

# Multivariate Normal continued...

Suppose that  $X = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)^T$  can be partitioned into

$$X_{(1)} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{p_1})^T$$

$$X_{(2)} = (X_{p_1+1}, X_{p_1+2}, \dots, X_p)^T \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{of cov} \\ p = p_1 + p_2 \end{array}$$

Like wise, we can partition  $\mu$  and  $\Sigma$ . Thus, we can say:

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{(1)} \\ X_{(2)} \end{pmatrix} \sim N_p \left( \begin{pmatrix} \mu_{(1)} \\ \mu_{(2)} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$p_1 \times p_1$     $p_1 \times p_2$   
 $p_2 \times p_1$     $p_2 \times p_2$

If the original vector has a  $N_p$  distribution mean

$$\Rightarrow X_{(2)} | X_{(1)} \sim N_{p_2} \left( \mu_{(2)} + \Sigma_{21} \Sigma_{11}^{-1} (X_{(1)} - \mu_{(1)}), \Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{21} \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12} \right)$$

Conditional distribution  
of  $X_{(2)}$  given  $X_{(1)}$

If  $p_1 = p_2 = 1$  (Say I know the height and I want the distribution of the weight)

weight   height

$$X_2 | X_1 \sim N \left( \mu_2 + \frac{\sigma_{12}}{\sigma_{11}} (X_1 - \mu_1), \sigma_{22} - \frac{\sigma_{12}^2}{\sigma_{11}} \right)$$

var

mean of weight

Std. dev  
of weight

How much  
the height  
deviated  
from the  
avg. height

Sqrt of  
covariance between  
height and weight

If we let  $\mu_1, \mu_2 = 0$  (if we center our data)

$$x_2 | x_1 \sim N\left(\frac{\sigma_{12}}{\sigma_{11}} x_1, \text{some variance}\right)$$

Linear regression coefficient

$$x_2 = \frac{\sigma_{12}}{\sigma_{11}} \cdot x_1$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_2 | x_1 \sim N\left(\text{Mean}, \sigma_{22} - \frac{\sigma_{21} \cdot \sigma_{12}}{\sigma_{11}}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 | x_1 \sim N\left(\text{Mean}, \sigma_{22} - \frac{\sigma_{12}^2}{\sigma_{11}}\right)$$

Note:  $\frac{\sigma_{12}^2}{\sigma_{11} \sigma_{22}} = r^2$

$$r = \frac{\sigma_{12}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{11} \sigma_{22}}}$$

$$\frac{\sigma_{22}^2}{\sigma_{22}} - \frac{\sigma_{12}^2}{\sigma_{11}}$$

$$\frac{\sigma_{22} \sigma_{11} - \sigma_{12}^2}{\sigma_{22} \sigma_{11}}$$

$$\sigma_{22} \left( \frac{\sigma_{22}\sigma_{11} - \sigma_{12}^2}{\sigma_{22}\sigma_{11}} \right)$$

$$\sigma_{22}(1 - r^2)$$

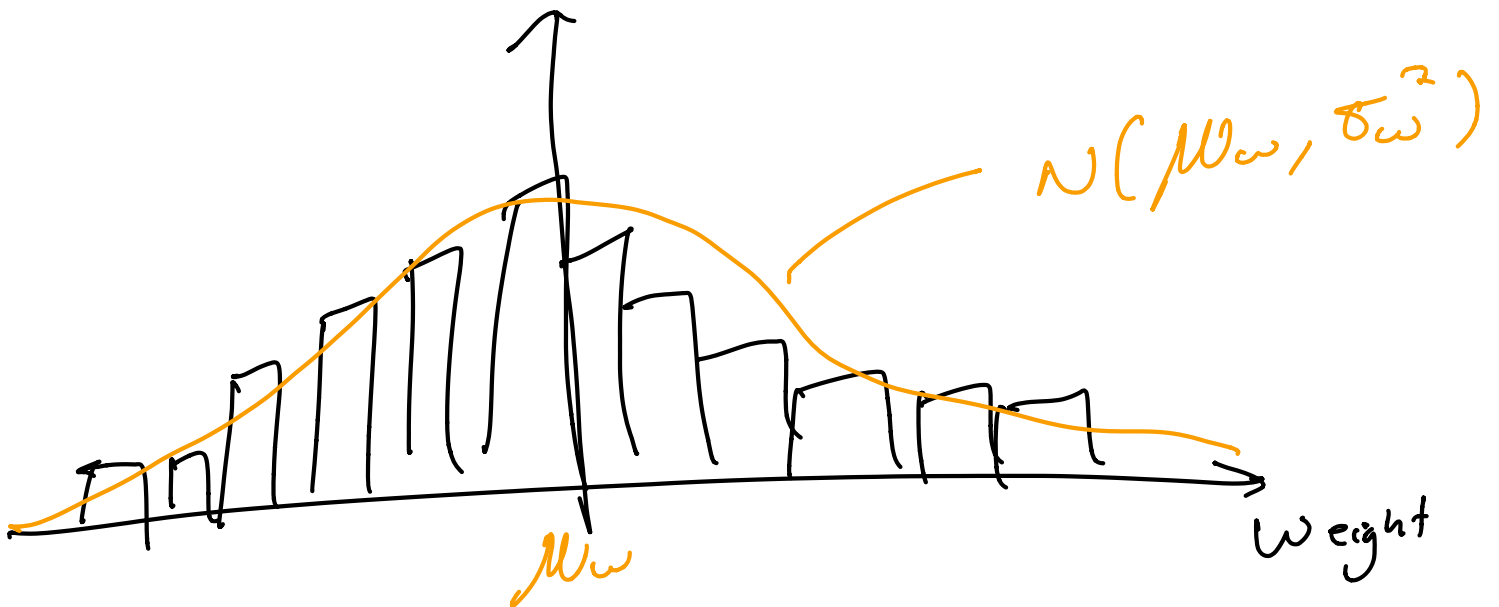
$$x_2 | x_1 \sim N(\text{mean}, \sigma_{22}(1 - r^2))$$

std. dev of  $x_2$

Fraction of unexplained variability.

Compare with

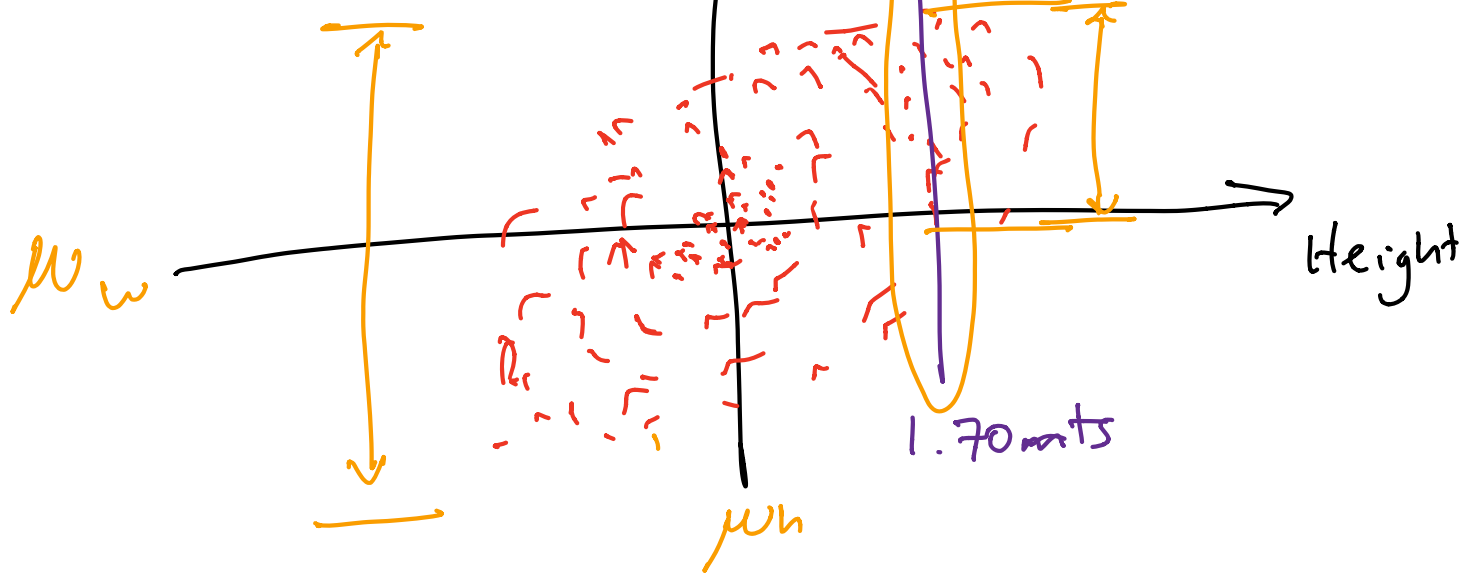
$$x_2 \sim N(\text{mean}, \sigma_{22})$$



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If (height, weight) is MVN

$\nwarrow$  weight



## Use of MVN in Bayesian Inference.

First, univariate case ...

$$\mu \sim N(\underbrace{m}_{\text{Prior mean}}, \underbrace{A}_{\text{Prior variance}})$$

$$f_x(\mu) \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$\Rightarrow$  Can be shown that

$$\mu | x \sim N\left(m + \frac{A}{A + \sigma^2} (x - m), \underbrace{\frac{A \sigma^2}{A + \sigma^2}}_{\text{variance}}\right)$$

Posterior distr  
for the mean

Expectation of posterior

$$\hat{\mu}_{\text{Bayes}} = m + \frac{A}{A + \sigma^2} (x - m)$$

distr.

Multivariate Equivalent is:

$$\mu \sim N_p(\mu, A) \text{ and } f_x(\mu) \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu | x \sim N_p(\mu + A(A + \Sigma)^{-1}(x - \mu), A(A + \Sigma)^{-1}\Sigma)$$



Fisher Information for Multiparameter Families

- The MLE definitions and results for multiparameter case are one direct analogue of single parameter result.

→ Score function

Gradient

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\ell}_x(\mu) &= \nabla_{\mu} \{ \log f_{\mu}(x) \} = \nabla_{\mu} \{ \ell_x(\mu) \} \\ &= \left[ \frac{\partial \ell_x(\mu)}{\partial \mu_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial \ell_x(\mu)}{\partial \mu_i}, \dots, \frac{\partial \ell_x(\mu)}{\partial \mu_p} \right]^T \end{aligned}$$

→ Further, it still has mean zero.

$$E_{\mu} [\dot{\ell}_x(\mu)] = \underline{0} = [0, 0, \dots, 0]^T$$

- Fisher Information

$$I_{\mu} = -E_{\mu} [\ddot{\ell}_x(\mu)] \quad \checkmark$$

$$\underline{I_{\mu}} = E_{\mu} [\dot{\ell}_x(\mu) \dot{\ell}_x(\mu)^T] = \left( E_{\mu} \left[ \frac{\partial \ell_x(\mu)}{\partial \mu_i} \cdot \frac{\partial \ell_x(\mu)}{\partial \mu_j} \right] \right)$$

Hint:

$$\int_{\mathcal{X}} f(x) [x - E(x)]^2 dx$$

univariate

$$\int_{\mathcal{X}} f(x) \underbrace{x^2}_{\text{circled}} dx \rightarrow \int_{\mathcal{X}} f(x) [E(x)]^2 dx$$

X

- Fisher Information is a matrix in the multidimensional setting.

- Fisher's Fundamental Theorem of MLE for multidimensional case states:

$$\hat{\mu}_{MLE} \underset{\text{approx}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}_p(\mu, \mathcal{I}_{\mu}^{-1})$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

