

1. Distribution of quadratic forms

(1) $N(0, I)$ case $p(\geq n)$ -dimensional.

$$X \sim N(0, I)$$

$$X'AX \sim \chi^2(n) \text{ if } A^2 = A, \ n = \text{tr}(A)$$

Proof

$$\bullet \ A^2 = A : \text{ real symmetric } \implies A = P \begin{pmatrix} I_n & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} P',$$

$$PP' = P'P = I, \ n = \text{tr}(A)$$

• Let $Z = P'X \sim N(0, I)$ (Recall the distribution of a linear transformation of MVN random vector.)

$$\bullet \ X'AX = Z' \begin{pmatrix} I_n & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} Z = \sum_1^n Z_i^2, \sim \chi^2(n)$$

$$Z_i \sim N(0, 1) \text{ independent } (i = 1, \dots, n)$$

(2) Non-singular $N(0, \Sigma)$ case

$$X \sim N(0, \Sigma), \ \Sigma : \text{ non-singular.}$$

$$X'AX \sim \chi^2(n) \text{ if } A\Sigma : \text{ idempotent, } n = \text{tr}(A\Sigma)$$

Proof

$$\bullet \ X \stackrel{d}{=} \Sigma^{1/2}Z,$$

$$Z \sim N(0, I), \ \Sigma^{1/2}\Sigma^{1/2} = \Sigma, \ \Sigma^{1/2} : \text{ symm. non-singular}$$

$$\bullet \ X'AX = Z'\Sigma^{1/2}A\Sigma^{1/2}Z, \ Z \sim N(0, I)$$

- From (1),

$$X'AX \sim \chi^2(n) \text{ if } \Sigma^{1/2}A\Sigma^{1/2} \cdot \Sigma^{1/2}A\Sigma^{1/2} = \Sigma^{1/2}A\Sigma^{1/2},$$

$$n = \text{tr}(\Sigma^{1/2}A\Sigma^{1/2})$$

$$\iff A\Sigma A = A, \quad n = \text{tr}(A\Sigma)$$

$$\iff A\Sigma : \text{idempotent}, \quad n = \text{tr}(A\Sigma)$$

2. Independence of Quadratic Forms

(1) $N(0, I)$ case

$$X \sim N(0, I).$$

$$X'AX \text{ and } X'BX \text{ are independent} \iff AB = 0$$

Proof (sketch)

- $X'AX, X'BX$: independent

$$\iff \text{mgf}_{X'AX, X'BX}(t_1, t_2)$$

$$= \text{mgf}_{X'AX}(t_1) \cdot \text{mgf}_{X'BX}(t_2) \quad \text{for } |t_1| < \epsilon \text{ \& } |t_2| < \epsilon$$

- $\text{mgf}_{X'AX, X'BX}(t_1, t_2)$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} \exp \left(t_1 x' A x + t_2 x' B x - \frac{1}{2} x' x \right) dx_1 \cdots dx_p$$

$$= (\det(I - 2t_1 A - 2t_2 B))^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

- $\text{mgf}_{X'AX}(t_1) = (\det(I - 2t_1 A))^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

$$\text{mgf}_{X'BX}(t_2) = (\det(I - 2t_2 B))^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

- $(\det(I - 2t_1 A - 2t_2 B))^{-\frac{1}{2}} = (\det(I - 2t_1 A))^{-\frac{1}{2}} (\det(I - 2t_2 B))^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

$$\iff \det(I - 2t_1 A - 2t_2 B) = \det(I - 2t_1 A - 2t_2 B + 4t_1 t_2 AB)$$

(2) Non-singular $N(0, \Sigma)$ case

$$X \sim N(0, \Sigma) \text{ with } \Sigma : \text{non-singular.}$$

$$X'AX, X'BX : \text{independent} \iff A\Sigma B = 0$$

Idea of Proof

- $X \stackrel{d}{=} \Sigma^{1/2}Z$, $Z \sim N(0, I)$
 $\Sigma^{1/2}$: symmetric non-singular $\Sigma^{1/2}\Sigma^{1/2} = \Sigma$
- $\begin{cases} X'AX = Z'\Sigma^{1/2}A\Sigma^{1/2}Z, & Z \sim N(0, I), \quad \eta = \Sigma^{-1/2}\mu \\ X'BX = Z'\Sigma^{1/2}B\Sigma^{1/2}Z, \end{cases}$
- $X'AX, X'BX$: indep $\iff \Sigma^{1/2}A\Sigma^{1/2}\Sigma^{1/2}B\Sigma^{1/2} = 0$ by (1)
 $\iff A\Sigma B = 0$ ($\Sigma^{1/2}$: non-singular)

3. Independence between quadratic and linear forms

(1) $N(0, I)$ case : $X \sim N(0, I)$.

$$X'AX, BX : \text{independent} \iff AB' = 0$$

Idea of Proof

$X'AX, BX$: independent

$$\iff X'AX, X'B'BX : \text{independent}, X \sim N(0, I)$$

$$\iff AB'B = 0 \quad \text{by 2-(1)}$$

$$\iff AB'BA' = 0$$

$$\iff AB' = 0 \quad (\because CC' = 0 \iff C = 0)$$

(2) Non-singular $N(0, \Sigma)$ case : $X \sim N(0, \Sigma)$, Σ : non-singular.

$$X'AX, BX : \text{independent} \iff A\Sigma B' = 0$$

Idea of Proof

- $X \stackrel{d}{=} \Sigma^{1/2}Z$, $Z \sim N(0, I)$,

$$\Sigma^{1/2} : \text{symmetric non-singular}, \Sigma^{1/2}\Sigma^{1/2} = \Sigma$$

- $\left. \begin{aligned} X'AX &= Z'\Sigma^{1/2}A\Sigma^{1/2}Z \\ BX &= B\Sigma^{1/2}Z \end{aligned} \right\} \text{independent}, Z \sim N(\Sigma^{-1/2}\mu, I)$

$$\iff \Sigma^{1/2}A\Sigma^{1/2}(B\Sigma^{1/2})' = 0 \quad \text{by (1)}$$

$$\iff A\Sigma B' = 0$$