# 3.1 多元随机变量联合分布 3.2 多元高斯分布

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# 3.1.1 协方差

协方差 (covariance): 用于度量 rv's X、Y 的 (线性) 相关性

$$\mathrm{Cov}[X,\,Y] \triangleq \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])(Y - \mathbb{E}[Y])] = \mathbb{E}[XY] - \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y]$$

# 协方差矩阵 (covariance matrix)(x 为 D 维随机向量)

$$\operatorname{Cov}[\mathbf{x}] \triangleq \mathbb{E}\left[ (\mathbf{x} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}])(\mathbf{x} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}])^{\top} \right] \triangleq \mathbf{\Sigma}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{V}[X_1] & \operatorname{Cov}[X_1, X_2] & \cdots & \operatorname{Cov}[X_1, X_D] \\ \operatorname{Cov}[X_2, X_1] & \mathbb{V}[X_2] & \cdots & \operatorname{Cov}[X_2, X_D] \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \operatorname{Cov}[X_D, X_1] & \operatorname{Cov}[X_D, X_2] & \cdots & \mathbb{V}[X_D] \end{pmatrix}$$

# 3.1.1 协方差

#### 协方差相关性质

• 
$$\operatorname{Cov}[\mathbf{x}] = \Sigma = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^{\top}] - \boldsymbol{\mu}\boldsymbol{\mu}^{\top}$$

•

$$Cov[\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}] = Cov[\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^{\top}\mathbf{A}^{\top}] - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}]\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}^{\top}\mathbf{A}^{\top}]$$
$$= \mathbf{A}\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^{\top}]\mathbf{A}^{\top} - \mathbf{A}\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}]\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}^{\top}]\mathbf{A}^{\top}$$
$$= \mathbf{A}Cov[\mathbf{x}]\mathbf{A}^{\top}$$

## 互协方差 (cross-covariance)

- $\operatorname{Cov}[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}] = \mathbb{E}\left[ (\mathbf{x} \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}])(\mathbf{y} \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}])^{\top} \right]$
- $\bullet \operatorname{Cov}[\mathbf{x}] = \operatorname{Cov}[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}]$

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协方差的值可以是任意的,有时候使用相关系数 (correlation coefficient) 更方便。

## 相关系数定义

$$\rho \triangleq \operatorname{corr}[X, Y] \triangleq \frac{\operatorname{Cov}[X, Y]}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}[X]\mathbb{V}[Y]}}$$

### 性质

- $-1 \le \rho \le 1$
- corr[X, Y] = 1 iff Y = aX + b(a > 0)
- $a = \operatorname{Cov}[X, Y]/\mathbb{V}[X]$

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## 性质的解释

$$\rho = \frac{\operatorname{Cov}[X, Y]}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}[X]\mathbb{V}[Y]}} = \sqrt{\frac{[\mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])(Y - \mathbb{E}[Y])]^2}{\mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2]\mathbb{E}[(Y - \mathbb{E}[Y])^2]}}$$

We first construct an function g(t)

$$g(t) = t^{2}E(X^{2}) + 2tE(XY) + E(Y^{2})$$

$$= E(t^{2}X^{2} + 2tXY + Y^{2})$$

$$= E(tX + Y)^{2}$$

$$\geqslant 0$$

This function has at most one crossing point with t axis line t=0. Therefore, we know  $\Delta\leqslant 0$ . That is

$$\Delta = (2E(XY))^2 - 4E(X^2)E(Y^2)$$
  
=  $4[E(XY)]^2 - 4E(X^2)E(Y^2)$   
 $\leq 0$ 

So that  $[E(XY)]^2 \leqslant E(X^2)E(Y^2)$  is proved.

Figure: 柯西不等式



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$$\rho = 1 \iff \mathbf{Y} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{Y}] = \mathbf{a}[\mathbf{X} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}]], \mathbf{a} > 0$$

$$Cov[X, Y] = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])(Y - \mathbb{E}[Y])] = \mathbb{E}[a(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2] = a\mathbb{V}[X]$$



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### 相关矩阵 (correlation matrix)

$$\operatorname{corr}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{\mathbb{E}[(X_1 - \mu_1)(X_2 - \mu_2)]}{\sigma_1 \sigma_2} & \dots & \frac{\mathbb{E}[(X_1 - \mu_1)(X_D - \mu_D)]}{\sigma_1 \sigma_D} \\ \frac{\mathbb{E}[(X_2 - \mu_2)(X_1 - \mu_1)]}{\sigma_2 \sigma_1} & 1 & \dots & \frac{\mathbb{E}[(X_2 - \mu_2)(X_D - \mu_D)]}{\sigma_2 \sigma_D} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\mathbb{E}[(X_D - \mu_D)(X_1 - \mu_1)]}{\sigma_D \sigma_1} & \frac{\mathbb{E}[(X_D - \mu_D)(X_2 - \mu_2)]}{\sigma_D \sigma_2} & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## 3.1.3 需要注意的地方

 $X \setminus Y$  的相关系数为 0 不代表相互独立。

例如  $X \sim U(-1,1)$  和  $Y = X^2$ ,明显  $\mathbb{E}[X] = 0$ , $\mathbb{E}[XY] = \mathbb{E}[X^3] = 0$ ,所以  $Cov[X, Y] = \mathbb{E}[XY] - \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y] = 0$ 。但是这里 Y 是完全由 X 决定的。

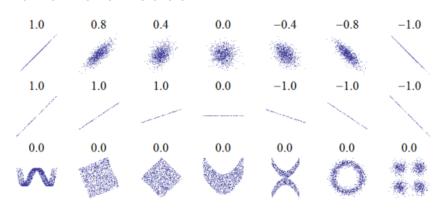


Figure: 数字为相关系数

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# 3.1.3 需要注意的地方

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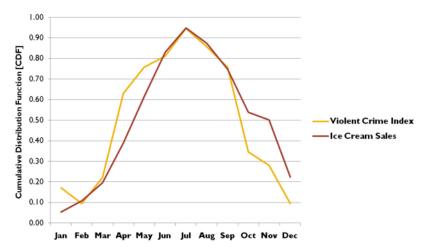


Figure: 冰淇淋与谋杀

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在不同组数据中出现的相同的关系,在考察所有数据的时候,可能会消失,甚至是相反。

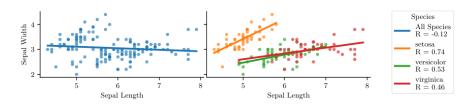


Figure: 鸢尾花: 花萼的长度和宽度

不能忽略组和组之间的差异

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# 3.2.1 定义

### MVN 的 pdf(概率密度函数)

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y} \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \triangleq \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^{\top} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right]$$

$$oldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbb{E}[oldsymbol{y}] \in \mathbb{R}^D$$

$$\Sigma = \operatorname{Cov}[\mathbf{y}] \triangleq \mathbb{E}\left[ (\mathbf{y} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}])(\mathbf{y} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}])^{\top} \right]$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{V}[Y_1] & \operatorname{Cov}[Y_1, Y_2] & \cdots & \operatorname{Cov}[Y_1, Y_D] \\ \operatorname{Cov}[Y_2, Y_1] & \mathbb{V}[Y_2] & \cdots & \operatorname{Cov}[Y_2, Y_D] \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \operatorname{Cov}[Y_D, Y_1] & \operatorname{Cov}[Y_D, Y_2] & \cdots & \mathbb{V}[Y_D] \end{pmatrix}$$

## |3.2.1 定义

在二维下,MVN 也被叫做二元高斯分布 (bivariate Gaussian distribution),它的 pdf 可以表示为  $\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ ,

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12}^2 \\ \sigma_{21}^2 & \sigma_2^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \rho \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \\ \rho \sigma_1 \sigma_2 & \sigma_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho = \operatorname{corr} [Y_1, Y_2] \triangleq \frac{\operatorname{Cov} [Y_1, Y_2]}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V} [Y_1] \mathbb{V} [Y_2]}} = \frac{\sigma_{12}^2}{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}$$

$$\rho(y_1, y_2) = \frac{1}{2\pi \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sqrt{1 - \rho^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2(1 - \rho^2)} \times \left[\frac{(y_1 - \mu_1)^2}{\sigma_1^2} + \frac{(y_2 - \mu_2)^2}{\sigma_2^2} - 2\rho \frac{(y_1 - \mu_1)}{\sigma_1} \frac{(y_2 - \mu_2)}{\sigma_2}\right]\right)$$

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#### 三种协方差矩阵

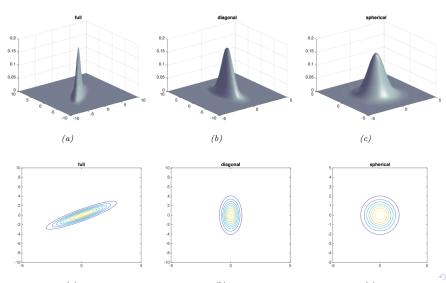
- full covariance matrix, 有所有的参数
- diagonal covariance matrix, 只有对角线上的参数
- spherical covariance matrix,只有一个参数

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} &= \operatorname{Cov}[\boldsymbol{y}] \triangleq \mathbb{E}\left[ (\boldsymbol{y} - \mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{y}])(\boldsymbol{y} - \mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{y}])^{\top} \right] \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{V}\left[Y_{1}\right] & \operatorname{Cov}\left[Y_{1}, Y_{2}\right] & \cdots & \operatorname{Cov}\left[Y_{1}, Y_{D}\right] \\ \operatorname{Cov}\left[Y_{2}, Y_{1}\right] & \mathbb{V}\left[Y_{2}\right] & \cdots & \operatorname{Cov}\left[Y_{2}, Y_{D}\right] \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \operatorname{Cov}\left[Y_{D}, Y_{1}\right] & \operatorname{Cov}\left[Y_{D}, Y_{2}\right] & \cdots & \mathbb{V}\left[Y_{D}\right] \end{pmatrix} \end{split}$$

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# 3.2.1 定义

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# 3.2.2 马氏距离 (Mahalanobis distance)

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y} \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \triangleq \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^{\top} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right]$$
$$\log p(\mathbf{y} \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^{\top} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) + \text{const}$$

## 定义

$$\Delta^2 \triangleq (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^{\top} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$$



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# 3.2.2 马氏距离 (Mahalanobis distance)

#### 深入了解

假设 Σ 是正定矩阵

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \sum_{d=1}^{D} \lambda_{d} \boldsymbol{u}_{d} \boldsymbol{u}_{d}^{\top}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} = \sum_{d=1}^{D} \frac{1}{\lambda_{d}} \boldsymbol{u}_{d} \boldsymbol{u}_{d}^{\top} \quad \boldsymbol{z}_{d} \triangleq \boldsymbol{u}_{d}^{\top} (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$$

$$\Delta^{2} = (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^{\top} \left( \sum_{d=1}^{D} \frac{1}{\lambda_{d}} \boldsymbol{u}_{d} \boldsymbol{u}_{d}^{\top} \right) (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$$

$$= \sum_{d=1}^{D} \frac{1}{\lambda_{d}} (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^{\top} \boldsymbol{u}_{d} \boldsymbol{u}_{d}^{\top} (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) = \sum_{d=1}^{D} \frac{z_{d}^{2}}{\lambda_{d}}$$

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# 3.2.2 马氏距离 (Mahalanobis distance)

#### 二维空间下

$$\Delta^2 = \frac{z_1^2}{\lambda_1} + \frac{z_2^2}{\lambda_2} = \frac{(\mathbf{u}_1^\top (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}))^2}{\lambda_1} + \frac{(\mathbf{u}_2^\top (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}))^2}{\lambda_2}$$

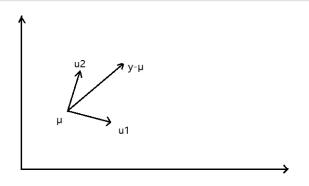


Figure: 二维下的新坐标系

# 3.2.3MVN 的边缘和条件概率分布

考虑一个联合高斯分布 
$$\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2)$$
,它的参数为  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 \\ \boldsymbol{\mu}_2 \end{pmatrix}$ , $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} & \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12} \\ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21} & \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22} \end{pmatrix}$ , $\boldsymbol{\Lambda} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{11} & \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{12} \\ \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{21} & \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{22} \end{pmatrix}$ 

# 边缘概率密度 (marginal)

$$ho(\mathbf{y}_1) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}_1|\mathbf{\mu}_1,\mathbf{\Sigma}_{11})$$

$$ho(\mathbf{y}_2) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}_2|oldsymbol{\mu}_2, oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22})$$

# 3.2.3MVN 的边缘和条件概率分布

### 后验概率密度 (posterior conditional)

$$egin{aligned} 
ho( extbf{y}_1| extbf{y}_2) &= \mathcal{N}( extbf{y}_1| extbf{\mu}_{1|2}, extbf{\Sigma}_{1|2}) \ \mu_{1|2} &= extbf{\mu}_1 + extbf{\Sigma}_{12} extbf{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}( extbf{y}_2 - extbf{\mu}_2) \ &= extbf{\mu}_1 - extbf{\Lambda}_{11}^{-1} extbf{\Lambda}_{12}( extbf{y}_2 - extbf{\mu}_2) \ &= extbf{\Sigma}_{1|2}( extbf{\Lambda}_{11} extbf{\mu}_1 - extbf{\Lambda}_{12}( extbf{y}_2 - extbf{\mu}_2)) \ & extbf{\Sigma}_{1|2} &= extbf{\Sigma}_{11} - extbf{\Sigma}_{12} extbf{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1} extbf{\Sigma}_{21} = extbf{\Lambda}_{11}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

### 3.2.4 实例: 2d Gaussian

考察二元高斯分布。

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \left( \begin{array}{cc} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12}^2 \\ \sigma_{21}^2 & \sigma_2^2 \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{cc} \sigma_1^2 & \rho \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \\ \rho \sigma_1 \sigma_2 & \sigma_2^2 \end{array} \right)$$

边缘概率密度为  $p(y_1) = \mathcal{N}(y_1|\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$ 

条件概率密度为  $p(y_1|y_2) = \mathcal{N}(y_1|\mu_1 + \frac{\rho\sigma_1\sigma_2}{\sigma_2^2}(y_2 - \mu_2), \sigma_1^2 - \frac{(\rho\sigma_1\sigma_2)^2}{\sigma_2^2})$ 

### 相关系数和斜率

$$\rho = 1 \iff \mathbf{Y} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{Y}] = \mathbf{a}[\mathbf{X} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}]], \mathbf{a} > 0$$

$$\operatorname{Cov}[X, Y] = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])(Y - \mathbb{E}[Y])] = \mathbb{E}[a(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2] = a\mathbb{V}[X]$$

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### 3.2.4 实例: 2d Gaussian

当 
$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma$$
 时, $p(y_1|y_2) = \mathcal{N}(y_1|\mu_1 + \rho(y_2 - \mu_2), \sigma^2(1 - \rho^2))$ 

#### 更具体一点

假设  $\rho=0.8$ ,  $\sigma_1=\sigma_2=1$ ,  $\mu_1=\mu_2=0$ , 在  $y_2=1$  时,  $\mathbb{E}[y_1|y_2=1]=0.8$ ,这代表我们认为如果  $y_2$  相对于  $\mu_2$  增加 1,  $y_1$  相对于  $\mu_1$  会随之增加 0.8。  $\mathbb{V}[y_1|y_2=1]=1-0.8^2=0.36$ ,这代表固定  $y_2$  之后, $y_1$  随之受到了限制,可以看到选择哪个  $y_2$  对  $\mathbb{V}[y_1|y_2]$  没有影响。

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# 3.2.5 实例: 预测缺省值

如果我们得到了一个向量 y 的一部分 (维度) 值,我们可以利用不同维度的相互关系,推测缺省的维度值。

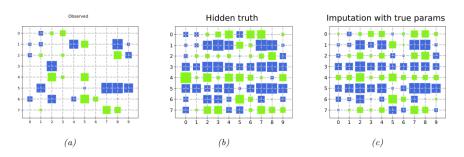


Figure: imputing missing values

$$p(\mathbf{y}_{n,h}|\mathbf{y}_{n,v},\boldsymbol{\theta}) \rightarrow p(y_{n,i}|\mathbf{y}_{n,v},\boldsymbol{\theta}) \rightarrow \bar{y}_{n,i} = \mathbb{E}[y_{n,i}|\mathbf{y}_{n,v},\boldsymbol{\theta}]$$