

Homework #10

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Problem 1. Solve Exercise 4.33.

Let $X_i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ be statistically independent, normally distributed random variables with zero mean and unit variance. Consider the random variable Y to be the sum of squares $Y = X_1^2 + X_2^2 + \dots + X_n^2$.

4.33.a Find Y 's probability density. This density is known as the χ^2 density with n degrees of freedom, and we say $Y \sim \chi_n^2$. Show that the mean of this density is n .

4.33.b Repeat for the random variable $Z = \sqrt{X_1^2 + X_2^2 + \dots + X_n^2}$. This density is known as the χ density with n degrees of freedom.

Solution:

4.33.a

Chi-Squared Distribution

Begin with the normally distributed variable X . The pdf for a normally distributed variable is

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left[-\frac{(x-\sigma)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right]$$

For a mean of zero and the variance of one this becomes

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{x^2}{2}\right]$$

If we let $Y = X^2$ then Y also has a chi-squared distribution with one degree of freedom.

$$\begin{aligned} f(y) &= y = x^2 \\ f^{-1}(y) &= x = \sqrt{y} \end{aligned}$$

Using the change of variables equation (equation 4.23)

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= f_X(f^{-1}(y)) \left| \det \frac{df^{-1}(y)}{dy} \right| \\ \left| \det \frac{df^{-1}(y)}{dy} \right| &= \frac{d}{dy} y^{1/2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \\ f_Y(y) &= f_X(\sqrt{y}) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \end{aligned}$$

But because $\pm x$ gives the same results

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= f_X(\sqrt{y}) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} + f_X(-\sqrt{y}) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \\ f_X(\sqrt{y}) &= f_X(-\sqrt{y}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{y}{2}\right] \end{aligned}$$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[\frac{-y}{2}\right] \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[\frac{-y}{2}\right] \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi y}} \exp\left[\frac{-y}{2}\right]$$

Given the characteristic function for X , the characteristic function of a one-dimensional Y can be found

$$\varphi_X(t) = E[e^{itx}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{itx} f_X(x) dx$$

$$\varphi_Y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ity} f_Y(y) dy$$

$$\varphi_Y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ity} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi y}} \exp\left[\frac{-y}{2}\right] dy$$

$$\varphi_Y(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ity} \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} \exp\left[\frac{-y}{2}\right] dy$$

$$\varphi_Y(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-2it}}$$

Now expanding this to an n-dimensional case using the property for $\eta = \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 + \dots \epsilon_n$ (equation 4.8)

$$\varphi_{\eta}(t) = \varphi_{\epsilon_1}(t) \varphi_{\epsilon_2}(t) \dots \varphi_{\epsilon_n}(t)$$

and defining $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$ the characteristic equation becomes

$$\varphi_Y(j\omega) = \frac{1}{(1-2it)^{\frac{n}{2}}}$$

Moving from the characteristic function back to the probability density (equation on p.354)

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ity} \varphi_Y(t) dt$$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ity} \frac{1}{(1-2it)^{\frac{n}{2}}} dt$$

Defining the gamma function

$$\Gamma(z) = \int_0^{\infty} x^{z-1} e^{-x} dx$$

$$\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) = \int_0^{\infty} y^{\frac{n}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{y}{2}} dy$$

Taking the inverse transform of the characteristic function gives the n-dimensional χ^2 probability density for $y \geq 0$. For $y < 0$ then $f_Y(y) = 0$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2^{n/2} \Gamma(n/2)} y^{n/2-1} e^{-y/2}$$

4.33.b

CHI DISTRIBUTION

For the chi distribution, we now consider $Z = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{X_i - \mu_i}{\sigma_i}\right)^2} = \sqrt{x}$. Beginning with the χ^2 probability density

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}\Gamma(n/2)} y^{n/2-1} e^{-y/2}$$

Apply the change of variables formula with the mapping relationship $z = y^2$ and $y = \sqrt{z}$.

$$g(z) = f(y) \frac{dy}{dz} = f(z^2) 2z$$

$$g(z) = f_Z(z) = \frac{2z}{2^{n/2}\Gamma(n/2)} (z^2)^{n/2-1} e^{-z^2/2}$$

$$f_Z(z) = \frac{2z^1 z^{n-2} e^{-z^2/2}}{2^{n/2}\Gamma(n/2)}$$

Simplifying $z^1 z^{n-2} = z^{n-1}$ and $\frac{2}{2^{n/2}} = 2^{1-n/2}$ gives the Chi probability density

$$f_Z(z) = \frac{2^{1-n/2} z^{n-1} e^{-z^2/2}}{\Gamma(n/2)}$$

Problem 2. Solve Exercise 4.31.

A common model for the temperature dependence of the reaction rate is the Arrhenius model. In this model the reaction rate (rate constant, k) is given by

$$k = k_0 \exp(-E/T)$$

in which the parameter k_0 is the preexponential factor, E is the activation energy scaled by the gas constant, and T is the temperature in Kelvin. We wish to estimate k_0 and E from the measurements of the reaction rate at different temperatures. In order to use linear least squares, we take the logarithm of the reaction rate

$$\ln(k) = \ln(k_0) - E/T$$

Assume you have made measurements of the rate constant at 10 temperatures evenly distributed between 300 and 500K. Model the measurement process as the true value plus measurement error, e , which is distributed normally with zero mean and 0.001 variance. Choose the true value of the parameters to be $\ln(k_0) = 1$, $E = 100$.

4.31.a Generate a set of experimental data for this problem. Estimate the parameters from these data using least squares. Plot the data and the model fit using both (T, k) and $(1/T, \ln k)$ as the (x, y) axes.

4.31.b Calculate the 95% confidence intervals for your parameter estimates. What are the coordinates of the semi-major axes of the ellipse corresponding to the 95% confidence interval?

4.31.c What are the coordinates of the corners of the box corresponding to the 95% confidence interval?

4.31.d Plot your results by showing the parameter estimate, ellipse and box. Are the parameter estimates highly correlated? Why or why not?

Solution:

4.31.1

Experimental data was generated according to

$$\ln(k) = \ln k_0 - E/T + e$$

$$\ln(k) = 1 - 100/T + e$$

Using the least squares regression, the parameters for k_0 and E were fitted. The fitted results were plotted against the 'experimental' data.

$$x_{ls} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

4.31.b

The 95% confidence interval was determined using $\chi^2(n_p = 2, 0.95)$. Solving this equation

$$(x - m)^T P^{-1} (x - m) \leq \chi^2(n_p, \alpha)$$

leads to

$$|\hat{\theta} - \theta_0|_i \leq (\chi^2(n_p, \alpha) \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1}_{ii})^{1/2}$$

and

$$c_i = (\chi^2(n_p, \alpha) \sigma^2 (A^T A)^{-1}_{ii})^{1/2}$$

The resultant confidence intervals were

$$\ln(k) = 1.000 \pm 0.1508$$

$$E = 100.1211 \pm 57.15$$

4.31.c

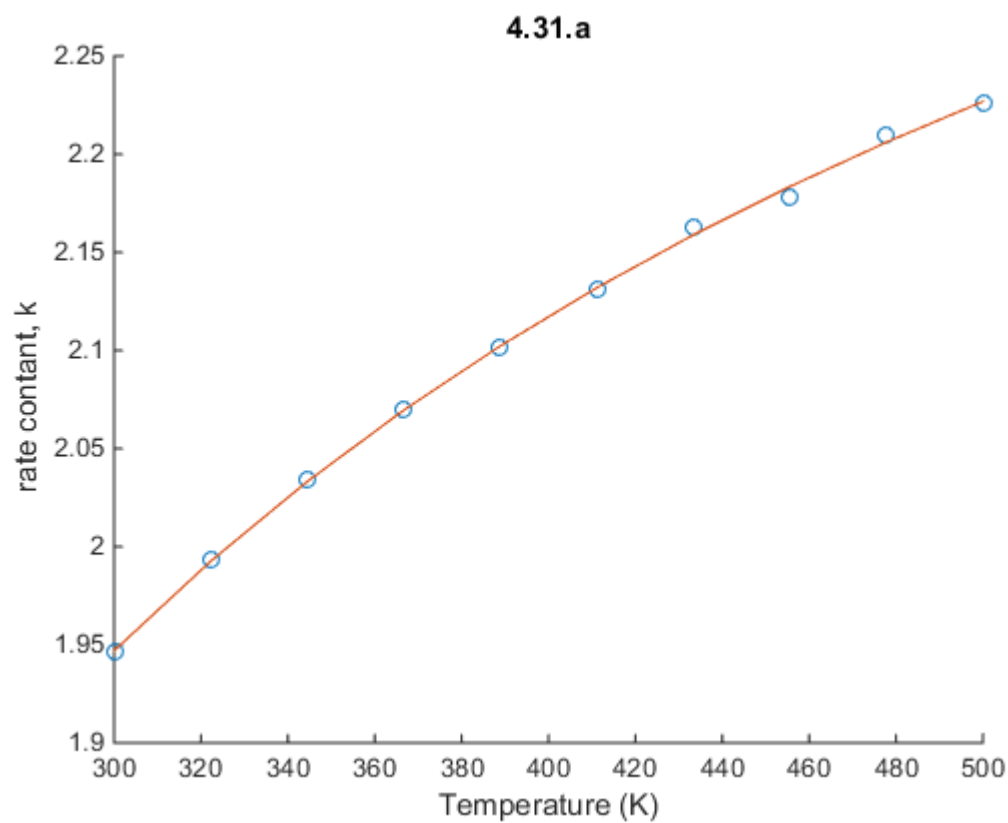
The corresponding corners of the bounding box are given by

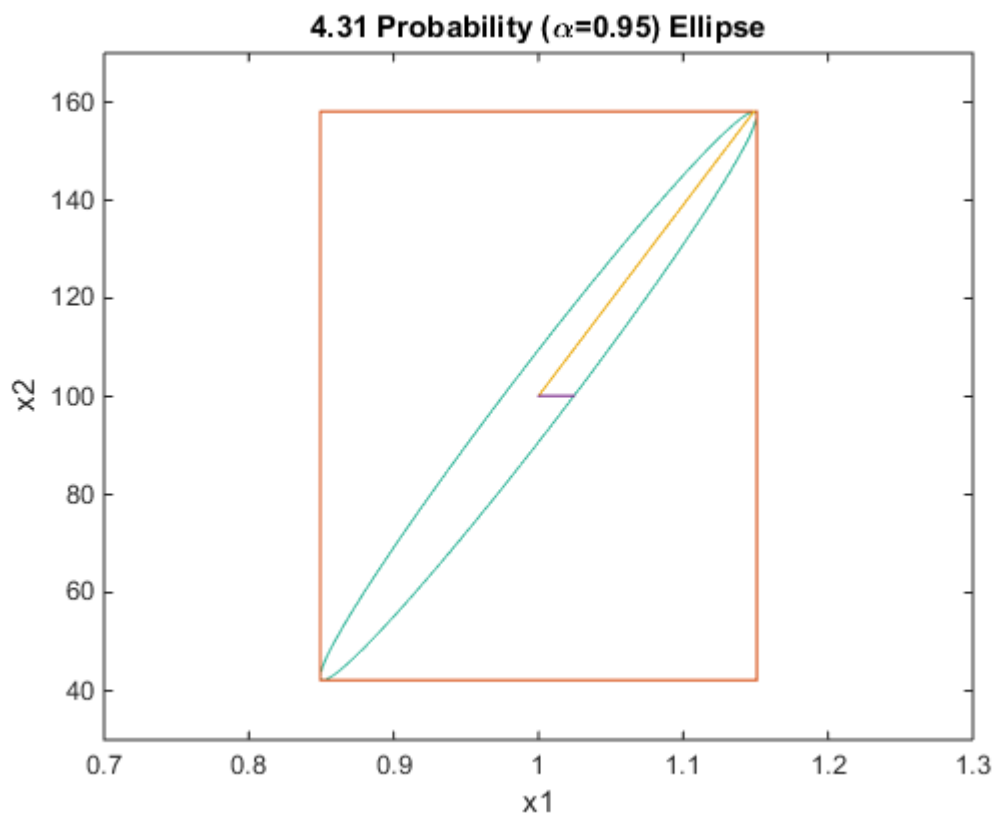
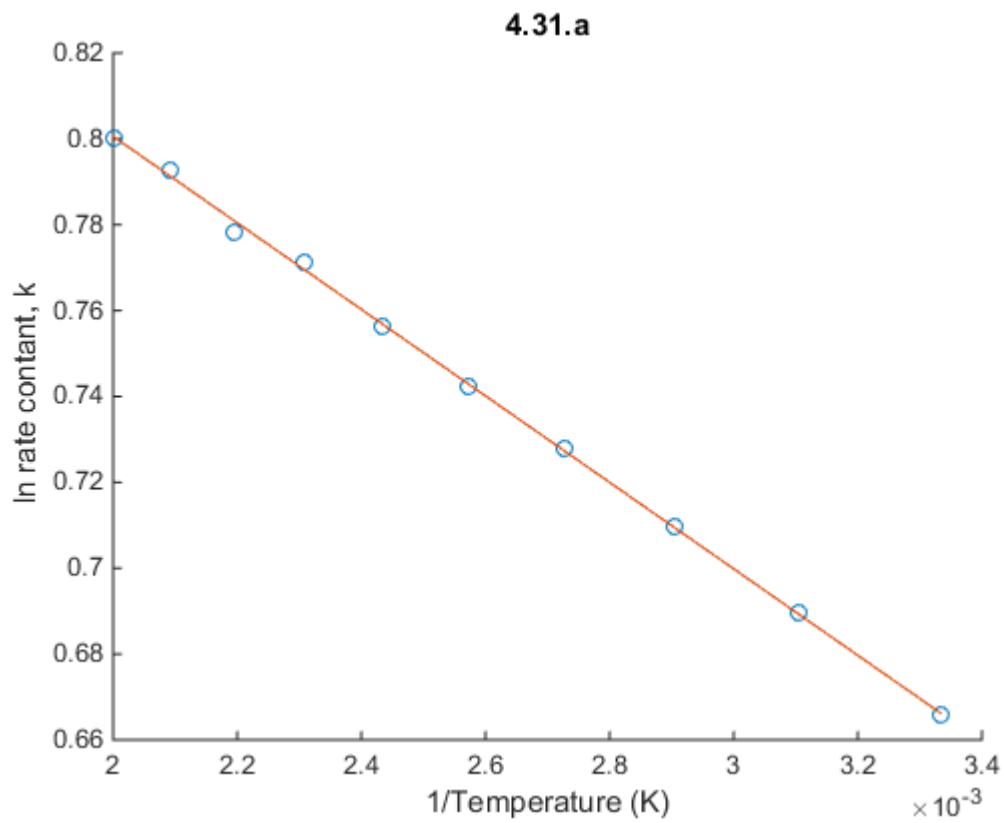
$$1.148791 \quad 1.58080e + 02$$

$$1.024507 \quad 1.00121e + 02$$

4.31.d

Yes, the system is highly coordinated. Changing one variable would change the covariance matrix which would have a significant impact on the other.





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1 clear all
2
3 T=linspace(300,500,10) ;
4 ln_k0=1 ;

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5 E=100 ;
6 var=0.001
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8 for i=1:length(T)
9
10     %generate e
11     e=normrnd(0,var);
12
13     %calculate the rate constant
14     ln_k(i,1)=ln_k0-E/T(i)+e;
15     k(i)=exp(ln_k(i)) ;
16
17     %Set up least squares
18     A(i,1)=1 ;
19     A(i,2)=-1./T(i) ;
20 end
21
22 x_ls=inv(A'*A)*A'*ln_k ;
23
24 ln_k_ls=x_ls(1)-x_ls(2)./T ;
25 k_ls=exp(ln_k_ls) ;
26
27 figure(1)
28 scatter(T,k)
29 hold on
30 plot(T,k_ls)
31     title('4.31.a')
32     xlabel('Temperature (K)')
33     ylabel('rate constant, k')
34
35 figure(2)
36 scatter(1./T,ln_k)
37 hold on
38 plot(1./T ,log(k_ls))
39     title('4.31.a')
40     xlabel('1/Temperature (K)')
41     ylabel('ln rate constant, k')
42
43
44
45 % Chi-squared distribution
46 P=var*inv(A'*A) ;
47 chi2=chi2inv(0.95,2) ;
48 c1=sqrt(P(1,1)*chi2) ;
49 c2=sqrt(P(2,2)*chi2) ;
50
51 [v,1]=eig(inv(P)) ;
52 v1=-sqrt(chi2/1(1,1))*v(:,1)+x_ls ;
53 v2=-sqrt(chi2/1(2,2))*v(:,2)+x_ls ;
54
55 % Ellipse
56 figure(3)

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57 syms x1 x2
58 x=[x1; x2]-x_ls ;
59 f=x'*inv(P)*x==chi2 ;
60 ezplot(f,[0.7,1.3,30,170])
61 hold on
62 plot(x_ls(1),x_ls(2))
63     title('4.31 Probability (\alpha=0.95) Ellipse')
64     xlabel('x1')
65     ylabel('x2')
66
67 % Bounding Box
68 box1=[-c1+x_ls(1), c1+x_ls(1), c1+x_ls(1), -c1+x_ls(1), -c1+x_ls(1)];
69 box2=[c2+x_ls(2), c2+x_ls(2), -c2+x_ls(2), -c2+x_ls(2), c2+x_ls(2)] ;
70 hold on
71 plot(box1,box2)
72
73 % Vectors
74 hold on
75 plot([x_ls(1) v1(1)], [x_ls(2) v1(2)])
76 hold on
77 plot([x_ls(1) v2(1)], [x_ls(2) v2(2)])

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Problem 3. Solve Exercise 4.22.

Given the normally distributed random variable $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$, consider the random variable, $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^n$, obtained by the linear transformation

$$\eta = A\xi$$

in which A is a nonsingular matrix. Using the result on transforming probability densities show that if $\xi \sim N(m, P)$, then $\eta \sim N(Am, APA^T)$. This result establishes that invertible linear transformations of nonsingular normal random variables are normal.

Solution:

Considering the random variable η transformed as

$$\eta = A\xi$$

Given that this is a linear transformation, we can say

$$\eta = f(\xi)$$

$$\xi = f^{-1}(\eta)$$

$$\eta = A\xi$$

$$\xi = A^{-1}\eta$$

Because the variable associated with η is y and the variable associated with ξ is x

$$x = A^{-1}y$$

From equation 4.23

$$p_\eta(y) = p_\xi(f^{-1}(y)) \left| \det \frac{dA^{-1}\eta}{d\eta} \right|$$

Taking the derivative with respect to η

$$p_\eta(y) = p_\xi(f^{-1}(y)) \left| \det A^{-1} \right|$$

Simplifying the determinant term using properties of linear algebra

$$\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}$$

$$p_\eta(y) = p_\xi(f^{-1}(y)) \frac{1}{\det A}$$

By inspection $|x| = \sqrt{x}$. Extending this concept to the determinants, which are scalars

$$p_\eta(y) = p_\xi(f^{-1}(y)) \sqrt{\frac{1}{\det A} \frac{1}{\det A}}$$

From equation 4.12 for the probability density of $\xi \sim N(m, P)$ where m is the mean and P is a real, symmetric positive definite matrix (covariance matrix of ξ)

$$p_\xi(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}(\det P)^{1/2}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2}(x - m)^T P^{-1}(x - m) \right]$$

$$p_{\xi}(f^{-1}(y)) = p_{\xi}(A^{-1}y) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}(\det P)^{1/2}} \exp \left[\frac{-1}{2} (A^{-1}y - m)^T P^{-1} (A^{-1}y - m) \right]$$

Substituting $p_{\xi}(f^{-1}(y))$ into the expression for $p_{\eta}(y)$

$$p_{\eta}(y) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\det A} \frac{1}{\det A}} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}(\det P)^{1/2}} \exp \left[\frac{-1}{2} (A^{-1}y - m)^T P^{-1} (A^{-1}y - m) \right]$$

$$p_{\eta}(y) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\det A} \frac{1}{\det A} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n(\det P)}} \exp \left[\frac{-1}{2} (A^{-1}y - m)^T P^{-1} (A^{-1}y - m) \right]$$

Introducing the identity matrix $I = A^{-1}A$ and rearranging

$$p_{\eta}(y) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\det A} \frac{1}{\det A} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n(\det P)}} \exp \left[\frac{-1}{2} (I(A^{-1}y - m))^T P^{-1} (I(A^{-1}y - m)) \right]$$

$$p_{\eta}(y) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\det A} \frac{1}{\det A} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n(\det P)}} \exp \left[\frac{-1}{2} (A^{-1}A(A^{-1}y - m))^T P^{-1} (A^{-1}A(A^{-1}y - m)) \right]$$

$$p_{\eta}(y) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\det A} \frac{1}{\det A} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n(\det P)}} \exp \left[\frac{-1}{2} (A^{-1}(AA^{-1}y - Am))^T P^{-1} (A^{-1}(AA^{-1}y - Am)) \right]$$

$$p_{\eta}(y) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\det A} \frac{1}{\det A} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n(\det P)}} \exp \left[\frac{-1}{2} (A^{-1}(y - Am))^T P^{-1} (A^{-1}(y - Am)) \right]$$

$$p_{\eta}(y) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\det A} \frac{1}{(\det P) \det A} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}}} \exp \left[\frac{-1}{2} (y - Am)^T A^{-1T} P^{-1} A^{-1} (y - Am) \right]$$

Now let $\det(A) = \det(A^T)$ and $A^{-1T} P^{-1} A^{-1} = (APA^T)^{-1}$

$$p_{\eta}(y) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} \det (APA^T)^{1/2}} \exp \left[\frac{-1}{2} (y - \mathbf{Am})^T (\mathbf{APA}^T)^{-1} (y - \mathbf{Am}) \right]$$

Comparing this equation to equation 4.12 for $p_{\xi}(x)$ for which $\xi \sim N(m, P)$

$$p_{\xi}(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}(\det P)^{1/2}} \exp \left[\frac{-1}{2} (x - \mathbf{m})^T \mathbf{P}^{-1} (x - \mathbf{m}) \right]$$

we can draw parallels to see that $\eta \sim N(Am, APA^T)$