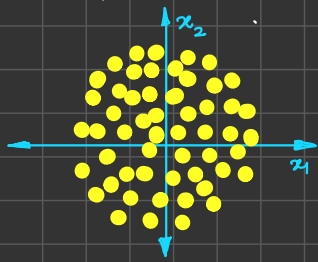


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Assumption: Let  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  two independent normal r.v with  $N_1(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$  and  $N_2(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$  respectively. It is clear from the adjacent scatter plot that the two are independent. i.e. there is **NO** correlation between them. when  $x_1$  changes, there is very little information about corresponding changes in  $x_2$ .  $\sigma_{12} = 0$   $\rho_{12} = 0$



$$f(x_1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1}\right)^2\right\} \quad -\infty \leq x_1 \leq \infty$$

and  $f(x_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2}\right)^2\right\} \quad -\infty \leq x_2 \leq \infty$

As  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are independent, therefore their JOINT DISTRIBUTION is given as follows  $f(A, B) = f(A) \cdot f(B)$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, x_2) &= \prod_{i=1}^2 f(x_i) \\ &= f(x_1) \cdot f(x_2) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1}\right)^2} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2}\right)^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2} (\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2)^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left[ \underbrace{\left(\frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2}\right)^2}_{\text{exponent}} \right]} \quad \text{--- (1)} \\ &\quad \text{normalizing constant.} \end{aligned}$$

2. We want to derive the normalizing constant and the exponent part from the Population parameters mean vector  $\underline{\mu}$  and the covariance matrix  $\underline{\Sigma}$  where

$$\underline{\mu} = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{\Sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider the determinant  $|\underline{\Sigma}|$

$$|\underline{\Sigma}| = \begin{vmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_2^2 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{But due to independency } \sigma_{12} = \sigma_{21} = 0$$

$$\therefore |\underline{\Sigma}| = \begin{vmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{vmatrix} = \sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 \quad \text{This implies } |\underline{\Sigma}| = \sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 \quad \text{or } |\underline{\Sigma}|^{1/2} = (\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2)^{1/2}$$

Thus, only the constant part of the joint distribution =  $\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2} (\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2)^{1/2}} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2} |\underline{\Sigma}|^{1/2}}$

NOTE: For a 3-D Normal r.v.  $\underline{X}$ , we can use analogy and write the expression for the exponential term as below:

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} \quad \therefore \underline{\mu} = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \\ \mu_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{\Sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_3^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then the constant component  
of the **JOINT DISTRIBUTION**

$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2} (\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 \sigma_3^2)^{1/2}} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2} |\underline{\Sigma}|^{1/2}}$$

**NOTE:** We can generalize this to a 'p' dimensional Normal distribution.  
The constant term in the **JOINT DISTRIBUTION** can be similarly expressed as

$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\underline{\Sigma}|^{1/2}}$$

③ Now, we derive the exponent term of the **BIVARIATE** case.

$$\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( \frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2} \right)^2 \right] \right\}$$

Now, for comparison sake, consider the **UNIVARIATE** case exponential term:

$$e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \right)^2} = e^{-\frac{1}{2} [(x - \mu) (\sigma^2)^{-1} (x - \mu)]} \quad \text{Note: } \mu \text{ \& } \sigma^2 \text{ are SCALARS.}$$

In order to convert this expression to **MULTI-VARIATE** case, replace  $x \rightarrow \underline{x}$ ;  $\mu \rightarrow \underline{\mu}$   
and  $\sigma^2 \rightarrow \underline{\Sigma}$  (Matrices)

In the matrix form, the exponent term of a Multivariate

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{1}{2} \left\{ (\underline{x} - \underline{\mu})^T \underline{\Sigma}^{-1} (\underline{x} - \underline{\mu}) \right\} \\ & \therefore -\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 - \mu_1 & x_2 - \mu_2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{A } 1 \times 2} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}}_{\text{B } 2 \times 2} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 - \mu_1 \\ x_2 - \mu_2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{C } 2 \times 1} \quad \text{--- (1)} \end{aligned}$$

**NOTE:** that the resultant term of these matrix multiplication is  $1 \times 1$   
 $\therefore$  constant term.

\* How to calculate Matrix Inverse of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{|A|} \text{adjoint}(A)$

where, adjoint is the transpose of the cofactor elements.

$$\underline{\Sigma}^{-1} = \frac{1}{|\underline{\Sigma}|} \text{cofactor of } [\underline{\Sigma}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2} \begin{bmatrix} (-1)^{1+1} \sigma_2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^{2+2} \sigma_1^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \underline{\Sigma}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_1^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{--- (B)}$$

∴ Eq<sup>n</sup> ① becomes,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{-1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} (x_1 - \mu_1) & (x_2 - \mu_2) \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_1^2 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - \mu_1 \\ x_2 - \mu_2 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 1} \\
 &= \frac{-1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} (x_1 - \mu_1) & (x_2 - \mu_2) \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_2^2 (x_1 - \mu_1) \\ \sigma_1^2 (x_2 - \mu_2) \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 1} \\
 &= \frac{-1}{2 \sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2} \left[ \sigma_2^2 (x_1 - \mu_1)^2 + \sigma_1^2 (x_2 - \mu_2)^2 \right]_{1 \times 1} \\
 &= \frac{-1}{2} \left[ \left( \frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2} \right)^2 \right] \quad \text{QED}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus the Bivariate Normal Distribution

$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{1/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ \frac{-1}{2} \left[ (\underline{x} - \underline{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\underline{x} - \underline{\mu}) \right] \right\}$$

\* Now, consider the case where  $x_1$  &  $x_2$  are CORRELATED. i.e.  $\sigma_{12} \neq 0$

$$\therefore \text{covariance matrix } \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Determinant } |\Sigma| &= \begin{vmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_2^2 \end{vmatrix} = \sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 - \sigma_{12}^2 & \text{Covariance} = (\text{correlation} \times \text{std. dev}) \\
 &= \sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 - (\rho_{12} \sigma_1 \sigma_2)^2 \\
 &= \sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 (1 - \rho_{12}^2) & \text{where } \rho_{12} = \text{correlation bet}^n x_1 \text{ \& } x_2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } \Sigma^{-1} &= \frac{1}{|\Sigma|} \text{adjoint } [\Sigma] \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 (1 - \rho_{12}^2)} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & -\sigma_{12} \\ -\sigma_{12} & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 - \sigma_{12}^2)} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & -\sigma_{12} \\ -\sigma_{12} & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{QED}
 \end{aligned}$$

And, the Exponent term of the JOINT DISTRIBUTION

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{-1}{2} \left[ (\underline{x} - \underline{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\underline{x} - \underline{\mu}) \right] \\
 &= \frac{-1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - \mu_1 & x_2 - \mu_2 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 - \sigma_{12}^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & -\sigma_{12} \\ -\sigma_{12} & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - \mu_1 \\ x_2 - \mu_2 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 1} \\
 &= \frac{-1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - \mu_1 & x_2 - \mu_2 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 2} \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 - \sigma_{12}^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 (x_1 - \mu_1) - \sigma_{12} (x_2 - \mu_2) \\ -\sigma_{12} (x_1 - \mu_1) + \sigma_2^2 (x_2 - \mu_2) \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2(\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 - \sigma_{12}^2)} \left[ \frac{\sigma_2^2}{2} (x_1 - \mu_1)^2 - \sigma_{12} (x_1 - \mu_1)(x_2 - \mu_2) - \sigma_{12} (x_1 - \mu_1)(x_2 - \mu_2) + \sigma_1^2 (x_2 - \mu_2)^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2(\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 - \sigma_{12}^2)} \left[ \frac{\sigma_2^2}{2} (x_1 - \mu_1)^2 - 2\sigma_{12} (x_1 - \mu_1)(x_2 - \mu_2) + \sigma_1^2 (x_2 - \mu_2)^2 \right]$$

Multiply and divide by  $(\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2)$

$$= \frac{-1}{2} \frac{\cancel{\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2}}{\cancel{\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2} (1 - \rho_{12}^2)} \left[ \left( \frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1} \right)^2 - \cancel{2\sigma_{12}}_{\sigma_1 \sigma_2} \left( \frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1} \right) \left( \frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2} \right) + \left( \frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2} \right)^2 \right]$$

Correlation =  $\rho_{12}$

exponent Term =

$$\frac{-1}{2(1 - \rho_{12}^2)} \left[ \left( \frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1} \right)^2 - 2\rho_{12} \left( \frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1} \right) \left( \frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2} \right) + \left( \frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2} \right)^2 \right]$$

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