

- Q1) Honor Code
- (a) True
- (b) True
- (c) False

- Q2) PSD Matrices

a) Let,  $M = A^T A$ , and  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

Consider  $u \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$  and  $u$  be any arbitrary vector

$m, n$  are some positive integers.

$$u^T M u \Rightarrow u^T A^T A u$$

$$\Rightarrow (Au)^T (Au) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow \text{inner product of } \langle Au, Au \rangle \\ \rightarrow \underline{(AB)^T = B^T A^T} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\|Au\|^2}$$

$$u^T M u = \|Au\|^2 \geq 0$$

Hence matrix  $M$  is PSD, where  $\underline{M = A^T A}$

b Let,  $\underline{\mathbb{E}[(x - \mathbb{E}[x])(x - \mathbb{E}[x])^T]} = \underline{M}$

Given,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$  is a random column vector

Let,  $u \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$  be a arbitrary column vector

$$u^T M u = u^T \mathbb{E}[(x - \mathbb{E}[x])(x - \mathbb{E}[x])^T] u - \textcircled{\#}$$

From the property,

$$aE(Y) = E(aY)$$

we can re-write the equation (#) as

$$u^T E[(x - E[x])(x - E[x])^T] u = E[u^T (x - E[x])(x - E[x])^T u]$$

$$\begin{aligned} * \quad (AB)^T &= B^T A^T \quad \leftarrow \left\{ = E\left[\left((x - E[x])^T u\right)^T \left((x - E[x]) u\right)\right] \right. \\ &= E\left[\| (x - E[x])^T u \|^2\right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore u^T M u &= E\left[\| (x - E[x])^T u \|^2\right] \\ &\geq 0 \\ &= E[\text{positive quantity}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow u^T M u \geq 0$$

Hence  $M = E[(x - E[x])(x - E[x])^T]$  is PSD Matrix

c) Let  $M$  be any Gram Matrix,  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \langle x_1, x_1 \rangle & \langle x_2, x_1 \rangle & \dots & \dots & \langle x_d, x_1 \rangle \\ \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle & \langle x_2, x_2 \rangle & & & \\ \langle x_1, x_3 \rangle & & & & \\ \vdots & & & & \\ \langle x_1, x_d \rangle & \dots & \dots & \dots & \langle x_d, x_d \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

and let  $x_i$ 's  $\in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$ , where  $n$  is any random integer

We can split the Matrix  $M$  as follows.

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_d \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_d \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow (*)$$

where  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_d \end{bmatrix}$  is of dimension  $(1 \times d)$

The equation  $(*)$  resembles  $M = A^T A$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_d \end{bmatrix}$

We have proved in 2 a) that matrices of the form  $A^T A$  are PSD and hence,  $x^T M x \geq 0$ , and  $M$  is PSD, where  $M$  is a gram Matrix.

### 3) Probability

Given <sup>discrete</sup> random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  with pmf  $p(x, y)$

$$a) E[X] = E[E[X|Y]]$$

$$E[X] = \sum_x x p_x(x) \quad \left. \vphantom{\sum_x} \right\} \text{ where } p_x(x) \text{ is the marginal pmf of } X$$

From the property,

$$\sum_y p_{x|y}(x, y) p_y(y) = p_x(x)$$

$p_x(x)$  can be substituted, \*

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= \sum_x x \sum_y p_{x|y}(x, y) p_y(y) \\ &= \sum_y \sum_x x \underbrace{p_{x|y}(x, y)}_{\leftarrow} p_y(y) \quad \left. \vphantom{\sum_y} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{I have brought in } \sum_x x \\ \text{into the } \sum_y ( ) \end{array} \\ &= \sum_y \left[ \sum_x x p_{x|y}(x, y) \right] p_y(y) \rightarrow \sum_y E[X|Y] p_y(y) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_y \underbrace{\mathbb{E}[x|y]}_{\text{property}} P_y(y)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{property} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}[g(x)] = \sum g(x) P_x(x) \\ g(x) \rightarrow \text{discrete RV} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\boxed{\mathbb{E}[x] = \mathbb{E}_y[\mathbb{E}[x|y]]}$$

Hence proved

$$b) \mathbb{E}[I(x \in C)] = P(x \in C)$$

$$I = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in C \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[I(x \in C)] = \sum_x I \cdot P_x(x) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Property} \\ \mathbb{E}[g(x)] = \sum g(x) P_x(x) \\ \text{if } g(x) \text{ is discrete RV} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{x \in C} I \cdot P_x(x) + \sum_{x \notin C} I \cdot P_x(x)$$

$\downarrow$   
 $0$   
 $\{x \notin C, I = 0\}$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{x \in C} 1 \cdot P_x(x)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[I(x \in C)] = \underline{P(x \in C)}$$

Hence proved

$$c) \mathbb{E}[xy] = \mathbb{E}[x] \mathbb{E}[y]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[xy] = \sum_x \sum_y xy P_{xy}(x, y)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[xy] = \sum_x \sum_y xy P_x(x) P_y(y)$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{Property} \\ P_{xy}(x, y) = P_x(x) P_y(y) \\ \text{if } x, y \text{ are independent} \end{array} \right]$$

— (★)

when  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent, we can de-couple the equation (★)

$$E[XY] = \underbrace{\sum_x x p_x(x)}_{E[X]} \underbrace{\sum_y y p_y(y)}_{E[Y]}$$

$$= E[X] E[Y]$$


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Hence proved.

d)  $X, Y$  takes values in  $\{0, 1\}$  and  $E[XY] = E[X]E[Y]$ ,  
then  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent

$$E[XY] = \sum_x \sum_y xy p_{xy}(x, y)$$

$$= p_{11}(1, 1)$$

$$E[X]E[Y] = \left[ \sum_x x p_x(x) \right] \left[ \sum_y y p_y(y) \right]$$

$$= [0 + 1 \cdot p_1(1)] [0 + p_1(1)]$$

$$= p_1(1) p_1(1)$$

From the given condition  $E[XY] = E[X]E[Y]$

we get  $\Rightarrow \boxed{p_{xy}(1, 1) = p_x(1) p_y(1)} \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{\#}$

From the law of total probability

$$p_x(x) = \sum_y p_{xy}(x, y)$$

$$p_x(x) = p_{xy}(x, 0) + p_{xy}(x, 1) \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{1}$$

Similarly

$$p_y(y) = p_{xy}(0, y) + p_{xy}(1, y) \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{2}$$

Also, from the law of probability

$$\sum_x P_x(x) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow P_x(1) + P_x(0) = 1 \quad - (3)$$

Similarly

$$\sum_y P_y(y) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow P_y(1) + P_y(0) = 1 \quad - (4)$$

✓ From eqn (3) and (4)

$$P_{xy}(1,1) = P_x(1) P_y(1)$$

$$= [1 - P_x(0)] P_y(1)$$

$$P_{xy}(1,1) \Rightarrow P_y(1) - P_x(0) P_y(1)$$

$$P_x(0) P_y(1) = \underbrace{P_y(1) - P_{xy}(1,1)}$$

$$\boxed{P_x(0) P_y(1) = P_{xy}(0,1)} \quad - (\#2)$$

From eqn (2)

$$P_y(1) - P_{xy}(1,1) = P_{xy}(0,1)$$

✓ From eqn (3) and (4)

$$P_{xy}(1,1) = P_x(1) P_y(1)$$

$$= P_x(1) [1 - P_y(0)]$$

$$P_{xy}(1,1) \Rightarrow P_x(1) - P_x(1) P_y(0)$$

$$P_x(1) - P_{xy}(1,1) = P_x(1) P_y(0)$$

$$\boxed{P_{xy}(1,0) = P_x(1) P_y(0)} \quad - (\#3)$$

From eqn (1)

$$P_x(1) - P_{xy}(1,1) = P_{xy}(1,0)$$



From eqn (#3) and (3)

$$P_{xy}(1,0) = P_x(1) P_y(0) \\ = [1 - P_x(0)] P_y(0)$$

$$P_{xy}(1,0) = P_y(0) - P_x(0) P_y(0)$$

$$- P_{xy}(1,0) + P_y(0) = P_x(0) P_y(0) \quad \leftarrow \text{From eqn (2)} \\ P_y(0) - P_{xy}(1,0) = P_{xy}(0,0)$$

$$P_{xy}(0,0) = P_x(0) P_y(0)$$

We have proved that

$$P_{xy}(x,y) = P_x(x) P_y(y) \quad \forall x, y \in \{0,1\}$$

Hence the random variable  $X, Y$  are independent

#### 4) Gaussian Level Sets

$$\Sigma = U \Lambda U^T \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \theta = -\pi/4$$

$$x \sim \mathcal{N}(M, \Sigma) \quad , \quad \text{where } M = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a) \text{ Boundary of } C: \{x \mid (x-M)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-M) \leq r^2\} \quad r=1$$

$(x-M)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-M) = 1$  is the standard form of the ellipse

$$\checkmark \text{ Center} = M = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(x-m)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-m) = (x-m)^T [U^T \Lambda^{-1} U] (x-m)$$

$$= [U (x-m)]^T \Lambda^{-1} [U (x-m)]$$

Since  $\Lambda$  is diagonal  $(U_{ij}) \rightarrow$  row of  $U$

$$(x-m)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-m) = \sum \frac{(U_{ij}(x-m))^2}{\lambda_i} \quad \left. \vphantom{\sum} \right\} \text{equation of ellipse with axis given by}$$

Hence,

$$U_j(x-m)$$

Semi-length of major axis =  $\sqrt{\lambda_{\max}} = \sqrt{5}$

Length of major axis =  $2\sqrt{5}$

Length of minor axis =  $2 \times \sqrt{\lambda_{\min}} = 2\sqrt{1} = 2$

~~Equation  $U_{ij}(x-m) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{bmatrix} (x-m)$~~

~~eigen vector corresponding to~~

from  $U^T \Lambda^{-1} U$

$$\Lambda^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad U^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{bmatrix}$$

eigen vector corresponding to  $\frac{1}{5} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow$  major axis

$1 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow$  minor axis

Angle made with x-axis =  $3\pi/4$  (anti-clock wise sense)

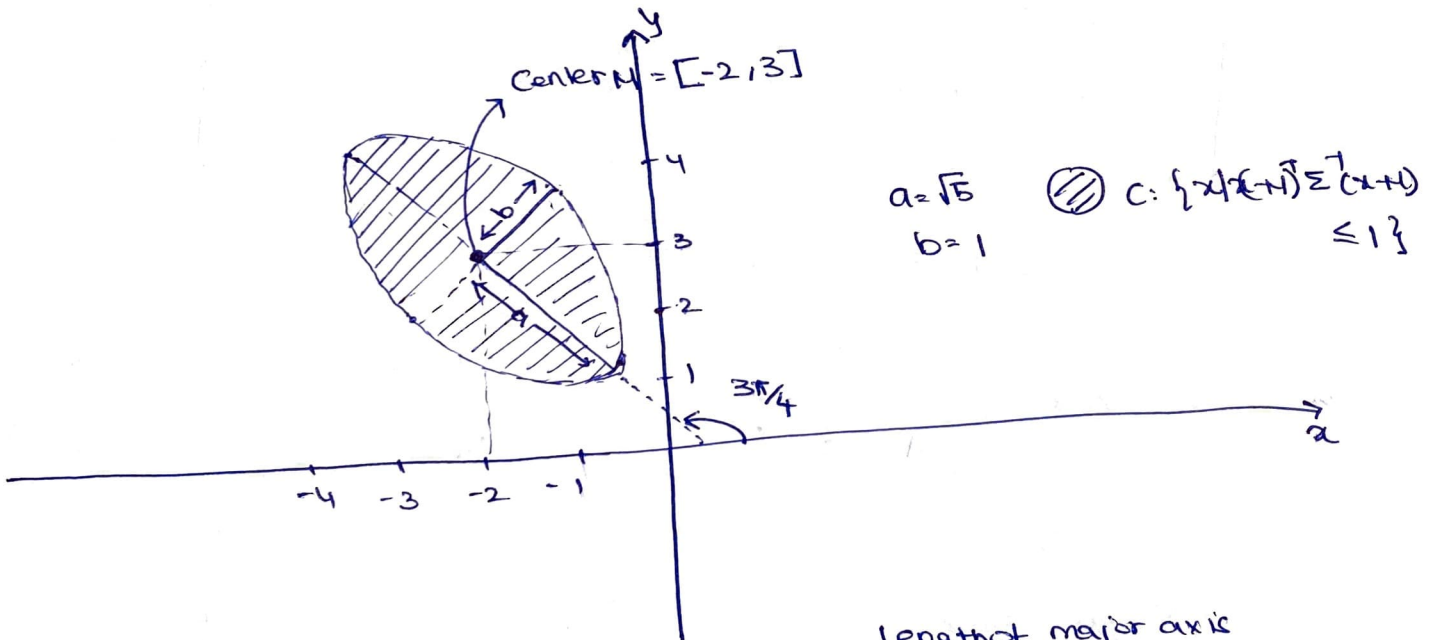


end points on major axis

$$M = \pm \sqrt{5} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3.581 \\ 4.581 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -0.419 \\ 1.419 \end{bmatrix}$$

end points of minor axis

$$M = \pm \sqrt{1} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2.707 \\ 2.293 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1.293 \\ 3.707 \end{bmatrix}$$



length of major axis

$$= 2a$$

$$= \underline{\underline{2\sqrt{5}}}$$

length of minor axis =  $2b$

$$= \underline{\underline{2}}$$

$$b) (x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu) = (x-\mu)^T [U \Lambda^{-1} U^T] (x-\mu) \\ \Rightarrow \left[ (x-\mu)^T U \Lambda^{-1/2} \right] \left[ \Lambda^{-1/2} U^T (x-\mu) \right] = \textcircled{\#}$$

A Since we know  $\Lambda^{-1}$  is pd and diagonal

$$\Lambda^{-1} = \Lambda^{-1/2} \Lambda^{-1/2}$$

also  $(\Lambda^{-1/2})^T = \Lambda^{-1/2}$  due to diagonal nature of matrix.

Equation  $\textcircled{\#}$  can be rewritten as.

$$(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu) = \left[ (U \Lambda^{-1/2})^T (x-\mu) \right]^T \left[ \Lambda^{-1/2} U^T (x-\mu) \right] \\ \Rightarrow \underbrace{\left[ \Lambda^{-1/2} U^T (x-\mu) \right]^T}_Z \left[ \Lambda^{-1/2} U^T (x-\mu) \right]$$

$$x \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$$

from the property, If  $x \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$   
 $Ax \sim N(A\mu, A\Sigma A^T)$

$$(x-\mu) \sim N(0, \Sigma)$$

$$\Lambda^{-1/2} U^T (x-\mu) \sim N(0, \Lambda^{-1/2} U^T \Sigma (\Lambda^{-1/2} U^T)^T)$$

$$\Lambda^{-1/2} U^T (x-\mu) \sim N(0, \Lambda^{-1/2} U^T U \Sigma U^T U \Lambda^{-1/2})$$

$$\sim N(0, \Lambda^{-1/2} \Lambda \Lambda^{-1/2}) \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \uparrow U^T U = I \\ \text{as } U \text{ is orthogonal} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\underbrace{\Lambda^{-1/2} U^T (x-\mu)}_Z \sim N(0, I)$$

$$(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu) = z^T z, \text{ where } z \sim N(0, I)$$

$$= \underbrace{z_1^2 + z_2^2}_{\uparrow} \sim \chi_2^2 \quad z = \Delta^{-\frac{1}{2}} U^T (x-\mu)$$

Sum of 2 standard Normal =  $\chi^2$  distribution

$$\text{So, } P(x \in C) = P((x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu) \leq r^2) \quad r=1$$

$$= P(z^T z \leq 1)$$

$$= P(z_1^2 + z_2^2 \leq 1)$$

$$= P(\chi_2^2 \leq 1)$$

$$\text{CDF of } \chi_2^2 = \frac{1}{\Gamma(k/2)} \gamma\left(\frac{k}{2}, \frac{\chi^2}{2}\right)$$

$$\text{Here } k=2 \quad r=1$$

$$P(\chi_2^2 \leq 1) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1)} \gamma\left(1, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= \underline{0.3935}$$

$$P(x \in C) = \underline{0.3935}$$

5) a) Let  $F(x)$  and  $g(x)$  be two convex functions.

and  $\underline{H(x) = F(x) + g(x)}$   $x \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$

Since  $F(\alpha w_1 + (1-\alpha)w_2) \leq \alpha F(w_1) + (1-\alpha)F(w_2) \quad \forall \alpha \in [0,1]$

$g(\alpha w_1 + (1-\alpha)w_2) \leq \alpha g(w_1) + (1-\alpha)g(w_2)$   $\alpha w_1 + (1-\alpha)w_2 \in \underline{\text{domain.}}$

for any random  $w_1, w_2 \in \text{Domain.}$

$$\begin{aligned} H(\alpha w_1 + (1-\alpha)w_2) &= F(\alpha w_1 + (1-\alpha)w_2) + g(\alpha w_1 + (1-\alpha)w_2) \\ &\leq \alpha F(w_1) + (1-\alpha)F(w_2) + \alpha g(w_1) + (1-\alpha)g(w_2) \\ &\leq \alpha [F(w_1) + g(w_1)] + (1-\alpha) [F(w_2) + g(w_2)] \end{aligned}$$

$$H(\alpha w_1 + (1-\alpha)w_2) \leq \alpha H(w_1) + (1-\alpha)H(w_2)$$

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Hence proved that  $H(x)$  is also convex as it satisfies the convexity criterion.

b) Let  $F(x), g(x)$  be 2 convex functions

$\Rightarrow \nabla^2 F(w)$  and  $\nabla^2 g(w)$  are PSD

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \nabla^2 F(w) &\geq 0 \\ \nabla^2 g(w) &\geq 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow w \in (\mathbb{R}^d)$$

Let  $\underline{H(x) = F(x) + g(x)}$

$$\nabla^2 H(w) = \nabla^2 F(w) + \nabla^2 g(w) \geq 0$$

Since  $\nabla^2 H(w) \succeq 0 \quad \forall w \in \mathbb{R}^d$

From the property that a function is convex iff  $\nabla^2(\cdot) \succeq 0$   
 $H(x)$  which is the sum of two convex functions is also

Convex.

c)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^T A x + b^T x + c$ ,  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ , and  $A = \text{Symmetric}$ .  
 $\Rightarrow A^T = A$

~~$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} A x + \frac{1}{2} x^T A + b$~~

$$\frac{df(x,y)}{dx} = \frac{df(x,y)}{dx} + \frac{\partial(y^T x)}{\partial x} \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial y}$$

$$\nabla f(x) = \frac{1}{2} A x + \frac{1}{2} A^T x + b$$

We know that  $A^T = A$  (as  $A$  is symmetric)

$$\nabla f(x) = A x + b$$

$$\nabla^2 f(x) = A$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underline{f \text{ is convex}}, \text{ when } \underline{A \text{ is PSD}} \Rightarrow x^T A x \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times 1} \\ \underline{f \text{ is strictly convex}}, \text{ when } \underline{A \text{ is PD}} \Rightarrow x^T A x > 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times 1} \end{array} \right.$