

1 Gaussian Distribution and its properties

Ex1 Σ : symmetric, then Σ^{-1} is symmetric

We have $\Sigma\Sigma^{-1} = I$

$$\begin{aligned} I &= I^T \\ \Sigma\Sigma^{-1} &= (\Sigma\Sigma^{-1})^T \\ \Sigma\Sigma^{-1} &= (\Sigma^{-1})^T\Sigma^T \\ \Sigma^{-1}\sigma(\Sigma^{-1}) &= (\Sigma^{-1}\Sigma(\Sigma^{-1})) \\ \Sigma^{-1} &= (\Sigma^{-1})^T \end{aligned}$$

Then Σ^{-1} is symmetric

Ex2 A is symmetric then eigenvectors for A corresponding to different eigenvalues must be orthogonal.

2 vectors u and v are orthogonal if their dot product $(u \cdot v) = u^T v = 0$

We have $Au = \lambda_1 u$ $Av = \lambda_2 v$

$$\lambda_1(u \cdot v) = (\lambda_1 u) \cdot v = (Au) \cdot v = (Au)^T v = u^T A^T v = u^T Av = u^T (\lambda_2 v) = \lambda_2 u^T v = \lambda_2(u \cdot v)$$

$$\lambda_1(u \cdot v) = \lambda_2(u \cdot v)$$

$$(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)(u \cdot v) = 0$$

$\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$, then $(u \cdot v) = 0$

Ex3 $\Sigma = \sum_{i=1}^D \lambda_i u_i u_i^T$ then $\Sigma^{-1} = \sum_{i=1}^D \frac{1}{\lambda_i} u_i u_i^T$

Σ is real, symmetric matrix its eigenvalues

We have $\Sigma = \sum_{i=1}^D \lambda_i u_i u_i^T = USU^T$ where U is $D \times D$ matrix with eigenvector as its columns and S is a diagonal matrix with the eigenvalue λ along its diagonal

Because U is a orthogonal matrix $U^{-1} = U^T$

$$\Sigma^{-1} = (USU^T)^{-1} = (U^T)^{-1} S^{-1} U^{-1} = US^{-1}U^T = \sum_{i=1}^D \frac{1}{\lambda_i} u_i u_i^T$$