CSI 5325 - Assignment 0

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1 Simple exercises for understanding.

1. Find the value x that maximizes $f(x) = -3x^2 + 24x - 30$.



x = 4



- 2. Find the partial derivatives of g(x) with respect to x_0 and x_1 : $g(x) = 3x_0^3 2x_0x_1^2 + 4x_1 8$.
 - (a) With respect to x_0 , treat x_1 as a constant:

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial x_0} = 9x_0^2 - 2x_1^2$$

(b) With respect to x_1 , treat x_0 as a constant:

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial x_1} = 4 - 4x_0 x_1$$

3. What is the value of AB^T+C^{-1} when $A=\begin{bmatrix}3&4&5\\6&7&8\end{bmatrix},\,B=\begin{bmatrix}1&2&3\\4&5&6\end{bmatrix},\,C=\begin{bmatrix}1&0\\0&2\end{bmatrix}.$

$$AB^T + C^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 27 & 62\\ 44 & 107.5 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (Matlab.)

4. Write down the mathematical definitions of the simple Gaussian, multivariate Gaussian, Bernoulli, binomial and exponential distributions.

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(a) Simple Gaussian, μ is the expected value, and σ^2 is the variance.

$$f(x; \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

(b) Multivariate Gaussian, \mathbf{x} is a k-dimensional vector of random variables, $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ is a vector of their expected values respectfully, and $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ is the $k \times k$ covariance matrix.

$$f_{\mathbf{x}}(x_1,\ldots,x_k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^k |\mathbf{\Sigma}|}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^T \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})}$$

(c) Bernoulli, $P(X=1)=1-Pr(X=0)=1-q=p,\,k\in\{0,1\}.$

$$f(k;p) = p^k (1-p)^{1-k}$$

(d) Binomial, the probability of getting exactly k successes in n trials with each trial having probability p.

$$f(k; n, p) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

(e) Exponential, λ is the rate parameter.

$$f(x;\lambda) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & x \ge 0\\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

- 5. What is the relationship between the Bernoulli and binomial distributions? The Bernoulli distribution is a special case of the binomial distribution with n = 1.
- 6. Suppose that random variable $X \sim N(1,3)$. What is its expected value?

$$\mu = 1$$

7. Suppose that random variable Y has distribution

$$p(Y=y) = \begin{cases} e^{-y} & y \ge 0\\ 0 & y < 0 \end{cases}$$

(a) Verify that $\int_{y=-\infty}^{\infty} p(Y=y) = 1$

$$\int_{y=-\infty}^{\infty} p(Y=y) = \int_{-\infty}^{0} 0 \, dy + \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-y} \, dy$$
$$= -e^{-y} \Big|_{0}^{\infty}$$
$$= 0 - (-1)$$

(b) What is $\mu_Y = E[Y] = \int_{y=-\infty}^{\infty} p(Y=y)y \, dy$? (The expected value of Y.)

$$\mu_Y = 1$$

(c) What is $\sigma^2 = Var[Y] = \int_{y=-\infty}^{\infty} p(Y=y)(y-\mu_Y)^2 dy$? (The variance of Y.)

$$\sigma^2 = 0$$

8. What is $E[Y|Y \ge 10]$? (The expected value of Y, given that $Y \ge 10$.)

$$E[Y|Y \ge 10] = 0.0004993992$$