

# CS215 : Assignment 3

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## Question 1

### Question 1

(a)  $x_i(\omega)$  = additional number of times you have to pick a book so that number of distinct colours of picked books changes from 0 to 1, in the sample point ( $\omega$ )

$$= \underline{\underline{1}}$$

[ $\because$  No books were picked initially, since initial number of distinct colours is 0. After choosing any 1 book, the number of distinct colours of picked books increases to 1, since all the books had unpicked colours.]

$$P\left(\text{picking a book of different colour, when } (i-1) \text{ distinct colours have been picked}\right) = \frac{\text{Number of books with colours different than the } (i-1) \text{ collected colours}}{\text{Total number of books}}$$

$$= \frac{n - (i-1)}{n}$$

[since all the  $n$  books have different colours]

$$= \underline{\underline{\frac{n-i+1}{n}}}$$

[since the book is picked uniformly at random]

$$(b) P(x_i=1) = P\left(\text{picking a book of different colour, when } (i-1) \text{ distinct colours have been picked}\right) = \frac{n-i+1}{n} = p$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(x_i=k) &= P\left(\text{picking } (k-1) \text{ books of colours among the } (i-1) \text{ colours picked}\right) \times P\left(\text{picking a book of different colour than } (i-1) \text{ distinct colours}\right) \\ &= \left[P\left(\text{picking a book of colours among the } (i-1) \text{ colours picked}\right)\right]^{k-1} \times P\left(\text{picking a book of different colour than } (i-1) \text{ distinct colours}\right) \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{n-i+1}{n}\right)^{k-1} \left(\frac{n-i+1}{n}\right) = \underline{\underline{(1-p)}^{k-1} p} \end{aligned}$$

[ $\because$  The events are independent.]

$\therefore x_i$  is a geometric random variable with parameter

$$\boxed{p = \frac{n-i+1}{n}}$$

(c) Let  $Z$  be a geometric random variable with parameter  $p$ .  
The probability mass function of  $Z$  is given by

$$P(Z=k) = (1-p)^{k-1} p \quad \text{where } k=1, 2, \dots$$

Expectation of  $Z$ :

$$E(Z) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} z_i P(Z=z_i) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k (1-p)^{k-1} p \rightarrow \text{This is an AGP}$$

$$(1-p) E(Z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k (1-p)^k p \\ = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k-1) (1-p)^{k-1} p \quad [\text{Replacing } k \text{ by } (k-1), \\ \text{and changing lower limit of sum to 2}]$$

$$\Rightarrow E(Z) - (1-p) E(Z) = 1 (1-p)^0 p + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (1-p)^{k-1} p \\ = p \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1-p)^{k-1} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow p E(Z) = \frac{p}{1-(1-p)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{E(Z) = \frac{1}{p}}$$

Infinite  
Geometric series  
with common  
ratio  $(1-p)$   
[where  
 $0 < 1-p < 1$ ]  
 $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ar^{k-1} = \frac{a}{1-r}$ ,  
(iff  $|r| < 1$ )

Variance of  $Z$ :

$$E(Z^2) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} z_i^2 P(Z=z_i) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^2 (1-p)^{k-1} p$$

$$(1-p) E(Z^2) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^2 (1-p)^k p = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k-1)^2 (1-p)^{k-1} p = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (k-1)^2 (1-p)^{k-1} p$$

Subtracting both equations,

$$p E(Z^2) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [k^2 - (k-1)^2] (1-p)^{k-1} p = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (2k-1) (1-p)^{k-1} p$$

$$\Rightarrow E(Z^2) = 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k (1-p)^{k-1} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1-p)^{k-1} \\ = 2 \frac{E(Z)}{p} - \frac{1}{1-(1-p)} = \frac{2}{p^2} - \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\text{Var}(Z) = E(Z^2) - (E(Z))^2 = \left(\frac{2}{p^2} - \frac{1}{p}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{p}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{p^2} - \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Var}(Z) = \frac{1-p}{p^2}}$$

(d)  $E(X^{(n)}) = E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i)$  [Linearity of expectation operator]

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{p_i} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n}{n-i+1} = n \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i}$$

$\therefore \boxed{E(X^{(n)}) = n \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} = n H_n}$  [where  $H_n$  is the  $n$ th Harmonic number (partial sum of harmonic series)]

(e)  $\text{Var}(X^{(n)}) = \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right)$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i)$$

[ Since,  $X_i$ 's are independent random variables ]

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1-p_i}{p_i^2}$$

[ where  $p_i = \frac{n-i+1}{n}$ , parameter of geometric distribution of  $X_i$  ]

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(i-1)n}{(n-i+1)^2} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n(n-i)}{i^2}$$

$$= n^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2} - n \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i}$$

[  $\because \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2} \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$  ]

$$\leq \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{6}$$

$$(f) \quad E(X^{(n)}) = n \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i}$$

Claim:  $\log(n+1) < \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} < \log n + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{i} &\leq \frac{1}{x} \quad \forall x \in [i-1, i] \Rightarrow \int_{i-1}^i \frac{1}{i} dx \leq \int_{i-1}^i \frac{1}{x} dx \Rightarrow \frac{1}{i} \leq \int_{i-1}^i \frac{1}{x} dx \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{1}{i} \leq \sum_{i=2}^n \int_{i-1}^i \frac{1}{x} dx \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \leq 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \leq 1 + \int_1^n \frac{1}{x} dx \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \leq 1 + \log n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{i} &\geq \frac{1}{x} \quad \forall x \in [i, i+1] \Rightarrow \int_i^{i+1} \frac{1}{i} dx \geq \int_i^{i+1} \frac{1}{x} dx \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} dx \geq \int_1^{n+1} \frac{1}{x} dx = \underline{\log(n+1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore n \underline{\log(n+1)} \leq E(X^{(n)}) \leq n [\log n + 1]$$

We can show that  $E(X^{(n)}) = \Theta(n \log n)$ .

$\because E(X^{(n)}) \leq n[\log n + 1] \leq 2n \log n \quad \forall n \geq 2$

$E(X^{(n)}) \geq n \log(n+1) \geq n \log n \quad \forall n \geq 2$

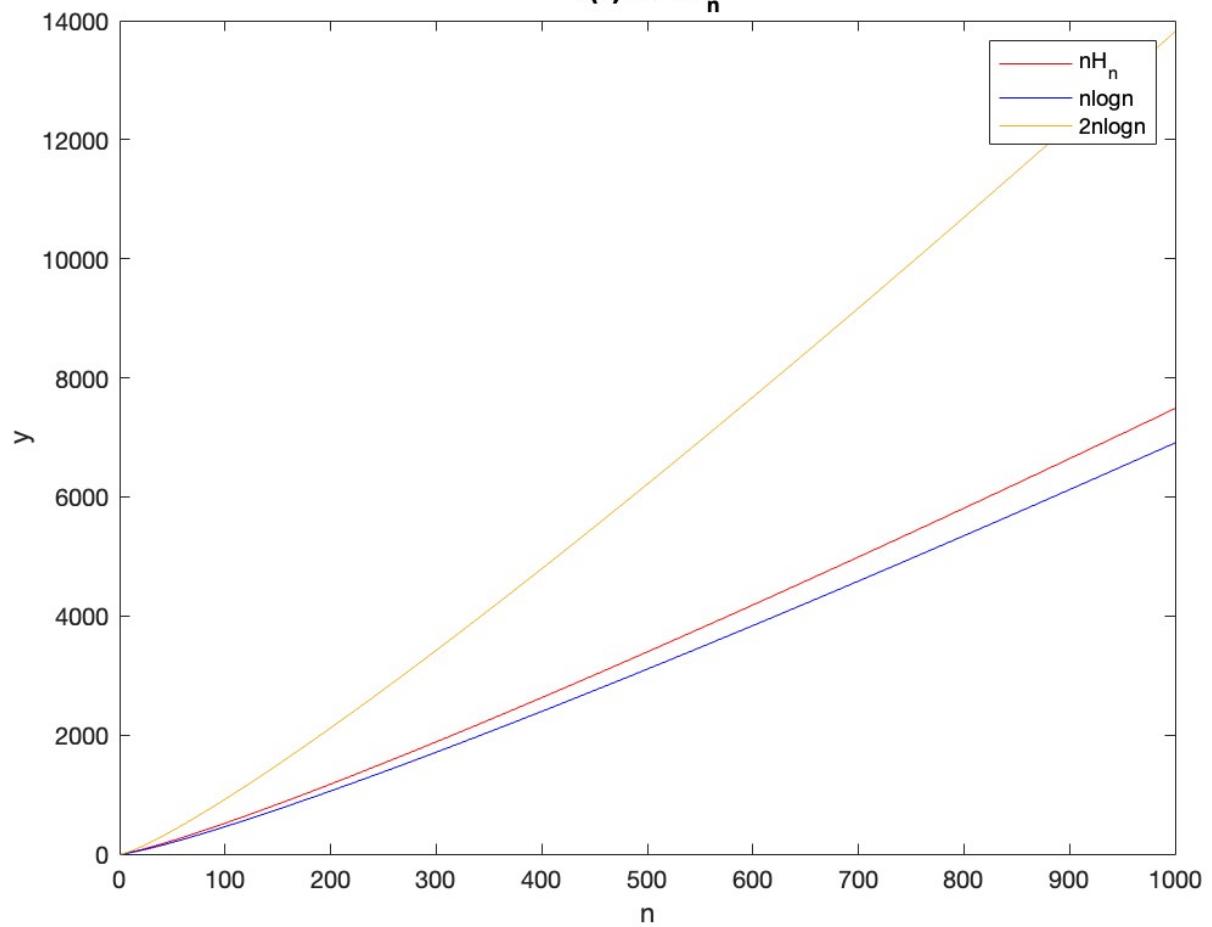
$\therefore$  Taking  $c_1 = 1, c_2 = 2, n_0 = 2$ , we get

$$c_1(n \log n) \leq E(X^{(n)}) \leq c_2(n \log n) \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

Hence,  $E(X^{(n)}) = \underline{\Theta(n \log n)}$  [by definition of  $\Theta$  notation]

$\therefore$  We can take  $f(n) = n \log n$  or any function which is  $\Theta(n \log n)$  so that  $E(X^{(n)}) = \Theta(f(n))$ .

$\theta(n)$  for  $nH_n$



## Question 2

(a) Let  $U$  be a random variable with a uniform distribution to  $[0,1]$ , i.e., its cumulative distribution function is given by

$$F_U(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1, & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases} \quad [\because f_U(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \in (0,1) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}]$$

Consider the random variable  $V = F^{-1}(U)$ , i.e.,  $V(\omega) = F^{-1}(U(\omega))$ . The cdf of the random variable  $V$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} F_V(y) &= P(V \leq y) = P(F^{-1}(U) \leq y) \\ &= P(U \leq F(y)) \quad [\text{Since } F \text{ is invertible and is a distribution function, and hence, is strictly increasing}] \\ &= F_U(F(y)) \quad [\text{By definition of cdf}] \\ &= F(y) \quad [\because \text{Since } U \text{ is a uniform random variable to } [0,1] \text{ and } 0 \leq F(y) \leq 1, \text{ since } F(y) \text{ is a distribution function.}] \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  The cdf of the random variable  $V = F^{-1}(U)$  is  $F$ .

Since the values  $\{V_i\}_{i=1}^n$  are independent random samples of the random variable  $V$ , they follow the distribution  $F$ .

(b)  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \rightarrow$  identically distributed random variables with cdf  $F$

$U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n \rightarrow$  identically distributed random variables with Uniform  $[0,1]$  distribution

$$P(E \geq d) = P\left(\max_{0 \leq y \leq 1} \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(U_i \leq y)}{n} - y \right| > d\right) \quad \text{--- ①}$$

Consider the random variable  $V_i = F^{-1}(U_i)$ , assuming  $F$  to be an invertible function, and hence a strictly increasing function.

Then, the random variable  $\mathbb{1}(U_i \leq y)$  is same as

$$\mathbb{1}(F^{-1}(U_i) \geq F^{-1}(y)) = \mathbb{1}(V_i \leq F^{-1}(y)) \text{ since } F \text{ is strictly increasing.}$$

From part (a), we know that

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} V_i = F^{-1}(U_i) \\ U_i \sim \text{Uniform}[0,1] \\ F \text{ is invertible.} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow V \text{ has a cdf } F.$$

Since  $F$  is bijective,

$\forall y \in [0,1], \exists x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $F(x)=y$  and  $F^{-1}(y)=x$

Taking the  $x$  corresponding to  $y$ ,  $\underline{\underline{1}}(U_i \leq y) = \underline{\underline{1}}(V_i \leq x)$

From ①,

$$\therefore P(E \geq d) = P\left(\max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \underline{\underline{1}}(V_i \leq x)}{n} - F(x)\right| \leq d\right)$$

Now, since both  $V_i$  and  $Y_i$  are identically distributed and independent random variables with cdf  $F$ , for  $i=1,2,\dots,n$ , the random vectors  $(V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n)$  and  $(Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n)$  are identically distributed.

Note that both  $E = \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \underline{\underline{1}}(V_i \leq x)}{n} - F(x)\right|$  and

$D = \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \underline{\underline{1}}(Y_i \leq x)}{n} - F(x)\right|$  are random variables that

are obtained on applying the same function on the random vectors  $(V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n)$  and  $(Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n)$ . Since the random vectors are identically distributed,  $E$  and  $D$  are also identically distributed.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P(E \geq d) &= P\left(\max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \underline{\underline{1}}(V_i \leq x)}{n} - F(x)\right| \geq d\right) \\ &= P\left(\max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \underline{\underline{1}}(Y_i \leq x)}{n} - F(x)\right| \geq d\right) = P(D \geq d) \\ &\quad \forall d \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{P(E \geq d) = P(D \geq d) \quad \forall d \in \mathbb{R}}$$

NOTE: If it is not given that  $y_i$ 's are independent and  $u_i$ 's are independent, then the given statement may not be true.

eg: If  $F(x)$  is the CDF of Gaussian distribution, then  $v_i = F^{-1}(u_i)$  and  $y_i$  are both normal variables with cdf  $F$ . Suppose  $u_i$  are independent (which implies  $v_i = F^{-1}(u_i)$  are independent), and  $y_i$  are dependent.

For example,

$$v_1, v_2 \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \rightarrow \text{independent}$$

$$y_1 = y_2 \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \rightarrow \text{dependent}$$

$$\mathbb{1}(v_i \leq x) \sim \text{Bernoulli}(F(x)) \text{ for } i=1,2$$

$$\mathbb{1}(v_1 \leq x) + \mathbb{1}(v_2 \leq x) \sim \text{Binomial}(2, F(x)) \quad [\text{Sum of } n \text{ independent Bernoulli variables with parameter } p \text{ is a Binomial r.v. with parameters } n \text{ and } p.]$$

$$\text{i.e., } P(\mathbb{1}(v_1 \leq x) + \mathbb{1}(v_2 \leq x) = 0) = (1 - F(x))^2$$

$$P(\mathbb{1}(v_1 \leq x) + \mathbb{1}(v_2 \leq x) = 1) = 2F(x)[1 - F(x)]$$

$$P(\mathbb{1}(v_1 \leq x) + \mathbb{1}(v_2 \leq x) = 2) = (F(x))^2$$

$$\mathbb{1}(y_i \leq x) \sim \text{Bernoulli}(F(x)), \text{ for } i=1,2$$

$$\mathbb{1}(y_1 \leq x) + \mathbb{1}(y_2 \leq x) = 2 \times \mathbb{1}(Y \leq x) \quad [\because \text{we have taken } y_1 = y_2 = Y]$$

$$\text{i.e., } P(2 \times \mathbb{1}(Y \leq x) = 0) = (1 - F(x))^2$$

$$P(2 \times \mathbb{1}(Y \leq x) = 1) = 0$$

$$P(2 \times \mathbb{1}(Y \leq x) = 2) = F(x)$$

$$\text{Hence, the distributions of } E = \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(v_i \leq x)}{n} - F(x) \right|$$

$$\text{and } D = \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(y_i \leq x)}{n} - F(x) \right| \text{ can be different,}$$

if the  $y_i$ 's and  $u_i$ 's are not both independent, as shown by this example.

### Question 3

(a) Let the coordinates of the  $n$  given points be  $\{(x_i, y_i, z_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ , and let the equation of the plane be  $z = ax + by + c$

$$z_i = ax_i + by_i + c + \epsilon_i \quad \text{for } i=1, 2, \dots, n \quad \text{where } \epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

[since  $z_i$  is corrupted independently by noise  $\epsilon_i$  from  $N(0, \sigma^2)$ ]

The likelihood function for  $\{(x_i, y_i, z_i)\}_{i=1}^n$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Likelihood function for } \{(x_i, y_i, z_i)\}_{i=1}^n &= p_2(\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_n) \quad [\text{where } p_2 \text{ is the joint pmf for the random vector } (\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_n)] \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n p(\epsilon_i) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^n e^{-\frac{\sum \epsilon_i^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

since  $\epsilon_i$ 's are independent, where  $p(x)$  is the pdf of the gaussian distribution of mean 0 and variance  $\sigma^2$

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Log-likelihood function of } \{(x_i, y_i, z_i)\}_{i=1}^n = \mathcal{L}(a, b, c) = -n \log(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}) - \frac{\sum \epsilon_i^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}(a, b, c) = -n \log(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (z_i - ax_i - by_i - c)^2}$$

we have to find  $a, b, c$  for which  $\mathcal{L}(a, b, c)$  is maximised.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial a} = 0 &\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n x_i(z_i - ax_i - by_i - c) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow a \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + b \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i + c \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i z_i \quad -① \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial b} = 0 &\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n y_i(z_i - ax_i - by_i - c) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow a \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i + b \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 + c \sum_{i=1}^n y_i = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i z_i \quad -② \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial c} = 0 &\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n (z_i - ax_i - by_i - c) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow a \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + b \sum_{i=1}^n y_i + cn = \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \quad -③ \end{aligned}$$

Vector form:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{x} \cdot (\vec{z} - a\vec{x} - b\vec{y} - c\vec{1}) &= 0 \quad -① \\ \vec{y} \cdot (\vec{z} - a\vec{x} - b\vec{y} - c\vec{1}) &= 0 \quad -② \\ \vec{1} \cdot (\vec{z} - a\vec{x} - b\vec{y} - c\vec{1}) &= 0 \quad -③\end{aligned}$$

where  
 $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$   
 $\vec{y} = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$   
 $\vec{1} = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$

Matrix form:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc} x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_n \\ y_1 & y_2 & \cdots & y_n \\ 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \end{array} \right] \left( \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_n \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_n & y_n & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

which is same as

$$X^T(Z - XA) = 0 \Leftrightarrow X^T X A = X^T Z \quad \text{where } X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_n & y_n & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}, \quad Z = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i & \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 & \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i & \sum_{i=1}^n y_i & n \end{array} \right] \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i z_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n y_i z_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Repeating the same steps as in part (a),

$$\varepsilon_i = z_i - a_0 x_i^2 - a_1 x_i y_i - a_2 y_i^2 - a_3 x_i - a_4 y_i - a_5$$

$$\text{Likelihood function for } \{f(x_i, y_i, z_i)\}_{i=1}^n = \prod_{i=1}^n p(\varepsilon_i) = \left(\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^n \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$\text{Log-likelihood function for } \{f(x_i, y_i, z_i)\}_{i=1}^n = \mathcal{L}(\{a_i\}_{i=1}^n) = -n \log(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\{\alpha_i\}_{i=1}^n) = -n \log(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (z_i - \alpha_1 x_i^2 - \alpha_2 y_i^2 - \alpha_3 x_i y_i - \alpha_4 x_i - \alpha_5 y_i - \alpha_6)^2$$

We have to find  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6$  so that  $\mathcal{L}(\{\alpha_i\}_{i=1}^n)$  is maximised.

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \alpha_1} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 (z_i - \alpha_1 x_i^2 - \alpha_2 y_i^2 - \alpha_3 x_i y_i - \alpha_4 x_i - \alpha_5 y_i - \alpha_6) = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \alpha_2} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 (z_i - \alpha_1 x_i^2 - \alpha_2 y_i^2 - \alpha_3 x_i y_i - \alpha_4 x_i - \alpha_5 y_i - \alpha_6) = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \alpha_3} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i (z_i - \alpha_1 x_i^2 - \alpha_2 y_i^2 - \alpha_3 x_i y_i - \alpha_4 x_i - \alpha_5 y_i - \alpha_6) = 0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \alpha_4} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n x_i (z_i - \alpha_1 x_i^2 - \alpha_2 y_i^2 - \alpha_3 x_i y_i - \alpha_4 x_i - \alpha_5 y_i - \alpha_6) = 0 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \alpha_5} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n y_i (z_i - \alpha_1 x_i^2 - \alpha_2 y_i^2 - \alpha_3 x_i y_i - \alpha_4 x_i - \alpha_5 y_i - \alpha_6) = 0 \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \alpha_6} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n (z_i - \alpha_1 x_i^2 - \alpha_2 y_i^2 - \alpha_3 x_i y_i - \alpha_4 x_i - \alpha_5 y_i - \alpha_6) = 0 \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

vector form:

$$\vec{x^2} \cdot (\vec{z} - \alpha_1 \vec{x^2} - \alpha_2 \vec{y^2} - \alpha_3 \vec{xy} - \alpha_4 \vec{x} - \alpha_5 \vec{y} - \alpha_6 \vec{1}) = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\vec{y^2} \cdot (\vec{z} - \alpha_1 \vec{x^2} - \alpha_2 \vec{y^2} - \alpha_3 \vec{xy} - \alpha_4 \vec{x} - \alpha_5 \vec{y} - \alpha_6 \vec{1}) = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\vec{xy} \cdot (\vec{z} - \alpha_1 \vec{x^2} - \alpha_2 \vec{y^2} - \alpha_3 \vec{xy} - \alpha_4 \vec{x} - \alpha_5 \vec{y} - \alpha_6 \vec{1}) = 0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\vec{x} \cdot (\vec{z} - \alpha_1 \vec{x^2} - \alpha_2 \vec{y^2} - \alpha_3 \vec{xy} - \alpha_4 \vec{x} - \alpha_5 \vec{y} - \alpha_6 \vec{1}) = 0 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$\vec{y} \cdot (\vec{z} - \alpha_1 \vec{x^2} - \alpha_2 \vec{y^2} - \alpha_3 \vec{xy} - \alpha_4 \vec{x} - \alpha_5 \vec{y} - \alpha_6 \vec{1}) = 0 \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

$$\vec{1} \cdot (\vec{z} - \alpha_1 \vec{x^2} - \alpha_2 \vec{y^2} - \alpha_3 \vec{xy} - \alpha_4 \vec{x} - \alpha_5 \vec{y} - \alpha_6 \vec{1}) = 0 \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

$$\left[ \text{where } \vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), \vec{x^2} = (x_1^2, x_2^2, \dots, x_n^2) \right]$$

$$\vec{y} = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n), \vec{y^2} = (y_1^2, y_2^2, \dots, y_n^2)$$

$$\vec{z} = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n), \vec{xy} = (x_1 y_1, x_2 y_2, \dots, x_n y_n)$$

Matrix form

$$x^T(z - xA) = 0$$

$\Downarrow$

$$x^T x A = x^T z$$

where  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 & y_1^2 & x_1 y_1 & x_1 & y_1 & 1 \\ x_2^2 & y_2^2 & x_2 y_2 & x_2 & y_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_n^2 & y_n^2 & x_n y_n & x_n & y_n & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad z = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sum x_i^4 & \sum x_i^2 y_i^2 & \sum x_i^3 y_i & \sum x_i^3 & \sum x_i^2 y_i & \sum x_i^2 \\ \sum x_i^2 y_i^2 & \sum y_i^4 & \sum x_i y_i^3 & \sum x_i y_i^2 & \sum y_i^3 & \sum y_i^2 \\ \sum x_i^3 y_i & \sum x_i y_i^3 & \sum x_i^2 y_i^2 & \sum x_i^2 y_i & \sum x_i y_i^2 & \sum x_i y_i \\ \sum x_i^3 & \sum x_i y_i^2 & \sum x_i^2 y_i & \sum x_i^2 & \sum x_i y_i & \sum x_i \\ \sum x_i^2 y_i & \sum y_i^3 & \sum x_i y_i^2 & \sum x_i y_i & \sum y_i^2 & \sum y_i \\ \sum x_i^2 & \sum y_i^2 & \sum x_i y_i & \sum x_i & \sum y_i & n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_4 \\ a_5 \\ a_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum x_i^2 z_i \\ \sum y_i^2 z_i \\ \sum x_i y_i z_i \\ \sum x_i z_i \\ \sum y_i z_i \\ \sum z_i \end{bmatrix}$$

[where  $i$  goes from 1 to  $n$  in the sums]

**(c) MATLAB code conclusions**

The values of  $a, b, c$  obtained from the MATLAB code are  
 $a = 10.0022, b = 19.9980, c = 29.9516$ .

Thus, the predicted equation of the plane is  
 $z = 10.0022 x + 19.9980 y + 29.9516$

The predicted noise variance is  $\sigma_{predicted}^2 = 23.0570$ .

## Question 4

(e)

WHAT HAPPENS AND WHY?

Cross-validation helps assess whether the estimator is overfitting about the points of T and not accurately predicting the distribution. However, this doesn't indicate that the estimator will estimate the other data accurately. Therefore, the ability to detect overfitting is compromised.

If validation and training sets become equal, the cross-validation procedure used in the question is no longer reliable.

This is so because the expression  $p_n(x_i; \sigma)$  now contains a term  $\frac{e^{-(x_i - \bar{x}_i^2)/(2\sigma^2)}}{(n\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})}$  which shoots up the expression for small values of  $\sigma$ , for instance the order of the expression for  $\sigma = 10^{-3}$  is  $10^6$ . This would evidently lead to misleading results. One can check the fact by running *q4\_additional.m*. The primary purpose of cross-validation is to avoid issues like overfitting (where a model performs well on the training data but poorly on new data) and to provide a more reliable estimate of a model's performance.

```
1 clear;
2 clc;
3 rng("default");
4 % Parameters
5 mean_value = 0;
6 variance_value = 16;
7 num_points = 1000;
8
9 % Generate random data points following N(0, 1)
10 random_data = randn(1, num_points);
11
12 % Scale and shift to N(0, 16)
13 scaled_data = sqrt(variance_value) * random_data;
14
15 T = scaled_data(1:750);
16 V = scaled_data(751:1000);
17 V = T;
18 N = 750;
19 m = (V*V') ;
20 LL = zeros(1,11);
21 V = T;
22 N = 750;
23 x = -8:0.1:8;
24
25 sigma = [0.001, 0.1, 0.2, 0.9, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 20, 100];
26
27 % The term when p_n_x(V(i), x, sigma(j)) will overshoot when V(i) = x which
28 % is will happen if we set V = T.
29 for i = 1:11
30     LL(i) = 1;
31     for j = 1:N
32         LL(i) = LL(i)+log(p_n_x(V(j), T, sigma(i)));
33     end
34 end
35
36 [maxima, index] = max(LL);
37 sigma_best = sigma(index)
38
39 % This is the code in which we are not evaluating p_n_x if V(i) = x. Here
40 % the modified function p_n_updated_x is used so it is providing values of
41 % sigma closer to our expectation so the modified cross-validation
42 % procedure is working.
43
44 for i = 1:11
45     LL(i) = 1;
46     for j = 1:N
47         LL(i) = LL(i)+log(p_n_updated_x(V(j), T, sigma(i)));
48     end
49 end
```

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51 | [maxima, index] = max(LL);
52 | sigma_best = sigma(index)
53 |
54 | function p_n = p_n_x(x, V, sigma_best)
55 |     arr = exp(-(x - V).*(x - V)/(2*sigma_best*sigma_best));
56 |     p_n = sum(arr(:))/(size(V,2)*sigma_best*sqrt(2*pi));
57 | end
58 |
59 | function p_n = p_n_updated_x(x, V, sigma_best)
60 |     arr = exp(-(x - V).*(x - V)/(2*sigma_best*sigma_best));
61 |     p_n = (sum(arr(:)) - 1)/(size(V,2)*sigma_best*sqrt(2*pi));
62 | end
```

## Question 5

Consider  $n$  independent random variables  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  such that for every  $i$ ,  $X_i$  always lies in  $[a_i, b_i]$  where  $a_i < b_i$ .

$$\text{Let } S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

$$P(S_n - E(S_n) > t) = P(e^{s[S_n - E(S_n)]} > e^{st}) \\ \leq \frac{E[e^{s(S_n - E(S_n))}]}{e^{st}}$$

Since  $e^x$  is a strictly increasing function, i.e.,  $x > y \Leftrightarrow e^x > e^y$

By Markov's inequality,

$$P(X > a) \leq \frac{E(X)}{a}, \text{ if } a > 0 \text{ and}$$

$X$  is a non-negative random variable.

Here,  $e^x > 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ . So,  $X = e^{s[S_n - E(S_n)]}$  is a non-negative random variable, and  $a = e^{st} > 0$

$$\Rightarrow P(S_n - E(S_n) > t) \leq e^{\frac{s^2(b^2-a^2)}{8}-st} \quad \forall s > 0$$

$$[\text{where } b = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i, a = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i]$$

Note that  $a_i \leq X_i(\omega_i) \leq b_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$$\Rightarrow a = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \leq S_n(\vec{\omega}) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n b_i = b$$

$\Rightarrow S_n$  always lie in  $[a, b]$ . So, we can apply the Intermediate Result (IR) on the random variable  $S_n$ .

For tighter bound on  $S_n$ , we have to minimise  $f(s) = \frac{s^2(b^2-a^2)}{8} - st$  (since  $e^x$  is an increasing function.)

$$f(s) = \frac{(b^2-a^2)}{8} \left[ s^2 - \frac{8st}{(b^2-a^2)} + \left( \frac{4t}{b^2-a^2} \right)^2 - \left( \frac{4t}{b^2-a^2} \right)^2 \right] \\ = \frac{(b^2-a^2)}{8} \left( s - \frac{4t}{b^2-a^2} \right)^2 - \frac{2t^2}{b^2-a^2} \geq -\frac{2t^2}{b^2-a^2}$$

$$\underline{\underline{f(s) \text{ is minimum at } s = s_0 = \frac{4t}{b^2-a^2}, \text{ and } f(s_0) = -\frac{2t^2}{b^2-a^2}}} //$$

$\therefore$  The minimum value of  $e^{f(s)}$  is  $e^{-2t^2/(b^2-a^2)}$ . So,

$$P(S_n - E(S_n) > t) \leq e^{-2t^2/(b^2-a^2)} \text{ where } a = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i, b = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i$$

Now, we will prove IR.

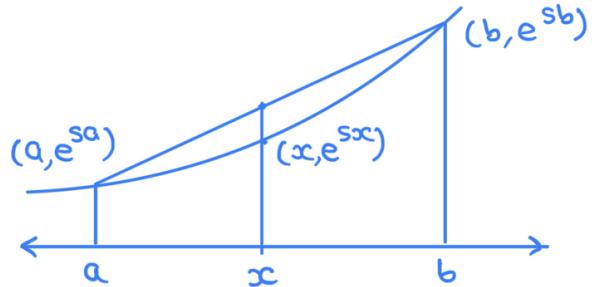
(a) Without loss of generality, take  $E(X)=0$ , and hence  $a \leq 0 \leq b$ .

Since  $e^{sx}$  is a convex function,

$$e^{s(\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b)} \leq \lambda e^{sa} + (1-\lambda)e^{sb} \quad \forall \lambda \in [0,1]$$

Taking  $xc = \lambda a + (1-\lambda)b$ , we get  $\lambda = \frac{b-xc}{b-a}$ . Substituting  $\lambda$  in terms of  $x$ , we get

$$e^{sx} \leq \left(\frac{b-xc}{b-a}\right) e^{sa} + \left(\frac{xc-a}{b-a}\right) e^{sb}$$



(b) Taking expectation of both sides,

$$E(e^{sx}) \leq \frac{be^{sa} - ae^{sb}}{b-a} + \frac{e^{sb} - e^{sa}}{b-a} E(X) = \frac{be^{sa} - ae^{sb}}{b-a}$$

$$\frac{be^{sa} - ae^{sb}}{b-a} = e^{sa} \left( \frac{b-a e^{s(b-a)}}{b-a} \right) \quad (\because E(X)=0)$$

$$= e^{sa} \left( 1 + \frac{a}{b-a} (1 - e^{s(b-a)}) \right)$$

$$= e^{\left[ \frac{s(b-a)a}{(b-a)} + \log \left( 1 + \frac{a}{b-a} (1 - e^{s(b-a)}) \right) \right]}$$

$$= e^{L(s(b-a))}$$

$$= \left[ \text{where } L(h) = \frac{ha}{b-a} + \log \left( 1 + \frac{a(1-e^h)}{b-a} \right) \right]$$

$$\therefore E(e^{sx}) \leq e^{L(s(b-a))}$$

$$(c) L(h) = \frac{ha}{b-a} + \log \left( 1 + \frac{a(1-e^h)}{b-a} \right)$$

$$L'(h) = \frac{a}{b-a} + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{a(1-e^h)}{b-a}} \times -\frac{ae^h}{b-a} = \frac{a}{b-a} - \frac{ae^h}{b-ae^h}$$

$$L''(h) = \frac{ae^h}{ae^h - b} - \frac{ae^h \times ae^h}{(ae^h - b)^2} = \frac{(-ae^h)b}{(b-ae^h)^2} \leq \frac{1}{4} \quad \forall h \in \mathbb{R}$$

[ Taking  $x=b>0$  and  $y=-ae^h>0$ ,

$$\frac{(x+y)}{2} > \sqrt{xy} \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{xy}}{\frac{(x+y)}{2}} \leq \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{xy}{(x+y)^2} \leq \frac{1}{4} \quad (\text{since } x,y > 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(-ae^h)b}{(b-ae^h)^2} \leq \frac{1}{4} \quad ]$$

$$(d) L''(h) \leq \frac{1}{4} \quad \forall h \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^h L''(x) dx \leq \int_0^h \frac{1}{4} dx \quad \forall h \geq 0 \Rightarrow L'(h) - L'(0) \leq \frac{h}{4} \quad \forall h \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow L'(h) \leq \frac{h}{4} \quad \forall h \geq 0 \quad [\because L'(0) = \frac{a}{b-a} - \frac{a}{b-a} = 0]$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^h L'(x) dx \leq \int_0^h \frac{x}{4} dx \quad \forall h \geq 0 \Rightarrow L(h) - L(0) \leq \frac{h^2}{8} \quad \forall h \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow L(h) \leq \frac{h^2}{8} \quad \forall h \geq 0 \quad [\because L(0) = 0 + \log(1) = 0]$$

$$\therefore E[e^{s(x-E(x))}] \leq e^{L(s(b-a))} \leq e^{\frac{s^2(b-a)^2}{8}} \quad \forall s > 0$$

Hence, IR is proved.

## **Attached MATLAB code files**

1. q1.m
2. q3.m
3. q4.m