

CS473 Machine Learning HW1

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Question 1

In order for player 1 to win the game, he needs to either succeed in the 1st shot, or he fails the 1st shot, player 2 fails 2nd shot, and player 1 scores again and succeed on his 3rd shot, etc. The probability that player 1 succeeds is $1/5$, the probability that he fails is $4/5$. The probability that player 2 succeeds is $1/4$, the probability that player 2 fails is $3/4$. Player 1 wins when all previous shots are failed and he succeeds the 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, ... shots. And the probabilities for each is $1/5$, $(4/5) * (3/4) * (1/5)$, $(4/5) * (3/4) * (4/5) * (3/4) * (1/5)$, $(4/5) * (3/4) * (4/5) * (3/4) * (4/5) * (3/4) * (1/5)$, $(4/5) * (3/4) * (4/5) * (3/4) * (4/5) * (3/4) * (4/5) * (3/4) * (1/5)$...

The probability that player 1 wins is the sum of this geometric sequence, where $a = 1/5$, $r = (4/5) * (3/4) = 3/5$.

So the probability would be $S = a/(1-r) = (1/5)/(1-(3/5)) = (1/5)/(2/5) = 1/2$.

Question 2

$$P(COVID) = 0.01$$

$$P(notCOVID) = 1 - 0.01 = 0.99$$

$$P(positive | COVID) = 0.90$$

$$P(positive | notCOVID) = 0.10$$

$$P(COVID | positive)$$

$$= (P(positive | COVID) * P(COVID)) / (P(positive | COVID) * P(COVID) + P(positive | notCOVID) * P(notCOVID))$$

$$= (0.01 * 0.9) / (0.01 * 0.9 + 0.99 * 0.1)$$

$$= 0.09 / (0.09 + 0.099)$$

$$= 0.09 / 0.189$$

$$= 47.62\%$$

The probability that you have COVID given that you tested positive is 47.62%.

Question 3

No. By definition, a function is a PDF only if the sum of all the area beneath $f(x)$ and above x is equal to 1 and $f(x)$ is greater or equal to 0 for all values of x . Here, we see that when $x = 0$, $1/(1+x) = 1/1 = 1$, and when $x = 1$, $1/(1+x) = 1/2$. Only by looking at the function when $x = 0$ and 1, the sum of the area beneath these numbers are already $1 + 1/2 = 1.5$, which is greater than 1. Therefore, $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 1/(1+x) dx > 1$. And the sum of all the area beneath $f(x)$ and above x is not equal to 1. Therefore, this function is not a PDF.

Question 4

The function for $X+Y$ given that X and Y have the same density function is

$$g(x) = X + Y = \begin{cases} 4x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$P(X + Y \leq 1) = \text{total area of } g(x) \text{ below 1 and above 0} / \text{total area of } g(x) \text{ above 0}$.
 When $x = 0.25$, $g(x) = X+Y = 4x = 1$. When $x = 1$, $g(x) = X+Y = 4x = 4$. Therefore $g(x) > 1$ when $x > 0.25$. The total area under $g(x)$ and above the x-axis is $1 * 4 / 2 = 2$. The total area under $g(x)$ and above $g(x) = 1$ is $(1 - 0.25) * (4 - 1) / 2 = 0.75 * 3 / 2 = 1.125$. And the total area that $X + Y \leq 1$ is $2 - 1.125 = 0.875$.

Therefore, $P(X + Y \leq 1) = 0.875 / 2 = 0.4375$.

Question 5 $X \sim Unif(0, 1), Y = g(X) = e^X$. $\int_0^1 e^x dx$
 $= e^x + C \Big|_0^1$
 $= e^1 - e^0$
 $= e - 1$.
 The value of $E(y)$ is $e - 1$.

Question 6

$$P(X = k) = e^{-\lambda} * \lambda^k / k! \quad P(X_n < 5.5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(X = 0) + P(X = 1) + P(X = 2) + P(X = 3) + P(X = 4) + P(X = 5) \\ &= e^{-5} * 5^0 / 0! + e^{-5} * 5^1 / 1! + e^{-5} * 5^2 / 2! + e^{-5} * 5^3 / 3! + e^{-5} * 5^4 / 4! + e^{-5} * 5^5 / 5! \\ &= 0.6160 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the value of $P(X < 5.5)$ is 0.6160.

Question 7

Question 8

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 50 \\ 17 \\ 35 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 6 & 1 & 3 \\ 7 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 33 & 27 & 36 \end{bmatrix}$$

Question 9

- (a) Yes. A matrix is invertible if and only if its determinant is not equal to 0.

$$\begin{aligned} & \det \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 10 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= 6 * \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - 2 * \det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 10 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + 3 * \det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 10 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= 6 * (1 * 4 - 1 * 3) - 2 * (3 * 4 - 1 * 10) + 3 * (3 * 3 - 1 * 10) \\ &= -1 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

This matrix is invertible. $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & -3 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

- (b) No. A matrix is not invertible if its determinant is equal to 0.

$$\begin{aligned} & \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= 1 * \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - 0 + 1 * \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= 1 * (2 * 5 - 2 * 4) - 0 + 1 * (2 * 2 - 3 * 2) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

This matrix's determinant is equal to 0, so it is not invertible.

Question 10 Eigenvectors of a square matrix are vectors such that the matrix acts on such vectors, they remain in the same direction. An eigenvector of an $n \times n$ square matrix A is a nonzero vector \vec{x} , such that $A\vec{x} = \lambda\vec{x}$ for some scalar λ , and these λ are the eigenvalue of A .

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ We first find the determinant of $(A - \lambda I)$ and solve for $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 - \lambda & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & 1 - \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= -\lambda^3 + 2\lambda^2 + \lambda - 2$$

$$= -(\lambda + 1)(\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 2)$$

$$\lambda = 1, \lambda = -1, \lambda = 2$$

When $\lambda = 1$,

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here, we get the following system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 + 0x_3 = 0 \\ 0x_1 - 0x_2 + x_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Simplifying it, we get $x_3 = 0, x_1 = x_2, x_2 = x_2$. Therefore, when $\lambda = 1$, the

eigenvector is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

When $\lambda = -1$,

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here, we get the following system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 + 0x_3 = 0 \\ 0x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Simplifying it, we get $x_3 = x_3, x_2 = -1/2x_3, x_1 = 1/2x_3$. Therefore, when $\lambda =$

-1 , the eigenvector is $\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

When $\lambda = 2$,

$$A - \lambda I = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here, we get the following system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - 2x_2 + 0x_3 = 0 \\ 0x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Simplifying it, we get $x_3 = x_3, x_2 = -1/2x_3, x_1 = x_3$. Therefore, when $\lambda = -1$, the eigenvector is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Therefore, the eigenvalues are 1, -1, and 2. The eigenvectors are $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.