

Machine Learning, Tutorial 4

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Multivariate Gaussian

1. Prove the following statements regarding the covariance:

- (a) Show that if X and Y are independent then $\text{Cov}[X, Y] = 0$.
Give an example that shows that the opposite is not true.
- (b) Show that the covariance matrix is always symmetric and positive semidefinite.

2. For a function $f : R^2 \rightarrow R$, an isocontour is a set of the form

$$\{x \in R^2 : f(x) = c\}$$

for some $c \in R$.

Derive an analytical form for the isocontours of a multivariate Gaussian.

3. Consider the classifier based on Gaussian Discriminant Analysis, where the distribution of the samples are modelled by

$$p(y) = \phi^y(1 - \phi)^{(1-y)}, \quad (1)$$

$$p(x|y=0) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_0)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x - \mu_0)\right), \quad (2)$$

$$p(x|y=1) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_1)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x - \mu_1)\right). \quad (3)$$

Compute $p(y=1|x)$. How does this relate to Linear Regression?

Naive Bayes

1. Consider a text classification problem using the multinomial naive Bayes classifier. Given the following data we want to classify texts into two classes j (Japanese) and c (Chinese) based on the observed words.

	Doc	Words	Class
Training	1	Chinese Beijing Chinese	c
	2	Chinese Chinese Shanghai	c
	3	Chinese Macao	c
	4	Tokyo Japan Chinese	j
Test	5	Chinese Chinese Chinese Tokyo Japan	?

Give detailed answers to the following questions.

- (a) Calculate the probabilities of the two classes $P(c)$ and $P(j)$.
- (b) Calculate conditional probabilities $P(\text{word}|\text{class})$ by using Laplacian smoothing.
- (c) Write the inequality (with explicit number) used to classify the fifth document.