

EE 641 Midterm Exam

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**Instructions**

The following is an in-class closed-book exam.

- This exam contains 3 problems worth a total of 100 points.
- You may not use any notes, textbooks, or calculators.
- You are allowed up to 55 minutes to complete the exam.

Good luck.

**Problem 1.** (35pt)

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be i.i.d. Gaussian random vectors with distribution  $N(\mu, R)$  where  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^p$  and  $R \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$  is a symmetric positive-definite matrix, and let  $X = [X_1, \dots, X_n]$  be the  $p \times n$  matrix containing all the random vectors. Let  $\theta = [\mu, R]$  denote the parameter vector for the distribution, and let  $b$  and  $S$  be sufficient statistics defined by

$$b = \sum_{k=1}^n X_k \quad (1)$$

$$S = \sum_{k=1}^n X_k X_k^t = X X^t. \quad (2)$$

a) Derive the following expressions for the probability density of  $p(x|\theta)$ .

$$p(x|\theta) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{np/2}} |R|^{-n/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \{ S R^{-1} \} + b^t R^{-1} \mu - \frac{n}{2} \mu^t R^{-1} \mu \right\} \quad (3)$$

b) Compute the joint ML estimate of  $\mu$  and  $R$ .

**Hints:** For any invertible matrix  $A$ ,

$$\frac{\partial |A|}{\partial A} = |A| A^{-1}$$

$$\frac{\partial \text{tr}(BA)}{\partial A} = B,$$

and for any two matrices  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,

$$\text{tr}\{AB\} = \text{tr}\{BA\}.$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 a) \quad P(x|\theta) &= P(x_1|\theta) P(x_2|\theta) \cdots P(x_n|\theta) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{p}{2}}} |R|^{-1/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (x_i - \mu)^T R^{-1} (x_i - \mu) \right\} \\
 &= (2\pi)^{-np/2} |R|^{-n/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i^T R^{-1} x_i + \mu^T R^{-1} \mu - 2 x_i^T R^{-1} \mu) \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{np/2}} |R|^{-n/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i^T R^{-1} \right\} - \frac{n}{2} \mu^T R^{-1} \mu + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^T R^{-1} \mu \right\} \\
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 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{np/2}} |R|^{-n/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \{ S R^{-1} \} + b^T R^{-1} \mu - \frac{n}{2} \mu^T R^{-1} \mu \right\} \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

b) Let  $\hat{\mu}_{ML}, \hat{R}_{ML}$  be ML estimate for the parameters,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\mu}_{ML}, \hat{R}_{ML} &= \arg \max_{\mu, R} P(x|\theta) \\
 &= \arg \max_{\mu, R} \log P(x|\theta).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\log P(x|\theta) = -np/2 \log(2\pi) + \frac{n}{2} \log |R| - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \{ S R^{-1} \} - \frac{n}{2} \mu^T R^{-1} \mu + b^T R^{-1} \mu$$

To compute ML Estimate, we need to solve

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \log P(x|\theta)}{\partial \mu} = R^{-1} b - n R^{-1} \mu = 0. \\ \frac{\partial \log P(x|\theta)}{\partial R^{-1}} = \frac{n}{2} \frac{1}{|R|} |R| R^{-1} - \frac{S}{2} + b^T \mu - \frac{n}{2} \mu^T \mu = 0 \end{cases}$$

We have

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mu} = b/n \\ \hat{R} = S/n - \hat{\mu} \hat{\mu}^T \end{cases}$$

check Hessian Matrix P.D. so.

$$\hat{\mu}_{ML} = b/n$$

$$\hat{R}_{ML} = S/n - \hat{\mu} \hat{\mu}^T \quad \square$$

## Problem 2. (35pt)

Let  $X \in \mathbb{R}^N$  be an  $N$  pixel image that we would like to measure, and let  $Y \in \mathbb{R}^N$  be the noisy measurements given by

$$Y = AX + W$$

where  $A$  is an  $N \times N$  nonsingular matrix,  $W$  is a vector of i.i.d. Gaussian noise with  $W \sim N(0, \Lambda^{-1})$ . Furthermore, in a Bayesian framework, assume that  $X$  is a GMRF with noncausal prediction filter  $g_s$  and noncausal prediction variance  $\sigma^2$ .

- Derive an expression for the ML estimate of  $X$ .
- Derive an expression for the MAP cost function  $f(x)$ .
- Derive an expression for the MAP estimate of  $X$  under the assumption that  $X$  is a zero mean GMRF with inverse covariance matrix  $B$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } P_{Y|X}(Y|X) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{N/2}} |\Lambda|^{1/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (Y - AX)^T \Lambda (Y - AX) \right\} \\ \hat{X}_{ML} &= \arg \max_x P(Y|X) \quad \text{take derivative of } P(Y|X) \text{ and set it to zero.} \\ &= (A^T \Lambda A)^{-1} A^T \Lambda Y = A^{-1} Y \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \log P_{X|Y}(X|Y) &= \log P_{Y|X}(Y|X) + \log P_X(X) - \log P_Y(Y) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} (Y - AX)^T \Lambda (Y - AX) - \frac{1}{2} X^T B X + c(Y) \rightarrow \text{constant w.r.t } X \end{aligned}$$

Where  $B$  is  $N$  by  $N$  matrix, and  $B_{i,j} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (\delta_{i-j} - g_{i-j})$ .

Then <sup>MAP</sup> cost function  $f(x)$  is defined as. (ignoring  $c(Y)$ )

$$f(x) = -\log P_{X|Y}(X|Y) + c(Y) = \frac{1}{2} (Y - AX)^T \Lambda (Y - AX) + \frac{1}{2} X^T B X$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } X_{MAP} &= \arg \min_x f(x) \\ &= \arg \min_x \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (Y - AX)^T \Lambda (Y - AX) + \frac{1}{2} X^T B X \right\} \quad \text{take derivative w.r.t } x \text{ and set to zero} \\ &= (A^T \Lambda A + B)^{-1} A^T \Lambda Y \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 3.** (30pt)

Let  $X \in \mathbb{R}^N$  have a Gibbs distribution with the form

$$p(x|\sigma) = \frac{1}{z} \exp \left\{ - \sum_{\{s,r\} \in \mathcal{P}} b_{s,r} \rho \left( \frac{x_s - x_r}{\sigma} \right) \right\} .$$

Then prove that the partition function is given by

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$$\begin{aligned} z_0 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \exp \left\{ - \sum_{\{s,r\} \in \mathcal{P}} b_{s,r} \rho(x_s - x_r) \right\} dx. \\ Z(\sigma) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \exp \left\{ - \sum_{\{s,r\} \in \mathcal{P}} b_{s,r} \rho \left( \frac{x_s - x_r}{\sigma} \right) \right\} dx \\ &= \int_{x_1} \cdots \int_{x_N} \exp \left\{ - \sum_{\{s,r\} \in \mathcal{P}} b_{s,r} \rho \left( \frac{x_s - x_r}{\sigma} \right) \right\} dx_1 \cdots dx_N \quad (\text{Let } \sigma x'_s = x_s) \\ &\stackrel{\text{Let}}{=} \int_{x'_1} \cdots \int_{x'_N} \exp \left\{ - \sum_{\{s,r\} \in \mathcal{P}} b_{s,r} \rho(x'_s - x'_r) \right\} d\sigma x_1 \cdots d\sigma x_N \\ &= \sigma^N \int_{x_1} \cdots \int_{x_N} \exp \left\{ - \sum_{\{s,r\} \in \mathcal{P}} b_{s,r} \rho(x_s - x_r) \right\} dx_1 \cdots dx_N \\ &= \sigma^N \cdot \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \exp \left\{ - \sum_{\{s,r\} \in \mathcal{P}} b_{s,r} \rho(x_s - x_r) \right\} dx \\ &= z_0 \sigma^N \quad \square \end{aligned}$$