

## Homework 2: Convergence and Linear Algebra

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**Instructions:** Your answers are due at 11:50pm submitted on canvas. 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.**

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- [30 points]** Consider a random variable  $X$  with expected values  $\mathbf{E}[X] = 10$  and variance  $\mathbf{Var}[X] = 2$ . We would like to upper bound the probability  $\mathbf{Pr}[X > 12]$ .
  - 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  $\mathbf{Pr}[X > 12]$ .
  - Describe a probability distribution for  $X$  where the other two bounds are definitely not applicable.
- [30 points]** Consider a pdf  $f$  so that a random variable  $X \sim f$  has expected value  $\mathbf{E}(X) = 2$  and variance  $\mathbf{Var}(X) = 4$ . Now consider  $n = 10$  iid random variables  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{10}$  drawn from  $f$ . Let  $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i$ 
  - What is  $\mathbf{E}(\bar{X})$ ?
  - What is  $\mathbf{Var}(\bar{X})$ ?  
Assume we know  $X$  is never smaller than 0 and never larger than 7
  - Use Markov inequality to upper bound  $\mathbf{Pr}(\bar{X} > 3)$
  - Use Chebyshev inequality to upper bound  $\mathbf{Pr}(\bar{X} > 3)$
  - Use Chernoff-Hoeffding inequality to upper bound  $\mathbf{Pr}(\bar{X} > 3)$
  - Now suppose  $n = 100$ . Calculate the 3 bounds again. For this part, also make sure to report the *name* of the inequality that gives the tightest bound, the second tightest bound, and the third tightest bound respectively.
- [15 points]** Consider the following 2 vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^4$ :

$$\begin{aligned} p &= (2, -4, 8, \mathbf{x}) \\ q &= (4, -8, 16, -10) \end{aligned}$$

Report the following:

- (a) Choose the value  $x$  so that  $p$  and  $q$  are linearly dependent
- (b) Choose the value  $x$  so that  $p$  and  $q$  are orthogonal
- (c) Choose a single value of  $x$  so that  $p$  and  $q$  are neither linearly dependent nor orthogonal
- (d) Calculate  $\|q\|_1$
- (e) Calculate  $\|q\|_2^2$

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

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

Report the following (e.g using Python):

- (a)  $A^T B$
- (b)  $AB$
- (c)  $BA$
- (d)  $B + A$
- (e)  $B^T$
- (f) Which matrices are invertable? For any that are invertable, report the result.