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HOMEWORK 4

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**Exercise 1.** Assume that the vector  $(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4)$  has a 4-dimensional normal distribution with mean 0 and arbitrary covariance matrix. Show that

$$\text{cov}(X_1 X_2, X_3 X_4) = \text{cov}(X_1, X_3) \text{cov}(X_2, X_4) + \text{cov}(X_1, X_4) \text{cov}(X_2, X_3).$$

**Exercise 2.** Let  $X$  be a  $k$ -dimensional vector with  $\mathbb{E}[X] = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^k$  and  $\mathbb{E}[X X^T] = \Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$ . We already know from the lecture that the first principal component  $\beta_1 \in \mathbb{R}^k$  is the eigenvector of  $\Sigma$  that corresponds to the largest eigenvalue  $\lambda_1$  of  $\Sigma$ . Show that the vector  $\beta_2 \in \mathbb{R}^k$  such that  $\|\beta_2\|^2 = 1$ ,  $\langle \beta_1, \beta_2 \rangle = 0$ , which maximises  $\text{var}(\beta_2^T X)$ , is the eigenvector of  $\Sigma$  that corresponds to the second largest eigenvalue  $\lambda_2$  of  $\Sigma$ .

**Exercise 3.** Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a sequence of i.i.d. random variables with common distribution  $\mathcal{N}_k(\mu, \Sigma)$ . Assume that the mean vector  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^k$  is known. Show that the maximum likelihood estimator of  $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$  is given by

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{\text{ML}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)(X_i - \mu)^T.$$

**Exercise 4.** (Numerical exercise to solve with R or Python).

Use the same prostate dataset as in the last sheet, which can be found at the link : "<https://hastie.su.domains/ElemStatLearn/>". We want to perform the regularization method known as Adaptive Lasso, which seeks to minimize

$$\|Y - Xb\|_2^2/n + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^k \hat{\omega}_j |b_j|,$$

where  $\lambda$  is the tuning parameter (chosen through 10-fold cross validation),  $b_j$  are the  $k$  estimated coefficients and  $\hat{\omega}_j$  are Adaptive Weights. We recall that

$$\hat{\omega}_j = \frac{1}{(|b_j^{in}|)^\gamma},$$

where  $b_j^{in}$  is an initial estimate of the coefficients and  $\gamma$  is a positive constant for adjustment of the Adaptive Weights.

1. Build the Ridge Regression model for the variable prostate antigen (lpsa). Use it to obtain the initial estimates of the coefficients  $b_j^{in}$ .
2. Create the Adaptive Weights  $\hat{\omega}_j$  for  $\gamma = 0, 5, 1$  and  $2$ . Choose the best  $\lambda$  through 10-fold cross validation.
3. Use the glmnet function to execute the adaptive Lasso. Plot the area under ROC (receiver operating characteristic) curve, also called AUC, and report the values of minimum  $\lambda$  (obtained for minimum AUC).