

# HW3

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1.

$$X = \begin{cases} \mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2) & \text{with probability } p_1 \\ \mathcal{N}(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2) & \text{with probability } 1 - p_1 \end{cases}$$

a)

The data file specifies gender, but pretend you don't have this information. Write down the log-likelihood function  $\ell(\theta)$  and  $\nabla \ell(\theta)$  given the height samples, i.e. in terms of  $\hat{X}_i$ . Write R (or Python) functions that calculate  $\ell(\theta)$  and  $\nabla \ell(\theta)$

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &= (\mu_1, \mu_2, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, p_1) \\ P(\hat{X}|\theta) &= P(\hat{X}_1|\theta) \cdot P(\hat{X}_2|\theta) \cdot \dots \cdot P(\hat{X}_n|\theta) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n P(\hat{X}_i|\theta) \\ \implies \ell(\theta) &= \log(P(\hat{X}|\theta)) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log(P(\hat{X}_i|\theta)) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log\left(p_1 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1^2} e^{-(x_i - \mu_1)^2 / 2\sigma_1^2} + (1 - p_1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2^2} e^{-(x_i - \mu_2)^2 / 2\sigma_2^2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\theta_{MLE} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \ell(\theta)$$

$$\nabla \ell(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial \mu_1} \\ \frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial \mu_2} \\ \frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial \sigma_1} \\ \frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial \sigma_2} \\ \frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial p_1} \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial \mu_1} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{p_1 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_1)^2/2\sigma_1^2} \cdot \frac{x_i-\mu_1}{\sigma_1^2}}{p_1 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_1)^2/2\sigma_1^2} + (1-p_1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_2)^2/2\sigma_2^2}} \\
\frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial \mu_2} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(1-p_1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_2)^2/2\sigma_2^2} \cdot \frac{x_i-\mu_2}{\sigma_2^2}}{p_1 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_1)^2/2\sigma_1^2} + (1-p_1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_2)^2/2\sigma_2^2}} \\
\frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial \sigma_1} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\frac{p_1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot (-2\sigma_1^{-3}) \cdot e^{-(x_i-\mu_1)^2/2\sigma_1^2} \cdot \left(-\frac{(x_i-\mu_1)^2}{2}\right) \cdot (-2\sigma_1^{-3})}{p_1 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_1)^2/2\sigma_1^2} + (1-p_1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_2)^2/2\sigma_2^2}} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\frac{-2p_1(x_i-\mu_1)^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{e^{-(x_i-\mu_1)^2/2\sigma_1^2}}{\sigma_1^6}}{p_1 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_1)^2/2\sigma_1^2} + (1-p_1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_2)^2/2\sigma_2^2}} \\
\frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial \sigma_2} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\frac{(1-p_1)}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot (-2\sigma_2^{-3}) \cdot e^{-(x_i-\mu_2)^2/2\sigma_2^2} \cdot \left(-\frac{(x_i-\mu_2)^2}{2}\right) \cdot (-2\sigma_2^{-3})}{p_1 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_1)^2/2\sigma_1^2} + (1-p_1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_2)^2/2\sigma_2^2}} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\frac{-2(1-p_1)(x_i-\mu_2)^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{e^{-(x_i-\mu_2)^2/2\sigma_2^2}}{\sigma_2^6}}{p_1 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_1)^2/2\sigma_1^2} + (1-p_1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_2)^2/2\sigma_2^2}} \\
\frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial p_1} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_1)^2/2\sigma_1^2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_2)^2/2\sigma_2^2}}{p_1 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_1)^2/2\sigma_1^2} + (1-p_1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2^2} e^{-(x_i-\mu_2)^2/2\sigma_2^2}}
\end{aligned}$$

b)

Find the MLE for  $\theta$  by

1)

Applying a steepest ascent iteration  $\theta^{(i+1)} = \theta^{(i)} + s\nabla\ell(\theta)$ .

```

data <- readLines("Hope Heights.txt")
n <- length(data) - 7 # skip the first 7 comment rows
gender <- numeric(n)
height <- numeric(n)
for (i in 1:n){
  gender[i] <- as.numeric(strsplit(data[7+i], " ")[[1]][1])
  height[i] <- as.numeric(strsplit(data[7+i], " ")[[1]][3])
}
mu.0 <- mean(height)
sigma.0 <- sd(height)

```

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likelihood <- function(mu.1,mu.2,sigma.1,sigma.2, p1, x){
  return (sum(p1/(sqrt(2*pi)*sigma.1^2)*exp(-(x-mu.1)^2/2*sigma.1^2)
    + (1-p1)/(sqrt(2*pi)*sigma.2^2)*exp(-(x-mu.2)^2/2*sigma.2^2)))
}
loglikelihood <- function(mu.1,mu.2,sigma.1,sigma.2, p1, x){
  return (sum(log(p1/(sqrt(2*pi)*sigma.1^2)*exp(-(x-mu.1)^2/2*sigma.1^2)
    + (1-p1)/(sqrt(2*pi)*sigma.2^2)*exp(-(x-mu.2)^2/2*sigma.2^2))))
}
gradient.mu.1 <- function(mu.1,mu.2,sigma.1,sigma.2, p1, x){
  return(sum((p1/sqrt(2*pi)*sigma.1^2*exp(-(x-mu.1)^2/(2*sigma.1^2))*((x-mu.1)/sigma.1^2))
    /likelihood(mu.1,mu.2, sigma.1, sigma.2,p1,x)))
}
gradient.mu.2 <- function(mu.1,mu.2,sigma.1,sigma.2, p1, x){
  return(sum(((1-p1)/sqrt(2*pi)*sigma.2^2*exp(-(x-mu.2)^2/(2*sigma.2^2))*((x-mu.2)/sigma.2^2))
    /likelihood(mu.1,mu.2,sigma.1, sigma.2,p1,x)))
}
gradient.sigma.1 <- function(mu.1,mu.2,sigma.1,sigma.2, p1, x){
  return(sum((-2*p1*(x-mu.1)^2*exp(-(x-mu.1)^2/2*sigma.1^2)/sqrt(2*pi)/sigma.1^6)
    /likelihood(mu.1,mu.2, sigma.1, sigma.2,p1,x)))
}
gradient.sigma.2 <- function(mu.1,mu.2,sigma.1,sigma.2, p1, x){
  return(sum((-2*(1-p1)*(x-mu.2)^2*exp(-(x-mu.2)^2/2*sigma.2^2)/sqrt(2*pi)/sigma.2^6)
    /likelihood(mu.1,mu.2, sigma.1, sigma.2,p1,x)))
}
gradient.p1 <- function(mu.1,mu.2,sigma.1,sigma.2, p1, x){
  return(sum((exp(-(x-mu.1)^2/2*sigma.1^2)/sqrt(2*pi)/sigma.1^2
    -exp(-(x-mu.2)^2/2*sigma.2^2)/sqrt(2*pi)/sigma.2^2)
    /likelihood(mu.1,mu.2, sigma.1, sigma.2,p1,x)))
}

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```

# Take a look at sample mean and standard deviation
# to use as reference for parameter initialization
library(dplyr)

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##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##   filter, lag

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##   intersect, setdiff, setequal, union

library(magrittr)
df <- data.frame("gender" = gender, "height" = height)
df %>% group_by(gender) %>% summarise(mean = mean(height), sd = sd(height))

## # A tibble: 2 x 3
##   gender mean    sd
##   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1     1  66.4  2.92
## 2     2  72.4  2.67

```

```

steepest_ascent <- function(mu.1.0, mu.2.0, sigma.1.0, sigma.2.0, p1.0,
                           step.size, thresh, x){
  # Initialization
  mu.1 <- mu.1.0
  mu.2 <- mu.2.0
  sigma.1 <- sigma.1.0
  sigma.2 <- sigma.2.0
  p1 <- p1.0
  s <- step.size
  l.old <- loglikelihood(mu.1, mu.2, sigma.1, sigma.2, p1, x)
  iter.counter <- 0
  # Update
  repeat {
    mu.1 <- mu.1 + s*gradient.mu.1(mu.1, mu.2, sigma.1, sigma.2, p1, x)
    mu.2 <- mu.2 + s*gradient.mu.2(mu.1, mu.2, sigma.1, sigma.2, p1, x)
    sigma.1 <- sigma.1 + s*gradient.sigma.1(mu.1, mu.2, sigma.1, sigma.2, p1, x)
    sigma.2 <- sigma.2 + s*gradient.sigma.2(mu.1, mu.2, sigma.1, sigma.2, p1, x)
    p1 <- p1 + s* gradient.p1(mu.1, mu.2, sigma.1, sigma.2, p1, x)
    l.new <- loglikelihood(mu.1, mu.2, sigma.1, sigma.2, p1, x)
    iter.counter <- iter.counter + 1
    if (iter.counter %% 1000 == 0){
      cat ( iter.counter, " Iterations ")
      cat(" Updated likelihood", l.new, "\n")
    } #cat("l.old", l.old, "\n")
    if (l.new-l.old < thresh ){
      break
    }
    else{
      l.old <- l.new
    }
  }
  cat("Parameters: \n")
  cat("mu.1 = ", mu.1, "\n")
  cat("mu.2 = ", mu.2, "\n")
  cat("sigma.1 = ", sigma.1, " \n")
  cat("sigma.2 = ", sigma.2, " \n")
  cat("p1 = ", p1, "\n")
  return(c(mu.1, mu.2, sigma.1, sigma.2, p1))
}

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parameters <- steepest_ascent(65, 67, 2, 2, .4, step.size = .0001, thresh = .000001, x = height)

```

```

## 1000 Iterations Updated likelihood -4063.544
## 2000 Iterations Updated likelihood -3788.945
## 3000 Iterations Updated likelihood -3576.983
## 4000 Iterations Updated likelihood -3426.118
## 5000 Iterations Updated likelihood -3322.381
## 6000 Iterations Updated likelihood -3252.811
## 7000 Iterations Updated likelihood -3209.266
## 8000 Iterations Updated likelihood -3186.626
## Parameters:
## mu.1 = 66.8152
## mu.2 = 68.41419
## sigma.1 = 1.994078

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## sigma.2 = 1.973996
## p1 = 0.2560473
```

2)

Using *nlm* or an equivalent in Python.

```
fn <- function (theta){
  # theta: a parameter vector contains (mu.1, mu.2, sigma.1, sigma.2, p1)
  return (-sum(log(theta[5]/(sqrt(2*pi)*theta[3]^2)*exp(-(height-theta[1])^2/2*theta[3]^2)
    + (1-theta[5])/(sqrt(2*pi)*theta[4]^2)*exp(-(height-theta[2])^2/2*theta[4]^2))))
}
nlm(fn, c(65, 67, 2, 2, .4), print.level = 2, hessian = TRUE)
```

```
## iteration = 0
## Step:
## [1] 0 0 0 0 0
## Parameter:
## [1] 65.0 67.0 2.0 2.0 0.4
## Function Value
## [1] 4399.023
## Gradient:
## [1] 122.37837 -1233.57374 261.22426 3952.81709 89.99643

## Warning in nlm(fn, c(65, 67, 2, 2, 0.4), print.level = 2, hessian = TRUE):
## NA/Inf replaced by maximum positive value

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## NA/Inf replaced by maximum positive value

## Warning in log(theta[5]/(sqrt(2 * pi) * theta[3]^2) * exp(-(height -
## theta[1])^2/2 * : NaNs produced

## Warning in nlm(fn, c(65, 67, 2, 2, 0.4), print.level = 2, hessian = TRUE):
## NA/Inf replaced by maximum positive value

## iteration = 1
## Step:
## [1] -0.12237837 1.23357374 -0.26122426 -3.95281709 -0.08999643
## Parameter:
## [1] 64.8776216 68.2335737 1.7387757 -1.9528171 0.3100036
## Function Value
## [1] 2897.099
## Gradient:
## [1] 72.57140 -823.51413 233.03117 -2580.80254 41.41791
##
## iteration = 2
## Step:
## [1] -0.02155762 0.25667097 -0.07944979 1.41134306 -0.01073890
## Parameter:
## [1] 64.8560640 68.4902447 1.6593260 -0.5414740 0.2992647
## Function Value
## [1] 260.0843
## Gradient:
## [1] 1.921032 -29.276072 4.203549 -1295.842393 133.283418
##
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```

## iteration = 3
## Step:
## [1] 0.00957850 -0.09835587 0.02567478 0.58055143 -0.05238885
## Parameter:
## [1] 64.86564250 68.39188884 1.68500074 0.03907739 0.24687582
## Function Value
## [1] -526.8411
## Gradient:
## [1] -2.160861e-04 -1.554706e-01 2.072608e-03 5.187322e+03 1.327743e+02
##
## iteration = 4
## Step:
## [1] -0.001138827 0.012347277 -0.002982116 -0.059034320 -0.005888564
## Parameter:
## [1] 64.86450368 68.40423611 1.68201862 -0.01995693 0.24098726
## Function Value
## [1] -663.0154
## Gradient:
## [1] -5.570549e-05 -4.005649e-02 5.238188e-04 -1.005719e+04 1.317486e+02
##
## iteration = 5
## Step:
## [1] 0.0004655496 -0.0048989621 0.0011269715 0.0389011036 -0.0835994876
## Parameter:
## [1] 64.86496923 68.39933715 1.68314560 0.01894417 0.15738777
## Function Value
## [1] -683.9148
## Gradient:
## [1] -2.949041e-05 -3.626980e-02 2.768640e-04 1.059065e+04 1.186775e+02
##
## iteration = 6
## Step:
## [1] -0.0005106942 0.0055584508 -0.0013802710 -0.0194999537 -0.0432342853
## Parameter:
## [1] 64.864458534 68.404895604 1.681765324 -0.000555779 0.114153486
## Function Value
## [1] -1395.013
## Gradient:
## [1] -1.752683e-08 -3.104559e-05 2.703988e-07 -3.601804e+05 1.128864e+02
##
## iteration = 7
## Step:
## [1] 1.157045e-05 -1.215938e-04 2.785997e-05 9.915854e-04 -2.221802e-03
## Parameter:
## [1] 6.486447e+01 6.840477e+01 1.681793e+00 4.358064e-04 1.119317e-01
## Function Value
## [1] -1443.898
## Gradient:
## [1] -1.051610e-08 -1.909274e-05 1.351972e-07 4.583944e+05 1.126040e+02
##
## iteration = 8
## Step:
## [1] -0.0002683904 0.0029757447 -0.0007855070 -0.0005550005 -0.0791589229
## Parameter:

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## [1] 64.864201714 68.407749755 1.681007677 -0.000119194 0.032772761
## Function Value
## [1] -1711.726
## Gradient:
## [1] 0.000000e+00 -1.422586e-06 0.000000e+00 -1.685015e+06 1.033884e+02
##
## iteration = 9
## Step:
## [1] -2.249183e-05 2.508799e-04 -6.717972e-05 1.714250e-04 -7.902701e-03
## Parameter:
## [1] 6.486418e+01 6.840800e+01 1.680940e+00 5.223092e-05 2.487006e-02
## Function Value
## [1] -1877.555
## Gradient:
## [1] 0.000000e+00 -2.725506e-07 0.000000e+00 3.792955e+06 1.025505e+02
##
## iteration = 10
## Step:
## [1] -1.079806e-04 1.198383e-03 -3.170781e-04 -5.443071e-05 -3.283097e-02
## Parameter:
## [1] 6.486407e+01 6.840920e+01 1.680623e+00 -2.199792e-06 -7.960913e-03
## Function Value
## [1] -2514.329
## Gradient:
## [1] 0.000000e+00 6.647459e-09 0.000000e+00 -1.212429e+08 9.921025e+01
##
## iteration = 11
## Step:
## [1] -8.520394e-06 9.461099e-05 -2.506498e-05 3.020964e-06 -2.633182e-03
## Parameter:
## [1] 6.486406e+01 6.840929e+01 1.680598e+00 8.211718e-07 -1.059410e-02
## Function Value
## [1] -2711.667
## Gradient:
## [1] 0.000000e+00 0.000000e+00 0.000000e+00 1.593006e+08 9.895175e+01
##
## iteration = 12
## Step:
## [1] -1.162446e-04 1.290497e-03 -3.417032e-04 -8.283250e-07 -3.567997e-02
## Parameter:
## [1] 6.486395e+01 6.841058e+01 1.680257e+00 -7.153142e-09 -4.627406e-02
## Function Value
## [1] -3663.773
## Gradient:
## [1] 0.000000e+00 0.000000e+00 0.000000e+00 9.866049e+08 9.557730e+01
##
## iteration = 13
## Step:
## [1] -2.367283e-04 2.628066e-03 -6.958778e-04 8.316681e-10 -7.267090e-02
## Parameter:
## [1] 6.486371e+01 6.841321e+01 1.679561e+00 -6.321474e-09 -1.189450e-01
## Function Value
## [1] -3695.207
## Gradient:

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## [1] 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 -126.4295 89.3699
##
## iteration = 14
## Step:
## [1] -3.408279e-03 3.783739e-02 -1.001885e-02 1.197266e-08 -1.046274e+00
## Parameter:
## [1] 6.486030e+01 6.845105e+01 1.669542e+00 5.651189e-09 -1.165219e+00
## Function Value
## [1] -3783.638
## Gradient:
## [1] 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 113.0238 46.1847
##
## iteration = 15
## Parameter:
## [1] 6.486030e+01 6.845105e+01 1.669542e+00 5.651189e-09 -1.165219e+00
## Function Value
## [1] -3783.638
## Gradient:
## [1] 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 113.0238 46.1847
##
## Last global step failed to locate a point lower than x.
## Either x is an approximate local minimum of the function,
## the function is too non-linear for this algorithm,
## or steptol is too large.

## $minimum
## [1] -3783.638
##
## $estimate
## [1] 6.486030e+01 6.845105e+01 1.669542e+00 5.651189e-09 -1.165219e+00
##
## $gradient
## [1] 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 113.0238 46.1847
##
## $hessian
##           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]      [,5]
## [1,] 0.000000e+00 0.000000000 0.000000000 2.453914e-05 0.000000e+00
## [2,] 0.000000e+00 0.000000000 0.000000000 -9.556191e-03 0.000000e+00
## [3,] 0.000000e+00 0.000000000 0.000000000 -2.179028e-04 0.000000e+00
## [4,] 2.453914e-05 -0.009556191 -0.0002179028 -1.817599e+11 -2.273737e-05
## [5,] 0.000000e+00 0.000000000 0.000000000 -2.273737e-05 2.133229e+01
##
## $code
## [1] 3
##
## $iterations
## [1] 15

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c)

Given your MLE in (b), use the distribution of  $X$  to predict whether a given sample is taken from a man or woman. Intuitively, the two normal distributions of  $X$  correspond to the male and female height distributions. Given a sample,  $\hat{X}$ , decide which normal the sample is most likely to come from and assign the gender accordingly. Determine what percentage of individuals are classified correctly.



```

mu.1 <- parameters[1]
mu.2 <- parameters[2]
sigma.1 <- parameters[3]
sigma.2 <- parameters[4]
p1 <- parameters[5]
x <- height
z.score.f <- abs((x-mu.1)/sigma.1)
z.score.m <- abs((x- mu.2)/sigma.2)

gender.pred <- ifelse(z.score.f < z.score.m, 1, 2)
cat("Confusion Matrix:\n")

## Confusion Matrix:
confusion.matrix <- as.matrix(table(gender, gender.pred))
confusion.matrix

##      gender.pred
## gender  1  2
##      1 33 17
##      2  2 48

cat("\nThe percentage of individuals that are classified correctly is: ",
    sum(diag(confusion.matrix))/sum(confusion.matrix)*100, "%")

##
## The percentage of individuals that are classified correctly is: 81 %

```

2.

a)

Let  $Q$  be an  $n \times n$  orthonormal matrix. Show that  $Q^{-1} = Q^T$

**Solution**

We first show that  $QQ^T = Q^TQ = I$  Let  $v = v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be column vectors of  $Q$ , by definition, we have

$$v_i^T v_j = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i = j \\ 0, & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

When we multiply  $Q^T$  with  $Q$ , let  $q_{ij}$  indicate the  $i_{th}$  row,  $j_{th}$  column of the result. When  $i \neq j$ ,  $q_{ij}$  is the dot product of the  $i_{th}$  row of  $Q^T$  (or the  $i_{th}$  column of  $Q$ ) with the  $j_{th}$  row of  $Q$ , which gives 0, since  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  are orthogonal; when  $i = j$ ,  $q_{ij}$  is the dot product of the  $i_{th}$  row of  $Q^T$  (or the  $i_{th}$  column of  $Q$ ) with the  $i_{th}$  row of  $Q$ , which gives 1, since  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  are normal. Thus,  $Q^TQ = I$ . Symmetrically, we also have  $QQ^T = I$ .

Since the columns vectors  $v$  of  $Q$  are orthonormal vectors,  $v_i, v_j$  are linearly independent, thus  $Q$  is invertible. In other words,  $Q^{-1}$  exists.

Use the transpose formula above, we have

$$Q^TQ = I \implies Q^TQQ^{-1} = IQ^{-1} \implies Q^TQQ^{-1} = Q^{-1} \implies Q^T(QQ^{-1}) = Q^{-1} \implies Q^T = Q^{-1}$$

b)

Show that  $R$  rotates vectors by an angle  $\theta$  and that  $F$  reflects vectors about the  $x$ -axis.

**Solution**

Let  $A$  be a  $2 \times 1$  matrix with length  $L$ , let the angle between vector  $A$  and the  $x$ -axis be  $\alpha$ , then we can write  $A$  as

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} L\cos(\alpha) \\ L\sin(\alpha) \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus,

$$RA = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} L\cos(\alpha) \\ L\sin(\alpha) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} L(\cos(\theta)\cos(\alpha) - \sin(\theta)\sin(\alpha)) \\ L(\sin(\theta)\cos(\alpha) + \cos(\theta)\sin(\alpha)) \end{pmatrix}$$

Use angle addition formulas, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(\theta)\cos(\alpha) - \sin(\theta)\sin(\alpha) &= \cos(\theta + \alpha) \\ \sin(\theta)\cos(\alpha) + \cos(\theta)\sin(\alpha) &= \sin(\theta + \alpha) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$RA = \begin{pmatrix} L\cos(\theta + \alpha) \\ L\sin(\theta + \alpha) \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore, geometrically, left multiply by  $R$  is equivalent to rotate  $A$  by an angle  $\theta$ .

As for  $FA$ , we have:

$$FA = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} L\cos(\alpha) \\ L\sin(\alpha) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} L\cos(\alpha) \\ -L\sin(\alpha) \end{pmatrix}$$

So after left multiply by  $F$ ,  $x$ -coordinate  $L\cos(\alpha)$  remains the same, while the  $y$ -coordinate  $(-L\sin(\alpha))$  becomes the negative of the original value of  $y$ . In other words, left multiply by  $F$  reflects vectors about the  $x$ -axis.

c)

Show that you can form any  $2 \times 2$  orthonormal matrix using  $R$  and  $RF$ .

**Solution**

$$RF = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & -\cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$

Let  $A$  denotes an orthonormal matrix with entry  $a, b, c, d$  as below.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $a, b, c, d$  satisfies the following equations by the orthonormal property:

$$\begin{cases} a^2 + b^2 = 1 \\ c^2 + d^2 = 1 \\ ac + bd = 0 \end{cases}$$

Imagine a unit circle, we may find that there exists two angles  $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 2\pi)$  such that

$$a = \cos(\alpha), \quad b = \sin(\alpha), \quad c = \sin(\beta), \quad d = \cos(\beta)$$

The third equation therefore can be written as (using the angle addition formulas)

$$\cos(\alpha)\sin(\beta) + \sin(\alpha)\cos(\beta) = 0 \implies \sin(\alpha + \beta) = 0$$

By the property of  $\sin()$  function, we have  $\alpha + \beta = k\pi, k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Due to the periodicity of the  $\sin()$  function, we only need to consider two situations  $k = 0$  or  $k = 1$ .

When  $k = 0$ , we have  $\alpha = -\beta$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \cos(\alpha), \\ b &= \sin(\alpha), \\ c &= \sin(\beta) = \sin(-\alpha) = -\sin(\alpha), \\ d &= \cos(\beta) = \cos(-\alpha) = \cos(\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

$A$  can be written as  $R$ .

When  $k = 1$ , we have  $\alpha + \beta = \pi$ , which gives

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \cos(\alpha), \\ b &= \sin(\alpha), \\ c &= \sin(\beta) = \sin(\pi - \alpha) = \sin(\alpha), \\ d &= \cos(\beta) = \cos(\pi - \alpha) = -\cos(\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

$A$  can be written as  $RF$ .

### 3.

Let  $X \sim (\mu, \Sigma)$  where  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\Sigma$  is an  $n \times n$  covariance matrix.

a)

Let  $M$  be an  $n \times n$  invertible matrix. Show that  $MX \sim (M\mu, M\Sigma M^T)$ .

### Solution

We use the characteristic function of multinormal distribution to prove the theorem. By definition of the multinormal distribution using characteristic function (see reference here: <https://www.math.kth.se/matstat/gru/sf2940/sf2940lectVI3.pdf>), since  $X \sim (\mu, \Sigma)$ , the corresponding characteristic function is

$$\phi_X(t) = \exp(it^T \mu - \frac{1}{2}t^T \Sigma t)$$

where  $i$  is the imaginary unit and  $t$  is a  $n \times 1$  row vector.

Assume  $m_i$  is the  $i_{th}$  row of the  $n \times n$  invertible matrix  $M$ . We then prove that  $m_i X \sim N(m_i \mu, m_i \Sigma m_i^T)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{m_i X}(t) &= E[\exp(it(m_i X))] \\ &= E[\exp(i(t^T m_i)X)] \\ &= E[\exp(i(m_i^T t)^T X)] \\ &= E[\exp(i(m_i^T t)^T X)] \end{aligned}$$

Let  $t^* = m_i^T t$ , we then have

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi_{m_i X}(t) &= E[\exp(i(m_i^T t)^T X)] \\
&= E[\exp(i(t^*)^T X)] \\
&= \exp(i(t^*)^T \mu - \frac{1}{2}(t^*)^T \Sigma(t^*)) \\
&= \exp(i(m_i^T t)^T \mu - \frac{1}{2}(m_i^T t)^T \Sigma(m_i^T t)) \\
&= \exp(i(t^T m_i \mu - \frac{1}{2}t^T m_i \Sigma(m_i^T t)) \\
&= \exp(i(t^T(m_i \mu) - \frac{1}{2}t^T(m_i \Sigma m_i^T)t)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have  $m_i X \sim N(m_i \mu, m_i \Sigma m_i^T)$ . Since

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \\ \vdots \\ m_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$MX = \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \\ \vdots \\ m_n \end{pmatrix} X = \begin{pmatrix} m_1 X \\ m_2 X \\ \vdots \\ m_n X \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $m_i X \sim N(m_i \mu, m_i \Sigma m_i^T)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . This is equivalent to  $MX \sim (M\mu, M\Sigma M^T)$

**b)**

Show that if  $\Sigma$  is a diagonal matrix then the coordinates of  $X$  are independent normals.

**Solution:**

Since  $\Sigma$  is a diagonal matrix, it follows that there exists eigenvectors  $q^{(1)}, q^{(2)}, \dots, q^{(n)}$  and associated eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  such that  $q^{(i)} \cdot q^{(j)} = 0 \forall i \neq j$  and  $\|q^{(i)}\| = 1$ .

Thus,  $\Sigma = QDQ^T$  where

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \quad Q = (q^{(1)}, q^{(2)}, \dots, q^{(n)})$$

By the theorem in a), we have  $MX \sim (M\mu, M\Sigma M^T)$ . Since  $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma) \iff X \sim \mu + N(0, \Sigma)$ , we may

only consider the situation where  $X \sim N(0, \Sigma)$ . Left multiply  $X$  by  $Q^T$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} Q^T X &\sim (0, Q^T \Sigma Q) \\ &= (0, Q^T Q D Q^T Q) \\ &= (0, (Q^T Q) D (Q^T Q)) \\ &= (0, I D I) \\ &= (0, D) \end{aligned}$$

Let  $Z = Q^T X \sim (0, D)$ , then  $Z_i \sim N(0, D_{ii})$ . Thus  $f(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n \det D}} e^{-(z^T D^{-1} z)/2}$ .

Since  $D$  is diagonal, we have  $\det D = D_{11} \cdot D_{22} \cdot \dots \cdot D_{nn}$ .

$$Z^T D^{-1} Z = (Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{D_{11}} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{D_{22}} & \dots & 0 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \frac{1}{D_{nn}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Z_1 \\ Z_2 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ Z_n \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{Z_i^2}{D_{ii}}$$

Plug in the two expressions above to  $f(z)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n \det D}} e^{-(z^T D^{-1} z)/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n (D_{11} \cdot D_{22} \cdot \dots \cdot D_{nn})}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{Z_i^2}{D_{ii}}} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi) D_{ii}}} e^{-\frac{Z_i^2}{2D_{ii}}} \\ &= f_{Z_1}(z_1) \cdot f_{Z_2}(z_2) \cdot \dots \cdot f_{Z_n}(z_n) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n$  are independent.

### 3)

Write a function **MultiNorm**( $\mu, \Sigma$ ) that samples from a multivariate normal with mean  $\mu$  and covariance  $\Sigma$ . Your function can use **rnorm**, the univariate normal sampler in R, and the function **eigen** (or their equivalent in Python).

#### Solution:

Based on the previous conclusion, we know that given  $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$ , we can rewrite  $\Sigma$  through the spectral decomposition, i.e.,  $\Sigma = Q D Q^T$ , where  $Q$  is the eigen vector,  $D$  is a diagonal matrix with eigen values on the diagonal. Since  $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma) \iff X \sim \mu + N(0, \Sigma)$ . Thus, assume  $X \sim N(0, \Sigma)$ , then

$$Q^T X \sim N(0, Q^T (Q D Q^T) Q) \implies Q^T X \sim N(0, D)$$

Let  $Z = Q^T X \sim N(0, D)$ , we can first sample from  $N(0, D)$  to get  $Z$ , then transform back to  $X \sim (0, \Sigma)$  by left multiply  $Q$  as  $QZ = Q Q^T X = X$ . After that, we can add back  $\mu$  to recover the original  $X$ .

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# $Id: mvnorm.R 332 2016-10-27 09:17:12Z thothorn $
# Code for checking edge cases is adapted from
# https://rdrr.io/cran/mvtnorm/src/R/mvnorm.R

MultiNorm <- function(N, mu, sigma){
  if (!isSymmetric(sigma, tol = sqrt(.Machine$double.eps),
                    check.attributes = FALSE)) {
    stop("sigma must be a symmetric matrix")
  }
  if (length(mu) != nrow(sigma)){
    stop("mean and sigma have non-conforming size")
  }
  # Sigma = Q %*% D %*% t(Q)
  ev <- eigen(sigma, symmetric = TRUE)
  # Check Positive Semidefinite
  # Compare with the machine's smallest positive floating-point number
  if (!all(ev$values >= -sqrt(.Machine$double.eps) * abs(ev$values[1]))){
    warning("sigma is numerically not positive semidefinite")
  }
  Q <- ev$vectors
  D <- diag(x = ev$values, nrow = length(ev$values), ncol = length(ev$values))
  # When X ~ N(0, Sigma), Z = t(Q) %*% X ~ N(0,D)
  Z <- numeric(0)
  for (i in 1:nrow(D)){
    # Z1, Z2, Z3, ... follows N(0, D11), N(0, D22), N(0, D33), ...
    Z <- rbind(Z, rnorm(N, sd = sqrt(D[i,i])))
  }
  # Z = t(Q) %*% X
  # Q %*% Z = X
  # Thus we could transform back to X ~ N(0, Sigma) by left multiply Q
  X <- Q %*% Z
  # Since X ~ N(mu, Sigma) is equivalent to mu + N(0, Sigma),
  # We can simply add back the mean vector
  X <- sweep(X, MARGIN = 1, mu, "+")
  return(X)
}

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mu <- c(1,2,3)
sigma <- matrix(c(4,2,1,2,3,2,1,2,3), ncol=3)
X <- MultiNorm (N=500, mu=mu, sigma=sigma)
cat("Sample Means: ", rowMeans(X), "\n")

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## Sample Means: 1.065312 2.056025 3.12102
cat("Sample Covariance Matrix:\n")

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## Sample Covariance Matrix:
var(t(X))

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##           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]
## [1,] 3.8735499 2.014707 0.9635637
## [2,] 2.0147066 3.053519 1.9237297
## [3,] 0.9635637 1.923730 2.7163804

```

The sample means and covariance matrix are both very close to the assigned parameters.