## STAT 3690 Lecture Note

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# Multivariate normal (MVN) distribution (con'd, J&W Sec 4.2)

### Definition

- $\bullet~$  Standard MVN
  - $-\mathbf{Z} = [Z_1, \dots, Z_p]^{\top} \sim \text{MVN}_p(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}) \Leftrightarrow Z_1, \dots, Z_p \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$  pdf

$$f_{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{z}) = (2\pi)^{-p/2} \exp(-\mathbf{z}^{\top}\mathbf{z}/2) \cdot \mathbf{1}_{\mathbb{R}^p}(\mathbf{z})$$

- General MVN
  - $-\boldsymbol{X} = [X_1, \dots, X_p]^{\top} \sim \text{MVN}_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \Leftrightarrow \text{there exists } \boldsymbol{\mu} \in \mathbb{R}^p, \, \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p} \text{ and } \boldsymbol{Z} \sim \text{MVN}_p(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}) \text{ such that } \boldsymbol{X} = \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{Z} + \boldsymbol{\mu} \text{ and } \boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{\top}$
  - \* Limited to non-degenerate cases, i.e., invertible  $\mathbf{A}~(\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{\Sigma} > 0)$
  - pdf

$$f_{\boldsymbol{X}}(\boldsymbol{x}) = (2\pi)^{-p/2} (\text{det}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})^{-1/2} \exp\{-(\boldsymbol{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^{\top} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\boldsymbol{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})/2\} \cdot \boldsymbol{1}_{\mathbb{R}^p}(\boldsymbol{x})$$

• Exercise: Density of  $MVN_2(\mu, \Sigma)$  evaluated at (4,7), where

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = [3, 6]^{\top}, \quad \boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 10 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{array} \right].$$

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options(digits = 4)
(Mu = matrix(c(3, 6), ncol = 1, nrow = 2))
(Sigma = matrix(c(10, 2 ,2, 5), ncol = 2, nrow = 2))
(x = c(4,7))
# Method 1: following the pdf
(2*pi)^{-length(Mu)/2}*det(Sigma)^{-.5}*exp(-drop(t(x-Mu)%*%solve(Sigma)%*%(x-Mu))/2)
# Method 2: via mutnorm::dmunorm()
mvtnorm::dmvnorm(x, mean = Mu, sigma = Sigma)
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#### Properties of MVN

- X is of MVN  $\Leftrightarrow a^{\top}X$  is normally distributed for ALL non-zero  $a \in \mathbb{R}^p$ .
  - Warning: the marginal normality do not imply the joint normality.
- If  $X \sim \text{MVN}_p(\mu, \Sigma)$ , then  $\mathbf{A}X + \mathbf{b} \sim \text{MVN}_q(\mathbf{A}\mu + \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{A}\Sigma \mathbf{A}^\top)$  for  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times p}$  of full-row-rank. Specifically, if  $X \sim \text{MVN}_p(\mu, \Sigma)$ , then
  - $-\mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1/2}(\hat{\mathbf{X}}-\boldsymbol{\mu})\sim \mathrm{MVN}_p(\mathbf{0},\mathbf{I}) \; \mathrm{AND}$

- (Stochastic representation of MVN) there is  $\mathbf{Z} \sim \text{MVN}_p(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$  such that  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{\Sigma}^{1/2} \mathbf{Z} + \boldsymbol{\mu}$ . •  $(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \sim \chi^2(p)$  if  $\mathbf{X} \sim \text{MVN}_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ .
- Exercise: Generate six iid samples following bivariate normal  $\text{MVN}_2(\mu, \Sigma)$  with

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = [3, 6]^{\mathsf{T}}, \quad \boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 10 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{array} \right].$$

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options(digits = 4)
set.seed(1)
(Mu = matrix(c(3, 6), ncol = 1, nrow = 2))
(Sigma = matrix(c(10, 2, 2, 5), ncol = 2, nrow = 2))
n = 10
# Method 1: following the stochastic representation
sample1 = matrix(0, nrow = n, ncol = length(Mu))
for (i in 1:n) {
    sample1[i, ] = t(
        expm::sqrtm(Sigma) %*%
        matrix(rnorm(length(Mu)), nrow = length(Mu), ncol = 1) +
        Mu
)
}
sample1
# Method 2: via MASS::mvrnorm()
(sample2 = MASS::mvrnorm(n, Mu, Sigma))
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• Exercise: Suppose  $X_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$ . In the following two cases, verify that  $X_2 \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$  as well. Does  $\boldsymbol{X} = [X_1, X_2]^{\top}$  follow an MVN in both cases? a.  $X_2 = -X_1$ ; b.  $X_2 = (2Y - 1)X_1$ , where  $Y \sim \text{Ber}(p)$  and  $Y \perp \!\!\! \perp X_1$ .

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options(digits = 4)
set.seed(1)
xsize = 1e4L
x1 = rnorm(xsize)
# case a
x2 = -x1
plot3D::hist3D(z=table(cut(x1, 100), cut(x2, 100)), border = "black") # 3d histogram of (x1, x2)
plot3D::image2D(z=table(cut(x1, 100), cut(x2, 100)), border = "black") # plot the support of joint pdf
# case b
Y = rbinom(n = xsize, 1, .3)
x2 = (2 * Y - 1) * x1
plot3D::hist3D(z=table(cut(x1, 100), cut(x2, 100)), border = "black") # 3d histogram of (x1, x2)
plot3D::image2D(z=table(cut(x1, 100), cut(x2, 100)), border = "black") # plot the support of joint pdf
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## Marginal and conditional MVN

• If  $X \sim \text{MVN}_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ , where

$$m{X} = \left[ egin{array}{c} m{X}_1 \ m{X}_2 \end{array} 
ight], \quad m{\mu} = \left[ egin{array}{c} m{\mu}_1 \ m{\mu}_2 \end{array} 
ight] \quad ext{and} \quad m{\Sigma} = \left[ egin{array}{c} m{\Sigma}_{11} & m{\Sigma}_{12} \ m{\Sigma}_{21} & m{\Sigma}_{22} \end{array} 
ight]$$

with

- random  $p_i$ -vector  $\mathbf{X}_i$ , i = 1, 2,
- $-p_i$ -vector  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_i$ , i=1,2,
- $-p_i \times p_i \text{ matrix } \Sigma_{ii} > 0, i = 1, 2,$
- then
  - (Marginals of MVN are still MVN)  $X_i \sim \text{MVN}_{p_i}(\mu_i, \Sigma_{ii})$
  - $\boldsymbol{X}_i \mid \boldsymbol{X}_j = \boldsymbol{x}_j \sim \text{MVN}_{p_i}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{i|j}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{i|j})$ 
    - $*~oldsymbol{\mu}_{i|j} = oldsymbol{\mu}_i + oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{ij} oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{ij}^{-1} (oldsymbol{x}_j oldsymbol{\mu}_j)$
  - $* \ oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{i|j} = oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{ii} oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{ij} oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{jj}^{-1} oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{ji} \ \ oldsymbol{X}_1 \perp \!\!\! \perp oldsymbol{X}_2 \Leftrightarrow oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12} = oldsymbol{0}$
  - - \* Warning: the prerequisite for this equivalence is the joint normal of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ .
- Exercise: The argument  $X_1 \perp \!\!\! \perp X_2 \Leftrightarrow \Sigma_{12} = 0$  is based on  $[X_1^\top, X_2^\top]^\top \sim \text{MVN}$ . That is, if  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are both MVN BUT they are not jointly normal, the zero  $\Sigma_{12}$  doesn't suffice for the independence between  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ . Recall the case b. in the previous exercise:  $X_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$  and  $X_2 = (2Y-1)X_1$ , where  $Y \sim \text{Ber}(p)$  and  $Y \perp \!\!\! \perp X_1$ . Verify that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are not independent of each other. (Hint: assume the independence and then check the support of  $[X_1, X_2]^{\top}$ .)

## Hypothesis testing

#### • Is it a squirrel?



Figure 1: Squirrel (Photograph by the Lacoste Garden Centre)



Figure 2: Flying Squirrel (Photograph by Joel Sartore)



Figure 3: Flying Squirrel (Photograph by Alex Badyaev)

- Null and alternative hypotheses, say  $H_0$  and  $H_1$ , resp.
- Name of testing method
- Test statistic (varying with the testing method) and corresponding level  $\alpha$  rejection region  $R_{\alpha}$ 

  - $\begin{array}{l} \ \operatorname{Pr}(\operatorname{test} \ \operatorname{statistic} \in R_{\alpha} \mid H_0) \leq \alpha \\ \ \operatorname{Reject} \ H_0 \ \text{if the value of test statistic} \in R_{\alpha} \end{array}$ 
    - \* Type I error:  $H_0$  is incorrectly rejected; i.e.,  $H_0$  is correct but rejected

- \* Type II error:  $H_0$  is incorrectly accepted i.e.,  $H_0$  is wrong but NOT rejected
- p-value: a special test statistic with a default level  $\alpha$  rejection region  $[0,\alpha]$
- Necessary components in reporting a testing result
  - 1. Hypotheses
  - 2. Name of approach
  - 3. Level  $\alpha$
  - 4. (Value of test statistic AND rejection region) OR p-value
  - 5. Conclusion: e.g., at the  $\alpha$  level, we reject/do not reject  $H_0$ , i.e., we believe that...

## Checking/testing the normality (J&W Sec 4.6)

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\bullet\, Checkcing the univariate marginal distributions
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- Normal Q-Q plot  * \operatorname{qqnorm}(); \operatorname{car::qqPlot}() \\ - \operatorname{Univariate normality test} \\ * \operatorname{shapiro.test}(); \operatorname{nortest::ad.test}(); \operatorname{MVN::mvn}() \\ \bullet \text{ Checkcing the multivariate normality} \\ - \chi^2 \operatorname{Q-Q plot} \\ * D_i^2 = (\boldsymbol{X}_i - \bar{\boldsymbol{X}})^{\top} \mathbf{S}^{-1} (\boldsymbol{X}_i - \bar{\boldsymbol{X}}) \approx \chi^2(p) \text{ if } \boldsymbol{X}_i \overset{\text{iid}}{\sim} \operatorname{MVN}_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \\ * \operatorname{qqplot}(); \operatorname{car::qqPlot}() \\ - \operatorname{Multivariate normality test} \\ * \operatorname{MVN::mvn}() \\ \end{aligned}
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options(digits = 4)
library(datasets)
data(iris)
head(iris)
(iris_setosa = iris[iris$Species=='setosa', 1:3])
p = ncol(iris_setosa)
n = nrow(iris setosa)
# Marginal normal Q-Q plot
car::qqPlot(rnorm(n), id = F)
car::qqPlot(iris_setosa[,1], id = F)
car::qqPlot(iris_setosa[,2], id = F)
car::qqPlot(iris_setosa[,3], id = F)
# Univariate normality test
## Shapiro-Wilk Normality Test
shapiro.test(rnorm(n))
shapiro.test(iris setosa[,1])
shapiro.test(iris_setosa[,2])
shapiro.test(iris_setosa[,3])
## Anderson-Darling test for normality
nortest::ad.test(iris_setosa[,1])
nortest::ad.test(iris_setosa[,2])
nortest::ad.test(iris_setosa[,3])
MVN::mvn(
  iris_setosa,
  univariateTest = "AD" # "SW"/"CVM"/"Lillie"/"SF"/"AD"
) $univariateNormality
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# chi^2 Q-Q plot
d_square = diag(
    as.matrix(sweep(iris_setosa, 2, colMeans(iris_setosa))) %*%
        solve(var(iris_setosa)) %*%
        t(as.matrix(sweep(iris_setosa, 2, colMeans(iris_setosa))))
)
car::qqPlot(d_square, dist="chisq", df = p, id = F)
MVN::mvn(
    iris_setosa,
    multivariatePlot = "qq"
)

# Multivariate normality test
MVN::mvn(
    iris_setosa,
    mvnTest = "dh" # "mardia"/"hz"/"royston"/"dh"/"energy"
)$multivariateNormality
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