

Homework 2: Convergence and Linear Algebra

Instructions: Your answers are due **at 1:10, before** the beginning of class on the due date. You **must turn in a pdf through** canvas. I recommend using latex (<http://www.cs.utah.edu/~jeffp/teaching/latex/>, see also <http://overleaf.com>) for producing the assignment answers. If the answers are too hard to read you will lose points, entire questions may be given a 0 (e.g. **sloppy pictures with your phone's camera are not ok, but very careful ones are**)

Please make sure your name appears at the top of the page.

You may discuss the concepts with your classmates, but write up the answers entirely on your own. **Be sure to show all the work involved in deriving your answers! If you just give a final answer without explanation, you may not receive credit for that question.**

- [30 points]** Consider a random variable X with expected values $\mathbf{E}[X] = 100$ and variance $\mathbf{Var}[X] = 144$. We would like to upper bound the probability $\mathbf{Pr}[X < 75]$.
 - Which bound can and cannot be used with what we know about X (Markov, Chebyshev, or Chernoff-Hoeffding), and why?
 - Using that bound, calculate an upper bound for $\mathbf{Pr}[X < 75]$.
 - Describe a probability distribution for X where the other two bounds are definitely not applicable.
- [30 points]** Consider n iid random variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n with expected value $\mathbf{E}[X_i] = 7$ and variance $\mathbf{Var}[X_i] = 2$. Assume we also know that each X_i must satisfy $1 \leq X_i \leq 13$. We now want to analyze the random variable of their average $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.

Assume first that $n = 2$ (the number of random variables).

 - Use the Chebyshev inequality to upper bound $\mathbf{Pr}[\bar{X} > 12]$.
 - Use the Chernoff-Hoeffding inequality to upper bound $\mathbf{Pr}[\bar{X} > 12]$.

Now assume first that $n = 20$ (the number of random variables).

 - Use the Chebyshev inequality to upper bound $\mathbf{Pr}[\bar{X} > 12]$.
 - Use the Chernoff-Hoeffding inequality to upper bound $\mathbf{Pr}[\bar{X} > 12]$.
- [15 points]** Consider the following 2 vectors in \mathbb{R}^4 :

$$\begin{aligned} p &= (1, -2, 4, \mathbf{x}) \\ q &= (2, -4, 8, -2) \end{aligned}$$

Report the following:

- Choose the value \mathbf{x} so that p and q are linearly dependent
- Choose the value \mathbf{x} so that p and q are orthogonal
- Calculate $\|q\|_1$

(d) Calculate $\|q\|_2^2$

4. [25 points] Consider the following 2 matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & -2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Report the following:

(a) $A^T B$

(b) AB

(c) BA

(d) $B + A$

(e) B^T

(f) Which matrices are invertible? For any that are invertible, report the result.