Homework week 2

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1 Question 1:

a) Gaussian distribution is normalized We have :

$$\mathcal{N}(x|\mu,\sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} exp\left(\frac{-(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

To proof Gaussian distribution is normalized, we have to proof

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{N}(x|\mu,\sigma^2) dx = 1 \Leftrightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} exp\left(\frac{-(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) dx = 1$$

Assume $\mu=0,\,\sigma^2=1$ Let denote ${\rm I}=\int_{-\infty}^\infty \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{2}\right)\!dx$ We:

$$I^2 = \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} exp\Big(\frac{-x^2}{2}\Big) dx \right] \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} exp\Big(\frac{-y^2}{2}\Big) dy \right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} exp\Big(-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2}\Big) dx dy$$

Converting to polar coordinates by substitute:

$$x = r\cos(\theta)$$
$$y = r\sin(\theta)$$

 $\to \int_{-\infty}^\infty \mathcal{N}(x|\mu,\sigma^2) dx = 1 \to \text{Gaussian distribution}$ is normalized b) Expectation of Gaussian distribution is μ

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx$$

So:

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x exp\left(\frac{-(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) dx$$

Substitute $t = \frac{x-\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}$

$$\begin{split} E(X) &= \frac{\sqrt{2}\sigma}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\sqrt{2}\sigma t + \mu) exp(-t^2) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \bigg(\sqrt{2}\sigma \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t exp(-t^2) + \mu \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} exp(-t^2) \bigg) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \bigg(\sqrt{2}\sigma \bigg] \frac{-1}{2} exp(-t^2) \bigg]_{-\infty}^{\infty} + \mu \sqrt{\pi} \bigg) \\ &= \frac{\mu \sqrt{\pi}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \\ &= \mu \end{split}$$

c) Variance of Gaussian distribution is σ^2

$$Var(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f_X(x) - (E(X))^2$$

So:

$$Var(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 exp\left(\frac{-(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) dx - \mu^2$$

Subtitute $t = \frac{x-\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}$

$$\begin{aligned} Var(x) &= \frac{\sqrt{2}\sigma}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\sqrt{2}\sigma t + \mu)^2 exp(-t^2) dx - \mu^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(2\sigma^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 exp(-t^2) dt + 2\sqrt{2}\sigma \mu \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} texp(-t^2) dt + \mu^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} exp(-t^2) \right) - \mu^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(2\sigma^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 exp(-t^2) dt + 2\sqrt{2}\sigma \mu \left[\frac{-1}{2} exp(-t^2) \right] + \mu^2 \sqrt{\pi} \right) - \mu^2 \\ &= \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 exp(-t^2) dt \\ &= \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\left[\frac{-t}{2} exp(-t^2) \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} exp(-t^2) dt \right) \\ &= \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} exp(-t^2) dt \\ &= \frac{2\sigma^2 \sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \\ &= \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

d) Multivariate Gaussian distribution is normalized

For D-dimensional vector, the multivariate Gaussian distribution takes the form

$$\mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}} \frac{1}{|\Sigma|^{1/2}} exp(\frac{-1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu))$$

where μ is a D-dimensional vector, Σ is D x D matrix and $|\Sigma|$ denote the determinant of Σ .

The functional dependence of the Gaussian on X is through the quadratic form:

$$\Delta^2 = (x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)$$

Consider eigenvalue and eigenvector of Σ :

$$\Sigma u_i = \lambda u_i$$

Because Σ is a real, symmetric matrix:

$$\Sigma = \sum_{i=1}^{D} \lambda_i u_i u_i^T$$

$$\rightarrow \Sigma^{-1} = \sum_{i=1}^{D} \frac{1}{\lambda_i} u_i u_i^T \quad \text{and} \quad |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}} = \prod_{j=1}^{D} \lambda_i^{1/2}$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta^2 = (x - \mu)^T \sum_{i=1}^D \frac{1}{\lambda_i} u_i u_i^T (x - \mu)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^D \frac{y_i^2}{\lambda_i} \text{ where } y_i = u_i^T (x - \mu)$$

In new Y coordinate system, the Gaussian distribution takes the form:

$$P(y) = \prod_{j=1}^{D} \frac{1}{(2\pi\lambda_{j})^{1/2}} exp(-\frac{y_{j}^{2}}{2\lambda_{j}})$$

$$\to \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(y)dy = \prod_{j=1}^{D} \frac{1}{(2\pi\lambda_{j})^{1/2}} exp(-\frac{y_{j}^{2}}{2\lambda_{j}})dy_{j} = 1$$

2 Question 2:

a) The conditional of Gaussian distribution

Suppose X is a D-dimensional vector with Gaussian distribution $\mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \Sigma)$ and we partition X into two disjoint subsets X_a and X_b . Without the loss of generality, we can take X_a to form the first M components of X, with X_b comprising the remaining D - M components, so that

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x_a \\ x_b \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $\mu = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_a \\ \mu_b \end{pmatrix}$ and $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{aa} & \Sigma_{ab} \\ \Sigma_{ba} & \Sigma_{bb} \end{pmatrix}$

For convenient, we denote: $\Lambda = \Sigma^{-1} \to \Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \Lambda_{aa} & \Lambda_{ab} \\ \Lambda_{ba} & \Lambda_{bb} \end{pmatrix}$ We have:

$$\frac{-1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu) = -\frac{1}{2}(x_a - \mu_a)^T \Lambda_{aa}(x_a - \mu_a) - \frac{1}{2}(x_a - \mu_a)^T \Lambda_{ab}(x_b - \mu_b)
-\frac{1}{2}(x_b - \mu_b)^T \Lambda_{ba}(x_a - \mu_a) - \frac{1}{2}(x_b - \mu_b)^T \Lambda_{bb}(x_b - \mu_b)
= -\frac{1}{2}x_a^T \Lambda_{aa}^{-1} x_a + x_a^T (\Lambda_{aa}\mu_a - \Lambda_{ab}(x_b - \mu_b)) + const$$

We can see that as a function of x_a , this is again a quadratic form, and hence the corresponding conditional disatribution $P(X_a|X_b)$ will be Gaussian, because this distribution is characterized by its mean and its variance. Compare with functional dependence of Gaussian.

$$\Delta^2 = -\frac{1}{2}x^T \Sigma^{-1} x + x^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu + const$$

By using Schur complement:

As a result:

$$\mu_{a|b} = \mu_a + \Sigma_{ab} \Sigma_{bb}^{-1} (x_b - \mu_b)$$

$$\Sigma_{a|b} = \Sigma_{aa} - \Sigma_{ab} \Sigma_{bb}^{-1} \Sigma_{ba}$$

$$P(X_a|X_b) = \mathcal{N}(x_{a|b}|\mu_{a|b}, \Sigma_{a|b})$$

b) The marginal of Gaussian distribution

$$P(x_a) = \int p(X_a, X_b) dx_b$$

We need to integrate out xb by looking the quadratic form related to X_b

$$-\frac{1}{2}X_b^T \Lambda_{bb} x_b + x_b^T m = -\frac{1}{2}(X_b - \Lambda_{bb}^{-1} m)^T \Lambda_{bb}(X_b - \Lambda_{bb}^{-1} m) + \frac{1}{2}m^T \Lambda_{bb}^{-1} m$$
where $m = \Lambda_{bb} \mu_b - \Lambda_{ba}(x_a - \mu_a)$

The integration over x_b will take the form:

$$\int exp(-\frac{1}{2}(X_b - \Lambda_{bb}^{-1}m)^T \Lambda_{bb}(X_b - \Lambda_{bb}^{-1}m)) dx_b$$

and the remaining term depend on X_a is:

$$\frac{1}{2}(\Lambda_{bb}\mu_{b} - \Lambda_{ba}(X_{a} - \mu_{a}))^{T}\Lambda_{bb}^{-1}(\Lambda_{bb}\mu_{b} - \Lambda_{ba}(X_{a} - \mu_{a})) - \frac{1}{2}X_{a}^{T}\Lambda_{aa}X_{a}
+ X_{a}^{T}(\Lambda_{aa}\mu_{a} + \Lambda_{ab}\mu_{b}) + const$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}X_{a}^{T}(\Lambda_{aa} - \Lambda_{ab}\Lambda_{bb}^{-1}\Lambda_{ba})X_{a} + X_{a}^{T}(\Lambda_{aa} - \Lambda_{ab}\Lambda_{bb}^{-1}\Lambda_{ba})^{-1}\mu_{a} + const$$

So the covariance of the marginal distribution of $P(x_a)$ is given by:

$$E(X_a) = \mu_a$$

$$\Sigma_a = (\Lambda_{aa} - \Lambda_{ab}\Lambda_{bb}^{-1}\Lambda_{ba})^{-1} = \Sigma_{aa}$$

$$P(X_a) = \mathcal{N}(X_a|\mu_a, \Sigma_{aa})$$