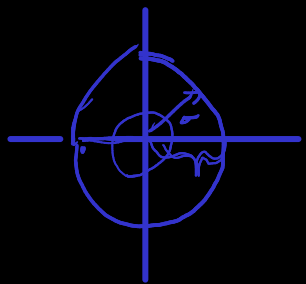


Problem 1: A dart is thrown at random at a wall. Let (x, y) denote the Cartesian coordinates of the point in the wall pierced by the dart. Suppose that x and y are statistically independent Gaussian random variables, each with mean zero and variance σ^2 , i.e.,

$$p_x(a) = p_y(a) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{a^2}{2\sigma^2}}.$$

- Find the probability that the dart will fall within the σ -radius circle centered at the point $(0, 0)$.
- Find the probability that the dart will hit in the first quadrant ($x \geq 0, y \geq 0$).
- Find the conditional probability that the dart will fall within the σ -radius circle centered at $(0, 0)$ given that the dart hits the first quadrant.
- Let $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ and $\theta = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$ be the polar coordinates associated with (x, y) . Find $\mathbb{P}[0 \leq r \leq R, 0 \leq \theta \leq \Theta]$ and obtain density $p_{r, \theta}(R, \Theta)$.

$$a) \quad \mathbb{P}[\text{Dart in } \sigma \text{ circle}] = \mathbb{P}[x^2 + y^2 < \sigma^2] = \mathbb{P}[y^2 < \sigma^2 - x^2]$$



$$\mathbb{P}[0 < x < \sigma] = \Phi(1) -$$

$$\pi \mathbb{P}(|x| < \sigma)^2 = \text{in circle}$$

$$b) \quad \text{Symmetric around the origin.}$$

$$\mathbb{P}[\text{First Quadrant}] = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$c) \quad \text{Same as a).}$$

Problem 2: Let x_1 and x_2 be zero-mean jointly Gaussian random variables with covariance matrix

$$\Lambda_x = \begin{bmatrix} 34 & 12 \\ 12 & 41 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Verify that Λ_x is a valid covariance matrix.
- (b) Find the marginal probability density for x_1 . Find the probability density for $y = 2x_1 + x_2$.
- (c) Find a linear transformation defining two new variables

$$\begin{bmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \end{bmatrix} = T \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

so that x'_1 and x'_2 are statistically independent and so that $TT^t = I$.

a) $\Lambda_{xy} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x^2 & \rho\sigma_x\sigma_y \\ \rho\sigma_x\sigma_y & \sigma_y^2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\rho = \frac{E[xy]}{\sigma_x\sigma_y}$$

$$\sigma_{x_1} = \sqrt{34} \quad \sigma_{x_2} = \sqrt{41}$$

$$E[x_1, x_2] = 12$$

Λ_x is symmetric

Because both eigenvalues > 0

Λ_x is positive definite
 \Rightarrow positive semi-definite
 \Rightarrow it is a valid covariance matrix

$$\begin{vmatrix} 34-\lambda & 12 \\ 12 & 41-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (34-\lambda)(41-\lambda) - 144 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 75\lambda + (34)(41) - 144 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 75\lambda + 1230 + 164 - 144 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 75\lambda + 1250 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 37.5)^2 + 1250 - (37.5)^2 = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = \sqrt{1250 + (37.5)^2} + 37.5 \quad \lambda_2 = -\sqrt{1250 + (37.5)^2} + 37.5$$

$$\lambda_1 > 12.5 \quad \lambda_2 > 0 \quad < 37.5$$

$$\lambda_1 = 50$$

$$\lambda_2 = 25$$

Problem 3: Let \underline{z} be an $N + M$ dimensional Gaussian random vector with mean vector \underline{m}_z and covariance matrix Λ_z . The random vector \underline{z} is partitioned into a N -vector \underline{x} and an M -vector \underline{y} as shown below

$$\underline{z} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x} \\ \underline{y} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \underline{m}_z = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{m}_x \\ \underline{m}_y \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Lambda_z = \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_x & \Lambda_{xy} \\ \Lambda_{xy}^t & \Lambda_y \end{bmatrix}.$$

We wish to find an expression for $p_{\underline{x}/\underline{y}}(X/Y)$. We shall do this in three steps. Express all your results in terms of \underline{m}_x , \underline{m}_y , Λ_x , Λ_y and Λ_{xy} . Assume Λ_x and Λ_y are nonsingular.

(a) For any $N \times M$ matrix A it is clear that the transformation from \underline{z} to \underline{z}' given by

$$\underline{z}' = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x} - A\underline{y} \\ \underline{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x}' \\ \underline{y}' \end{bmatrix}$$

is 1 : 1, i.e., knowledge of \underline{x} and \underline{y} is equivalent to knowledge of \underline{x}' and \underline{y} . Find the matrix A which makes \underline{x}' and \underline{y} statistically independent random variables.

(b) Using the matrix A found in part a) find the marginal density $p_{\underline{x}'}(\underline{X}')$.

(c) Use the transformation of part a) to write $p_{\underline{x},\underline{y}}(\underline{X}, \underline{Y})$ in terms of $p_{\underline{x}',\underline{y}}(\underline{X}', \underline{Y})$. Now use the statistical independence of \underline{x}' and \underline{y} and the result of part b) to find $p_{\underline{x}/\underline{y}}(\underline{X}/\underline{Y})$.

a) $\underline{x} - A\underline{y}$ independent \underline{y}

$$\text{cov}(\underline{x} - A\underline{y}, \underline{y})$$

$$= \text{cov}[\underline{x}, \underline{y}]^T = \text{cov}(-A\underline{y}, \underline{y})$$

$$= \Lambda_{xy}^T + A\Lambda_y = 0$$

$$\boxed{A = -\Lambda_{xy}\Lambda_y^{-1}}$$

b) $p_{\underline{x}'}(\underline{x}') = \dots$

Problem 4: Let Θ be a random variable uniformly distributed on $[0, 2\pi]$. Show that $X = \sin \Theta$ and $Y = \cos \Theta$ are uncorrelated.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & E[(\sin \Theta - E[\sin \Theta])(\cos \Theta - E[\cos \Theta])] \\
 &= E[\sin \Theta \cos \Theta - \cancel{E[\sin \Theta] \cos \Theta} - \sin \Theta \cancel{E[\cos \Theta]} + \cancel{E[\cos \Theta] E[\sin \Theta]}] \\
 & E[\sin \Theta] = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2\pi} \sin \theta d\theta = \left. -\frac{\cos \theta}{2\pi} \right|_0^{2\pi} = 0 \quad E[\cos \Theta] = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2\pi} \cos \theta d\theta \\
 &= \left. \frac{\sin \theta}{2\pi} \right|_0^{2\pi} = 0 \\
 &= E[\sin \Theta \cos \Theta] = \int_0^{2\pi} \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta \\
 &= \int_0^0 u du = \boxed{0} \quad \text{uncorrelated.}
 \end{aligned}$$

$u = \sin \theta \quad du = \cos \theta d\theta$

Problem 5: Show that for all random variables X and Y with finite variance, and for all real numbers a, b, c, d

$$\rho_{aX+b, cY+d} = \rho_{X,Y} \operatorname{sgn}(ac)$$

where $\operatorname{sgn}(ac) = 1$ if $ac > 0$, -1 if $ac < 0$, and 0 if $ac = 0$.

$$\rho_{X,Y} = \frac{E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]}{\sqrt{E[X^2] - E[X]^2} \sqrt{E[Y^2] - E[Y]^2}}$$

$$\rho_{aX+b, cY+d} = \frac{E[(aX+b)(cY+d)] - E[aX+b]E[cY+d]}{\sqrt{E[(aX+b)^2] - E[aX+b]^2} \sqrt{E[(cY+d)^2] - E[cY+d]^2}}$$

$$= \frac{acE[XY] + bcE[Y] + daE[X] + db - (acE[X]E[Y] + bcE[Y] + daE[X] + db)}{\sqrt{a^2E[X^2] + 2abE[X] + b^2 - a^2E[X]^2 - 2abE[X] - b^2} \sqrt{c^2E[Y^2] + 2cdE[Y] + d^2 - c^2E[Y]^2 - 2cdE[Y] - d^2}}$$

$$= \frac{ac(E[XY] - E[X]E[Y])}{\sqrt{a^2(E[X^2] - E[X]^2)} \sqrt{c^2(E[Y^2] - E[Y]^2)}} = \left(\frac{ac}{a^2c^2} \right) \rho_{X,Y} = \boxed{\operatorname{sgn}(ac) \rho_{X,Y}}$$