensions. Then

$$A^T(M-N)A$$

is PSD if M - N is PSD.

Proof: Let x be any vector with the correct dimensions. Then

$$x^{T}(A^{T}(M-N)A)x = (Ax)^{T}(M-N)(Ax)$$

$$(Ax)^T(M-N)(Ax) \ge 0$$

Because M - N is PSD. Therefore,

$$A^T(M-N)A \succeq 0$$

Q.E.D.

Lemma 4.4.2

For matrices A and B which have inverses, $AB \sim BA$. Proof:

$$AB = ABI$$

$$AB = A(BA)A^{-1}$$

Let $A^{-1} = M$, then

$$AB = M^{-1}(BA)M$$

Q.E.D.

 $N^{-1} - M^{-1}$ is PSD. Proof:

Since N is positive definite, N^{-1} is also positive definite because its eigenvalues are the reciprocals of the eigenvalues of N, wich, by definition of positive definiteness, are all positive. Positive definite matrices have defined square roots since they are symmetric and thus diagonalizable. The same can be said for M since it is also positive definite. Consider then

$$(N^{-\frac{1}{2}})^T(M-N)N^{-\frac{1}{2}} \succ 0$$

i.e. it is PSD by lemma 4.4.1. Note that

$$(N^{-\frac{1}{2}})^T(M-N)N^{-\frac{1}{2}} = N^{-\frac{1}{2}}(M-N)N^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

because $N^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ is also symmetric. So

$$N^{-\frac{1}{2}}(M-N)N^{-\frac{1}{2}} \succeq 0$$

$$N^{-\frac{1}{2}}MN^{-\frac{1}{2}} - N^{-\frac{1}{2}}NN^{-\frac{1}{2}} \succeq 0$$

$$N^{-\frac{1}{2}}MN^{-\frac{1}{2}} - (N^{-\frac{1}{2}}N^{\frac{1}{2}})(N^{\frac{1}{2}}N^{-\frac{1}{2}}) \succeq 0$$

$$N^{-\frac{1}{2}}MN^{-\frac{1}{2}} - I \succeq 0$$

$$(N^{-\frac{1}{2}}M^{\frac{1}{2}})(M^{\frac{1}{2}}N^{-\frac{1}{2}}) - I \succeq 0$$

Temporarily let $A = N^{-\frac{1}{2}}M^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and $B = M^{\frac{1}{2}}N^{-\frac{1}{2}}$. The we have

$$AB - I \succ 0$$

By lemma 4.4.2, BA is similar to AB and similar matrices have the same eigenvalues. Therefore, if the above is PSD, then it is also true that

$$BA - I \succeq 0$$

$$(M^{\frac{1}{2}}N^{-\frac{1}{2}})(N^{-\frac{1}{2}}M^{\frac{1}{2}}) - I \succeq 0$$

$$M^{\frac{1}{2}}(N^{-\frac{1}{2}}N^{-\frac{1}{2}})M^{\frac{1}{2}} - I \succeq 0$$

$$M^{\frac{1}{2}}N^{-1}M^{\frac{1}{2}} - I \succeq 0$$

$$M^{\frac{1}{2}}N^{-1}M^{\frac{1}{2}} - (M^{\frac{1}{2}}M^{-\frac{1}{2}})(M^{-\frac{1}{2}}M^{\frac{1}{2}}) \succeq 0$$

$$M^{\frac{1}{2}}N^{-1}M^{\frac{1}{2}} - M^{\frac{1}{2}}(M^{-\frac{1}{2}}M^{-\frac{1}{2}})M^{\frac{1}{2}} \succeq 0$$

$$M^{\frac{1}{2}}N^{-1}M^{\frac{1}{2}} - M^{\frac{1}{2}}(M^{-\frac{1}{2}}M^{-\frac{1}{2}})M^{\frac{1}{2}} \succeq 0$$

$$M^{\frac{1}{2}}(N^{-1}-M^{-1})M^{\frac{1}{2}} \succeq 0$$

Sources: Wikipedia (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Operator_norm),

Ed discussion ChatGPT

Note that

$$\sigma_{\max}(A) = ||A||_{op}$$

Where

$$||A||_{op} = \inf\{c \ge 0 : ||Av|| \le c||v|| \quad \forall v \in V\}$$

Since ||v|| = 1

$$||A||_{op} = \inf\{c \ge 0 : ||Av|| \le c \quad \forall v \in V\}$$

Thus, there is some $c = \sigma_{\text{max}}(A)$ and by the condition for the operator norm, we know that

$$||Av||_{||v||=1} \le \sigma_{max}(A)$$

By Cauchy-Schwarz, we also know

$$u^T A v \le ||u|| ||Av||$$

$$= ||Av||_{||u||=1}$$

because ||u|| = 1. Therefore,

$$u^T A v_{\|u\|=1} \le \sigma_{max}(A)$$

However, it is also true that

$$\sigma_{\max}(A) = \sup_{v \neq 0} \frac{\|Av\|_2}{\|v\|_2}$$

$$= \sup_{\|v\|=1} \|Av\|$$

because $||v||_2 = 1$. Putting it all together

$$u^T A v_{\|u\|=1} \le \|Av\|_{\|v\|=1} \le \sup_{\|v\|=1} \|Av\| = \sigma_{\max}(A)$$

There can only be equality with $u^T A v$ when

$$\sigma_{\max}(A) = \max_{u \in \mathbb{R}^m, v \in \mathbb{R}^n, ||u|| = 1, ||v|| = 1} (u^T A v)$$

5 Matrix/Vector Calculus and Norms

5.1

Sources: The Matrix Cookbook,

Wikipedia (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Matrix_calculus).

Let

$$w = \sin\left(A_{11}^2 + e^{A_{11} + A_{22}}\right) + x^T A y$$

and

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial A} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{11}} & \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{12}} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{21}} & \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{22}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial A} = \frac{\partial}{\partial A} \sin\left(A_{11}^2 + e^{A_{11} + A_{22}}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial A} \left(x^T A y\right)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{11}} \sin \left(A_{11}^2 + e^{A_{11} + A_{22}} \right) & \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{12}} \sin \left(A_{11}^2 + e^{A_{11} + A_{22}} \right) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{21}} \sin \left(A_{11}^2 + e^{A_{11} + A_{22}} \right) & \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{22}} \sin \left(A_{11}^2 + e^{A_{11} + A_{22}} \right) \end{bmatrix} + xy^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} (2A_{11} + e^{A_{11} + A_{22}})\cos(A_{11}^2 + e^{A_{11} + A_{22}}) & 0 \\ 0 & (e^{A_{11} + A_{22}})\cos(A_{11}^2 + e^{A_{11} + A_{22}}) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_1y_1 & x_1y_2 \\ x_2y_1 & x_2y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 y_1 + (2A_{11} + e^{A_{11} + A_{22}}) \cos(A_{11}^2 + e^{A_{11} + A_{22}}) & x_1 y_2 \\ x_2 y_1 & x_2 y_2 + (e^{A_{11} + A_{22}}) \cos(A_{11}^2 + e^{A_{11} + A_{22}}) \end{bmatrix}$$

5.2.1 (a)

Sources: Wikipedia (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rayleigh_quotient)

$$||A||_2 = \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{||Ax||_2}{||x||_2}$$

$$= \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{\sqrt{(Ax)^T (Ax)}}{\sqrt{x^T x}}$$

$$= \sup_{x \neq 0} \sqrt{\frac{x^T A^T A x}{x^T x}}$$

Because $A^TA = (A^TA)^T$ (i.e. it is symmetric) the Rayleigh quotient can be used i.e.

$$\frac{x^T A^T A x}{x^T x} = R(A^T A, x) \le \lambda_{\max}(A^T A)$$

Therefore

$$\sup_{x \neq 0} \sqrt{\frac{x^T A^T A x}{x^T x}} \le \sup_{x \neq 0} \sqrt{\lambda_{\max}(A^T A)}$$

$$= \sqrt{\lambda_{\max}(A^T A)}$$

$$=\sqrt{\sigma_{\max}^2(A)}$$

Where $\sigma_{\max}(A)$ is the largest singular value of A

$$= \sigma_{\max}(A)$$

5.2.2 (b)

$$||A||_{\infty} = \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{||Ax||_{\infty}}{||x||_{\infty}}$$
$$= \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{\max_{1 \le i \le m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} |A_{ij}x_{j}|}{\max_{1 \le j \le n} |x_{j}|}$$

Note that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} |A_{ij}x_{j}| = |A_{i1}x_{1}| + |A_{i2}x_{2}| + \dots + |A_{in}x_{n}|$$

$$\leq (|A_{i1}| + |A_{i2}| + \dots + |A_{in}|) (|x_{1}| + |x_{2}| + \dots + |x_{n}|)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{n} |A_{ij}| \sum_{j=1}^{n} |x_{j}|$$

Therefore

$$\sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{\max_{1 \le i \le m} \sum_{j}^{n} |A_{ij}x_{j}|}{\max_{1 < j < n} |x_{j}|} \le \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{\max_{1 \le i \le m} \left(\sum_{j}^{n} |A_{ij}| \sum_{j}^{n} |x_{j}|\right)}{\max_{1 < j < n} |x_{j}|}$$

Note that for a vector x, the sum of its components is a constant so

$$= \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} |x_{j}| \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} |A_{ij}|}{\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |x_{j}|}$$

Note that

$$\max_{1 \le j \le n} |x_j| \le \sum_{j=1}^{n} |x_j|$$

The supremum is the least upper bound, which occurs when the fraction is the smallest, which occurs when $\max_{1 \le j \le n} |x_j| = \sum_{j=1}^{n} |x_j|$. Therefore

$$\sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} |x_{j}| \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} |A_{ij}|}{\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} |x_{j}|} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} |x_{j}| \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} |A_{ij}|}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} |x_{j}|}$$

$$= \left[\max_{1 \leq i \leq m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} |A_{ij}|\right]$$

5.3.1 (a)

If we have

$$\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i \ln \beta_i \text{ for } y, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Then for i = k for $1 \le k \le n$

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \beta_k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_k} \left(y_1 \ln \beta_1 + y_2 \ln \beta_2 + \dots + y_k \ln \beta_k + \dots + y_n \ln \beta_n \right)$$

$$=\frac{\partial y_1}{\partial \beta_k}\ln\beta_1+\frac{\partial y_2}{\partial \beta_k}\ln\beta_2+\ldots+\left(\frac{y_k}{\beta_k}+\frac{\partial y_k}{\partial \beta_k}\ln\beta_k\right)+\ldots+\frac{\partial y_n}{\partial \beta_k}\ln\beta_n$$

$$= \frac{y_k}{\beta_k} + \frac{\partial y_k}{\partial \beta_k} \ln \beta_k + \sum_{j \neq k} \frac{\partial y_j}{\partial \beta_k} \ln \beta_j, \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq n$$

Therefore

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \beta_i} = \frac{y_i}{\beta_i} + \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial \beta_i} \ln \beta_i + \sum_{i \neq i} \frac{\partial y_j}{\partial \beta_i} \ln \beta_j, \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq n$$

However, if y is independent of β then this just simplifies to

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \beta_i} = \frac{y_i}{\beta_i}$$

5.3.2 (b)

$$\begin{split} \gamma_i &= A_{i,*}\rho + b_i \\ \frac{\partial \gamma_i}{\partial \rho_j} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho_j} A_{i,*}\rho + \frac{\partial b_i}{\partial \rho_j} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho_j} \left(A_{i1}\rho_1 + A_{i2}\rho_2 + \ldots + A_{im}\rho_m \right) + \frac{\partial b_i}{\partial \rho_j} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho_j} A_{i1}\rho_1 + \ldots + \left(A_{ij} + \rho_j \frac{\partial A_{ij}}{\partial \rho_j} \right) + \ldots + \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho_j} A_{im}\rho_m + \frac{\partial b_i}{\partial \rho_j} \\ &= A_{ij} + \rho_j \frac{\partial A_{ij}}{\partial \rho_j} + \sum_{k \neq j} \left(A_{ik} \frac{\partial \rho_k}{\partial \rho_j} + \rho_k \frac{\partial A_{ik}}{\partial \rho_j} \right) + \frac{\partial b_i}{\partial \rho_j} \end{split}$$

However, if A, b are independent of ρ then this just simplifies to

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial \gamma_i}{\partial \rho_j} = A_{ij}}$$

5.3.3 (c)

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) \\ f_2(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ f_m(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J_{y}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_{1}}{\partial x_{1}} & \frac{\partial f_{1}}{\partial x_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_{1}}{\partial x_{n}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_{m}}{\partial x_{1}} & \frac{\partial f_{m}}{\partial x_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_{m}}{\partial x_{n}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} g_1(y_1, y_2, ..., y_m) \\ g_2(y_1, y_2, ..., y_m) \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ g_k(y_1, y_2, ..., y_m) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J_{z}(y) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g_{1}}{\partial y_{1}} & \frac{\partial g_{1}}{\partial y_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial g_{1}}{\partial y_{m}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial g_{k}}{\partial y_{1}} & \frac{\partial g_{k}}{\partial y_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial g_{k}}{\partial y_{m}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial g_1}{\partial f_1}\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial f_2}\frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} + \ldots + \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial f_m}\frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1}\right)$$

$$J_{z}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g_{1}}{\partial y_{1}} & \frac{\partial g_{1}}{\partial y_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial g_{1}}{\partial y_{m}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial g_{k}}{\partial y_{1}} & \frac{\partial g_{k}}{\partial y_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial g_{k}}{\partial y_{m}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_{1}}{\partial x_{1}} & \frac{\partial f_{1}}{\partial x_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_{1}}{\partial x_{n}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_{m}}{\partial x_{1}} & \frac{\partial f_{m}}{\partial x_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_{m}}{\partial x_{n}} \end{bmatrix}$$

5.3.4 (d)

Source: Math StackExchange

$$\nabla_x y^T z = (\nabla y) \cdot z + (\nabla z) \cdot y$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y_m}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_m \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial z_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial z_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial z_m}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial z_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_1} z_1 + \ldots + \frac{\partial y_m}{\partial x_1} z_m \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_n} z_1 + \ldots + \frac{\partial y_m}{\partial x_n} z_m \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial z_1}{\partial x_1} y_1 + \ldots + \frac{\partial z_m}{\partial x_1} y_m \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial z_1}{\partial x_n} y_1 + \ldots + \frac{\partial z_m}{\partial x_n} y_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x_1}\right)^T z + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x_1}\right)^T y \\ \vdots \\ \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x_n}\right)^T z + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x_n}\right)^T y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x}\right)^T z + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}\right)^T y$$

Sources: https://people.math.sc.edu/josephcf/Teaching/142/Files/Worksheets/Estimation%20of%20the%20Taylor%20Remainder.pdf

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DP_pGQaNGdw&t=148s

Assuming f is twice differentiable within the sphere

$$f(x) = f(x^*) + f'(x^*)(x - x^*) + R_1(x)$$

$$f(x) = f(x^*) + R_1(x)$$

because by definition

$$f'(x^*) = 0$$

So

$$f(x) - f(x^*) = R_1(x)$$

By the Taylor remainder theorem

$$|f(x) - f(x^*)| \le \frac{|x - x^*|^2}{2!} \max |f''(z)|$$

for some $z \in \mathcal{X}$

$$\frac{|x - x^*|^2}{2!} \max |f''(z)| \le \frac{D}{2}$$

Because

$$||x - x^*|| \le D$$

and

$$f''(z) \le 1, \quad \forall x, z \in \mathcal{X}$$

because

$$\lambda_{\max}(H(f(x))) = 1$$

Therefore

$$|f(x) - f(x^*)| \le \frac{D}{2}$$

and since $D \ge 0$

$$f(x) - f(x^*) \le \frac{D}{2}$$

Sources: The Matrix Cookbook

Note that

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w} = \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \|y - Xw\|_2^2$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial w} (y - Xw)^T (y - Xw)$$

$$= -2X^T \left(y - Xw \right)$$

$$= 2X^T X w - 2X^T y$$

We want

$$w^* = \operatorname*{arg\,min}_w L(w)$$

and

$$\underset{w}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} L(w) = w^* \implies \frac{\partial L(w^*)}{\partial w} = 0$$

So

$$2X^T X w^* - 2X^T y = 0$$

$$\boxed{w^* = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y}$$

6 Gradient Descent

6.1

Sources: The Matrix Cookbook

Let

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x^T A x - b^T x$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(x^T A x \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(b^T x \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(A + A^T \right) x - b$$

$$=\frac{1}{2}(2A)x-b$$

Because A is PSD and therefore symmetric

$$=Ax-b$$

$$x^* = \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} y(x) \implies \frac{\partial y(x^*)}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$Ax^* - b = 0$$

$$x^* = A^{-1}b$$

For a current position $x^{(k-1)}$ and next position $x^{(k)}$, with a step size = 1 our update function is

$$x^{(k)} = x^{(k-1)} - \frac{\partial y(x^{(k-1)})}{\partial x}$$

$$x^{(k)} = x^{(k-1)} - \left(Ax^{(k-1)} - b\right)$$

$$x^{(k)} = x^{(k-1)} - Ax^{(k-1)} + b$$

$$x^{(k)} = x^{(k-1)} - Ax^{(k-1)} + b$$

$$x^{(k)} - x^* = x^{(k-1)} - Ax^{(k-1)} + b - x^*$$

$$= x^{(k-1)} - Ax^{(k-1)} + Ax^* - x^*$$

$$= (I - A) x^{(k-1)} - (I - A) x^*$$

$$= (I - A) (x^{(k-1)} - x^*)$$

Source: Wikipedia page on Rayleigh quotient

Lemma 6.4

If A is PSD then $\lambda_{\max}(A^TA) = \lambda_{\max}^2(A)$. Proof: Assume a matrix A is PSD and $A = A^T$. By the spectral theorem

$$A = U\Lambda U^T$$

Where U is orthonormal and Λ is a diagonal matrix containing the ordered eigenvalues of A. Then

$$\lambda_{max}(A^T A) = \lambda_{max}(U \Lambda U^T U \Lambda U^T)$$
$$= \lambda_{max}(U \Lambda^2 U^T)$$

and

$$\Lambda^2 = egin{bmatrix} \lambda_{ ext{max}}(A) & & & & \\ & \cdot & & & & \\ & & \cdot & & & \\ & & & \cdot & & \\ & & & \lambda_{ ext{min}}(A) \end{bmatrix}^2$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{\max}^2(A) & & & \\ & \cdot & & \\ & & \cdot & \\ & & \cdot & \\ & & \lambda_{\min}^2(A) \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$\lambda_{max}(A^T A) = \lambda_{max}^2(A)$$

Q.E.D.

Note that

$$\frac{\|Ax\|_2^2}{\|x\|_2^2} = \frac{(Ax)^T (Ax)}{x^T x}$$

$$= \frac{x^T A^T A x}{x^T x}$$

By the Rayleigh quotient

$$\frac{x^T A^T A x}{x^T x} \le \lambda_{\max}(A^T A)$$

and because A is PSD

$$=\lambda_{\max}^2(A)$$

by lemma 6.4. Therefore

$$\frac{\|Ax\|_2^2}{\|x\|_2^2} \le \lambda_{\max}^2(A)$$

$$||Ax||_2^2 \le \lambda_{\max}^2(A)||x||_2^2$$

and

$$\sqrt{\|Ax\|_2^2} \le \sqrt{\lambda_{\max}^2(A)\|x\|_2^2}$$

$$||Ax||_2 \le \lambda_{\max}(A)||x||_2$$

Lemma 6.5

For a matrix A with min eigenvalue $\lambda_{\min}(A)$, such that $0 < \lambda_{\min}(A) \le \lambda_{\max}(A) < 1$, and associated eigenvector v_i

$$\lambda_{\max}(I - A) = 1 - \lambda_{\min}(A)$$

Proof:

$$(I - A)v = v - Av$$
$$= v - \lambda_{\min}(A)v$$
$$= (1 - \lambda_{\min}(A))v$$

and since $1 - \lambda_{\min}(A)$ is a constant, it must be an eigenvalue of I - A. Also

$$1 - 0 > 1 - \lambda_{\min}(A) > 1 - \lambda_{\max}(A) > 1 - 1$$

or

$$0 < 1 - \lambda_{\max}(A) \le 1 - \lambda_{\min}(A) < 1$$

Therefore

$$\lambda_{\max}(I - A) = 1 - \lambda_{\min}(A)$$

Q.E.D.

From 6.3 we have

$$x^{(k)} - x^* = (I - A) (x^{(k-1)} - x^*)$$

Then

$$||x^{(k)} - x^*||_2 = ||(I - A)(x^{(k-1)} - x^*)||_2$$

By Cauchy-Schwarz

$$||x^{(k)} - x^*||_2 \le ||I - A||_2 ||x^{(k-1)} - x^*||_2$$

In 5.2 (a) we saw for any $m \times n$ matrix A

$$||A||_2 = \sigma_{\max}(A)$$

And from 4.5 we know

$$\sigma_{\max}^2(A) = \lambda_{\max}(A^T A)$$

and in 6.4 we saw that for PSD matrices A

$$\lambda_{\max}(A^T A) = \lambda_{\max}^2(A)$$

So since our A is PSD

$$\sigma_{\max}(A) = \lambda_{\max}(A)$$

and therefore

$$||I - A||_2 = \lambda_{\max}(I - A)$$

By Lemma 6.5

$$||I - A||_2 = 1 - \lambda_{\min}(A)$$

Putting it all together, we can say

$$||x^{(k)} - x^*||_2 \le ||I - A||_2 ||x^{(k-1)} - x^*||_2$$

becomes

$$||x^{(k)} - x^*||_2 \le (1 - \lambda_{\min}(A)) ||x^{(k-1)} - x^*||_2$$

Which has the form

$$||x^{(k)} - x^*||_2 \le \rho ||x^{(k-1)} - x^*||_2$$

for some $0 < \rho < 1$, since

$$0 < 1 - \lambda_{\min}(A) < 1$$

Therefore we see

$$\rho = 1 - \lambda_{\min}(A)$$

From 6.5 we see

$$||x^{(1)} - x^*||_2 \le \rho ||x^{(0)} - x^*||_2$$

Where $\rho = 1 - \lambda_{\min}(A)$. Let

$$||x^{(k)} - x^*||_2 \le \rho ||x^{(k-1)} - x^*||_2$$

Then

$$||x^{(k+1)} - x^*||_2 \le \rho ||x^{(k)} - x^*||_2$$
$$= \rho^2 ||x^{(k-1)} - x^*||_2$$
$$= \rho^3 ||x^{(k-2)} - x^*||_2$$

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$$= \rho^{(k+1)} \|x^{(0)} - x^*\|_2$$

Therefore, by induction

$$||x^{(k)} - x^*||_2 \le \rho^k ||x^{(0)} - x^*||_2$$

If we want,

$$||x^{(k)} - x^*||_2 \le \epsilon$$

for some $\epsilon > 0$, then we need

$$\rho^k \|x^{(0)} - x^*\|_2 \le \epsilon$$

Which means we need

$$\rho^k \le \frac{\epsilon}{\|x^{(0)} - x^*\|_2}$$

$$k \log(\rho) \le \log\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\|x^{(0)} - x^*\|_2}\right)$$

$$k \ge \frac{1}{\log(\rho)} \log\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\|x^{(0)} - x^*\|_2}\right)$$

$$k = \left\lceil \frac{1}{\log(\rho)} \log \left(\frac{\epsilon}{\|x^{(0)} - x^*\|_2} \right) \right\rceil$$