

Feel free to work with other students, but make sure you write up the homework and code on your own (no copying homework *or* code; no pair programming). Feel free to ask students or instructors for help debugging code or whatever else, though. The starter code for problem 2 part c and d can be found under the Resource tab on course website.

*Note:* You need to create a Github account for submission of the coding part of the homework. Please create a repository on Github to hold all your code and include your Github account username as part of the answer to problem 2.

**1 (Linear Transformation)** Let  $\mathbf{y} = A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}$  be a random vector. show that expectation is linear:

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}] = \mathbb{E}[A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}] = A\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}] + \mathbf{b}.$$

Also show that

$$\text{cov}[\mathbf{y}] = \text{cov}[A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}] = A\text{cov}[\mathbf{x}]A^T = A\Sigma A^T.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}] &= \mathbb{E}[A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}] = \int_S (A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b})p(Y = A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b})d\mathbf{x} \\ &= A \int_S \mathbf{x}p(Y = A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b})d\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} \int_S p(Y = A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b})d\mathbf{x} \\ &= A \int_S \mathbf{x}p(X = \mathbf{x})d\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} \int_S p(X = \mathbf{x})d\mathbf{x} \\ &= A\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}] + \mathbf{b}\end{aligned}$$

(I got help for the previous problem from tutoring and solution)

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{cov}[\mathbf{y}] &= \text{cov}[A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}] = \mathbb{E}[(A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} - \mathbb{E}[A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}])(A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} - \mathbb{E}[A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}])^T] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[(A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} - A\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}] - \mathbf{b})(A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b} - A\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}] - \mathbf{b})^T] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[(A(\mathbf{x} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}]))(A(\mathbf{x} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}]))^T] \\ &= A\mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{x} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}])(\mathbf{x} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}])^T]A^T \\ &= A\text{cov}[\mathbf{x}]A^T \\ &= A\Sigma A^T\end{aligned}$$

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2 Given the dataset  $\mathcal{D} = \{(x, y)\} = \{(0, 1), (2, 3), (3, 6), (4, 8)\}$

- (a) Find the least squares estimate  $y = \theta^\top \mathbf{x}$  by hand using Cramer's Rule.
- (b) Use the normal equations to find the same solution and verify it is the same as part (a).
- (c) Plot the data and the optimal linear fit you found.
- (d) Find randomly generate 100 points near the line with white Gaussian noise and then compute the least squares estimate (using a computer). Verify that this new line is close to the original and plot the new dataset, the old line, and the new line.

(a) (From the lecture slides)

We know

$$m = \frac{n \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i - (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i)(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i)}{n \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i)^2} \text{ and } b = \frac{n(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i)^2(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i}{n \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i)^2}$$

We have  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 9$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = 29$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i = 56$ , and  $\sum_{i=1}^n y_i = 18$

Therefore  $m = \frac{4 \cdot 56 - 9 \cdot 18}{4 \cdot 29 - 9 \cdot 9} = \frac{62}{35}$  and  $b = \frac{29 \cdot 18 - 9 \cdot 56}{4 \cdot 29 - 9 \cdot 9} = \frac{18}{35}$ .

Hence  $y = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{18}{35} & \frac{62}{35} \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{x} \end{bmatrix}$

(b) The normal equations state  $\theta = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \mathbf{y}$ , where  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . We have  $(X^T X) =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 9 \\ 9 & 29 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and thus } (X^T X)^{-1} = \frac{1}{35} \begin{bmatrix} 29 & -9 \\ -9 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The product  $(X^T X)^{-1} X^T = \frac{1}{35} \begin{bmatrix} 29 & 11 & 2 & -7 \\ -9 & -1 & 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Therefore  $\theta = \frac{1}{35} \begin{bmatrix} 29 & 11 & 2 & -7 \\ -9 & -1 & 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{18}{35} & \frac{62}{35} \end{bmatrix}$ , and so we obtain the same result.

(c & d) In the python file.

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