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1)

a)  $M_x(\lambda) = E[e^{\lambda x}]$  of  $x$ .

$\rightarrow M_x(\lambda) = E[e^{\lambda x}] \rightarrow \text{Multiply both sides by } e^{-\lambda x}.$

$$M_x(\lambda) e^{-\lambda x} = E[e^{\lambda x - \lambda x}] = E[1] = 1.$$

$\rightarrow$  use Taylor series expansion of  $e^x$ : and substitute to equation.

$$e^{\lambda x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n}{n!} x^n.$$

taking expectation:

$$M_x(\lambda) = E\left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n}{n!} x^n\right).$$

$$M_x(\lambda) = E(x^n) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n}{n!}$$

$\rightarrow$  Multiply both sides by  $e^{-\lambda x}$ :

$$M_x(\lambda) e^{-\lambda x} = E(x^n) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda x}.$$

I lost where's  $n$  and where's  $u$ .

$\rightarrow$  choose an optimal  $\lambda \rightarrow \lambda = u/n$ . for some integer  $n$ .

$$M_x(u/n) e^{-(u/n)n} = e^{-u} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(u/n)^j}{j!} E(x^j).$$

$\rightarrow$  focus on dominant term:

$$M_x(u/n) e^{-(u/n)n} \approx e^{-u} \frac{(u/n)^n}{n!} E(x^n).$$

$\rightarrow$  Using Stirling's approximation  $n! \sim \sqrt{2\pi n} (n/e)^n$  we get:

$$\frac{(u/u)^u}{u!} \approx u^{-u}.$$

No, this is not what we get from Stirling.

$$\therefore M_X(u/u) e^{-(u/u)^u} \geq E(x^u) u^{-u}.$$

(Also, the inequality to prove is exact, not asymptotic.)

+ take infimum over  $\lambda > 0$  on LHS, over  $u \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  on RHS.

$$\inf_{\lambda > 0} M_X(\lambda) e^{-\lambda u} \geq \inf_{u \in \mathbb{Z}^+} E(x^u) u^{-u}.$$

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b) showing:  $\inf_{\lambda > 0} M_X(\lambda) e^{-\lambda u} \geq \inf_{u \in \mathbb{Z}^+} E(x^u) u^{-u}$ .  $\rightarrow$  given  $x$  symmetric

$\rightarrow$  since we are given  $x$  is symmetric,  
this means  $E[e^{\lambda x}] = E[e^{-\lambda x}]$

$$\therefore M_X(\lambda) = E \left[ \frac{e^{\lambda x} + e^{-\lambda x}}{2} \right].$$

where  $e^{\lambda x} + e^{-\lambda x} \rightarrow$  from power series:

$$= 2 \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{2u} x^{2u}}{(2u)!}$$

$$\therefore M_X(\lambda) = \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{2u}}{2u!} E(x^{2u}).$$

$\rightarrow$  now showing the proof:

from Markov's inequality, where  $P(Y \geq a) \leq \frac{E(Y)}{a}$ .

$$\therefore P(X \geq u) = P(e^{\lambda x} \geq e^{\lambda u}).$$

$$\rightarrow P(X \geq u) \leq \frac{E[e^{Xu}]}{e^{u\lambda}} = \frac{M_X(\lambda)}{e^{-\lambda u}}.$$

$\rightarrow$  since  $X$  is symmetric we have:

$$P(X \leq -u) = P(-X \geq u) \leq M_X(\lambda) e^{-\lambda u}.$$

$$\text{By union bound: } P(|X| \geq u) = P(X \geq u) + P(X \leq -u).$$

$$\therefore P(|X| \geq u) \leq 2 M_X(\lambda) e^{-\lambda u} \xrightarrow{\text{divide by 2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} P(|X| \geq u) \leq M_X(\lambda) e^{-\lambda u}. \quad (1)$$

$\rightarrow$  Applying moment bound:

$\rightarrow$  now applying Markov's inequality to  $X^{2u}$ .

$$P(|X| \geq u) = P(X^{2u} \geq u^{2u}) \leq \frac{E[X^{2u}]}{u^{2u}}$$

thus-  $\frac{1}{2} P(|X| \geq u) \leq \frac{1}{2} \frac{E[X^{2u}]}{u^{2u}}$

from proof (1).

$$M_X(\lambda) e^{-\lambda u} \geq \frac{1}{2} \frac{E[X^{2u}]}{u^{2u}}$$

$\rightarrow$  take infimum over  $u$  or RHS and  $\lambda > 0$  on LHS.

$$\inf_{\lambda > 0} M_X(\lambda) e^{-\lambda u} \geq \frac{1}{2} \inf_{u \in \mathbb{R}^+} \frac{E[X^{2u}]}{u^{2u}}$$

(1)

2)

to prove  $u_x(t)$  is convex function  $\rightarrow u_x(t) = \log E[e^{tX}]$

applying Young's inequality:

given:  $|a^T b| \leq \|a\|_p \|b\|_q$ . Assuming  $X \rightarrow$  discrete distribution.

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} tX = (t \cdot X) \leq \|t\|_1 \|X\|_1 \\ E[e^{tX}] \leq E[e^{\|t\|_1 \|X\|_1}] \end{cases}$$

take log:

$$u_x(t) = \log E[e^{tX}] \leq \log E[e^{\|t\|_1 \|X\|_1}]$$

$\rightarrow$  this shows  $u_x(t)$  convex.

**t and X are numbers, so  $\|t\|_p = |t|$ ,  $\|X\|_q = |X|$  for any  $p, q$ . So, this is just an identity (not proof, anything).**

or we can show convexity by taking second derivative:

$$f''(t) > 0$$

so for any  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  and any  $t_1, t_2$  we show:

$$u_x(\alpha t_1 + (1-\alpha) t_2) \leq \alpha u_x(t_1) + (1-\alpha) u_x(t_2)$$

$\rightarrow$  proving this shows  $u_x(t)$  convex.

$\rightarrow$  To prove convexity we will establish that the MGF:

$$M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}]$$

log convex means:

$$M_X(\alpha t_1 + (1-\alpha) t_2) \leq \alpha M_X(t_1)^\alpha M_X(t_2)^{1-\alpha}$$

taking logarithms  $u_X(t)$ :

using Young's inequality in the form of Holder inequality:  
for  $p$  and  $q$  ( $i.e. \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ ).

$$E[e^{\alpha t_1 X + (1-\alpha) t_2 X}] \leq E[e^{t_1 X}]^\alpha E[e^{t_2 X}]^{1-\alpha}$$

take logarithm:

$u_X(\alpha t_1 + (1-\alpha) t_2) = \log E[e^{\alpha t_1 X + (1-\alpha) t_2 X}]$   
**this is (explicitly) Young's inequality in the form**

Rather, it's the one with  $\| \cdot \|_{L_p}$  and  $\| \cdot \|_{L_q}$  norm... I wrote it.

$$\leq \log (\mu_x(t_1)^\alpha \mu_x(t_2)^{1-\alpha}).$$

Using logarithm properties:

$$\log A^\alpha B^{1-\alpha} = \alpha \log A + (1-\alpha) \log B.$$

we conclude:

$$\mu_x(a t_1 + (1-\alpha)t_2) \leq a \mu_x(t_1) + (1-\alpha)\mu_x(t_2).$$

thus  $\mu_x(t)$  is convex.



3) proving the following upper and lower bounds: on the Gaussian tail probability:

$$\left( \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{u^3} \right) \phi(u) \leq \phi(u) \leq \frac{1}{4} (\phi(u)).$$

where  $\phi(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-u^2/2}$  → standard normal PDF.

$\phi(u) = \int_u^\infty \phi(t) dt$  is the tail probability of the standard normal distribution.

→ proving upper bound:

$$\phi(u) \leq \frac{1}{4} (\phi(u)).$$

use integration by parts: set:

\*  $f(t) = \phi(t)$  so that  $f'(t) = \phi'(t)$ .

\* choose  $g'(t) = 1$  so  $g(t) = t$

$$\rightarrow \int_4^\infty \phi(t) dt = \left[ -\frac{\phi(t)}{t} \right]_4^\infty + \int_4^\infty \frac{\phi(t)}{t^2} dt.$$

Since  $\phi(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , so the boundary term at  $\infty$  vanishes.

$$\phi(u) = \underline{\phi(u)} + \int_4^\infty \phi(t) dt.$$

$$u \quad u - \frac{1}{t^2}$$

$\rightarrow$  Since  $\int_u^\infty \frac{\phi(t)}{t^2} dt > 0 \rightarrow$  we get the upper bound:

$$\boxed{\phi(u) \leq \frac{1}{4} \phi(u).} \quad +$$

Now proving lower bound:

from the 1st part we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(u) &= \frac{\phi(u)}{4} + \int_u^\infty \underbrace{\frac{\phi(t)}{t^3}}_0 dt \\ &\quad + \left( -\frac{3}{4} t \right) \Big|_u^\infty + \int_u^\infty \frac{3\phi(t)}{t^4} dt \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(u) &= \frac{\phi(u)}{4} - \frac{\phi(u)}{4^3} + \int_u^\infty \underbrace{\frac{3\phi(t)}{t^4}}_{\text{bigger than } 0} dt. \quad (\text{as } t \rightarrow \infty) \\ &\quad \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\phi(u) \left( \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4^3} \right) < \phi(u)} \quad +$$

Thus lower and upper bound proven.

$$\therefore \left( \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4^3} \right) \phi(u) \leq \phi(u) \leq \frac{1}{4} \phi(u)$$

b)

The integration by parts used in part a:  $\phi(u) = \frac{\phi(u)}{u} + \int_u^\infty \frac{\phi'(t)}{t^2} dt$

→ now here we don't drop integral:

$$\text{apply: } f(t) = \phi(t) \quad f'(t) = \phi'(t).$$

$$g(t) = \frac{1}{t^2} \quad g'(t) = -\frac{1}{t^3}.$$

∴ Applying integration by parts:

$$\int_u^\infty \frac{\phi(t)}{t^2} dt = \left[ -\frac{\phi(t)}{t} \right]_u^\infty + \int_u^\infty \frac{\phi'(t)}{t^3} dt.$$

as  $\phi(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  so that  $t \rightarrow \infty$  vanishes.

$$\int_u^\infty \frac{\phi(t)}{t^2} dt = -\frac{\phi(u)}{u} + \int_u^\infty \frac{\phi'(t)}{t^3} dt.$$

Now take equation from part A and:

→ applying to  $\int_u^\infty \frac{3\phi(t)}{t^5} dt \rightarrow$  below:

$$\int_u^\infty \frac{3\phi(t)}{t^5} dt = \left[ -\frac{3\phi(t)}{t^5} \right]_u^\infty - \int_u^\infty \frac{(5 \times 3)\phi(t)}{t^6} dt.$$

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$$= \frac{3\phi(u)}{u^5} - \int_u^\infty \frac{15\phi(t)}{t^6} dt.$$

→ where  $\int_u^\infty \frac{15\phi(t)}{t^6} dt < 0 \rightarrow$  thus we find:

→ take as  $+ \infty$ .

$$\therefore \phi(u) = \phi(u) \left( \frac{1}{u} - \frac{1}{u^3} + \frac{3}{u^5} \right) \phi(u).$$

Good Job!

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3.2) Let take  $\phi(u)$  as CDF of standard normal distribution.

$$\phi(u) = \int_{-\infty}^u \phi(t) dt \quad \text{with } \phi(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2}.$$

→ substitute the standard normal density function.

$$1 - \phi(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_u^\infty e^{-t^2/2} dt. \quad \dots \quad (1)$$

→ Now to get the power series expansion we'll use the integration by parts.

→ change variable:  $t^2 = u^2 + s$ .

Differentiating:  $2t dt = ds \rightarrow dt = \frac{ds}{2t}$ .

Rewrite integral in terms of  $s$ : from equation (1):  
where

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-t^2/2} dt = \int_0^\infty e^{-(u^2+s)/2} \frac{ds}{2(u+s)}. \quad \dots \quad (2)$$

Use Taylor series expansion on  $e^{-s/2}$ :  $t \neq u+s$

$$e^{-s/2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-s/2)^n}{n!}$$

∴ plugging back to equation (1):

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-u^2/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-s/2)^n}{n!} \frac{ds}{2(u+s)}.$$

$$\underbrace{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2^n n!} e^{-u^2/2} \int_0^\infty \frac{s^n}{2(u+s)} ds.}_{\text{using gamma function identity}}$$

↓ using gamma function  
identity.

A) follows  $\int_0^\infty \frac{x^u}{1+x} dx = \boxed{\frac{\pi}{\sin(u+i)\pi} + \frac{\pi}{(u+1)\pi}} = \frac{1}{u+1}$ .

the gamma distribution  
we get.

$$\therefore \int_0^\infty \frac{s^u}{2^{(u+1)}} ds = \frac{s^{u+1}}{2^{(u+1)}}$$

$\therefore$  plugging back:

$$\sum_{u=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^u}{2^{u+1}} e^{-q^2/2} \frac{u^{2u+1}}{2^{(2u+1)}}$$

$\rightarrow$  since each term in summation has  $e^{-q^2/2}$  factor it out and rewrite in this format.

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^u u^{2u+1}}{2^u u! (2u+1)}$$

$\rightarrow$  Now plug back to equation ①:  $\textcircled{-}$

$$\frac{1}{2} - \phi(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^u u^{2u+1}}{2^u u! (2u+1)}$$

4) i) Define an indicator function:

$$I = \mathbb{1}(x \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x))$$

Multiply both sides by  $x$  and take expectation

$$\{ \mathbb{E}[xI] \geq (1-t)\mathbb{E}[x] \mathbb{P}(x \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x)).$$

$\rightarrow$  since  $I$  is 1 whenever  $x \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x)$  so in that region

$xI \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x)I$ . and taking expectation maintains the inequality:

$$\rightarrow \mathbb{E}[xI] \geq (1-t)\mathbb{E}[x]\mathbb{P}(x \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x)).$$

apply Cauchy-Schwarz: where:

$$\mathbb{E}[xI] \leq \sqrt{\mathbb{E}[x^2]\mathbb{E}[I^2]} \text{, since } I^2 = I \text{ (indicator function values in } \{0, 1\}\text{)}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[I^2] = \mathbb{E}[I] = \mathbb{P}(x \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x))$$

Thus,

$$\mathbb{E}[xI] \leq \sqrt{\mathbb{E}[x^2]\mathbb{P}(x \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x))} \rightarrow \text{solve for } \mathbb{P}(x \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x))$$

Lower bound from Step ①:

$$\mathbb{E}[xI] \geq (1-t)\mathbb{E}[x]\mathbb{P}(x \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x)).$$

Upper bound from Cauchy-Schwarz:

$$\mathbb{E}[xI] \leq \sqrt{\mathbb{E}[x^2]\mathbb{P}(x \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x))}.$$

Use both bounds:

$$(1-t)\mathbb{E}[x]\mathbb{P}(x \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x)) \leq \sqrt{\mathbb{E}[x^2]\mathbb{P}(x \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x))}$$

divide by  $\sqrt{\mathbb{P}(x \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x))}$  and then square:

$$\rightarrow (1-t)^2 \mathbb{E}[x]^2 \mathbb{P}(x \geq (1-t)\epsilon(x)) \leq \mathbb{E}[x^2]$$

→ Now save for  $p(x \geq 1-t) \epsilon(x)$ .

$$p(x \geq (1-t) \epsilon(x)) \geq \frac{(1-t)^2 \epsilon(x)^2}{\epsilon(x^2)}$$

→ Now substitute  $1-t$  by  $t$ :

$$p(x \geq (1-t) \epsilon(x)) \geq \frac{t^2 \epsilon(x)^2}{\epsilon(x^2)}$$

(+) Correct!

ii) Recall variance of  $x$ :

$$\text{Var}(x) = E(x^2) - E(x)^2$$

→ Now the probability bound from Paley-Zygmund inequality:

$$P(X \geq (1-t)E(x)) \geq t^2 \frac{E(x)^2}{E(x^2)}.$$

→ to strengthen the bound → introduce  $\text{Var}(x)$  into denom:

$$E(x^2) = \text{Var}(x) + E(x)^2.$$

$$\therefore \frac{E(x^2)}{E(x^2)} = \frac{E(x)^2}{\text{Var}(x) + E(x)^2}.$$

→ incorporate  $t^2$  since strengthened inequality modifies the denominator to include  $t^2 E(x)^2$  → we want denom to account for variation in  $x$  and scaling by  $t^2$  → to ensure the bound becomes sharper.

$$\therefore P(X \geq (1-t)E(x)) \geq t^2 \frac{E(x)^2}{t^2 E(x^2) + \text{Var}(x)}$$

→ improves the Paley-Zygmund bound.

An example of the sharpness: 2-point RV:

→ Let  $X$  be a random variable that takes 2 distinct values  $a$  and  $b$  with prob  $P$  and  $1-P$ .

$$X = \begin{cases} a & \text{prob } P \\ b & \text{prob } 1-P \end{cases}$$

But I see no derivation of Cantelli ...

$$\therefore E(x) = Pa + (1-P)b.$$

$$E(x^2) = Pa^2 + (1-P)b^2.$$

$$\therefore \text{Var}(x) = Pa^2 + (1-P)b^2 - (Pa + (1-P)b)^2.$$

→ check probability-

$P(X \geq (1-t)E(x))$  → the threshold value is  $X \geq (1-t)E(x)$

∴ 1) if  $b \geq (1-t)E(x)$ , then the prob  $\rightarrow P(X \geq (1-t)E(x)) = 1-P$ .

2) if  $a < (1-t)E(x)$  → the prob is 0.

$$\therefore P(X \geq (1-t)E[X]) = 1 \Rightarrow t \leq b \geq (1-t)E[X]$$

where  $a=0$ ,  $b=1$  and  $p=\frac{1}{2}$  ( $X$  is Bernoulli  $\frac{1}{2}$ ).

then  $E[X] = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$Var(X) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$Var(X) = p(t-p)^2 \frac{1}{4}, \text{ yes.}$$

→ the bound below:

$$P(X \geq (1-t)E[X]) \geq \frac{t^2}{t^2 + \frac{1}{4}}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{t^2}{t^2+1}}$$

check:

for  $t=1$  → the inequality becomes:

$$P(X \geq 0) = 1 \rightarrow \frac{1^2}{1^2+1} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} LHS &= P\{X \geq (1-t)E[X]\} \\ &= P\{X \geq (1-t)\frac{1}{2}\} = \frac{1}{2} \\ &= P\{X = 1\} \quad \forall t \in [0, 1] \\ RHS &= \frac{t^2}{t^2+1} < \frac{1}{2} \quad (\text{strictly}) \\ &\quad \forall t \in [0, 1]. \end{aligned} \right\}$$

this matches the actual probability (Bernoulli  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) which demonstrates equality for this Bernoulli example, thus Chebyshev's inequality is sharp in this case.

So, this example shows tightness of Chebyshev only for  $t=1$ .  
 (Note that for  $t \neq 1$ , Chebyshev does not improve over P-Z.)



c) we can now assume  $E[X]^p < \infty$  for  $p > 1$   
 and generalize the Paley-Zygmund inequality.

→ 1st apply Hölder's inequality:

it states that for  $p, q > 1$  such that  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  we have:

$$E[UV] \leq E[U^p]^{1/p} \cdot E[V^q]^{1/q}$$

take  $U = X^p$

$V = \mathbb{I}$

we get:

$$\mathbb{E}[x^q] \leq \mathbb{E}[|x|^p]^{1/p} \in [(\mathbb{D}^q)]^{1/q}$$

Since  $\mathbb{I}^q = \mathbb{I}$ , simplify:

$$\mathbb{E}[x^q] \leq \mathbb{E}[|x|^p]^{1/p} p(x \geq (1-t)\mathbb{E}(x))^{1/q}$$

use lower bound:

$$\mathbb{E}[x^q] \geq (1-t)\mathbb{E}(x) p(x \geq (1-t)\mathbb{E}(x))$$

we get:

$$(1-t)\mathbb{E}(x)p(x \geq (1-t)\mathbb{E}(x)) \leq \mathbb{E}(|x|^p)^{1/p} p(x \geq (1-t)\mathbb{E}(x))^{1/p}$$

solve for  $p(x \geq (1-t)\mathbb{E}(x))$ :

$$p(x \geq (1-t)\mathbb{E}(x))^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \leq \underbrace{\mathbb{E}(|x|^p)^{1/p}}_{(1-t)\mathbb{E}(x)}$$

use  $q = \frac{p}{p-1}$  so  $1 - \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p-1}$  → we raise to the power  $p-1$

$$p(x \geq (1-t)\mathbb{E}(x)) \geq \left( \frac{t^p \mathbb{E}[|x|^p]}{\mathbb{E}(|x|^p)} \right)^{1/p-1}$$



Well done!

5)

a) given that  $X \sim \chi^2_{1d} \rightarrow$  chi squared distribution with 2 d. deg freedom.

$\rightarrow$  the MGF: for chi squared distributed variable:  $X \sim \chi^2_u$  with  $u$  degrees of freedom is given by:

MGF defined as:

$$M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}]$$

where  $X = z_1^2 + z_2^2$  and  $z_1, z_2 \sim N(0, 1)$  (indep standard normal RV's).

$$\therefore M_X(t) = E[e^{t(z_1^2 + z_2^2)}] \rightarrow \text{using indep}$$

$$M_X(t) = E[e^{tz_1^2}] E[e^{tz_2^2}]$$

$\rightarrow$  this reduces the problem to computing the MGF of a single-chi squared variable with 1 degree of freedom.

$\therefore$  finding  $M_Y(t)$  for a single  $z^2$  term:

$$\text{Define } Y = z^2 \quad z \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$\therefore \text{PDF is: } f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi y}} e^{-y/2}, \quad y > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore M_Y(t) &= E[e^{tY}] = \int_0^\infty e^{ty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi y}} e^{-y/2} dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi y}} e^{-(1/2-t)y} dy \end{aligned}$$

Why not to use

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = 1$$

use gamma function identity:

$$\int_0^\infty y^{\alpha-1} e^{-By} dy = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{B^{\alpha}} \quad \text{for } \alpha > 0, B > 0$$

$\rightarrow$  in our case  $\alpha = 1/2, B = 1/2 - t$

instead of some

obscure identity that  $\therefore M_Y(t) = (1-2t)^{-1/2} \quad t < \frac{1}{2}$ .

one googled anyway?



$$\therefore f_X(x) = (1-t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times (1-2t)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= (1-2t)^{-1}.$$

$$\therefore M_2(t) = \frac{1}{1-2t} \quad t < \frac{1}{2}.$$

$\therefore \rightarrow$  since  $X = \sum_{i=1}^{2d}$ , the Mf of  $X$  is:  $M_{2d}(t) = E[e^{t(2t^2 + t^2 - 2t^3)^\frac{1}{2}}]$   
 which becomes: by independence

$$\Rightarrow M_{2d}(t) = \prod_{i=1}^{2d} M_{2i}(t)$$

$$\text{where } M_{2i}(t) = (1-2t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad t < \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\therefore M_{2d}(t) = (1-2t)^{-\frac{2d}{2}} = (1-2t)^{-d} \quad t < \frac{1}{2}$$

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b) Chevonne's method states that for any  $t > 0$   
 $P(X > x) = P(e^{tx} > e^x) \leq E[e^{tx}]e^{-tx}.$

$\rightarrow$  replace Mf  $\times 2^{2d}$

$$P(X > x) \leq \inf_{t < \frac{1}{2}} e^{-tx} M_{2d}(t).$$

$$P(X > x) \leq \inf_{t < \frac{1}{2}} e^{-tx} (1-2t)^{-d}$$

$\rightarrow$  take the logarithm

$$\log P(X > x) \leq \inf_{t < \frac{1}{2}} (-tx - d \log(1-2t))$$

now differentiate both sides:

$$\frac{d}{dt} (-tx - d \log(1-2t)) = -x + \frac{2d}{1-2t}.$$

$\rightarrow$  set derivative = 0  $\rightarrow$  find critical points, find minimum

$$-x + \frac{2d}{1-2t} = 0$$

$$\frac{2d}{x} = 1 - 2t$$

$$t = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{2d}{x} \right)$$

→ now substitute optimal  $t$  back:

$$P(X > x) \approx \exp \left( d \log \left( \frac{x}{2d} \right) - \frac{x-2d}{2} \right)$$

where  $z = x - 2d$ .

$$P(X - 2d > z) = \exp \left( d \log \left( \frac{2d+z}{2d} \right) - \frac{z}{2} \right)$$

→ this shows the probability of deviation from the mean decays exponentially



c) we found in part b:

$$P(X - 2d > z) = \exp \left( d \log \left( \frac{2d+z}{2d} \right) - \frac{z}{2} \right) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq z \leq 2d \rightarrow \text{exponential quadratic}$$

$z > 2d \rightarrow \text{expon linear decay}$

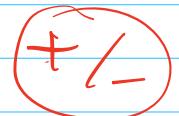
→ use inequality given in hint:

$$\log(1+u) \leq u - \frac{1}{4} \min\{u, u^2\} \quad \forall u \geq 0.$$

Set  $u = \frac{z}{2d}$ :

$$\log \left( \frac{2d+z}{2d} \right) = \log \left( 1 + \frac{z}{2d} \right) \rightarrow \text{apply inequality}$$

- I asked to prove this inequality first.



$$\log \left( 1 + \frac{z}{2d} \right) \leq \frac{z}{2d} - \frac{1}{4} \min \left\{ \frac{z}{2d}, \left( \frac{z}{2d} \right)^2 \right\}$$

→ substitute the upper bound for  $\log(1 + \frac{z}{2d})$ :

$$\leq \exp \left( d \left( \frac{z}{2d} - \frac{1}{4} \min \left\{ \frac{z}{2d}, \left( \frac{z}{2d} \right)^2 \right\} \right) - \frac{z}{2} \right).$$

$$= \exp \left( - \frac{d}{4} \min \left\{ \frac{z}{2d}, \left( \frac{z}{2d} \right)^2 \right\} \right).$$

Now we can analyze 2 cases:

for the case: ①:  $0 \leq z \leq 2d$ .

here  $\frac{z}{2d} \leq 1$  so minimum is  $(\frac{z}{2d})^2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} P(X - 2d > z) &\leq \exp\left(-\frac{d}{4} \cdot \frac{z^2}{4d^2}\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{z^2}{16d}\right). \end{aligned}$$

case ②:  $z > 2d$

Here  $\frac{z}{2d} \geq 1$  so minimum is  $\frac{z}{2d}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} P(X - 2d > z) &\leq \exp\left(-\frac{d}{4} \cdot \frac{z}{2d}\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{z}{8}\right) \end{aligned}$$

∴ we conclude:  $P(X - 2d > z) \leq \begin{cases} \exp\left(-\frac{z^2}{16d}\right) & 0 \leq z \leq 2d \\ \exp\left(-\frac{z}{8}\right) & z > 2d \end{cases}$

∴ we rewrite:

$$P(X - 2d > z) \leq \exp\left(-\min\left(\frac{z^2}{16d}, \frac{z}{8}\right)\right)$$

→ solving for  $z$ :  $\rightarrow \min\left(\frac{z^2}{16d}, \frac{z}{8}\right) = \log \frac{1}{8}$

$$z = \sqrt{16d \log \frac{1}{8}} \quad 0 \leq z \leq 2d$$

$$z = 8 \log \frac{1}{8} \quad z > 2d$$

Comparing:  $X - 2d \leq \sqrt{cd \log(1/\delta)} + c \log(1/\delta)$

$$\therefore \boxed{c=16 \quad c=8}$$

∴  $P(X - 2d > z) \leq \begin{cases} \exp\left(-\frac{z^2}{16d}\right) & 0 \leq z \leq 2d \\ \exp\left(-\frac{z}{8}\right), & z > 2d \end{cases}$

→ c(i).

as stated in given, let  $P(X-2d \geq z) = \delta$ .

$$\therefore \delta = \exp(-\min \left\{ \frac{z^2}{16d}, \frac{z}{\bar{\rho}} \right\}).$$

→ take the logarithm and get rid of  $\ominus$  sign:

$$-\log(\delta) = \min \left( \frac{z^2}{16d}, \frac{z}{\bar{\rho}} \right)$$

for condition  $0 \leq z \leq 2d \rightarrow -\log(\delta) = \frac{z^2}{16d}$ .

$$\therefore \text{Solving for } z \rightarrow z = \sqrt{16d \log \frac{1}{\delta}}$$

→ for condition  $z > 2d + \frac{z}{\bar{\rho}} = -\log \delta$

$$\therefore z = -\delta \log \frac{1}{\delta}$$

$$\therefore z \leq \max \left\{ \sqrt{16d \log \frac{1}{\delta}}, \delta \log \frac{1}{\delta} \right\}$$

$$+ z \leq \left( \max \sqrt{16d \log \frac{1}{\delta}} + \delta \log \frac{1}{\delta} \right)$$

(+)

6)

a) given:  $MS = Sx \rightarrow$  we will use:

$\rightarrow$  from given and define:

$$\text{Risk}_y[\hat{y}] = E_y[||\hat{y} - y||^2].$$

$\rightarrow$  for TLE estimator  $\hat{y} = x$ .

$$\text{Risk}_y[x] = E_y[||x - y||^2]. \dots \textcircled{1}$$

Since  $x \sim N(y, I_d)$  we decompose:  $x = y + \varepsilon \rightarrow z = x - y$ .  
 $\rightarrow$  where  $\varepsilon \sim N(0, I_d)$

$\rightarrow$  thus replacing into eq \textcircled{1}:

$$\text{Risk}_y[x] = E_y[||z||^2] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^d z_i^2\right] = d.$$

$\rightarrow$  using the shrinkage estimator we get:  $MS = Sx$ :

$$\text{Risk}_y[MS] = E_y[||Sx - y||^2] =$$

$$\begin{aligned} ||Sx - y||^2 &= ||S(y + \varepsilon) - y||^2 = ||Sy + S\varepsilon - y||^2 \\ &= ||(S - I)y + S\varepsilon||^2. \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow$  now power squared can be rewritten:

$$||(S - I)y + S\varepsilon||^2 = ||(S - I)\mu||^2 + ||S\varepsilon||^2 + 2(\langle (S - I)\mu, S\varepsilon \rangle) \textcircled{1}$$

$\rightarrow$  put expectation back:

$$E[\text{Risk}_y[\hat{y}_S]] = (S - I)^2 ||\mu||^2 + S^2 E(||\varepsilon||^2).$$

since  $\in [\|z\|^2] = d$ ,

$$\rightarrow \text{risk}_y(C_s) = (s-1)^2 \|y\|^2 + s^2 d. \quad (+)$$

$\rightarrow$  to dominate the MLE ( $s=1$ ) we need:

$$(s-1)^2 \|y\|^2 + s^2 d < d. \quad \leftarrow \text{risk}_y(x)$$

$$\therefore (s-1)^2 \|y\|^2 < d(1-s^2).$$

$$\frac{(s-1)^2}{s^2-1} < \frac{1}{\|y\|^2}.$$

for large  $\|y\|^2$  we can approximate,

$$s = 1 - \frac{c}{\|y\|^2},$$

where  $c$  is a small constant. This means some shrinkage for  $0 < s < 1$  dominates the MLE.

$\rightarrow$  for  $s > 1 \rightarrow$  the risk increases, and is dominated by MLE  $y = x$ .

$\rightarrow$  for  $s < 0$

the risk formula ① becomes:

$$\text{risk}_y(C_s) = \underbrace{s^2 (\|y\|^2 + d)}_{\text{always } (+)} - \underbrace{2s\|y\|^2}_{\text{when } s < 0 \rightarrow \text{be worse}} + \|y\|^2.$$

large increasing risk.

Thus risk increases for  $s < 0$  and  $s > 1$ . (+)

and thus attention should be focused  
on  $(\theta_1)$  for shrinkage.

- b) found from part a the quadratic risk function  
for the shrinkage estimator.

$\therefore$  we can now find optimal  $s^*$  by taking derivative,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s} ((s-1)^2 \|y\|^2 + s^2 d) = 2(s-1) \|y\|^2 + 2sd$$

$\rightarrow$  set to zero:

$$2(s-1) \|y\|^2 + 2sd = 0.$$

$$s^*(\|y\|^2 + d) = \|y\|^2.$$

$$s^* = \frac{\|y\|^2}{d + \|y\|^2}.$$

$$s^* = 1 - \frac{d}{d + \|y\|^2}.$$

- c) The estimator  $\hat{\mu} = s^* x = \left(1 - \frac{d}{d + \|y\|^2}\right) x$  is not a proper estimator since an estimator should be a function of observed data  $x$  only.

but  $\hat{S}^*$  depends on  $\|y\|^2$  also, which is not known. → this means we can't use  $\|y\|^2$  in constructing  $\hat{y}^*$ .

Thus, using the  $\hat{y} = \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\|x\|^2}\right)x$  gives  $\hat{y}$  is an estimator of  $x$  only, which makes it valid.

→ this estimator (involves) that when  $x$  is far from the origin + large  $\|x\|^2$ , the correction term is small → shrinkage.

→ when  $x$  is close to origin → may  $\|x\|^2$  + there is strong shrinkage towards 0.

This adapts the amount of shrinkage dynamically.

(I would simply say that  $\|x\|^2$  is an unbiased estimate of  $\|\mu\|^2 + \delta$ )  $\oplus$

a) → from quadratic risk:

$$R_y(\hat{y}) = f_y[\|y - \hat{y}\|^2].$$

for shrinkage estimator:

$$\hat{y}^S = \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\|x\|^2}\right)x.$$

$$\|\hat{y}^S - y\|^2 = \left\| \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\|x\|^2}\right)x - y \right\|^2.$$

since  $y = \hat{y} + z$  where  $z \sim N(0, I_d)$  we substitute.

$$\hat{y}^S = \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\|x\|^2}\right)(\hat{y} + z).$$

$$\therefore \|y^s - y\|^2 = \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\|x\|^2}\right)y + \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\|x\|^2}\right)z - y\right)^2.$$

$$= 1 \left(- \frac{\delta}{\|x\|^2}\right)y + \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\|x\|^2}\right)z\|^2.$$

→ expand the square:

$$+ R_y(\delta) = \epsilon_y \left[ \frac{\delta^2}{\|x\|^4} \|y\|^2 + \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\|x\|^2}\right)^2 \|z\|^2 + 2 \frac{\delta}{\|x\|^2} \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\|x\|^2}\right) \epsilon_y \|z\| \right]$$

use  $\epsilon_y \|z\|^2 > 0$ ,  $\epsilon_y (\langle y, z \rangle) = 0 \rightarrow$

$$+ R_y(\delta) = \epsilon_y \left[ \frac{\delta^2}{\|x\|^4} \|y\|^2 + \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\|x\|^2}\right)^2 \alpha \right].$$

use Stein's lemma:  $\epsilon_y \left[ \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} \right] = \frac{1}{d-2}$  for  $d \geq 3$ .

and differentiate  $R(\delta)$ ! and find with minimized = 0.

$$\frac{d}{d\delta} R(\delta) = \epsilon \left[ \frac{2\delta}{\|x\|^4} \|y\|^2 - 2 \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\|x\|^2}\right) \frac{\alpha}{\|x\|^2} \right] = 0$$

$$\epsilon \left[ 2\delta \frac{(d + \|y\|^2)}{\|x\|^4} \right] = \epsilon \left( \frac{2d}{\|x\|^2} \right)$$

$$\therefore \delta^* = d-2.$$

∴ from the Tamer-Stein estimator:

$$y^{ss} = \left(1 - \frac{d-2}{\|x\|^2}\right)x.$$



7) Euler's formula states that for any planar graph with:

$V$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$  (regions into which  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is divided)

$$V - E + F = 2.$$

→ our goal is to estimate  $V_n, E_n, F_n$  in terms of their values for  $n-1$ .

### ① Estimating # faces $F_n$ .

+ A Venn diagram for  $n$  sets should divide the plane into exactly  $2^n$  regions, corresponding to all possible set intersections.

Thus: for a valid Venn diagram:  $F_n = 2^n$ .

Use recursion:

when  $n=1 \rightarrow$  we have 2 regions so  $F_1 = 2$ .

when  $n=2 \rightarrow$  the plane is divided into 4 regions

$$F_2 = 2^2 = 4$$

$F_3 =$  now doubles into  $F_3 = 8$ .

$$\therefore F_n = 2 F_{n-1} = 2^n.$$

\* → Additionally, each new curve adds at most  $2(n-1)$  new regions

This is not obvious at all - (And if we had it just like that, using Euler: for planar graph.)

We would immediately get a contradiction, without Euler's...]

$$V - E + F = 2.$$

$$f_n = 2 + E_{n-1} - V_n.$$

$$f_{n-1} = 2 + f_{n-1} - V_{n-1} + 2(n-1).$$

$$\therefore f_n \leq f_{n-1} + 2(n-1).$$

∴ we find  $f_n \leq 2 \sum_{u=1}^{n-1} u = \frac{2(n-1)n}{2} = O(n^2).$

NOW  $V_n$ :

→ Each new curve intersects exiting curve at most  $2(n-1)$  times, this means the  $n$ th curve introduce at most  $2(n-1)$  vertices.

→ trying to visualize.

$$\text{one curve has } V_1 = 0.$$

$$\text{adding another} \rightarrow V_2 \leq 2(1) = 2.$$

$$V_3 \leq V_2 + 2(2) = 2+4=6.$$

∴

$$V_n \leq V_{n-1} + 2(n-1).$$

→ expanding the recurrence:

$$V_n \leq V_{n-2} + 2(n-2) + 2(n-1)$$

$$V_n \leq V_{n-3} + 2(n-3) + 2(n-2) + 2(n-1).$$

$$\therefore V_n \leq \sum_{u=1}^{n-1} 2u = n(n-1).$$

Now upper bound for  $f_n$ :

$$E_n \leq f_{n-1} + 2(n-1).$$

→ expanding:

$$f_n \leq f_{n-2} + 2(n-2) + 2(n-1)$$

$$f_n \leq 1 + \sum_{u=1}^{n-1} 2u.$$

$$f_n \leq 1 + \frac{2(n-1)n}{2}$$

$$\therefore [f_n \leq 1 + (n-1)n]$$

→ lower bound for  $f_n$ :

→ considering a Venn diagram → each new curve creates  $2(n-1)$  new edges → but if the Venn diagram has higher  $n$  then every new curve will intersect in even more edges → at least  $4(n-1)$  edges.

$$\rightarrow f_n \geq f_{n-1} + 4(n-1).$$

Now, here using Euler's, you would conclude that  $F_n = O(n^2)$ .

→ the quadratic growth of  $E_n, f_n$  suggests that the # of intersections and faces rapidly increase making it impossible to construct a planar Venn diagram for  $n > 5$ .

→ the lower and upper bound are tight signifying that the estimate are asymptotically correct.

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