

CM146, Fall 2017  
Problem Set 0: Math prerequisites  
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## 1 Problem 1

**Solution:** Solution to problem 1

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \sin(z)e^{-x} - x\sin(z)e^{-x}$$

## 2 Problem 2

(a) Problem 2a

**Solution:** [Solution to problem 2a](#)

$$y^T z = 11$$

(b) Problem 2b **Solution:** [Solution to problem 2b](#)

$$Xy = \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) Problem 2c **Solution:** [Solution to problem 2c](#)

X is invertible if and only if we can reduce it to the identity matrix using reduced row echelon form. Steps to reduce X:

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Because the matrix can be reduced to the identity matrix via row operations, we can say the matrix is invertible.

(d) Problem 2d **Solution:** [Solution to problem 2d](#)

The rank of X is 2 because it is invertible i.e the matrix is full rank. In other words, the column vectors of the matrix form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$

### 3 Problem 3

- (a) Problem 3a

**Solution:** Solution to problem 3a

The sample mean is  $\frac{3}{5} = 0.6$

- (b) Problem 3b **Solution:** Solution to problem 3b

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^5 (x_i - 0.6)^2}{5} = \frac{(0.4)^2 + (0.4)^2 + (0.6)^2 + (0.4)^2 + (0.6)^2}{5} = \frac{1.2}{5} = 0.24$$

- (c) Problem 3c **Solution:** Solution to problem 3c

The probability of observing this data is going to be  $\frac{1}{2}^5 = \frac{1}{32}$

- (d) Problem 3d **Solution:** Solution to problem 3c

We are trying to solve the following optimization problem:

Let  $P(X_i = 1) = p$ .

$$\begin{aligned} &\underset{p}{\text{maximize}} && f(p) = p^3 * (1 - p)^2 \\ &\text{subject to} && f(p) \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

Next we take the derivative of  $f(p)$  and set it equal to 0 to get  $f'(p) = (p - 1)p^2(5p - 3) = 0$

$p$  can equal 3 different values, plugging them in, we see that the maximum value is obtained when  $p = \frac{3}{5}$ .

- (e) Problem 3e **Solution:** Solution to problem 3e

$$P(X = T|Y = b) = 0.1$$

## 4 Problem 4

- (a) Problem 4a **Solution:** [Solution to problem 4a](#) True
- (b) Problem 4b **Solution:** [Solution to problem 4b](#) True
- (c) Problem 4c **Solution:** [Solution to problem 4c](#) False
- (d) Problem 4d **Solution:** [Solution to problem 4d](#) False
- (e) Problem 4d **Solution:** [Solution to problem 4d](#) True

## 5 Problem 5

- (a) Problem 5a **Solution:** Solution to problem 5a (v)
- (b) Problem 5b **Solution:** Solution to problem 5b (iv)
- (c) Problem 5c **Solution:** Solution to problem 5c (ii)
- (d) Problem 5d **Solution:** Solution to problem 5d (i)
- (e) Problem 5e **Solution:** Solution to problem 5e (iii)

## 6 Problem 6

- (a) Problem 6a **Solution:** [Solution to problem 6a](#)

Let  $X$  be a Bernoulli random variable with probability  $p$ .  $E(X) = p = \mu$   
 $V(X) = p(1 - p)$

- (b) Problem 6b **Solution:** [Solution to problem 6b](#)

The variance of  $2X$  would be  $4\sigma^2$  if  $\text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2$ . And  $\text{Var}(X+2) = \sigma^2$  as well because the variance does not change when adding or subtracting by a constant.

## 7 Problem 7

(a) Problem 7a

i. Problem 7a i. **Solution:** Solution to problem 7a i.

They are the same because converting from one logarithm base to another involves multiplying by a constant factor.

ii. Problem 7a ii. **Solution:** Solution to problem 7a ii.

Only  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  since  $3^n \geq n^{10}$  for large  $n$ .

iii. Problem 7a iii. **Solution:** Solution to problem 7a iii.

Only  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  since  $3^n \geq 2^n$  for large  $n$ .

(b) Problem 7b **Solution:** Solution to problem 7b

1. Select middle element of List L. If element is 0, then L = right half of L and go back to step 1

If element is 1, then L = left half of L and go back to step 1

2. If you have reached the last element of the list and it is a 0, then return index of list. Otherwise, return the element to the left of the list.

Explanation: The algorithm is correct because we keep dividing the list in half until we are left with only one element which is either the last 0 or the first 1 in the list.

Runtime: The runtime of the algorithm is  $O(\log(n))$  because we keep dividing the list in half, so we only need  $\log(n)$  steps to find the last 0.

## 8 Problem 8

- (a) Problem 8a **Solution:** [Solution to problem 8a](#)

Let's assume  $X$  and  $Y$  are discrete. (The same logic can be applied if  $X$  and  $Y$  are continuous)

Then

$$E[X] = \sum_j P(X = x_j) * x_j \text{ and } E[Y] = \sum_k P(Y = y_k) * y_k$$

Using this we get,

$$\begin{aligned} E[XY] &= \sum_{k,j} (P(X = x_j) * x_j * P(Y = y_k) * y_k) \\ &= \sum_j (P(X = x_j) * x_j * \sum_k (P(Y = y_k) * y_k)) \\ &= E[X] * E[Y] \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Problem 8b

- i. Problem 8b i. **Solution:** [Solution to problem 8b i.](#)

According to the law of large numbers, the average of the results obtained from a large number of trials should be close to the expected value which in our case is  $\frac{1}{6} * 6000 = 1000$ .

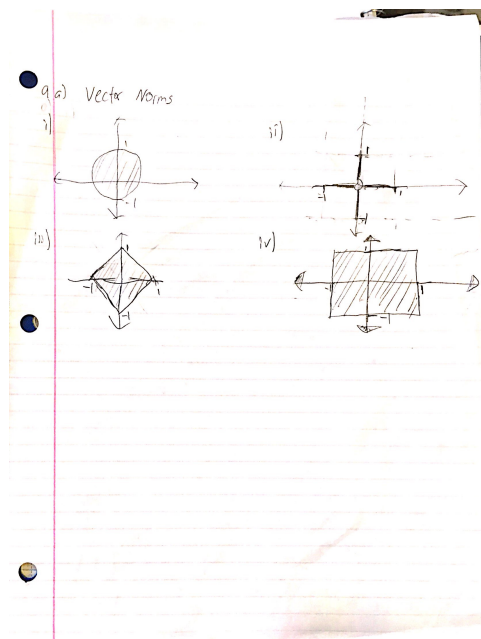
- ii. Problem 8b ii. **Solution:** [Solution to problem 8b ii.](#)

Because each coin toss is an independent Bernoulli Random Variable i.e with a mean and variance, then according to the central limit theorem,  $\bar{X}$  follows a normal distribution.



## 9 Problem 9

(a) Problem 9a



(b) Problem 9b

i. Problem 9b i. **Solution:** Solution to problem 9b i.

The eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a square matrix  $A$  are vectors  $v$  and scalars  $\lambda$  such that  $Av = \lambda v$

ii. Problem 9b ii. **Solution:** Solution to problem 9b ii.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Det}(A - \lambda I) &= (2 - \lambda)^2 - 1 \\ &= \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 3 = 0 \\ &= (\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 1) = 0 \\ &= \lambda = 1, 3 \end{aligned}$$

Now we find the eigenvectors,

For  $\lambda = 1$

$$Av - v = 0$$

$$1) \ v_1 + v_2 = 0$$

$$2) \ v_1 + v_2 = 0$$

$$\text{so } v_1 = -v_2$$

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

For  $\lambda = 3$

$$Ax - 3x = 0$$

$$= 1) \ -x_1 + x_2 = 0$$

$$= 2) \ x_1 - x_2 = 0$$

$$= 1) \ x_1 = x_2$$

$$= 2) \ x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

iii. Problem 9b iii. **Solution:** Solution to problem 9b iii.

We will prove this by induction. Since this already holds for the base case  $n = 1$ , we will assume that this holds for  $k = n-1$ . Now let  $k = n$ .

$$A^n v = A^{n-1} A v = \lambda A^{n-1} v = \lambda \lambda^{n-1} v = \lambda^n v$$

Because this holds for  $k = n$ , we can say that this holds for all values of  $n$ .

(c) Problem 9c

i. Problem 9c i. **Solution:** Solution to problem 9c i.

$$\frac{\partial a^T x}{\partial x} = a$$

ii. Problem 9c i. **Solution:** Solution to problem 9c i.  $\frac{\partial x^T A x}{\partial x} = 2Ax$

$$\frac{\partial^2 x^T A x}{\partial x^2} = 2A$$

(d) Problem 9d

i. Problem 9d i. **Solution:** Solution to problem 9d i.

Suppose we have two points  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  that satisfy the equation of the line. Then,

$$w^T x_1 + b = 0$$

$$w^T x_2 + b = 0$$

By subtracting the two equations, we get

$$w^T (x_1 - x_2) = 0$$

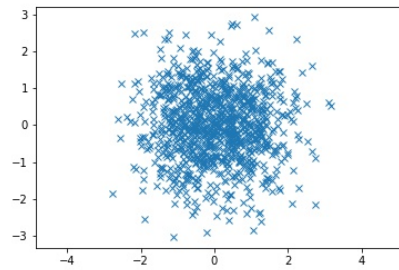
which means  $w$  is orthogonal to every point on the line.

ii. Problem 9d ii. **Solution:** Solution to problem 9d ii.

The distance from the origin to the line must be  $\frac{|b|}{\|w\|}$  because  $w$  is normal to the line and hence gives us the distance to the origin.

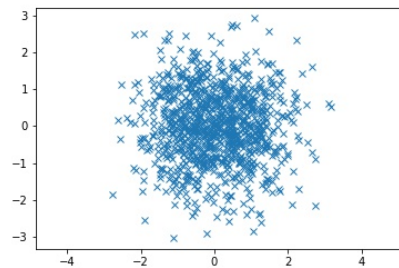
## 10 Problem 10

(a) Problem 10 a. **Solution:** Problem 10 a.



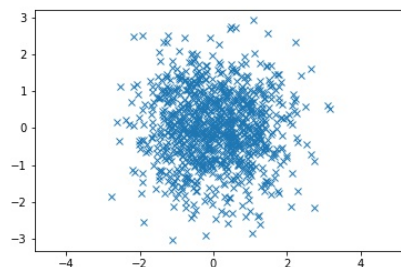
(b) Problem 10 b. **Solution:** Problem 10 b.

Figure 1: The plot is now centered at the point (1,1), but the shape stays roughly around the same.



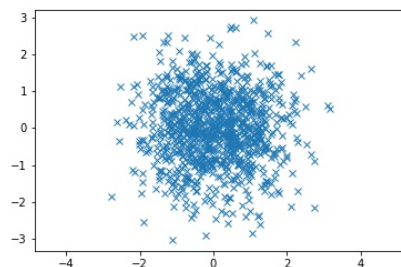
(c) Problem 10 c. **Solution:** Problem 10 c.

Figure 2: The points become more spread out, and hence the shape of the curve covers more area.



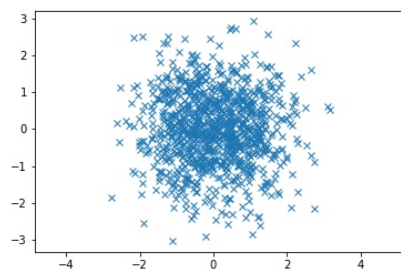
(d) Problem 10 d. **Solution:** Problem 10 d.

Figure 3: The scatter plot represents a line with slope  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Note that there are more points on the line that are close to the origin because the mean is 0.



(e) Problem 10 e. **Solution:** Problem 10 e.

Figure 4: The scatter plot represents a line with slope  $-\frac{1}{2}$ . Note that there are more points on the line that are close to the origin because the mean is 0.



## 11 Problem 11

The solution from running the command `np.linalg.eig` is  $v = (0, 1)$ , where  $v$  is the eigenvector associated with the largest eigenvalue,  $\lambda = 3$ .



## 12 Problem 12

- (a) 12 a. **Solution:** 12 a.

The data set is called Titanic dataset.

- (b) 12 b. **Solution:** 12 b.

The data can be obtained at <https://www.kaggle.com/c/titanic>

- (c) 12 c. **Solution:** 12 c.

The dataset has the following features: gender, pclass, sex, age, number of siblings, number of parents, ticket number, fare, cabin, and port of embarkation for each passenger. We are predicting whether each passenger survived or not.

- (d) 12 d. **Solution:** 12 d.

The training set has 891 examples and the testing set has 418 examples.

- (e) 12 e. **Solution:** 12 e.

Gender: M/F (Discrete)  
*pclass* : *Upper/Middle/Lower*(Discrete)  
age: 1 - max(age) (Discrete)  
*sibsp* : 0 – *max(number of siblings)*(Discrete)  
*parch*: 0 - max(number of parents) (Discrete)  
*ticket* – *6digitnumber*(Discrete)  
fare - Price of Fair (Continuous)  
*cabin* – *String(Categorized as Discrete Number)*  
embarked - 1 Letter code (Categorized as Discrete Number)