

Homework 6.

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Problem 1

Since C is assumed to be positive definite symmetric matrix, it is diagonalizable with orthogonal eigenvectors

i.e. $C = U^T \Lambda U$ with unitary U and

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \phi \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ \phi & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \text{ where } \lambda_i \text{'s are eigenvectors of } U$$

$$\text{Then } \max_{\|w\|^2=k} \frac{1}{2} w^T C w = \frac{1}{2} \max_{\|w\|^2=k} (Uw)^T \Lambda (Uw) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{since} \\ U \text{ is unitary} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \max_{\|u\|^2=k} u^T \Lambda u = \frac{1}{2} \max_{\|u\|^2=k} \sum u_i^2 \lambda_i$$

$$\begin{cases} u = Uw \\ \|u\| = \|w\| = k \end{cases}$$

$\sum u_i^2 \lambda_i$ is a linear combination of eigenvalues with total weight K . It clearly attains its maximum when $u_i^2 = \begin{cases} K & \text{if } \lambda_i \text{ is largest eig.} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

That means that $w = U^T u = \pm \sqrt{K} v_{\max}$, where v_{\max} is an eigenvector of C corresponding to largest eigenvalue

Problem 2

By Bayes' Rule, $P(\text{turbulent} / r = 1.03^4 - 1) =$
$$= \frac{P(r = 1.03^4 - 1 | \text{turbulent}) \cdot P(\text{turbulent})}{P(r = 1.03^4 - 1)}$$

$$= \frac{P(r = 1.03^4 - 1 | \text{turbulent}) P(\text{turbulent})}{P(r = 1.03^4 - 1 | \text{turbulent}) P(\text{turbulent}) + P(r = 1.03^4 - 1 | \text{non-turb}) P(\text{non-turb})}$$

$$= \frac{0.05 \cdot \binom{6}{4} / 64}{0.05 \cdot \binom{6}{4} / 64 + 0.95 \cdot \binom{6}{5} / 64} = \frac{0.75}{0.75 + 5.7} \approx 11.63\%$$