# Multivariate Statistical Analysis

Lecture 04

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# Singular Normal Distributions

In previous section, we focus on non-singular normal normally distributed variate  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$  with  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \succ \mathbf{0}$  whose density function is

$$n(\mathbf{x} \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^p \det(\boldsymbol{\Sigma})}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^{\top} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right).$$

What about the case of singular  $\Sigma$ ?

**1** Let  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}_{\rho}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ , with  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \succ \mathbf{0}$ . Then

$$y = Cx$$

is distributed according to  $\mathcal{N}_p(\mathbf{C}\boldsymbol{\mu},\mathbf{C}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\mathbf{C}^{\top})$  for non-singular  $\mathbf{C}\in\mathbb{R}^{p imes p}$ .

② Let  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ , with  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \succ \mathbf{0}$ . Then

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}$$

is distributed according to  $\mathcal{N}_q(\mathbf{C}\mu,\mathbf{C}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{C}^{\top})$  for  $\mathbf{C}\in\mathbb{R}^{q imes p}$  of rank  $q\leq p$ .

**3** Let  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}_{\rho}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ . Then

$$y = Cx$$

is distributed according to  $\mathcal{N}_q(\mathbf{C}\mu,\mathbf{C}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{C}^{ op})$  for any  $\mathbf{C}\in\mathbb{R}^{q imes p}$ .

### Transformation



 $c \neq 0$ 

 $\sigma^2 > 0$ 



 $>1.0\times10^6$ 

 $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$  is non-singular  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times p}$  of rank  $q \leq p$ 

 $\Sigma \succ 0$ 



 $2.0 \times 10^6 \sim 3.0 \times 10^6$ 

 $\pmb{\Sigma} \succ 0$ 



 $> 3.0 \times 10^{7}$ 

 $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{q imes p}$ 

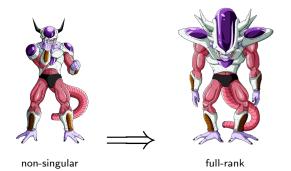
 $\pmb{\Sigma} \succ 0$ 

#### Theorem

Let  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ , with  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \succ \mathbf{0}$ . Then

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}$$

is distributed according to  $\mathcal{N}_q(\mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\mu},\mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\mathbf{D}^{\top})$  for  $\mathbf{D}\in\mathbb{R}^{q imes p}$  of rank  $q\leq p$ .



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understand the singular normal distribution



no limitation

full-rank

# Singular Normal Distribution

### Singular normal distribution:

- 1 The mass is concentrated on a given lower dimensional set.
- ② The probability associated with any set that does not intersecting the given low-dimensional set is 0.

For example, consider that

$$\mathbf{x} = egin{bmatrix} x_1 \ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N} \left( egin{bmatrix} 0 \ 0 \end{bmatrix}, egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} 
ight).$$

- **1** Probability of any set that does not intersecting the  $x_2$ -axis is 0.
- ② The measure of  $x_2$ -axis in the space of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is zero.
- The random vector x has no density, but its distribution exists.

# Singular Normal Distributions

Suppose that  $\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}_q(\nu, \mathbf{T})$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^p$ , and  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q}$  with  $\mathbf{T} \succ \mathbf{0}$  and p > q; then we say that

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} + \boldsymbol{\lambda}$$

has a singular (degenerate) normal distribution in *p*-space.

We have  $oldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}] = \mathbf{A}oldsymbol{
u} + oldsymbol{\lambda}$  and

$$\mu = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}] = \mathbf{A} \nu + \lambda \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{\Sigma} = \mathrm{Cov}[\mathbf{x}] = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{T} \mathbf{A}^{ op}.$$

The matrix  $\Sigma$  is singular and we cannot write density for x.

# Singular Normal Distributions

Now we give a formal definition of a normal distribution that includes the singular distribution.

#### **Definition**

A *p*-dimensional random vector  $\mathbf{x}$  with  $\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}] = \boldsymbol{\mu}$  and  $\mathrm{Cov}[\mathbf{x}] = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}$  is said to be normally distributed if there is a transformation

$$x = Ay + \lambda$$

where  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times r}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^p$ , r is the rank of  $\Sigma$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  has r-dimensional non-singular normal distribution, e.g.,  $\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}_r(\nu, \mathbf{T})$  with  $\mathbf{T} \succ \mathbf{0}$ .

We also use the notation  $\mathcal{N}_p(\mu, \Sigma)$  even if  $\Sigma$  is singular.

If  $\Sigma$  has rank p, we can take A = I and  $\lambda = 0$ .

#### Theorem

Let  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ . Then

$$z = Dx$$

is distributed according to  $\mathcal{N}_q(\mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\mu},\mathbf{D}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{D}^{ op})$  for any  $\mathbf{D}\in\mathbb{R}^{q imes p}$ .



only use the definition (without density)



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## **Examples**

#### Theorem

Let  $\mathbf{U}$  be a  $d \times k$  random matrix  $(k \leq d)$  and each of its entry is independent distributed according to  $\mathcal{N}(0,1)$ , then it holds that

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\mathsf{U}(\mathsf{U}^{\top}\mathsf{U})^{-1}\mathsf{U}^{\top}\right] = \frac{k}{d}\mathsf{I}_{d}.$$

#### Lemma

Assume  $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times r}$  is column orthonormal  $(r \leq d)$  and  $\mathbf{v} \sim \mathcal{N}_d(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{P} \mathbf{P}^\top)$  is a d-dimensional multivariate normal distributed vector. Then we have

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{\mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^{\top}}{\mathbf{v}^{\top}\mathbf{v}}\right] = \frac{1}{r}\mathbf{P}\mathbf{P}^{\top}.$$

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### Conditional Distribution

Let  $\mathbf{x}$  be distributed according to  $\mathcal{N}_p(\mu, \mathbf{\Sigma})$  with  $\mathbf{\Sigma} \succ \mathbf{0}$ .

We partition

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{x} &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}^{(1)} \\ \mathbf{x}^{(2)} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{with } \mathbf{x}^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^q \text{ and } \mathbf{x}^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{p-q}, \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} &= \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\mu}^{(1)} \\ \boldsymbol{\mu}^{(2)} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{with } \boldsymbol{\mu}^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^q \text{ and } \boldsymbol{\mu}^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{p-q}, \end{split}$$

and

$$oldsymbol{\Sigma} = egin{bmatrix} oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} & oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12} \ oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21} & oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

with  $\Sigma_{11} \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times q}$ ,  $\Sigma_{12} \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times (p-q)}$ ,  $\Sigma_{21} \in \mathbb{R}^{(p-q) \times q}$  and  $\Sigma_{22} \in \mathbb{R}^{(p-q) \times (p-q)}$ .

### Conditional Distribution

The conditional density of  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  given that  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  is

$$\begin{split} f(\mathbf{x}^{(1)} \mid \mathbf{x}^{(2)}) &= \frac{f(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \mathbf{x}^{(2)})}{f(\mathbf{x}^{(2)})} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^q \det(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{11.2})}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{x}_{11.2} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{11.2}\right)^\top \mathbf{\Sigma}_{11.2}^{-1} \left(\mathbf{x}_{11.2} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{11.2}\right)\right), \end{split}$$

where

$$\mathbf{x}_{11.2} = \mathbf{x}^{(1)} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{12} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1} \mathbf{x}^{(2)}, \qquad \mu_{11.2} = \boldsymbol{\mu}^{(1)} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{12} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}^{(2)}$$

and

$$\mathbf{\Sigma}_{11.2} = \mathbf{\Sigma}_{11} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{12} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{21}.$$

Hence, the conditional density of  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  given that  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  is

$$\mathbf{x}^{(1)} \mid \mathbf{x}^{(2)} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\boldsymbol{\mu}^{(1)} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(2)} - \boldsymbol{\mu}^{(2)}), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21}\right)$$