

① $e_1, \dots, e_q \in \mathbb{R}^q$ eigenvectors of $[S_p^2]^{-1} B$
 eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_q \geq 0$.

Show that: $\max f(a) = \max \frac{a' B a}{a' S_p^2 a}$ is attained

use the fact that $\operatorname{argmax} g(a) = e$ where $g(a) = f(|S_p^2|^{-1/2} a)$ at $a_1 = e_1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Proof: } g(a) &= f((S_p^2)^{-1/2} \underline{a}) \\
 &= \frac{((S_p^2)^{-1/2} \underline{a})' B ((S_p^2)^{-1/2} \underline{a})}{((S_p^2)^{-1/2} \underline{a})' S_p^2 ((S_p^2)^{-1/2} \underline{a})} \\
 &= \frac{\underline{a}' (S_p^2)^{-1/2} B (S_p^2)^{-1/2} \underline{a}}{\underline{a}' \underline{a}} \\
 &= \frac{\underline{a}' \left(\sum_{j=1}^q \lambda_j \underline{e}_j \underline{e}_j' \right) \underline{a}}{\underline{a}' \underline{a}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\operatorname{argmax} g(a) = \underline{e}$$