

Multivariate Statistical Analysis

Homework 2

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`library(expm)`

Problem 1

(a)

We have $x \in \mathbb{R}^p$, $\mathbb{E}[x] = \mu$, $\text{Cov}(x) = \Sigma$, A is a $p \times p$ constant matrix and $\text{tr}(Avv^\top) = v^\top Av$. Because A is a constant $p \times p$ matrix, A is symmetric. Because of this symmetry, it follows that it has a Cholesky decomposition as $A = C^\top C$.

Let $y = Cx$.

Then

$$\mathbb{E}[x^\top Ax] = \mathbb{E}[x^\top C^\top Cx] \quad (1)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[(Cx)^\top Cx] \quad (2)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[y^\top y] \quad (3)$$

$$= \sum_i \mathbb{E}[y_i^2] \quad (4)$$

$$= \sum_i \text{Var}(y_i) + \mathbb{E}[y_i]^2 \quad (5)$$

$$= \text{tr}(\Sigma_y) + \mu_y^\top \mu_y \quad (6)$$

where $\Sigma_y = \mathbb{E}[(y - \mathbb{E}[y])(y - \mathbb{E}[y])^\top] = C\Sigma C^\top$ and $\mu_y = C\mu$.

$$\implies \mathbb{E}[x^\top Ax] = \text{tr}(C\Sigma C^\top) + \mu^\top \underbrace{C^\top C}_{=A} \mu \quad (7)$$

$$= \text{tr}(\Sigma C^\top C) + \mu^\top A \mu \quad (8)$$

$$= \text{tr}(\Sigma A) + \mu^\top A \mu \quad (9)$$

(b)

(c)

Problem 2

(a)

(b)

```
Sigma <- matrix(data = c(1, -2, 0, -2, 5, 0, 0, 0, 2), nrow = 3, ncol = 3)
print(Sigma)
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3]
## [1,]    1  -2    0
## [2,]   -2    5    0
## [3,]    0    0    2
```

```
Sigma_sqrt <- sqrtm(Sigma)
print(Sigma_sqrt)
```

```
##      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]
## [1,] 0.7071068 -0.7071068 0.0000000
## [2,] -0.7071068  2.1213203 0.0000000
## [3,] 0.0000000  0.0000000 1.414214
```

Problem 3