

Homework #0 - A

Spring 2020, CSE 446/546: Machine Learning

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Probability and Statistics

A.1 [2 points] According to the problem, we have:

$$p(x = 1|y = 1) = 0.99 \quad p(x = 1|y = 0) = 0.01 \quad p(y = 1) = 0.0001 \quad p(y = 0) = 0.9999$$

where $x = 1$ is the event the test is positive, $y = 1$ is the event you have the disease, and $y = 0$ is the event you do not have the disease. Using Bayes rule, the probability of having the disease when you test positive is:

$$\begin{aligned} p(y = 1|x = 1) &= \frac{p(x = 1|y = 1)p(y = 1)}{p(x = 1|y = 1)p(y = 1) + p(x = 1|y = 0)p(y = 0)} \\ &= \frac{0.99 \times 0.0001}{0.99 \times 0.0001 + 0.01 \times 0.9999} = 0.0098 \end{aligned}$$

A.2

a. [1 points] We can rewrite the covariance as:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(X, Y) &= \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])(Y - \mathbb{E}[Y])] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[XY - Y\mathbb{E}[X] - X\mathbb{E}[Y] + \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y]] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[XY] - \mathbb{E}[Y]\mathbb{E}[X] - \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y] + \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[XY] - \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y] \end{aligned}$$

if $\mathbb{E}[Y|X = x] = x$ then using the law of total expectation:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[Y|X = x] &= x \\ \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|X = x]] &= \mathbb{E}[x] \\ \mathbb{E}[Y] &= \mathbb{E}[x] = \mathbb{E}[X] \end{aligned}$$

We can also rewrite $\mathbb{E}[XY]$ as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[XY] &= \sum_x \sum_y xyp(x, y) \\ p(x, y) &= p(y|x)p(x) \\ \mathbb{E}[XY] &= \sum_x \sum_y xyp(y|x)p(x) \\ &= \sum_x xp(x) \sum_y yp(y|x) \\ &= \sum_x xp(x)\mathbb{E}(Y|X = x) \\ &= \sum_x x^2p(x) \\ &= \mathbb{E}[X^2] \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we now have:

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}[XY] - \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y] = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - \mathbb{E}[X]^2 = \text{Cov}(X, X) = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2]$$

b. [1 points] From (a):

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}[XY] - \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y]$$

If X and Y are independent, then $\mathbb{E}[XY] = \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y]$. Thus,

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$$

A.3

a. [2 points] To calculate the PDF you can first find the CDF and take the derivative:

$$CDF_Z(z) = p[X + Y \leq z]$$

where p is probability. Using the rule of total probability:

$$\begin{aligned} CDF_Z(z) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p[X + Y \leq z | X = x] PDF_X(x) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p[x + Y \leq z] f(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

But using the definition of CDF we can now see:

$$p[x + Y \leq z] = p[Y \leq z - x] = CDF_Y(z - x)$$

Now we can take the derivative to find the PDF:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dz} CDF_Z(z) &= PDF_Z(z) = h(z) = \frac{d}{dz} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} CDF_Y(z - x) f(x) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dz} CDF_Y(z - x) f(x) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} PDF_Y(z - x) f(x) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(z - x) f(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

b. [1 points] The PDF of the sum of two random variables is a convolution as shown in part (a). Thus, we simply need to convolve the two uniform distributions together:

$$\begin{aligned} h(z) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(z - x) f(x) dx \\ &= \begin{cases} z + 1 & -1 \leq z < 0 \\ 1 - z & 0 \leq z < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

A.4 [1 points] $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ indicates mean of 0 and variance of 1. With linear transformations of gaussian distributed random variables we know (from lecture and Murphy):

$$\text{If } Y = aX + b, \quad \mu_Y = a\mu_X + b \quad \text{and} \quad \text{var}_Y = a^2 \text{var}_X$$

where Y and X are gaussian distributed random variables and a and b are constants. Since only a affects the variance, we can first find a such that $\text{var}_X = 1$:

$$1 = a^2 \sigma^2 \quad \rightarrow \quad a = \frac{1}{\sigma}$$

Next, b must offset the newly scaled mean, and thus:

$$0 = \frac{1}{\sigma} \mu + b \quad \rightarrow \quad b = -\frac{1}{\sigma} \mu$$

A.5 [2 points] If X and Y are independent and identically distributed, then we know (again from lecture and Murphy):

$$\mathbb{E}[X + Y] = \mathbb{E}[X] + \mathbb{E}[Y] \quad \text{and} \quad \text{var}[X + Y] = \text{var}[X] + \text{var}[Y]$$

Using these in conjunction with how the mean and variance change due to a linear transformation (as in A.4) we know:

$$\text{mean}[\hat{\mu}_n] = \mu \quad \text{and} \quad \text{variance}[\hat{\mu}_n] = \frac{1}{n} \sigma^2$$

Applying another linear transformation again changes the mean and variance, in this case $a = \sqrt{n}$ and $b = -\mu\sqrt{n}$:

$$\text{mean} = a\mu + b = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{variance} = a^2 \frac{1}{n} \sigma^2 = \sigma^2$$

A.6

- a. [1 points] The expected value of a sum of independent variables is the sum of the expected value of each random variable:

$$\mathbb{E}[X + Y] = \mathbb{E}[X] + \mathbb{E}[Y]$$

Thus,

$$\mathbb{E}[\hat{F}_n(x)] = \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}\{X_i \leq x\}\right] = \frac{1}{n} (\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{1}\{X_1 \leq x\}] + \cdots + \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{1}\{X_n \leq x\}]) = F(x)$$

- b. [1 points] To find the variance of $\hat{F}_n(x)$, we can first find the variance of $\mathbf{1}\{X_i \leq x\}$. Since it is a Bernoulli distribution, we know (from Murphy page 34):

$$\text{variance}[\mathbf{1}\{X_i \leq x\}] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{1}\{X_i \leq x\}](1 - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{1}\{X_i \leq x\}]) = F(x)(1 - F(x))$$

We can see that this holds true by writing out the variance:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{variance}[\mathbf{1}\{X \leq x\}] &= \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{1}\{X \leq x\})^2] - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{1}\{X \leq x\}]^2 \\ &= \mathbf{1}\{X \leq x | X \leq x\}^2 p(X \leq x) + \mathbf{1}\{X > x | X > x\}^2 p(X > x) - F(x)^2 \\ &= 1 \times p(X \leq x) + 0 \times p(X > x) - F(x)^2 \\ &= \mathbf{1}\{X \leq x | X \leq x\} p(X \leq x) - F(x)^2 \\ &= F(x) - F(x)^2 = F(x)(1 - F(x)) \end{aligned}$$

Now, knowing how the variance changes due to a linear transformation, we can show:

$$\text{variance}[\hat{F}_n(x)] = \frac{1}{n^2} n F(x)(1 - F(x)) = \frac{F(x)(1 - F(x))}{n}$$

- c. [1 points] We first rearrange the expression:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{F(x)(1 - F(x))}{n} &\leq \frac{1}{4n} \\ F(x)(1 - F(x)) &\leq \frac{1}{4} \\ 4F(x)^2 - 4F(x) + 1 &\geq 0 \\ (2F(x) - 1)^2 &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since squaring a value is always positive, the above must hold true, meaning the initial expression holds true as well.

Linear Algebra and Vector Calculus

A.7

- a. [2 points] The rank of both matrices is 2. For matrix A , the third column is three times the first column minus the second column, so there are only two linearly independent columns. For matrix B , the third column is the sum of the first two columns so again there are only two linearly independent columns.
- b. [2 points] The basis for the column span for both matrices is the first two columns since, as mentioned above, the third column is a linear combination of the two:

$$\text{basis} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

A.8

- a. [1 points] This problem requires basic matrix multiplication. The row/column of the resulting matrix is the dot product of the row from the first matrix and the column from the second.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (0, 2, 4) \cdot (1, 1, 1) \\ (2, 4, 2) \cdot (1, 1, 1) \\ (3, 3, 1) \cdot (1, 1, 1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 8 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

- b. [2 points] To solve, we need to find the inverse of matrix A :

$$Ax = b \quad \rightarrow \quad x = A^{-1}b$$

First, we find the determinant both to make sure it's not 0 so it can be inverted and for use later:

$$\det(A) = 0(4 - 6) - 2(2 - 6) + 4(6 - 12) = -16$$

Next, we transpose the matrix and find the cofactors (determinants of each minor matrix with correct signs applied):

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\text{cofactor}(A^T) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 - 6 & 2 - 12 & 4 - 16 \\ 2 - 6 & 0 - 12 & 0 - 8 \\ 6 - 12 & 0 - 6 & 0 - 4 \end{bmatrix} .* \begin{bmatrix} + & - & + \\ - & + & - \\ + & - & + \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 10 & -12 \\ 4 & -12 & 8 \\ -6 & 6 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

where $.*$ represents element-wise multiplication similar to Matlab. Finally, we multiply the resulting matrix by one over the determinant:

$$A^{-1} = -\frac{1}{16} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 10 & -12 \\ 4 & -12 & 8 \\ -6 & 6 & -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.125 & -0.625 & 0.75 \\ -0.25 & 0.75 & -0.5 \\ 0.375 & -0.375 & 0.25 \end{bmatrix}$$

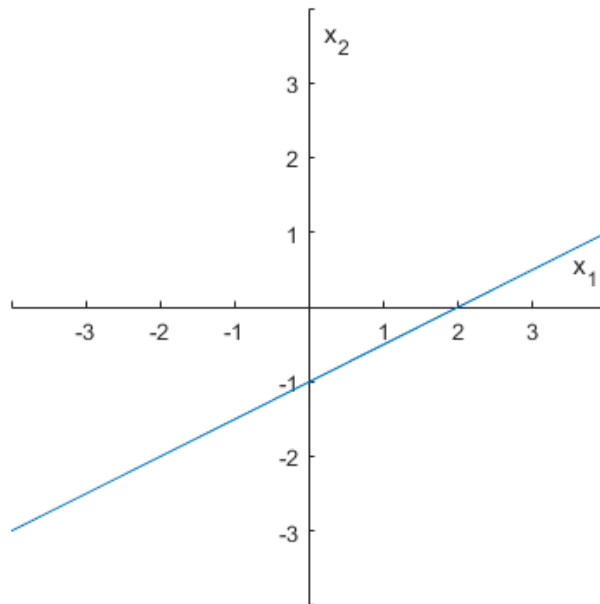
Now we multiply A^{-1} with b to obtain x :

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} -0.125 & -0.625 & 0.75 \\ -0.25 & 0.75 & -0.5 \\ 0.375 & -0.375 & 0.25 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

A.9 (Hyperplanes)

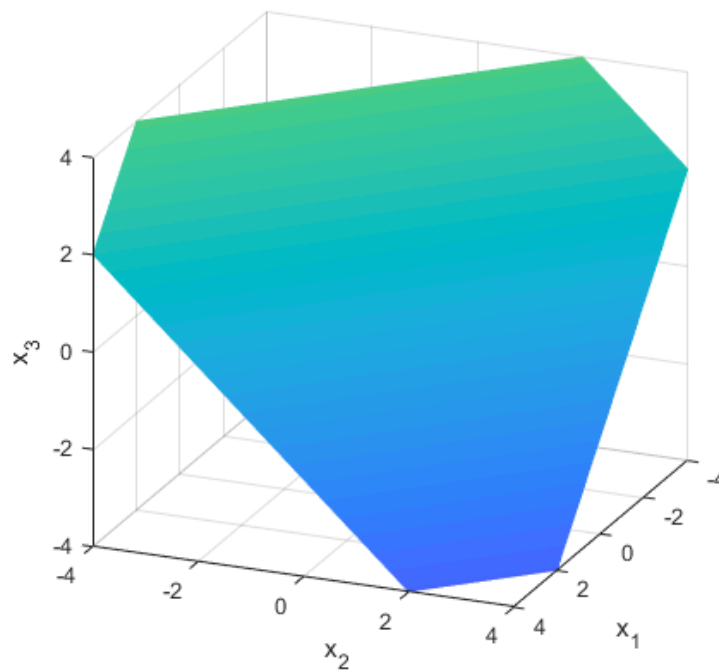
- a. [1 points] ($n = 2$ example) Plugging in the variables gives us a line:

$$-x_1 + 2x_2 = -2 \quad \rightarrow \quad x_1 - 2x_2 - 2 = 0$$



b. [1 points] ($n = 3$ example) Plugging in the variables gives us a plane:

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 - 2 = 0$$



c. [2 points] Since \tilde{x}_0 must fulfill $w^T x + b = 0$, we know $w^T \tilde{x}_0 = -b$. Thus:

$$\|x_0 - \tilde{x}_0\| = \left| \frac{w^T x_0 + b}{\|w\|} \right| \quad \rightarrow \quad \|x_0 - \tilde{x}_0\|^2 = \frac{(w^T x_0 + b)^2}{\|w\|^2}$$

A.10

- a. [2 points] Assuming x and y are vectors and c is a constant, we know x and y have to be vectors of size $1 \times n$ to ensure the matrix multiplication works. Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}(Ax)_i &= \sum_{k=1}^n A_{ik}x_k \\ x^T Ax &= \sum_{m=1}^n x_m \sum_{k=1}^n A_{mk}x_k = \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n x_m A_{mk}x_k \\ f(x, y) &= \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n x_m A_{mk}x_k + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n y_m B_{mk}x_k + c\end{aligned}$$

- b. [2 points] To approach this problem for the summation over indices, we can try thinking about what would happen element by element. For the i th partial derivative:

$$\nabla_x f(x, y)_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n x_m A_{mk}x_k + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n y_m B_{mk}x_k + c \right)$$

We can apply the partial derivative to each part of the sum. The first term requires the product rule. Since all $x_i \neq x_1$ has a partial derivative of 0, we can simplify the sums to just the i th element. Therefore we can determine the summation over indices notation:

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_x f(x, y)_i &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n x_m A_{mk}x_k + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n y_m B_{mk}x_k + c \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n x_m A_{mk}x_k + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n y_m B_{mk}x_k + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} c \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial x_m}{\partial x_i} A_{mk}x_k + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n x_m A_{mk} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n y_m B_{mk} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial x_i} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n A_{ik}x_k + \sum_{m=1}^n x_m A_{mi} + \sum_{m=1}^n y_m B_{mi}\end{aligned}$$

We can convert this to vector notation by realizing that each sum is matrix multiplication as shown in part (a):

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_x f(x, y) &= Ax + x^T A + y^T B \\ &= Ax + A^T x + y^T B \\ &= (A + A^T)x + y^T B\end{aligned}$$

- c. [2 points] We can approach this problem similar to part (b).

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_y f(x, y)_i &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} \left(\sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n x_m A_{mk}x_k + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n y_m B_{mk}x_k + c \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n x_m A_{mk}x_k + \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n y_m B_{mk}x_k + \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} c \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial y_m}{\partial y_i} B_{mk}x_k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n B_{ik}x_k\end{aligned}$$

And again we can convert this to vector notation using matrix multiplication:

$$\nabla_y f(x, y) = \mathbf{B}x$$

A.11

a. [2 points]

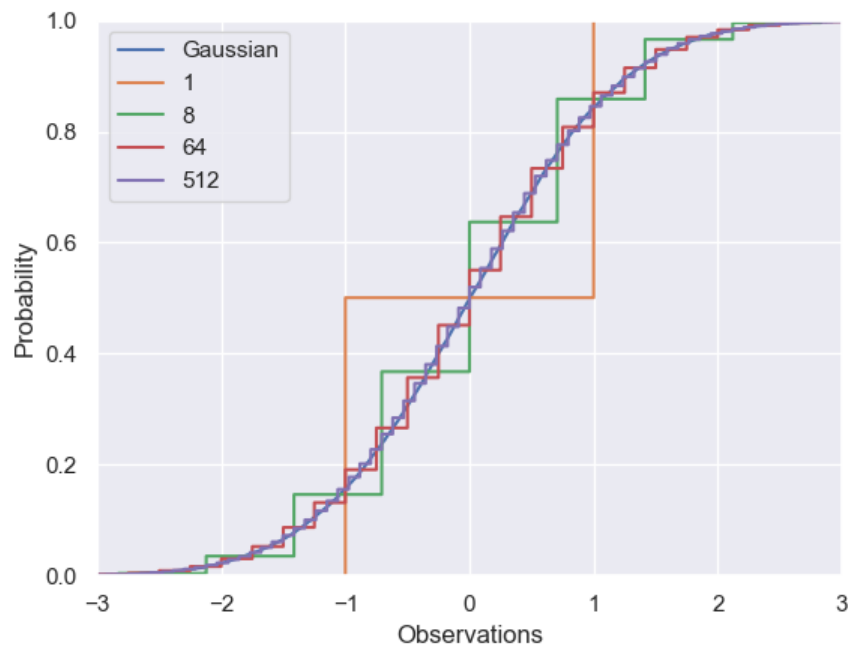
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Ainv=
[[ 0.125 -0.625  0.75 ]
 [-0.25  0.75 -0.5 ]
 [ 0.375 -0.375  0.25 ]]
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b. [1 points]

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Ainv*b=
[[-2.]
 [ 1.]
 [-1.]]

A*c=
[[6]
 [8]
 [7]]
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A.12 [4 points] Since in problem A.6 we determined $\mathbb{E}[(\hat{F}_n(x) - F(x))^2] \leq \frac{1}{4n}$, for $\sqrt{\mathbb{E}[(\hat{F}_n(x) - F(x))^2]} \leq 0.0025$, $n = 40000$.



Source Code

A.9 (Matlab)

```
% A9 figures
% a)
x = linspace(-5,5,100);
y = (x-2)/2;
figure; plot(x,y)
set(gca,'xaxislocation','origin')
set(gca,'yaxislocation','origin')
box off
xlim([-4,4])
ylim([-4,4])
xlabel('x_1')
ylabel('x_2')

% b)
x = linspace(-5,5,100);
y = linspace(-5,5,100);
[X,Y] = meshgrid(x,y);
Z = 2-X-Y;
figure; surf(X,Y,Z);
shading interp
xlim([-4,4]); ylim([-4,4]); zlim([-4,4])
xlabel('x_1'); ylabel('x_2'); zlabel('x_3');
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A.11 (Python)

```
import numpy as np

# A.11 (a)
A = np.matrix('0,2,4;2,4,2;3,3,1')
Ainv = np.linalg.inv(A)
print('\nAinv=\n',Ainv)

# A.11 (b)
b = np.matrix('-2;-2;-4')
c = np.matrix('1;1;1')
print('\nAinv*b=\n',np.matmul(Ainv,b))
print('\nA*c=\n',np.matmul(A,c))
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A.12 (Python)

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
sns.set()

n=40000 # From problem A.6

#(a)
Z=np.random.randn(n)
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plt.step(sorted(Z), np.arange(1,n+1)/float(n))

#(b)
k = [1,8,64,512]
for x in k:
    Y = np.sum(np.sign(np.random.randn(n, x))*np.sqrt(1./x), axis=1)
    plt.step(sorted(Y), np.arange(1,n+1)/float(n))

plt.xlim(-3,3)
plt.ylim(0,1)
plt.xlabel("Observations")
plt.ylabel("Probability")
plt.legend(['Gaussian', '1', '8', '64', '512'])
plt.show()

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