

# Data Science for Actuaries (ACT6100)

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Rappels # 3.4 (Gaussian Vectors)

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 <https://github.com/freakonometrics/ACT6100/>

# Random Vectors

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- ▶ L'espérance de  $\mathbf{X}$ , notée  $\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{X})$  est définie (si elle existe) par le vecteur de dimension  $d$   $\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{X}) = (\mathbb{E}(X_1), \dots, \mathbb{E}(X_d))^{\top}$ .
- ▶ La matrice de covariance (appelée aussi matrice de variance-covariance de  $\mathbf{X}$ ) est définie (si elle existe) par la matrice de taille  $(d, d)$

$$\text{Var}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E} \left( (\mathbf{X} - \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{X}))(\mathbf{X} - \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{X}))^{\top} \right).$$

Ainsi le terme  $ij$  de cette matrice représente la covariance entre  $X_i$  et  $X_j$ ,

$$\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = \mathbb{E} [(X_i - \mathbb{E}(X_i))(X_j - \mathbb{E}(X_j))].$$

# Random Vectors

Soit  $\mathbf{X}$  un vecteur aléatoire de dimension  $d$ , de moyenne  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  et de matrice de covariance  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ .

Soient  $\mathbf{A}$  et  $\mathbf{B}$  deux matrices réelles de taille  $(d, p)$  et  $(d, q)$  et enfin soit  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^p$  alors

- ▶  $\text{Var}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}((\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^\top) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^\top) - \boldsymbol{\mu}\boldsymbol{\mu}^\top.$
- ▶  $\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{a}) = \mathbf{A}^\top \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{a}.$
- ▶  $\text{Var}(\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{a}) = \mathbf{A}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{A}.$
- ▶  $\text{Cov}(\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{B}^\top \mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{A}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{B}.$

# The Gaussian Distribution

A **Gaussian variable**, with distribution  $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , where  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\sigma > 0$ , has density

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}\right), \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Then  $\mathbb{E}(X) = \mu$  and  $\text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2$ .

Observe that if  $Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ ,  $X = \mu + \sigma Z \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ .

The **Gaussian vector**  $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$  :  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$  is a Gaussian vector with mean  $\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{X}) = \mu$  and covariance matrix

$\text{Var}(\mathbf{X}) = \Sigma = \mathbb{E}\left((\mathbf{X} - \mu)(\mathbf{X} - \mu)^\top\right)$  non-degenerated ( $\Sigma$  is invertible) if its density is

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} \sqrt{\det \Sigma}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mu)^\top \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu)\right), \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

see **multivariate Gaussian distribution**

# Gaussian (multivariate) distribution

$\mathbf{X} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ , with density

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(x_1, \dots, x_k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^k |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|}} \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right)$$

where  $\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{X}) = \boldsymbol{\mu}$  and  $\text{Var}(\mathbf{X}) = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ .

Estimates are  $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i$  and  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})(\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^\top$

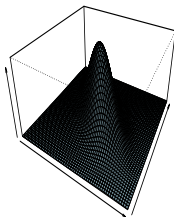
In dimension 2,  $f(x, y)$  is proportional to

$$\exp \left( -\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} \left[ \frac{(x - \mu_X)^2}{\sigma_X^2} + \frac{(y - \mu_Y)^2}{\sigma_Y^2} - \frac{2\rho(x - \mu_X)(y - \mu_Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} \right] \right)$$

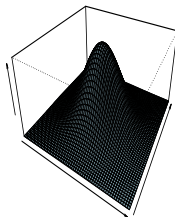
levels curves (isodensities) are ellipses.

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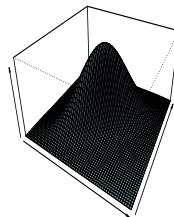
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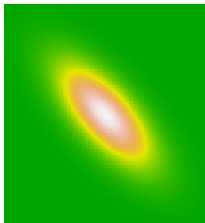
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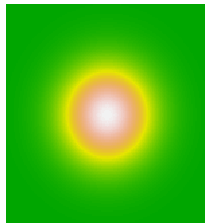
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# Quadratic Forms

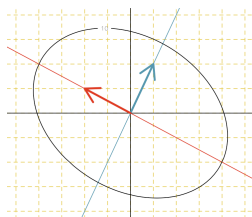
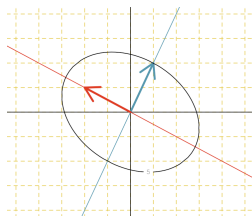
Consider  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix}$ ,  
and function  $\mathbf{z} \mapsto \mathbf{z}^\top \mathbf{M} \mathbf{z}$ , i.e.

$$f : \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \mapsto (x \ y) \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

or  $ax^2 + 2bxy + cy^2$  is a quadratic form.

If  $\mathbf{M} > 0$ , points  $\mathbf{z} = (x, y)$  such that  $\mathbf{z}^\top \mathbf{M} \mathbf{z} = \gamma$ , for some  $\gamma > 0$ , are on an **ellipse** (centered on  $\mathbf{0}$ )

Let  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 > 0$  denote the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{M}$   
and  $\vec{\mathbf{v}}_1$  and  $\vec{\mathbf{v}}_2$  denote the eigenvectors.



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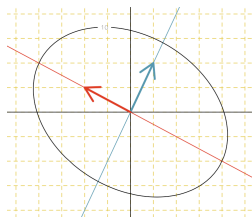
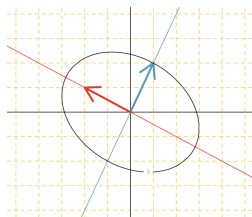
On the picture,  $\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.6 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.9 \end{pmatrix}$

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1 > M=matrix(c(.6,.2,.2,.9),2,2)
2 > eigen(M)
3 eigen() decomposition
4 $values
5 [1] 1.0 0.5
6 $vectors
7           [,1]      [,2]
8 [1,] 0.4472136 -0.8944272
9 [2,] 0.8944272  0.4472136
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i.e.  $\lambda_1 = 1$  and  $\lambda_2 = 1/2$ , and

$$\vec{v}_1 = \sqrt{5} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{v}_2 = \sqrt{5} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that  $\|\vec{v}_1\| = \|\vec{v}_2\| = 1$  and  $\vec{v}_1 \perp \vec{v}_2$





# The Gaussian Distribution

If  $\mathbf{X}$  is a Gaussian vector, then for any  $i$ ,  $X_i$  has a (univariate) Gaussian distribution, but its converse is not necessarily true.

Let  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$  be a random vector with mean  $\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{X}) = \boldsymbol{\mu}$  and with covariance matrix  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ , if  $\mathbf{A}$  is a  $k \times n$  matrix, and  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , then  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{b}$  is a Gaussian vector  $\mathbb{R}^k$ , with distribution  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\mathbf{A}^\top)$ .

Observe that if  $(X_1, X_2)$  is a Gaussian vector,  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent if and only if

$$\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2) = \mathbb{E}((X_1 - \mathbb{E}(X_1))(X_2 - \mathbb{E}(X_2))) = 0.$$