

* Mathematical Statistics:-

- Application of mathematics to statistics for data analysis and interpretation.
- We would be dealing mostly with continuous RV.

* Transformation of Random Variables -

Let X be an RV with pdf $p(x)$. Let $g(x)$ be a strictly \uparrow function

Now define $Y = g(X)$. we wish to find this pdf.

- Principle of Probability mass conservation \rightarrow

In simple terms;
$$P(a \leq X \leq b) = P(g(a) \leq Y \leq g(b))$$
$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b p(x) dx = \int_{g(a)}^{g(b)} q(y) dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{g(a)}^{g(b)} p(g^{-1}(y)) \left[\frac{d}{dy} g^{-1}(y) \right] dy = \int_{g(a)}^{g(b)} q(y) dy \quad (\text{put } x = g^{-1}(y))$$

This holds for all intervals \Rightarrow

$$q(y) = p(g^{-1}(y)) \cdot \left| \frac{d}{dy} g^{-1}(y) \right|$$

\rightarrow modulus present to take care of $\downarrow g$

- If g wasn't strictly monotonic; - split it into piecewise monotonic and apply conservation of probability mass.

- If $g(x)$ is of the form $ax+b \Rightarrow$ there is just Linear Scaling happening.

Multivariate Gaussian:-

Consider a vector RV $X = [x_1, \dots, x_D]$ of length 'D'.

Definition X has a multivariate joint gaussian pdf if \exists finite set of i.i.d univariate standard normal RVs W_1, \dots, W_n ($n \geq D$) such that each x_d can be represented as

$$x_d = \mu_d + \sum_n A_{nd} W_n.$$

Example:- Zero mean + Isotropic/Spherical gaussian

Defined as $\mu=0, A = I_{D \times D} \Rightarrow X=W$

(all are independent!)

($D=N$)

$$\Rightarrow p(X) = p(W) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{N}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\sum w_i^2)} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{N}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(W \times W^T)}$$

Definition * Level set - Essentially a contour; $L_c(f) = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = c\}$

- Therefore, the level set of above gaussian is when $\sum w_i^2 = k \Rightarrow$ in 3D we get a sphere - hence the name!

- We shall get to the most general case by making our analysis more "wide".

Generalization 1 - 'A' is Singular and Diagonal

- A is singular \Rightarrow no diagonal element is zero.

$$X = \mu + AW \Rightarrow x_i = \mu_i + A_{ii} w_i \Rightarrow \text{As all } w_i \text{ are independent with } \mu=0, \sigma=1$$

$$x_i \text{ are independent with } \mu = \mu_i, \sigma^2 = A_{ii}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{N/2}} \cdot \frac{1}{(\prod A_{ii})} \cdot \exp\left[-0.5 \sum \left(\frac{x_i - \mu_i}{A_{ii}}\right)^2\right]$$

This $P(X)$ is a Hyper-Ellipsoid with mean at μ ; Axes aligned with cardinal axes.

- In two dimensions, we get an ellipse centered at (μ_1, μ_2) ; with major/minor axes' lengths being $2A_{11}/2A_{22}$

Generalization 2 - 'A' is non-Singular, $\mu=0$

$$X = AW \Rightarrow X = g(W) \Rightarrow \text{transformation of variables!}$$

$$g^{-1}(W) = A^{-1}W \Rightarrow \text{in 2D, this depends on the magnitude of derivative of } g^{-1}.$$

We measured how g^{-1} scaled the values.

In general, this would depend on the determinant of the Jacobian of g^{-1} .

and in 3D, g^{-1} refers to how volumes are scaled between the "axes",

Reminder Jacobian $\Rightarrow \nabla f = \frac{\partial(f_1, \dots, f_m)}{\partial(x_1, \dots, x_n)} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$

In 2D:- $dx \rightarrow dy \Rightarrow \text{Linear to Linear}$

3D:- $dx \cdot dy \rightarrow dx' \cdot dy' \Rightarrow \text{Cube to parallelepiped}$

nD:- $dx \rightarrow dx' \dots \Rightarrow \text{Hyper Cube to hyper parallelepiped.}$

- To calculate the value of $p(x)$, we would need to find $|\nabla A^{-1}|$. However, understand that this is just a scaling factor, between an infinite-simal Hyper-Parallelepiped and an infinitesimal Hypercube.
- Without proof, we state that the volume of a Hyper-parallelepiped is determinant of the sides of the hyper-parallelepiped.

\Downarrow (prove by gram-Schmidt and rotate to form Hyper-Cube)

$$\text{- Therefore; } p(x) = p(A^{-1}W) \cdot \text{Scaling} = p(A^{-1}W) \cdot \frac{1}{\det A} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{N/2} |\det A|} \cdot \exp(-0.5 x^T A^{-1} A^{-1} x)$$

- For simplicity, take $C = AA^T \Rightarrow p(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |C|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp[-0.5 x^T C^{-1} x]$
 $|C| = |A|^2$

* We can easily extend this to Singular A, non-zero μ

$$\text{Let } Y = X + \mu \Rightarrow p(Y) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\det C|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp[-0.5 (Y - \mu)^T C^{-1} (Y - \mu)]$$

Lemma If Y is a multi-variate gaussian; $Z = AY + c$ is also a multi-variate gaussian.

Definition:- Mean of a multi-variate gaussian $X = AW + \mu \Rightarrow \mu$,

Covariance Matrix of $X = AW + \mu$ is given by $C = AA^T$

Properties:- $C = E[xx^T] - E[x]E[x]^T$

C is symmetric (obviously!)

C is positive - SemiDefinite matrix.

• C is said to be positive Semidefinite iff \forall column vectors V ,

$$V^T C V \geq 0.$$

• If $V^T C V > 0 \Rightarrow C$ is positive definite.

- Now that we know the joint pdf of X ; we are interested in its **Level Sets**.

We first define a few terms.

Definition Orthogonal Matrix

- 'A' when $AA^T = A^T A = \text{Identity matrix}$
- If $|A| = +1$; it is called as a **Rotation matrix**, models rotation

$|A| = -1$; called as **Reflection matrix**, models reflection + rotation. They are also Symmetric.

- Lets find the Level sets for the multivariate gaussian. We start from special cases and build upto general cases.

Case 1 - $\mu = 0$; A is Orthogonal

$$\Rightarrow X = AW \Rightarrow p(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}} \exp(-0.5 x^T x) \Rightarrow \text{same as } W!$$

- This is also a "zero mean isotropic multivariate gaussian". The pdf is unchanged, because A can either rotate/reflect $p(W)$. But because $p(W)$ is spherical, it remains unchanged.

Case 2 - $\mu = 0$, A is Square diagonal with +ve entries

$$X = AW \Rightarrow p(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}} \cdot \frac{1}{|\det A|} \exp(-0.5 x^T A^{-2} x) \quad \text{from the formula}$$

- Graphically, the value of $X_i = A_{ii} W_i$; meaning each dimension is amplified by a factor of A_{ii} . Therefore, the pdf is **Zero mean anisotropic** in nature.

- We can extend this case further. Suppose $A = RS$ where S is diagonal and R is orthogonal in nature.
- Without solving, we can see that $p(x)$ is just rotating the $p(x')$ where $x' = SW$ by R ! Hence, it is still **Zero mean Anisotropic in nature**.
- However, if $S = kI \Rightarrow p(x')$ is circular $\Rightarrow p(x) = p(x')$!

Case 3:- General case

- We've already stated that $C = AA^T$ is symmetric, and positive semi-definite in nature. However, we shall look at the cases where C is **positive definite**.

(When C is semi-def; C is not invertible, causing problems)

Recall:-

$Av = \lambda v \Rightarrow$ for a column vector v ; λ is called the corresponding eigen value.

- This is possible iff A is **diagonalizable** \Rightarrow it is similar to a diagonal matrix

$\Rightarrow \exists P$ which is invertible and diagonal D

$$\text{s.t. } P^{-1}AP = D$$

- If A is diagonalizable, but is invertible, it is then called as a **"Defective Matrix"**.

Theorem:- Every real symmetric matrix is diagonalizable by an orthogonal matrix. It has N real eigen values with N -linearly independent eigen vectors — Spectral Theorem

- Applied for C ; as it is real & symmetric.

- In mathematical terms:-

If C is real Symmetric $\rightarrow \exists V, V^T V = V V^T = I$ and $V^T C V = \text{Diagonal matrix}$

also; N -Eigen values, N -Li- Eigen Vectors.

Extending Spectral \Rightarrow If C is a positive definite matrix, all the eigen values are positive.

- Returning to the original question of finding Level sets:-

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} |C|^{1/2}} \exp(-0.5(x-\mu)^T C^{-1}(x-\mu))$$

• From the spectral theorem, $C = V^T D V \Rightarrow C^{-1} = V^T D^{-1} V \rightarrow C^{-1}$ is SPD

• Every Level set has $(x-\mu)^T C^{-1} (x-\mu) = \text{Constant} \geq 0$ as C^{-1} is also SPD

$$\Rightarrow (x-\mu)^T V^T D^{-1} V (x-\mu) \Rightarrow [V(x-\mu)]^T D^{-1} [V(x-\mu)] = \alpha \geq 0$$

V is orthogonal $\Rightarrow V(x-\mu) \equiv x' - \mu'$ by changing the axes

$$\Rightarrow (x' - \mu')^T D^{-1} (x' - \mu') = \alpha$$

• The center is at μ' in the new rotated system.

In the new system, the half-lengths are root of diagonal elements of D^{-1}

Define A as diagonal square with $A_{ii} = (D_{ii})^{1/2}$ and write pdf to get this pdf again!