

Homework Assignment 2

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Problem 1. Suppose that $\mathbf{X}_1 \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma)$. Show that $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{a} + B\mathbf{X}$ is also a multivariate normal random vector and specify the mean and covariance matrix of \mathbf{Y} .

Solution. Note that a vector \mathbf{X} is a multivariate normal random vector if and only if every linear combination of its components is a univariate normal random variable. Suppose that $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)^\top$. Then we have that

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{Y} &= \mathbf{a} + B\mathbf{X} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \cdots & b_{1n} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \cdots & b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{m1} & b_{m2} & \cdots & b_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ \vdots \\ X_n \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} a_1 + b_{11}X_1 + b_{12}X_2 + \cdots + b_{1n}X_n \\ a_2 + b_{21}X_1 + b_{22}X_2 + \cdots + b_{2n}X_n \\ \vdots \\ a_m + b_{m1}X_1 + b_{m2}X_2 + \cdots + b_{mn}X_n \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

From the above it is clear that every linear combination of the components of \mathbf{Y} is some linear combination of \mathbf{X} . Therefore, it follows that since \mathbf{X} is a multivariate random vector, so must $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{a} + B\mathbf{X}$.

Now all that is left is to describe the mean $\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}$ and the covariance matrix $\Sigma_{\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{Y}}$. We

begin with $\boldsymbol{\mu}_Y$, where due to the linearity of the expectation operator

$$\begin{aligned}
E(\mathbf{Y}) &= E(\mathbf{a} + B\mathbf{X}) \\
&= \mathbf{a} + E(B\mathbf{X}) \\
&= \mathbf{a} + E\left(\begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \cdots & b_{1n} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \cdots & b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{m1} & b_{m2} & \cdots & b_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ \vdots \\ X_n \end{pmatrix}\right) \\
&= \mathbf{a} + E\left(\begin{pmatrix} b_{11}X_1 + b_{12}X_2 + \cdots + b_{1n}X_n \\ b_{21}X_1 + b_{22}X_2 + \cdots + b_{2n}X_n \\ \vdots \\ b_{m1}X_1 + b_{m2}X_2 + \cdots + b_{mn}X_n \end{pmatrix}\right) \\
&= \mathbf{a} + \begin{pmatrix} b_{11}E(X_1) + b_{12}E(X_2) + \cdots + b_{1n}E(X_n) \\ b_{21}E(X_1) + b_{22}E(X_2) + \cdots + b_{2n}E(X_n) \\ \vdots \\ b_{m1}E(X_1) + b_{m2}E(X_2) + \cdots + b_{mn}E(X_n) \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \mathbf{a} + \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \cdots & b_{1n} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \cdots & b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{m1} & b_{m2} & \cdots & b_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E(X_1) \\ E(X_2) \\ \vdots \\ E(X_n) \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \mathbf{a} + BE(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{a} + B\boldsymbol{\mu}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, knowing the linearity of the expectation operator for random vectors, we see that

$$\begin{aligned}
\Sigma_{YY} &= E((\mathbf{Y} - E(\mathbf{Y}))(\mathbf{Y} - E(\mathbf{Y}))^\top) \\
&= E(\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{Y}^\top) - E(\mathbf{Y})E(\mathbf{Y})^\top \\
&= E((\mathbf{a} + B\mathbf{X})(\mathbf{a} + B\mathbf{X})^\top) - (\mathbf{a} + BE(\mathbf{X}))(\mathbf{a} + BE(\mathbf{X}))^\top \\
&= E((\mathbf{a} + B\mathbf{X})(\mathbf{a}^\top + \mathbf{X}^\top B^\top)) - (\mathbf{a} + BE(\mathbf{X}))(\mathbf{a}^\top + E(\mathbf{X})^\top B^\top) \\
&= E(\mathbf{a}\mathbf{a}^\top + \mathbf{a}\mathbf{X}^\top B^\top + B\mathbf{X}\mathbf{a}^\top + B\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^\top B^\top) \\
&\quad - \mathbf{a}\mathbf{a}^\top - \mathbf{a}E(\mathbf{X})^\top B^\top - BE(\mathbf{X})\mathbf{a}^\top - BE(\mathbf{X})E(\mathbf{X})^\top B^\top \\
&= E(\mathbf{a}\mathbf{a}^\top) + E(\mathbf{a}\mathbf{X}^\top B^\top) + E(B\mathbf{X}\mathbf{a}^\top) + E(B\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^\top B^\top) \\
&\quad - \mathbf{a}\mathbf{a}^\top - \mathbf{a}E(\mathbf{X})^\top B^\top - BE(\mathbf{X})\mathbf{a}^\top - BE(\mathbf{X})E(\mathbf{X})^\top B^\top \\
&= E(\mathbf{a}\mathbf{a}^\top) + E(\mathbf{a}\mathbf{X}^\top B^\top) + E(B\mathbf{X}\mathbf{a}^\top) + E(B\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^\top B^\top) \\
&\quad - \mathbf{a}\mathbf{a}^\top - \mathbf{a}E(\mathbf{X})^\top B^\top - BE(\mathbf{X})\mathbf{a}^\top - BE(\mathbf{X})E(\mathbf{X})^\top B^\top \\
&= \mathbf{a}\mathbf{a}^\top + \mathbf{a}E(\mathbf{X})^\top B^\top + BE(\mathbf{X})\mathbf{a}^\top + BE(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^\top)B^\top \\
&\quad - \mathbf{a}\mathbf{a}^\top - \mathbf{a}E(\mathbf{X})^\top B^\top - BE(\mathbf{X})\mathbf{a}^\top - BE(\mathbf{X})E(\mathbf{X})^\top B^\top \\
&= BE(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^\top)B^\top - BE(\mathbf{X})E(\mathbf{X})^\top B^\top = B\Sigma_{XX}B^\top.
\end{aligned}$$

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Problem 2. Suppose that $\mathbf{X} \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma)$ where $\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}_1 \\ \mathbf{X}_2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{X}_1 \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \Sigma_{11})$ and $\mathbf{X}_2 \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}_2, \Sigma_{22})$ so that $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 \\ \boldsymbol{\mu}_2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix}$. Find $f_{\mathbf{X}_2|\mathbf{X}_1}(\mathbf{x}_2|\mathbf{x}_1)$, the conditional distribution of \mathbf{X}_2 given $\mathbf{X}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1$.

Solution. Note that $f_{\mathbf{X}_2|\mathbf{X}_1}(\mathbf{x}_2|\mathbf{x}_1)$, the conditional distribution of \mathbf{X}_2 given $\mathbf{X}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1$, is

$$f_{\mathbf{X}_2|\mathbf{X}_1}(\mathbf{x}_2|\mathbf{x}_1) = \frac{f_{\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)}{f_{\mathbf{X}_1}(\mathbf{x}_1)} \quad (1)$$

where $f_{\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$ is the joint distribution of \mathbf{X}_1 and \mathbf{X}_2 and $f_{\mathbf{X}_1}(\mathbf{x}_1)$ is the marginal distribution of \mathbf{X}_1 given by

$$f_{\mathbf{X}_1}(\mathbf{x}_1) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) d\mathbf{x}_2. \quad (2)$$

Note that the joint distribution of \mathbf{X}_1 and \mathbf{X}_2 is the same as the distribution of \mathbf{X} since \mathbf{X} is a partition of \mathbf{X}_1 and \mathbf{X}_2 . Since we know $\mathbf{X} \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma)$, it is clear that

$$f_{\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^\top \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right\} \quad (3)$$

where n is the length of \mathbf{X} . Using the above partition of \mathbf{X} and $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ as stated in the problem, we can rewrite (3) as

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{(n_1+n_2)}{2}} |\Sigma|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top \\ (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^\top \end{pmatrix} \Sigma^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad (4)$$

where n_1 is the length of \mathbf{X}_1 and n_2 is the length of \mathbf{X}_2 .

It is clear that the partitioned matrix Σ is symmetric since

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma &= \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11}^\top & \Sigma_{21}^\top \\ \Sigma_{12}^\top & \Sigma_{22}^\top \end{pmatrix} = \Sigma^\top \end{aligned}$$

due to the symmetry of Σ_{11} and Σ_{22} and the fact that $\Sigma_{12}^\top = \Sigma_{21}$ and $\Sigma_{21}^\top = \Sigma_{12}$.

Using this partitioned matrix's symmetric property, we can find the determinant as such

$$\begin{aligned} |\Sigma| &= \begin{vmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{12}^\top & \Sigma_{22} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & 0 \\ \Sigma_{12}^\top & I \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} I & \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12} \\ 0 & \Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= |\Sigma_{11}| |\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12}| \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

using the property of determinants of block matrices where one entry is 0.

Since Σ is symmetric it must also follow that Σ^{-1} is symmetric. Say $\Sigma^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{pmatrix}$. Then the symmetric property of Σ^{-1} tells us that $B_{12}^\top = B_{21}$, meaning that to find Σ^{-1} we only need to find B_{11} , B_{12} , and B_{22} .

Using the formula for the inverse of a block matrix and the symmetric property of Σ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} B_{11} &= (\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{12}^\top)^{-1} \\ B_{12} &= -\Sigma_{11}^{-1}\Sigma_{12}(\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top\Sigma_{11}^{-1}\Sigma_{12})^{-1} \\ B_{22} &= (\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top\Sigma_{11}^{-1}\Sigma_{12})^{-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

The formula $(A + BCD)^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}B(C^{-1} - DA^{-1}B)^{-1}DA^{-1}$ informs us that

$$\begin{aligned} B_{11} &= (\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{12}^\top)^{-1} \\ &= \Sigma_{11}^{-1} + \Sigma_{11}^{-1}\Sigma_{12}(\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top\Sigma_{11}^{-1}\Sigma_{12})^{-1}\Sigma_{12}^\top\Sigma_{11}^{-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Combining the formulas found in (6) and (7), we can see that the expression in the exponential of (4) can be simplified as

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top \\ (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^\top \end{pmatrix}^\top \Sigma^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2 \end{pmatrix} &= -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top \\ (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^\top \end{pmatrix}^\top \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{12}^\top & B_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top B_{11} + (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^\top B_{12}^\top \\ (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top B_{12} + (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^\top B_{22} \end{pmatrix}^\top \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} ((\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top B_{11}(\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1) + (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^\top B_{12}^\top(\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1) \\ &\quad + (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top B_{12}(\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) + (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^\top B_{22}(\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} ((\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top B_{11}(\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1) + 2(\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top B_{12}(\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) \\ &\quad + (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^\top B_{22}(\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} G(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

where we make use of the fact $u^\top Av = v^\top A^\top u$ to show that

$$(\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^\top B_{12}^\top(\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1) = (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top B_{12}(\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)$$

to arrive at the above.

Substituting B_{ij} with the derivations in (6) and (7) into $G(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$ we can see that

$$\begin{aligned}
G(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) &= (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top B_{11}(\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1) + 2(\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top B_{12}(\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) \\
&\quad + (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^\top B_{22}(\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) \\
&= (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top (\Sigma_{11}^{-1} + \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12} (\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12})^{-1} \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1}) (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1) \\
&\quad - 2(\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top (\Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12} (\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12})^{-1}) (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) \\
&\quad + (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^\top ((\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12})^{-1}) (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) \\
&= (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1) \\
&\quad + (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top (\Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12} (\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12})^{-1} \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1}) (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1) \\
&\quad - (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top (\Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12} (\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12})^{-1}) (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) \\
&\quad - (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top (\Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12} (\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12})^{-1}) (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) \\
&\quad + (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^\top ((\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12})^{-1}) (\mathbf{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) \\
&= (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1) \\
&\quad + (\mathbf{x}_2 - (\boldsymbol{\mu}_2 + \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)))^\top (\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12})^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_2 - (\boldsymbol{\mu}_2 + \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1))) \\
&= g_1(\mathbf{x}_1) + g_2(\mathbf{x}_2) \tag{9}
\end{aligned}$$

Now, the above and (5) show that the joint distribution (4) is

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) &= (2\pi)^{-\frac{(n_1+n_2)}{2}} |\Sigma|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} G(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) \right\} \\
&= (2\pi)^{-\frac{n_1}{2}} (2\pi)^{-\frac{n_2}{2}} |\Sigma_{11}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} |\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} g(\mathbf{x}_1) \right\} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} g(\mathbf{x}_2) \right\} \\
&= (2\pi)^{-\frac{n_1}{2}} |\Sigma_{11}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} g(\mathbf{x}_1) \right\} (2\pi)^{-\frac{n_2}{2}} |\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} g(\mathbf{x}_2) \right\} \\
&= \text{pdf}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \Sigma_{11}) \text{pdf}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_2 + \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1), \Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12}) \tag{10}
\end{aligned}$$

where $\text{pdf}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma)$ is the multivariate normal density function with mean $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ and covariance matrix Σ . It is clear with this definition of $f_{\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$ that the marginal distribution of \mathbf{X}_1 is

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{\mathbf{X}_1}(\mathbf{x}_1) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) d\mathbf{x}_2 \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \text{pdf}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \Sigma_{11}) \text{pdf}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_2 + \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1), \Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12}) d\mathbf{x}_2 \\
&= \text{pdf}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \Sigma_{11}) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \text{pdf}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_2 + \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1), \Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12}) d\mathbf{x}_2 \\
&= \text{pdf}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \Sigma_{11}).
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore we know that the conditional distribution of \mathbf{X}_2 given $\mathbf{X}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1$ is

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{\mathbf{X}_2|\mathbf{X}_1}(\mathbf{x}_2|\mathbf{x}_1) &= \frac{f_{\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)}{f_{\mathbf{X}_1}(\mathbf{x}_1)} \\
&= \frac{\text{pdf}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \Sigma_{11}) \text{pdf}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_2 + \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1), \Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12})}{\text{pdf}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \Sigma_{11})} \\
&= \text{pdf}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_2 + \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1), \Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12}^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12}).
\end{aligned}$$

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Problem 3. Suppose $\mathbf{X} \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma)$, where $\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $X_1 \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1)$ and $X_2 \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2)$ so that $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \rho\sigma_1\sigma_2 \\ \rho\sigma_1\sigma_2 & \sigma_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$. Show that X_1 and X_2 are independent if and only if $\rho = 0$.

Solution. Note that since X_1 and X_2 are normal random variables and $\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2) = \rho\sigma_1\sigma_2$, we have in the degenerate case that X_1 and X_2 are independent if and only if $\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2) = 0$ if and only if $\rho = 0$. □