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Solutions to Midterm

Part One. Basic concepts.

Problem A.

1. Bivariate normal as with mean μ_z and covariance Σ_z given by

$$\mu_z = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Sigma_z = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- 2. Univariate normal with mean and variance 17 and 21, respectively.
- 3. Bivariate normal with mean and covariance given by

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} 2.5\\ 2.0 \end{array}\right], \quad \left[\begin{array}{cc} 5 & 3\\ 3 & 9 \end{array}\right].$$

- 4. Yes, because their covariance is zero. Let $\mathbf{c}_1 = (1, -1, 1)'$ and $\mathbf{c}_2 = (2, 1, -1)'$. Then, $\mathbf{c}_1' \Sigma \mathbf{c}_2 = 0$.
- 5. χ_s^2 .

Problem B.

- 1. 5-dimensional normal with mean zero and covariance matrix Σ .
- 2. χ_5^2
- 3. χ_5^2
- 4. No longer χ_5^2 because $\text{cov}(\bar{X})$ is not consistently estimated by S/n.
- 5. $\frac{n-1}{n}\Sigma$.

Problem C:

- 1. ϵ_i are independent with mean zero and covariance matrix Σ , which is time-invariant. Also, $E(\epsilon_i|\mathbf{Z}_i) = \mathbf{0}$.
- 2. $(Z'Z)^{-1}(Z'Y)$.

- 3. Because \mathbf{Z}_i contains the constant 1 as one of its elements.
- 4. $\sqrt{n}[\operatorname{vec}(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) \operatorname{vec}(\boldsymbol{\beta})]$ is normally distributed with mean zero and covariance matrix $\Sigma \otimes (\boldsymbol{Z}'\boldsymbol{Z})^{-1}$.
- 5. $\operatorname{cov}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}_{(i)}) = \sigma_{ii}(\boldsymbol{I} \boldsymbol{H})$, where σ_{ii} is the *i*-th diagonal element of Σ and $\boldsymbol{H} = \boldsymbol{Z}(\boldsymbol{Z}'\boldsymbol{Z})^{-1}\boldsymbol{Z}'$.

Problem D.

- 1. The data consist of a random sample from a multivariate distribution when the sample size is large. For small sample size, the population distribution is multivariate normal.
- 2. Yes, because the test statistic is both mean-adjusted and scale-adjusted. Simple derivation is available in the lecture note.
- 3. X_1 and X_2 are uncorrelated (or independent).
- 4. The data consist of random samples from the two populations. The sample size n_1 and n_2 are sufficiently large (compared with dimension). If the sample sizes are not sufficiently large, then one also assumes that the two populations have the same covariance matrix.
- 5. (1) Sample size is less than the number of explanatory variables. (2) The underlying model is sparse.

Problem E.

- 1. The EM algorithm and Markov chain Monte Carlos methods
- 2. The data are missing at random.
- 3. Transform the data into χ^2 random variates and compare the transformed data with quantiles of χ^2 distribution.

Part Two: Data analysis

Problem F. (21 points) Japanese Seishu wine.

1. The sample mean and sample variance of each explanatory variable are given below

- 2. The maximum Pearson correlation (in magnitude) between \boldsymbol{Y} and \boldsymbol{X} is 0.239 between "y2" and "x6".
- 3. Find the maximum Kendall's tau (in magnitude) between \boldsymbol{Y} and \boldsymbol{X} is 0.194 also between "y2" and "x6".
- 4. Use stepwise and AIC, the selected model is

$$y_{1i} = -7.48 + 1.29x_{1i} + 0.92x_{3i} + 0.08x_{4i} + 0.66x_{5i} - 0.005x_{8i} + \epsilon_t.$$

5. The $\hat{\beta}$ is

Most of the estimates are not statistically significant, however.

- 6. The likelihood ratio test is 3.19 with p-value 0.53. Thus, the regressor X_3 can be dropped.
- 7. The likelihood ratio test is 10.87 with p-value 0.028. Thus, at the 5% level, the regressor X_1 contributes significantly to the regression.

Problem G. (10 points) This is a simulated example, the data generating model is

$$y_i = 5x_{30,i} - 5x_{50,i} + 2x_{1,i}x_{10,i} + \epsilon_i.$$

1. The LASSO results are shown in Figure 1 and 2. From the plots and cross-validation result, it seems that a fraction of $s \in [0.6, 1.0]$ would be fine. Thus, the solution is not unique. However, the dominating regressors are x_{30} and x_{50} . Since the interaction is not allowed in the design matrix, other variables might appear as a proxy.

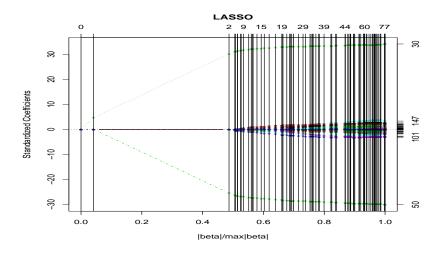


Figure 1: Output of LASSO for Problem G.

- 2. The glmnet results with $\alpha = 0.5$ are shown in Figures 3 and 4. Similar to part 1, the solution is not unique. For λ with $\ln(\lambda) \in [-2, 0]$ seems reasonable.
- 3. The LASSO results when interactions are allowed are shown in Figures 5 and 6. The data generating model should be included in the selected model. The fraction s seems to be between 0.8 and 1.0.

Problem H. Cell-phone data

1. The analysis is given below:

```
> fac1 <- factor(da[,1])</pre>
> fac2 <- factor(da[,2])
> fac3 <- factor(da[,3])</pre>
> Y <- as.matrix(da[,4:5])</pre>
> n1 <- manova(Y~fac1+fac2+fac3+fac1*fac2+fac1*fac3+fac2*fac3)</pre>
> summary(n1)
               Pillai approx F num Df den Df
                                                    Pr(>F)
            1 0.94651
                                       2
                                               8 8.189e-06 ***
fac1
                         70.774
                                       2
fac2
            1 0.98541
                        270.173
                                               8 4.530e-08 ***
                                       2
fac3
            1 0.96983
                        128.573
                                               8 8.287e-07 ***
                                       2
fac1:fac2
            1 0.72226
                         10.402
                                                  0.005951 **
                                       2
fac1:fac3
            1 0.18169
                          0.888
                                               8
                                                  0.448407
fac2:fac3
            1 0.22326
                          1.150
                                       2
                                                  0.363995
Residuals
            9
> summary(n1,test="Wilks")
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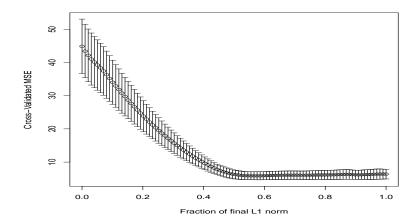


Figure 2: Cross-validation of LASSO for Problem G.

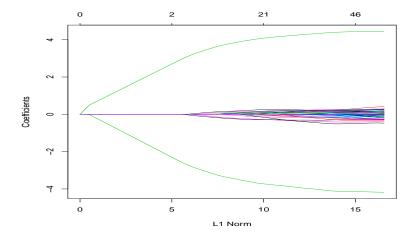


Figure 3: Output of glmnet for Problem G.

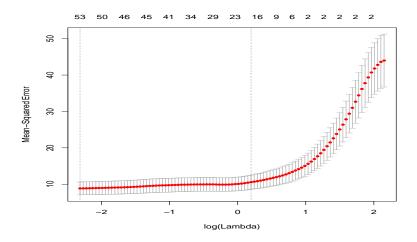


Figure 4: Cross-validation of glmnet for Problem G.

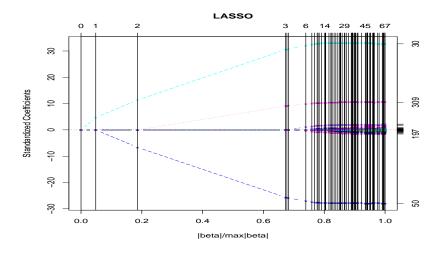


Figure 5: Output of LASSO for Problem G with interaction terms.

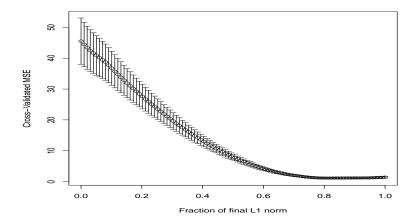


Figure 6: Cross-validation of LASSO for Problem G with interaction terms.

	Df	Wilks	approx F	num Df	den Df	Pr(>F)	
fac1	1	0.05349	70.774	2	8	8.189e-06	***
fac2	1	0.01459	270.173	2	8	4.530e-08	***
fac3	1	0.03017	128.573	2	8	8.287e-07	***
fac1:fac2	1	0.27774	10.402	2	8	0.005951	**
fac1:fac3	1	0.81831	0.888	2	8	0.448407	
fac2:fac3	1	0.77674	1.150	2	8	0.363995	
Residuals	9						

Based on Pillai or Wilks test, the interaction between severity and complexity and the three main effects are significant.

- 2. There are several ways to perform the analysis. I simply use the full model that includes main effects and all two-way interactions to form test. The result shows that the main effects are significant with likelihood ratio test 45.2 with *p*-value close to zero.
- 3. No, because the three possible dependent variables are linear combinations of two given. [You can perform the analysis to confirm it, but not required.]

Problem I. Monthly simple returns of IBM, MSFT (Microsoft), and the S&P composite index.

1. The sample means and covariance matrices are given below:

```
> x1 <- as.matrix(da[1:72,2:4])
> dim(da)
[1] 192  4
```

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> x2 <- as.matrix(da[121:192,2:4])
> apply(x1,2,mean)
        msft
                      ibm
                                     sp
-0.002916167
             0.001442736 -0.001305014
> cov(x1)
            msft
                         ibm
msft 0.012959379 0.007089793 0.002925037
     0.007089793 0.009818525 0.003105217
     0.002925037 0.003105217 0.001924248
> apply(x2,2,mean)
       msft
                    ibm
                                  sp
0.012797889 0.003497875 0.009153069
> cov(x2)
            msft
                           ibm
                                         sp
msft 0.004580680 0.0010307783 0.0015974864
     0.001030778 0.0020466945 0.0008785111
     0.001597486 0.0008785111 0.0014300346
sp
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- 2. Based on the Box-M test statistic, the null hypothesis of equal covariance matrices is rejected. The test statistic is 59.5 with p-value close to zero.
- 3. Based on Hotelling T^2 test (with un-equal covariances), one cannot reject the null hypothesis of equal mean vectors at the 5% level. The test statistic is 3.65 with p-value 0.31.