

Stats 230, Homework 2

Due date: February 4

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7. Simulation of multivariate normal random vectors.

- (a) Write an R function that takes as input an n dimensional numeric vector μ and a $n \times n$ positive definite matrix Σ and returns N realizations from the multivariate normal distribution $\text{MVN}(\mu, \Sigma)$, using Cholesky decomposition.
 - (b) Document this function and add it to your package
 - (c) Create a test case with $n = 4$ and $N = 100$ and use sample mean and sample covariance matrices to (somewhat informally) validate your function.
8. Download the file `homework2_regression.csv`. The file contains simulated data with a response vector and 5 covariates, including a dummy one for the intercept. In the tasks below, pay attention to the order of operations, so that your computations are performed efficiently.
- (a) Obtain OLS estimates of the regression coefficients using a QR decomposition (implement in a function, document, and add to the package)
 - (b) Obtain OLS estimates of the regression coefficients using the SVD decomposition (implement in a function, document, and add to the package)
 - (c) Benchmark computational efficiency of both implementations and comment on your results

Hint: you may find it helpful to look at R snippets when working on the last two problems:

<https://r-snippets.readthedocs.io/en/latest/la/index.html>

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = LL^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & l_{21} \\ 0 & l_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{11} = l_{11}^2 \Rightarrow l_{11} = \sqrt{a_{11}} \Rightarrow l_{11} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{12} = l_{11}l_{21} \Rightarrow l_{21} = \frac{a_{12}}{l_{11}} \Rightarrow l_{21} = -\sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{22} = l_{21}^2 + l_{22}^2 \Rightarrow l_{22} = \sqrt{a_{22} - l_{21}^2} \Rightarrow l_{22} = \sqrt{5 - 2} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ -\sqrt{2} & \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & -\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & \sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}}$$

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Prove any banded $n \times n$ matrix A decomposes via Cholesky into banded $n \times n$ matrices

Proof by induction:

Base Case:

Let A be a banded $(d+1) \times (d+1)$ matrix st. $a_{ij} = 0$ if $|i-j| > d$ i.e. at $a_{(d+1),1}$ and $a_{1,(d+1)}$
then Cholesky decomposition gives $A = BB^T$

$$\text{where } B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & 0 \\ \underline{b} & B_{22} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \underline{b} = \left[\frac{a_{21}}{\sqrt{a_{11}}} \dots \frac{a_{d1}}{\sqrt{a_{11}}} \ 0 \right]^T$$

thus $b_{ij} = 0$ if $|i-j| > d$ i.e. at $b_{(d+1),1}$ and $b_{1,(d+1)}$ so B is banded

Induction Step

Assume any $n \times n$ banded matrix decomposes via Cholesky into banded matrices

Let A be a banded $(n+1) \times (n+1)$

$$\text{Define } A\text{'s structure as } A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \underline{a}^T \\ \underline{a} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Note: A_{22} is also banded, which can easily be verified by contradiction

Then A can be decomposed via Cholesky to $A = BB^T$

$$\text{where } B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & 0 \\ \underline{b} & B_{22} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \underline{b} = \left[\frac{a_{21}}{\sqrt{a_{11}}} \dots \frac{a_{d1}}{\sqrt{a_{11}}} \ \underbrace{0 \dots 0}_{d+1} \right]^T$$

$$\text{and } B_{22}B_{22}^T = A_{22} - \underline{b}\underline{b}^T$$

$A_{22} - \underline{b}\underline{b}^T$ is banded so its Cholesky decomposition $B_{22}B_{22}^T$ is also banded by
inductive assumption

Invoking induction, we have that any banded matrix decomposes into
the product of banded matrices by Cholesky decomposition

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Note: $X^T X = (QR)^T QR = R^T Q^T Q R = R^T R$
 I because orthonormal

$$X \underbrace{(X^T X)^{-1}}_{=(R^T R)^{-1}} X^T = QQ^T$$

$$\Rightarrow (R^T R)^{-1} = X^{-1} QQ^T (X^T)^{-1} \quad X \text{ has independent columns so is invertible}$$

$$\Rightarrow (R^T R)^{-1} = (QR)^{-1} Q Q^T (R^T Q^T)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (R^T R)^{-1} = R^{-1} \underbrace{Q^{-1} Q}_{=I} Q^T \underbrace{(Q^T)^{-1} (R^T)^{-1}}_{=I}$$

$$\Rightarrow (R^T R)^{-1} = R^{-1} (R^T)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (R^T R)^{-1} = (R^T R)^{-1} \blacksquare$$

$$|\det(X)| = |\det(QR)|$$

$$= \underbrace{|\det(Q) \det(R)|}_{=\pm 1} \quad \det(Q) = \pm 1 \text{ because it is orthogonal when } X \text{ is square}$$

$$= |(\pm 1) \det(R)|$$

$$= |\det(R)| \quad \text{when } X \text{ is square, so } \det(X) \text{ is defined}$$

$$|\det(X^T X)| = |\det(R^T R)| \quad \text{from above}$$

$$= \underbrace{|\det(R^T) \det(R)|}_{=\det(R)}$$

$$= (\det(R))^2 \quad \blacksquare$$

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Show $A^T A = \alpha I$ for some scalar α

$$\begin{aligned} A^T A &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & \sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & -\cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & \sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & -\cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2(\theta) + \sin^2(\theta) & \cos(\theta)\sin(\theta) - \cos(\theta)\sin(\theta) \\ \cos(\theta)\sin(\theta) - \cos(\theta)\sin(\theta) & \cos^2(\theta) + \sin^2(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I \quad \text{so } A \text{ is orthogonal, } \alpha=1 \end{aligned}$$

Find eigenvalues and eigenvectors

$$Ax = \lambda x \Rightarrow (A - \lambda I)x = 0 \Rightarrow |A - \lambda I| = 0$$

$$\left| \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) - \lambda & \sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & -\cos(\theta) - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \right| = (\cos(\theta) - \lambda)(-\cos(\theta) - \lambda) - \sin^2(\theta)$$

$$= -\cos^2(\theta) + \lambda^2 - \sin^2(\theta)$$

$$= -1 + \lambda^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = \pm 1}$$

Find eigenvector associated with $\lambda=1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta)-1 & \sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & -\cos(\theta)-1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (\cos(\theta)-1)x_1 + \sin(\theta)x_2 \\ \sin(\theta)x_1 - (\cos(\theta)+1)x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{\sin(\theta)x_2}{1-\cos(\theta)} = \frac{\sqrt{1-\cos^2(\theta)}}{1-\cos(\theta)} x_2 = \frac{\sqrt{1+\cos(\theta)} \sqrt{1-\cos(\theta)}}{1-\cos(\theta)} x_2 = \sqrt{\frac{1+\cos(\theta)}{1-\cos(\theta)}} x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\frac{1+\cos(\theta)}{1-\cos(\theta)}} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}} \text{ is an eigen vector when } \lambda=1$$

Find eigenvector associated with $\lambda=-1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta)+1 & \sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & -\cos(\theta)-1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\cos(\theta)+1)x_1 + \sin(\theta)x_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = -\sqrt{\frac{1+\cos(\theta)}{1-\cos(\theta)}} x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{\frac{1+\cos(\theta)}{1-\cos(\theta)}} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}} \text{ is an eigen vector when } \lambda=-1$$

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Hint: use properties of the norms of orthogonal matrices.

$$O\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$$

$$(O\mathbf{v})^T O\mathbf{v} = (\lambda\mathbf{v})^T \lambda\mathbf{v}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{v}^T \underbrace{O^T O}_{=I} \mathbf{v} = \lambda^2 \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v} = \lambda^2 \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v} \quad \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v} \neq 0 \text{ because } \mathbf{v} \text{ is an eigenvector}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 1$$

That doesn't solve the realness of \mathbf{v} so try another approach:

$$O\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v} \Rightarrow \|O\mathbf{v}\|^2 = \|\lambda\mathbf{v}\|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\overline{O\mathbf{v}})^T (O\mathbf{v}) = |\lambda|^2 \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{\mathbf{v}}^T \underbrace{\overline{O}^T O}_{=I} \mathbf{v} = |\lambda|^2 \bar{\mathbf{v}}^T \mathbf{v}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{\mathbf{v}}^T \mathbf{v} = |\lambda|^2 \bar{\mathbf{v}}^T \mathbf{v} \quad \text{assuming } \mathbf{v} \text{ is real-valued}$$

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Note: $A = V\Sigma U^T$ where U and V are orthonormal square $m \times m$ matrices and

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \sigma_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = (U^T)^{-1} \Sigma^{-1} V^{-1} \quad \text{which is the SVD of } A^{-1} \text{ where } \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \frac{1}{\sigma_m} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|A^{-1}\|_2 = \max_i \frac{1}{\sigma_i} = \frac{1}{\min_i \sigma_i}$$

$$\text{Also: } \|A\|_2 = \max_i \sigma_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{cond}_2(A) = \|A\|_2 \|A^{-1}\|_2 = (\max_i \sigma_i) \left(\frac{1}{\min_i \sigma_i} \right) = \boxed{\frac{\max_i \sigma_i}{\min_i \sigma_i}}$$