

EXAM IN MULTIVARIATE METHODS
27 September 2022

Time: 5 hours

Allowed aids: Pocket calculator, language dictionary

The exam consists of five questions. To score maximum points on a question solutions need to be clear, detailed and well motivated.

Results will be announced no later than October 11

Question 1. (16 Points)

Define and describe the following:

- (a) Multivariate data
- (b) Euclidean distance
- (c) False positive rate
- (d) Orthogonal vectors

Question 2. (16 Points)

The following correlation matrix is given

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Compute the eigenvalues and unnormalised eigenvectors of the correlation matrix (start with the eigenvalues).
- (b) Provide the normalised eigenvectors. How do they differ from the unnormalised eigenvectors and which ones do you use in principal components analysis? Why?
- (c) What proportion of the variance is accounted for by the first principal component?
- (d) Calculate the principal components scores for the observation $\mathbf{x} = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4})$?

Question 3. (16 Points)

For $p = 4$ variables and $M = 3$ factors, the following model is assumed:

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{F} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}.$$

Furthermore, the following assumptions are made $E(\mathbf{F}) = \mathbf{0}$, $E(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{F}^\top) = \mathbf{I}$, $E(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) = \mathbf{0}$, $E(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}\mathbf{F}^\top) = \mathbf{0}$, and $E(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^\top) = \mathbf{I}$.

- (a) What is $E(\mathbf{X})$?
- (b) Draw the graph of the model (be sure to include all variables and sources of variation).
- (c) With the observed correlation matrix decomposed as, $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{\Lambda}^\top + \mathbf{I}$, and with given

$$\mathbf{\Lambda} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix},$$

what is the residual variance for X_1 ?

- (d) What are the factor loadings for observation 2 if the solution is rotated by

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Question 4. (16 Points)

For n households (Netflix accounts), Netflix has denoted by x_{ij} if household i has watched more than 10 minutes of film/series j , $x_{ij} = 1$, or not $x_{ij} = 0$, for $j = 1, \dots, m$. The following data is provided for a subset of $n = 5$ households and $m = 6$ shows

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Cluster the *households* using nearest neighbour hierarchal clustering
- (b) Draw the dendrogram
- (c) How many clusters would you have decided upon - provide a reasoned motivation
- (d) What, if any, would be the reason for choosing nearest neighbour rather than centroid in this example?

Question 5. (16 Points)

A cross-sectional, medical dataset from Iran is provided. For a subset of $n = 10$ individuals, data are provided for a number of risk factors of coronary heart decease. Individuals are furthermore classified by whether they have been diagnosed with coronary artery disease or not. Data are provided in Table 1 and plotted in Figure 1

For the data we calculate

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 27.8 \\ 124.2 \end{bmatrix}, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 29.6 \\ 130.2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{SSCP}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 12.8 & -0.8 \\ -0.8 & 16.8 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{SSCP}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 11.2 & 21.4 \\ 21.4 & 66.8 \end{bmatrix}.$$

No diagnosis		Diagnosis	
x_1 : BP	x_2 : BMI	x_1 : BP	x_2 : BMI
27	126	29	125
27	124	27	127
27	126	30	132
27	121	31	135
31	124	31	132

Table 1: Systolic blood pressure and body mass index for individuals with diagnosed coronary artery disease and with no diagnosed coronary artery disease

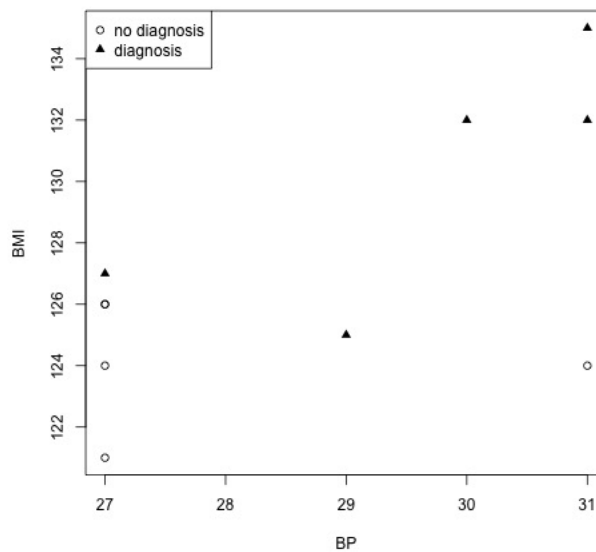


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- Calculate the pooled covariance matrix \mathbf{S}_{pool} .
- Calculate Fisher's linear discriminant function for these data.
- In addition to these two variables, gender (male: 0; female: 1), and smoking (yes: 1; no: 0), are included for all individuals. The (estimated) conditional probability that you will be diagnosed with coronary artery disease, given that you are a male smoker is much higher than for a non-smoking female. Could you use this information in your discriminant function? If not, how would you use it?