

Exercise 1

We want to show that $(x + y)^2 - 4xy \geq 0$

Question 1

The moment matrix is :

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & y \\ x & x^2 & xy \\ y & yx & y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Question 2

M semi-positive definite

So $\forall X, X^\top M X \geq 0$

For $X = (0, -1, 1)$

We get $(x + y)^2 - 4xy \geq 0$

Question 3

$$w = (1, x, y)^\top$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad N = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We have $M = N^\top N$

$$w^\top M w = w^\top N^\top N w = (Nw)^\top Nw = ||Nw||^2 \geq 0$$

So $(x + y)^2 - 4xy \geq 0$