

3. The dataset is of the points drawn from a uniform distribution, on a circular ring of radius r .

The points can be represented parametrically as $(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta)$ where θ is drawn from $[0, 2\pi)$

Hence, our random variable,

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} r \cos \theta \\ r \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow X$ is a 2 dimensional multivariate Gaussian with $d=2$

$$P(x; \mu, C) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^2 |C|}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T C^{-1}(x-\mu)\right)$$

(a) Likelihood
$$L = \prod_{i=1}^N P(x_i; \mu, C)$$

$$\Rightarrow L = \frac{1}{(2\pi\sqrt{|C|})^N} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu)^T C^{-1} (x_i - \mu)\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(L) = -N \log(2\pi\sqrt{|C|})$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu)^T C^{-1} (x_i - \mu)$$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{d\mu} (\log(L)) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{d}{d\mu} \left[(x_i - \mu)^T C^{-1} (x_i - \mu) \right] = 0$$

$$\text{Hence, } 2 \sum_{i=1}^N C^{-1} (x_i - \mu) = 0$$

Therefore, set to be the value of $\hat{\mu}$ is

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{\sum x_i}{N}$$

and, $\frac{\partial}{\partial C} (\log |C| + \frac{1}{2} \sum_i (x_i - \mu)^T C^{-1} (x_i - \mu)) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{C} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i (x_i - \hat{\mu})(x_i - \hat{\mu})^T$$

$$\hat{C} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i x_i x_i^T - \hat{\mu} \hat{\mu}^T$$

We use this in the MATLAB code.

(b) Mode of Gaussians = mean

$$\Rightarrow \text{Mode} = \hat{\mu} = \frac{\sum x_i}{N}$$

The Gaussian does not fit the model because mode is (0,0), but radial node is $(x_0/\sqrt{2})$.

(c) For the simulation, we consider the set with $N = 10^5$ and radius, $r = 2$.

Now, the simulation results in the following.

$$\text{Mean, } \mu = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0031 \\ 0.0016 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, $\mu = (0.0031, 0.0016)^T$

$$\text{Covariance, } C = \begin{bmatrix} 1.9999 & -0.0027 \\ -0.0027 & 2.0001 \end{bmatrix}$$

Theoretical results are given as,

$$C = \frac{\sum_i x_i x_i^T}{N} - \hat{\mu} \hat{\mu}^T$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \frac{1}{N} \left[\sum_i x_i^2 \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \theta_i & \cos \theta_i \sin \theta_i \\ \sin \theta_i \cos \theta_i & \sin^2 \theta_i \end{bmatrix} \right] - \hat{\mu} \hat{\mu}^T$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \frac{x^2}{N} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_i \cos^2 \theta_i & \sum_i \cos \theta_i \sin \theta_i \\ \sum_i \sin \theta_i \cos \theta_i & \sum_i \sin^2 \theta_i \end{bmatrix} - \hat{\mu} \hat{\mu}^T$$

For large N , $\hat{\mu}$ tends to $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, average value of $\cos^2 \theta$ and $\sin^2 \theta$ tend to $1/2$, whereas average value of $\sin \theta \cos \theta$ tends to 0

$$\Rightarrow C = x^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ which agree with our simulation results.}$$