

1 Prove that

1.1 Gaussian distribution is normalized.

Let:

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

Squaring the above expression:

$$I^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}x^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}y^2\right) dx dy$$

We utilize:

$$x = r \cos \theta, \quad y = r \sin \theta$$

Based on the fact that:

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) r dr = -\sigma^2 \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \Big|_0^{+\infty} = -\sigma^2(0 - 1) = \sigma^2$$

Therefore:

$$I^2 = \int_0^{2\pi} \sigma^2 d\theta = 2\pi\sigma^2, \quad \Rightarrow I = \sqrt{2\pi}\sigma$$

We can prove normalized by:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} N(x | \mu, \sigma^2) dx &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu)^2\right\} dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}y^2\right\} dy \quad (y = x - \mu) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}y^2\right\} dy \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

1.2 Expectation of Gaussian distribution is mu (mean)

We have the Expectation formula of a continuous random variable:

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

And the Gaussian distribution formula:

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

Therefore:

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

1.3 Variance of Gaussian distribution is σ^2 (variance)

From the definition of the Gaussian distribution, X has probability density function:

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

From Variance as Expectation of Square minus Square of Expectation:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(X) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x^2 - \mu^2) p_X(x|\mu, \sigma^2) dx \\ \text{var}(X) &= \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) dx - \mu^2 \\ \rightarrow t &= \frac{x-\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}\sigma}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\sqrt{2}\sigma t + \mu)^2 \exp(-t^2) dt - \mu^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(2\sigma^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 \exp(-t^2) dt + 2\sqrt{2}\sigma\mu \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t \exp(-t^2) dt + \mu^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-t^2) dt \right) - \mu^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(2\sigma^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 \exp(-t^2) dt + 2\sqrt{2}\sigma\mu \left[-\frac{1}{2} \exp(-t^2) \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} + \mu^2 \sqrt{\pi} \right) - \mu^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(2\sigma^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 \exp(-t^2) dt + 2\sqrt{2}\sigma\mu \cdot 0 \right) + \mu^2 - \mu^2 \\ &= \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 \exp(-t^2) dt \\ &= \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\left[-\frac{t}{2} \exp(-t^2) \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-t^2) dt \right) \\ &= \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-t^2) dt \\ &= \frac{2\sigma^2 \sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \\ &= \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

1.4 Multivariate Gaussian distribution is normalized

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^2 &= (x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^D \frac{1}{\lambda_i} (x - \mu)^T (x - \mu) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^D \frac{y_i^2}{\lambda_i} \end{aligned}$$

with $y_i = u_i^T (x - \mu)$ We also have $|\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}} = \prod_{i=1}^D \lambda_i^{\frac{1}{2}}$. For a D-dimensional vector x , the multivariate Gaussian distribution takes the form

$$p(x | \mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{D}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} (x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)\right)$$

We replace $y_i = u_i^T(x - \mu)$ into the equation, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
p(y) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{D}{2}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^D \lambda_i \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^D \frac{y_i^2}{\lambda_i} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{D}{2}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^D \lambda_i \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \prod_{i=1}^D \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{y_i^2}{\lambda_i} \right) \\
&= \prod_{j=1}^D \frac{1}{(2\pi \lambda_j)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left(-\frac{y_j^2}{2\lambda_j} \right) \\
\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(y) dy &= \prod_{j=1}^D \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2\pi \lambda_j)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left(-\frac{y_j^2}{2\lambda_j} \right) dy_j \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

2 Calculate

2.1 The conditional of Gaussian distribution

Suppose x is a D-dimensional vector with Gaussian distribution $\mathcal{N}(x | \mu, \Sigma)$ and that we partition x into two disjoint subsets x_a and x_b

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_a \\ x_b \end{pmatrix}$$

We also define corresponding partitions of the mean vector μ given by

$$\mu = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_a \\ \mu_b \end{pmatrix}$$

and of the covariance matrix Σ given by

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{aa} & \Sigma_{ab} \\ \Sigma_{ba} & \Sigma_{bb} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A = \Sigma^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{aa} & A_{ab} \\ A_{ba} & A_{bb} \end{pmatrix}$$

Σ is symmetric so Σ_{aa} and Σ_{bb} are symmetric while $\Sigma_{ab} = \Sigma_{ba}^T$. We are looking for conditional distribution $p(x_a | x_b)$. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu) &= -\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T A(x-\mu) \\
&= -\frac{1}{2}(x_a - \mu_a)^T A_{aa}(x_a - \mu_a) - \frac{1}{2}(x_a - \mu_a)^T A_{ab}(x_b - \mu_b) \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2}(x_b - \mu_b)^T A_{ba}(x_a - \mu_a) - \frac{1}{2}(x_b - \mu_b)^T A_{bb}(x_b - \mu_b) \\
&= -\frac{1}{2}x_a^T A_{aa}^{-1}x_a + x_a^T (A_{aa}\mu_a - A_{ab}(x_b - \mu_b)) + \text{const}
\end{aligned}$$

It is quadratic form of x_a hence conditional distribution $p(x_a | x_b)$ will be Gaussian, because this distribution is characterized by its mean and its variance. Compare with Gaussian distribution

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

$$\Sigma_{a|b} = A_{aa}^{-1}$$

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

By using Schur complement,

$$\Rightarrow A_{aa} = (\Sigma_{aa} - \Sigma_{ab}\Sigma_{bb}^{-1}\Sigma_{ba})^{-1} A_{ab} = -(\Sigma_{aa} - \Sigma_{ab}\Sigma_{bb}^{-1}\Sigma_{ba})^{-1} \Sigma_{ab}\Sigma_{bb}^{-1}$$

As a result

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

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

$$\Rightarrow p(x_a | x_b) = N(x_a | \mu_{a|b}, \Sigma_{a|b})$$

2.2 The marginal of Gaussian distribution

The marginal distribution given by

$$p(x_a) = \int p(x_a, x_b) dx_b$$

We need to integrate out x_b by looking the quadratic form related to x_b

$$-\frac{1}{2}x_b^T A_{bb}x_b + x_b^T m = -\frac{1}{2}(x_b - A_{bb}^{-1}m)^T A_{bb}(x_b - A_{bb}^{-1}m) + \frac{1}{2}m^T A_{bb}^{-1}m$$

with $m = A_{bb}\mu_b - A_{ba}(x_a - \mu_a)$ We can integrate over unnormalized Gaussian

$$\int \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2}(x_b - A_{bb}^{-1}m)^T A_{bb}(x_b - A_{bb}^{-1}m) \right\} dx_b$$

The remaining term

$$-\frac{1}{2}x_a^T (A_{aa} - A_{ab}A_{bb}^{-1}A_{ba})x_a + x_a^T (A_{aa} - A_{ab}A_{bb}^{-1}A_{ba})^{-1}\mu_a + \text{const}$$

Similarly, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[x_a] &= \mu_a \\ \text{cov}[x_a] &= \Sigma_{aa} \\ \Rightarrow p(x_a) &= N(x_a | \mu_a, \Sigma_{aa})\end{aligned}$$