# STAT 640: Homework 4

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### Problem 1

Suppose that  $\mathbf{Y} \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \sigma^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$  where

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = (1 - \rho)\boldsymbol{I} + \rho n \boldsymbol{J}_n = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \rho & \cdots & \rho \\ \rho & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \rho \\ \rho & \cdots & \rho & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } \rho > -1/(n-1)$$

In Example 3.4, we show that if  $\rho = 0$ , then  $\overline{Y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} Y_i$  is independent of  $(Y_1 - \overline{Y}, Y_2 - \overline{Y}, \dots, Y_n - \overline{Y})$ . Prove whether or not they are independent when  $\rho \neq 0$ .

**Answer:** Consider the transformation W = DY where

$$\boldsymbol{D} = \frac{1}{n} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ n & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

resulting in the random vector

$$oldsymbol{W} = egin{bmatrix} ar{Y} \ Y_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where the first component is  $\bar{Y}$  and the second component is  $Y_1$ .

The covariance matrix of  $\boldsymbol{W}$  is

$$\begin{split} & \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\boldsymbol{W}} = \sigma^2 \boldsymbol{D} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \boldsymbol{D}^T \\ & = \frac{\sigma^2}{n^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ n & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \rho & \dots & \rho \\ \rho & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \rho \\ \rho & \dots & \rho & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & n \\ 1 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ & = \frac{\sigma^2}{n^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 + (n-1)\rho & 1 + (n-1)\rho & \dots & 1 + (n-1)\rho \\ n & n\rho & \dots & n\rho \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & n \\ 1 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ & = \frac{\sigma^2}{n^2} \begin{bmatrix} n + n(n-1)\rho & n + n(n-1)\rho \\ n + n(n-1)\rho & n^2 \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$

This result can easily be extended to  $\boldsymbol{W}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{Y} \\ Y_i \end{bmatrix}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Now consider the transformation  $U = D_2W_i$  where

$$\boldsymbol{D}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then we have  $m{U} = egin{bmatrix} ar{Y} \\ Y_i - ar{Y} \end{bmatrix}$  . Again we can compute the variance matrix for  $m{U}$ :

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{U} &= \frac{\sigma^{2}}{n^{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} n + n(n-1)\rho & n + n(n-1)\rho \\ n + n(n-1)\rho & n^{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{\sigma^{2}}{n^{2}} \begin{bmatrix} n + n(n-1)\rho & n + n(n-1)\rho \\ 0 & n^{2} - n - n(n-1)\rho \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{\sigma^{2}}{n^{2}} \begin{bmatrix} n + n(n-1)\rho & 0 \\ 0 & n^{2} - n - n(n-1)\rho \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$

The off-diagonal elements are zero, and  $U = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{Y} \\ Y_i - \bar{Y} \end{bmatrix}$  is multivariate normal, so  $\bar{Y}$  is independent of  $Y_i$ .

## Problem 2

Suppose  $S = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & s_2 \\ s_3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . For what values of  $s_2$  and  $s_3$  is S a valid variance matrix for a MVN random vector?

**Answer:** For S to be a valid variance matrix, it must be symmetric  $(s_2 = s_3)$  and S must be non-negative definite. Therefore, the roots of the quadratic polynomial  $(3 - \lambda)(1 - \lambda) - s_2^2 = \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + (3 - s_2^2)$  must be non-negative. Using the quadratic formula, we have

$$0 \le 4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4(3 - s_2)} = 4 \pm 2\sqrt{1 + s_2^2}$$

Then  $2 \le \sqrt{1+s_2^2}$  so  $s_2, s_3$  must be between (or equal to) -3 and 3.

#### Problem 3

Let 
$$\boldsymbol{X} = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \end{bmatrix} \sim N \left( \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$
 and define  $\boldsymbol{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 - X_2 \\ 2X_1 + X_2 - X_3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

a. What are the distribution, variance, and expected value of Y?

**Answer:** To get Y, we apply the linear transformation

$$\boldsymbol{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since Y is a linear transformation of a multivariate normal random variable, Y will also be multivariate normal.

We can then find the expectation E[Y]:

$$\mu_Y = D\mu = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

and variance

$$\Sigma_{Y} = D\Sigma D^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 1 \\ 12 & 8 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 \\ 4 & 37 \end{bmatrix}$$

b. Find 
$$V = \text{Var}\left(\begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix}\right)$$
.

**Answer:** Here we again are applying a linear transformation  $D_1$  to X with

$$m{D}_1 = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 1 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 1 \ 1 & -1 & 0 \ 2 & 1 & -1 \ \end{bmatrix}.$$

The variance  $\boldsymbol{V}$  is

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 \\ 12 & 8 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 12 \\ 2 & 3 & -1 & -1 & 8 \\ 0 & -1 & 4 & 1 & -5 \\ 3 & -1 & 1 & 4 & 4 \\ 12 & 8 & -5 & 4 & 37 \end{bmatrix}$$

c. What are  $\mathsf{rank}(\boldsymbol{V})$  and  $\mathsf{nullity}(\boldsymbol{V})$ ? Can you provide a conceptual explanation for why this makes sense?

Answer: rank(V) = 3, and nullity(V) = 2. This makes conceptual sense since the transformation  $D_1$  also has  $rank(D_1) = 3$ .

d. What is the distribution of  $\begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_3 \end{bmatrix} | X_2 = x_2$ ?

Answer: First, let  $Y_1 = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $Y_2 = [X_2]$ . Then we can assign  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_2 = [-1]$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22} = 3$ .

Then we can compute the expectation  $\mu$  as

$$\mu = \mu_1 + \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} (x_2 - \mu_2)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{x_2 - 1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 3 + 2(x_2 - 1)/3 \\ 2 + (x_2 - 1)/3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (2x_2 + 7)/3 \\ (x_3 + 7)/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the variance

$$\Sigma = \Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} \Sigma_{21}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 - 4/3 & 2/3 \\ 2/3 & 4 - 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 11/3 & 2/3 \\ 2/3 & 11/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

So 
$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_3 \end{bmatrix} | X_2 = x_2 \sim N \left( \begin{bmatrix} (2x_2 + 7)/3 \\ (x_3 + 7)/3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 11/3 & 2/3 \\ 2/3 & 11/3 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

#### Problem 4

A colleague asks for your help in generating samples from the following MVN distribution:

$$Y \sim N \left( \begin{bmatrix} 5\\10\\15 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5&1&2\\1&5&1\\2&1&5 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

However, they are on computer whose R installation only includes the base and stats packages (note: eigen() is in base and rnorm() is in stats, but mvrnorm() is in neither). Do one of the following: (i) Provide a brief algorithm and example code for how your colleague can generate the desired sample, OR (ii) Explain why it is impossible with only these tools.

General Algorithm

- 1. Eigen-decompose  $\pmb{\Sigma}$
- 2. Set  $D = Q\Lambda^{1/2}$  (from eigen decomposition) and  $c = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)$
- 3. Simulate *n*-dimensional  $X \sim N(\mathbf{0}, I)$
- 4. Apply transformation DX + c

#### Example

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# Set desired covariance structure
Sigma = cbind(c(5, 1, 2), c(1, 5, 1), c(2, 1, 5))
# Eigen decompose Sigma
Sigma_eig = eigen(Sigma)
\# Set D = QL^1/2
D = Sigma_eig$vectors %*% diag(sqrt(Sigma_eig$values))
# Set mean vector
c = c(5, 10, 15)
# simulate N(0,1) random variables
X1 \leftarrow rnorm(10000, 0, 1)
X2 \leftarrow rnorm(10000, 0, 1)
X3 \leftarrow rnorm(10000, 0, 1)
X <- rbind(X1, X2, X3)</pre>
# Apply transformation
Y = D %*% X + c
# Check sample means and variances:
colMeans(t(Y))
## [1] 4.981813 9.996707 15.026465
cov(t(Y))
            [,1]
                      [,2]
                                [,3]
## [1,] 5.093175 0.992844 2.004124
## [2,] 0.992844 4.999959 1.030348
## [3,] 2.004124 1.030348 5.035758
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#### Problem 5

Prove Proposition 3.11: Suppose

$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{bmatrix} = N \begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 \\ \boldsymbol{\mu}_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} & \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12} \\ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21} & \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix}. \tag{1}$$

If  $|\Sigma_{22}| > 0$ , then the conditional distribution of  $Y_1$  given  $Y_2 = y_2$  is MVN with mean and variance:

$$Y_1|Y_2 = y_2 \sim N\left(\mu_1 + \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(y_2 - \mu_2), \Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21}\right).$$
 (2)

Do this in the following steps.

a. Let 
$$X = (Y_1 - \mu_1) - \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} (Y_2 - \mu_2)$$
. Find  $E[X]$ ,  $Var(X)$ , and  $Cov(X, Y_2)$ .

**Answer:** To find the expectation of X, we have

$$E(X) = E(Y_1 - \mu_1 - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(Y_2 - \mu_2))$$
  
=  $\mu_1 - \mu_1 - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}0$   
=  $\mathbf{0}$ .

For the variance, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Var}(\boldsymbol{X}) &= E(\boldsymbol{X}^2) - E(\boldsymbol{X})^2 \\ &= E(\boldsymbol{X}^2) \\ &= E\left((\boldsymbol{Y}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{Y}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2))(\boldsymbol{Y}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{Y}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2))^T\right) \\ &= E\left(\boldsymbol{Y}_1\boldsymbol{Y}_1^T - \boldsymbol{Y}_1\boldsymbol{\mu}_1^T - \boldsymbol{Y}_1(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{Y}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2))^T - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1\boldsymbol{Y}_1^T + \boldsymbol{\mu}_1\boldsymbol{\mu}_1^T + \boldsymbol{\mu}_1(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{Y}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2))^T \right. \\ &\left. - \left(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{Y}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)\boldsymbol{Y}_1^T + (\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{Y}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2))\boldsymbol{\mu}_1 + (\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{Y}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2))(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{Y}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2))^T\right) \\ &= \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21} - \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{0} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21} + \mathbf{0} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21} \\ &= \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21}. \end{aligned}$$

The covariance of X and  $Y_2$  is

$$Cov(X, Y_2) = E(XY_2^T) - E(X)E(Y_2)^T$$

$$= E(XY_2^T)$$

$$= E((Y_1 - \mu_1 - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(Y_2 - \mu_2))Y_2^T)$$

$$= E(Y_1Y_2^T - \mu_1Y_2^T - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}(Y_2 - \mu_2)Y_2^T)$$

$$= \Sigma_{12} - \Sigma_{12}$$

$$= 0.$$

b. Provide the joint distribution of X and  $Y_2$  and explain why they are independent.

**Answer:** Since X is multivariate normal and  $Y_2$  is multivariate normal, the joint distribution for  $\begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y_2 \end{bmatrix}$  is

$$N\left(\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{0}\\\boldsymbol{\mu}_2\end{bmatrix},\begin{bmatrix}\mathbf{\Sigma}_{11}-\mathbf{\Sigma}_{12}\mathbf{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}\mathbf{\Sigma}_{21}&\mathbf{0}\\\mathbf{0}&\mathbf{\Sigma}_{22}\end{bmatrix}\right).$$

Since X is multivariate normal and  $Y_2$  is multivariate normal,  $Cov(X, Y_2) = 0$  implies that they are independent.

c. Write  $Y_1$  in terms of X and  $Y_2$ .

**Answer:** Since  $X = Y_1 - \mu_1 - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(Y_2 - \mu_2)$ , we have

$$Y_1 = X + \mu_1 + \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(Y_2 - \mu_2).$$

d. Show that the mgf of  $Y_1|Y_2=y_2$  has the desired form for the result to hold.

Answer:

$$\begin{split} M_{Y_{1}|Y_{2}}(t) &= E(\exp(Y_{1}^{T}t)|Y_{2} = y_{2}) \\ &= E\left(\exp(X^{T}t)\exp(\mu_{1}^{T}t)\exp((\Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(Y_{2} - \mu_{2}))^{T}t)|Y_{2} = y_{2}\right) \\ &= \exp((\mu_{1} + \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(y_{2} - \mu_{2}))^{T}t)E(\exp(X^{T}t)) \\ &= \exp((\mu_{1} + \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(y_{2} - \mu_{2}))^{T}t)\exp\left(0^{T}t + \frac{1}{2}t^{T}(\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})t\right) \\ &= \exp\left((\mu_{1} + \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(y_{2} - \mu_{2}))^{T}t + \frac{1}{2}t^{T}(\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})t\right) \end{split}$$

This is the MGF for a random vector with multivariate normal distribution

$$N\left(\mu_1 + \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(y_2 - \mu_2), \Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21}\right).$$