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## STA 431s13 Quiz 2

$$E(g(X)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_X(x) dx, \quad \text{or } E(g(X)) = \sum_x g(x) p_X(x)$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E[(X - \mu_X)^2] \quad \text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)]$$

$$\text{Corr}(X, Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X)\text{Var}(Y)}} \quad \Sigma = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{P}'$$

$$V(\mathbf{X}) = E\{(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_x)(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_x)'\} \quad C(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) = E\{(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_x)(\mathbf{Y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_y)'\}$$

$$\text{If } \mathbf{X} \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma), \text{ then } \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} \sim N(\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{A}\Sigma\mathbf{A}').$$

1. (4 points) Show that the trace of a square symmetric matrix is the sum of its eigenvalues.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(\Sigma) &= \text{tr}(\underbrace{\mathbf{P}}_A \underbrace{\mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{P}'}_B) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{P}' \mathbf{P}) \\ &= \text{tr}(\mathbf{\Lambda}) = \sum_j \lambda_j \end{aligned}$$

2. (4 points) Let  $\mathbf{X}$  be a random vector with expected value  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  and variance-covariance matrix  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ , and let  $\mathbf{A}$  be a matrix of constants. Derive an expression for  $V(\mathbf{AX})$ . Start with the definition of a variance-covariance matrix from the formula sheet.

$$E(\mathbf{AX}) = \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu}$$

$$V(\mathbf{AX}) = E\{(\mathbf{AX} - \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{AX} - \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu})'\}$$

$$= E\{\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})[\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})]'\}$$

$$= E\{\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})'\mathbf{A}'\}$$

$$= \mathbf{A} E\{(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})'\} \mathbf{A}'$$

$$= \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{A}'$$

3. (2 points) In homework, you were asked to obtain a numerical maximum likelihood for the parameter  $\alpha$  of a one-parameter gamma distribution.

(a) Write the number from your printout in the space below.

(b) Attach your printout to the quiz. Make sure your name is written on the printout.  
**Circle the MLE  $\hat{\alpha}$  on your printout.**