

# Recap: Conditional Expectation

- ▶ The conditional expectation of  $h(X)$  conditioned on  $Y$  is defined by

$$E[h(X)|Y = y] = \sum_x h(x) f_{X|Y}(x|y), \quad X, Y \text{ are discrete}$$

$$E[h(X)|Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x) f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx, \quad X, Y \text{ have joint density}$$

- ▶ The conditional expectation of  $h(X)$  conditioned on  $Y$  is a function of  $Y$ :

$E[h(X)|Y] = g(Y)$ ; the above specify the value of  $g(y)$ .

- ▶ We define  $E[h(X, Y)|Y]$  also as above:

$$E[h(X, Y)|Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x, y) f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx$$

- ▶ If  $X, Y$  are independent,  $E[h(X)|Y] = E[h(X)]$

# Recap: Properties of Conditional Expectation

- ▶ It has all the properties of expectation:
  - ▶  $E[a|Y] = a$  where  $a$  is a constant
  - ▶  $E[ah_1(X) + bh_2(X)|Y] = aE[h_1(X)|Y] + bE[h_2(X)|Y]$
  - ▶  $h_1(X) \geq h_2(X) \Rightarrow E[h_1(X)|Y] \geq E[h_2(X)|Y]$
- ▶ Conditional expectation also has some extra properties which are very important
  - ▶  $E[E[h(X)|Y]] = E[h(X)]$
  - ▶  $E[h_1(X)h_2(Y)|Y] = h_2(Y)E[h_1(X)|Y]$
  - ▶  $E[h(X, Y)|Y = y] = E[h(X, y)|Y = y]$

# Recap

- ▶ The property of conditional expectation

$$E[ E[X|Y] ] = E[X]$$

is very useful in calculating expectations

$$EX = \sum_y E[X|Y = y] f_Y(y) \quad \text{or}$$

$$EX = \int E[X|Y = y] f_Y(y) dy$$

- ▶ We saw many examples.

# Sum of random number of random variables

- ▶ Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  be iid rv on the same probability space. Suppose  $EX_i = \mu < \infty, \forall i$ .
- ▶ Let  $N$  be a positive integer valued rv that is independent of all  $X_i$  ( $EN < \infty$ )
- ▶ Let  $S = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$ .
- ▶ We want to calculate  $ES$ .
- ▶ We can use

$$E[S] = E[ E[S|N] ]$$

► We have

$$\begin{aligned} E[S|N = n] &= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^N X_i \mid N = n\right] \\ &= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \mid N = n\right] \\ &\quad \text{since } E[h(X, Y)|Y = y] = E[h(X, y)|Y = y] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i \mid N = n] = \sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i] = n\mu \end{aligned}$$

► Hence we get

$$E[S|N] = N\mu \quad \Rightarrow \quad E[S] = E[N]E[X_1]$$

# Wald's formula

- ▶ We took  $S = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$  with  $N$  independent of all  $X_i$ .
- ▶ With iid  $X_i$ , the formula  $ES = EN EX_1$  is valid even under some dependence between  $N$  and  $X_i$ .
- ▶ Here are one version of assumptions needed.
  - A1  $E[|X_1|] < \infty$  and  $EN < \infty$  ( $X_i$  iid).
  - A2  $E[X_n I_{[N \geq n]}] = E[X_n]P[N \geq n]$ ,  $\forall n$
- ▶ Let  $S_N = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$ .
- ▶ Then,  $ES_N = EX_1 EN$
- ▶ Suppose the event  $[N \leq n - 1]$  depends only on  $X_1, \dots, X_{n-1}$ .
- ▶ Such an  $N$  is called a stopping time.
- ▶ Then the event  $[N \leq n - 1]$  and hence its complement  $[N \geq n]$  is independent of  $X_n$  and hence A2 holds.

# Wald's formula

- ▶ In the general case, we do not need  $X_i$  to be iid.
- ▶ Here is one version of this Wald's formula. We assume
  1.  $E[|X_i|] < \infty, \forall i$  and  $EN < \infty$ .
  2.  $E[X_n I_{[N \geq n]}] = E[X_n]P[N \geq n], \forall n$
- ▶ Let  $S_N = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$  and let  $T_N = \sum_{i=1}^N E[X_i]$ .
- ▶ Then,  $ES_N = ET_N$ .  
If  $E[X_i]$  is same for all  $i$ ,  $ES_N = EX_1 EN$ .

## Variance of random sum

- $S = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$ ,  $X_i$  iid, ind of  $N$ . Want  $\text{Var}(S)$

$$E[S^2] = E \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^N X_i \right)^2 \right] = E \left[ E \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^N X_i \right)^2 \mid N \right] \right]$$

- As earlier, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^N X_i \right)^2 \mid N = n \right] &= E \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right)^2 \mid N = n \right] \\ &= E \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right)^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$



- ▶ Let  $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ ,  $X_i$  iid
- ▶ Then,  $\text{Var}(Y) = n \text{Var}(X_1)$
- ▶ Hence we have

$$E[Y^2] = \text{Var}(Y) + (EY)^2 = n \text{Var}(X_1) + (nEX_1)^2$$

- ▶ Using this

$$E \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^N X_i \right)^2 \mid N = n \right] = E \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right)^2 \right] = n \text{Var}(X_1) + (nEX_1)^2$$

- ▶ Hence

$$E \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^N X_i \right)^2 \mid N \right] = N \text{Var}(X_1) + N^2 (EX_1)^2$$

- $S = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$  ( $X_i$  iid). We got

$$E[S^2] = E[ E[S^2|N] ] = EN \text{Var}(X_1) + E[N^2](EX_1)^2$$

- Now we can calculate variance of  $S$  as

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(S) &= E[S^2] - (ES)^2 \\ &= EN \text{Var}(X_1) + E[N^2](EX_1)^2 - (EN EX_1)^2 \\ &= EN \text{Var}(X_1) + (EX_1)^2 (E[N^2] - (EN)^2) \\ &= EN \text{Var}(X_1) + \text{Var}(N) (EX_1)^2\end{aligned}$$

## Another Example

- ▶ We toss a (biased) coin till we get  $k$  consecutive heads. Let  $N_k$  denote the number of tosses needed.
- ▶  $N_1$  would be geometric.
- ▶ We want  $E[N_k]$ . What rv should we condition on?
- ▶ Useful rv here is  $N_{k-1}$

$$E[N_k \mid N_{k-1} = n] = (n + 1)p + (1 - p)(n + 1 + E[N_k])$$

- ▶ Thus we get the recurrence relation

$$\begin{aligned} E[N_k] &= E[ E[N_k \mid N_{k-1}] ] \\ &= E [ (N_{k-1} + 1)p + (1 - p)(N_{k-1} + 1 + E[N_k]) ] \end{aligned}$$

► We have

$$E[N_k] = E[(N_{k-1} + 1)p + (1 - p)(N_{k-1} + 1 + E[N_k])]$$

► Denoting  $M_k = E[N_k]$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} M_k &= pM_{k-1} + p + (1 - p)M_{k-1} + (1 - p) + (1 - p)M_k \\ pM_k &= M_{k-1} + 1 \\ M_k &= \frac{1}{p} M_{k-1} + \frac{1}{p} \\ &= \frac{1}{p} \left( \frac{1}{p} M_{k-2} + \frac{1}{p} \right) + \frac{1}{p} = \left( \frac{1}{p} \right)^2 M_{k-2} + \left( \frac{1}{p} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{p} \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{p} \right)^{k-1} M_1 + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \left( \frac{1}{p} \right)^j \\ &= \frac{1 - p^k}{(1 - p)p^k} \quad \text{taking } M_1 = \frac{1}{p} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ As mentioned earlier, we can use the conditional expectation to calculate probabilities of events also.

$$P(A) = E[I_A] = E [ E [I_A|Y] ]$$

$$E[I_A|Y = y] = P[I_A = 1|Y = y] = P(A|Y = y)$$

- ▶ Thus, we get

$$\begin{aligned} P(A) &= E[I_A] = E [ E [I_A|Y] ] \\ &= \sum_y P(A|Y = y)P[Y = y], \quad \text{when } Y \text{ is discrete} \\ &= \int P(A|Y = y) f_Y(y) dy, \quad \text{when } Y \text{ is continuous} \end{aligned}$$

## Example

- ▶ Let  $X, Y$  be independent continuous rv
- ▶ We want to calculate  $P[X \leq Y]$
- ▶ We can calculate it by integrating joint density over  $A = \{(x, y) : x \leq y\}$

$$\begin{aligned} P[X \leq Y] &= \int \int_A f_X(x) f_Y(y) dx dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_Y(y) \left( \int_{-\infty}^y f_X(x) dx \right) dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_X(y) f_Y(y) dy \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ IF  $X, Y$  are *iid* then  $P[X < Y] = 0.5$

- We can also use the conditional expectation method here

$$\begin{aligned} P[X \leq Y] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P[X \leq Y \mid Y = y] f_Y(y) dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P[X \leq y \mid Y = y] f_Y(y) dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P[X \leq y] f_Y(y) dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_X(y) f_Y(y) dy \end{aligned}$$

## Another Example

- ▶ Consider a sequence of bernoulli trials where  $p$ , probability of success, is random.
- ▶ We first choose  $p$  uniformly over  $(0, 1)$  and then perform  $n$  tosses.
- ▶ Let  $X$  be the number of heads.
- ▶ Conditioned on knowledge of  $p$ , we know distribution of  $X$

$$P[X = k \mid p] = {}^nC_k p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$$

- ▶ Now we can calculate  $P[X = k]$  using the conditioning argument.



- Assuming  $p$  is chosen uniformly from  $(0, 1)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} P[X = k] &= \int [P[X = k \mid p] f(p) dp \\ &= \int_0^1 {}^nC_k p^k (1-p)^{n-k} 1 dp \\ &= {}^nC_k \frac{k!(n-k)!}{(n+1)!} \\ \text{because } \int_0^1 p^k (1-p)^{n-k} dp &= \frac{\Gamma(k+1)\Gamma(n-k+1)}{\Gamma(n+2)} \\ &= \frac{1}{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

- So, we get:  $P[X = k] = \frac{1}{n+1}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$

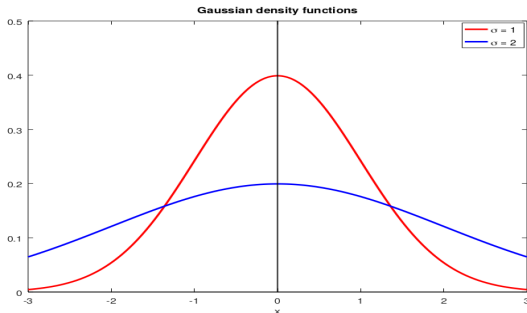


# Gaussian or Normal distribution

- ▶ The Gaussian or normal density is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

- ▶ If  $X$  has this density, we denote it as  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ . We showed  $EX = \mu$  and  $\text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2$
- ▶ The density is a 'bell-shaped' curve



- ▶ Standard Normal rv —  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$
- ▶ The distribution function of standard normal is

$$\Phi(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt$$

- ▶ Suppose  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} P[a \leq X \leq b] &= \int_a^b \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx \\ &\text{take } y = \frac{(x-\mu)}{\sigma} \Rightarrow dy = \frac{1}{\sigma} dx \\ &= \int_{\frac{(a-\mu)}{\sigma}}^{\frac{(b-\mu)}{\sigma}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2}} dy \\ &= \Phi\left(\frac{b-\mu}{\sigma}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{a-\mu}{\sigma}\right) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ We can express probability of events involving all Normal rv using  $\Phi$ .

- $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ . Then its mgf is

$$\begin{aligned} M_X(t) &= E[e^{tX}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x^2 - 2tx)} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}((x-t)^2 - t^2)} dx \\ &= e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-t)^2} dx \\ &= e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2} \end{aligned}$$

- Now let  $Y = \sigma X + \mu$ . Then  $Y \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ .  
The mgf of  $Y$  is

$$\begin{aligned} M_Y(t) &= E[e^{t(\sigma X + \mu)}] = e^{t\mu} E[e^{(t\sigma)X}] = e^{t\mu} M_X(t\sigma) \\ &= e^{(\mu t + \frac{1}{2}t^2\sigma^2)} \end{aligned}$$

# Multi-dimensional Gaussian Distribution

- ▶ The  $n$ -dimensional Gaussian density is given by

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{|\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}} (2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})}, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Re^n$$

- ▶  $\boldsymbol{\mu} \in \Re^n$  and  $\Sigma \in \Re^{n \times n}$  are parameters of the density and  $\Sigma$  is symmetric and positive definite.
- ▶ If  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  have the above joint density, they are said to be jointly Gaussian.
- ▶ We denote this by  $\mathbf{X} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma)$
- ▶ We will now show that this is a joint density function.

- ▶ We begin by showing the following is a density (when  $M$  is symmetric +ve definite)

$$f_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y}) = C e^{-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{y}^T M \mathbf{y}}$$

- ▶ Let  $I = \int_{\Re^n} C e^{-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{y}^T M \mathbf{y}} d\mathbf{y}$
- ▶ Since  $M$  is real symmetric, there exists an orthogonal transform,  $L$  with  $L^{-1} = L^T$ ,  $|L| = 1$  and  $L^T M L$  is diagonal
- ▶ Let  $L^T M L = \text{diag}(m_1, \dots, m_n)$ .
- ▶ Then for any  $\mathbf{z} \in \Re^n$ ,

$$\mathbf{z}^T L^T M L \mathbf{z} = \sum_i m_i z_i^2$$

► We now get

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} C e^{-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{y}^T M \mathbf{y}} d\mathbf{y} \\ &\quad \text{change variable: } \mathbf{z} = L^{-1} \mathbf{y} = L^T \mathbf{y} \Rightarrow \mathbf{y} = L \mathbf{z} \\ &= C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{z}^T L^T M L \mathbf{z}} d\mathbf{z} \quad (\text{note that } |L| = 1) \\ &= C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_i m_i z_i^2} d\mathbf{z} \\ &= C \prod_{i=1}^n \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} m_i z_i^2} dz_i = C \prod_{i=1}^n \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{z_i^2}{\frac{1}{m_i}}} dz_i \\ &= C \prod_{i=1}^n \sqrt{2\pi \frac{1}{m_i}} \end{aligned}$$



- ▶ We will first relate  $m_1 \cdots m_n$  to the matrix  $M$ .
- ▶ By definition,  $L^T M L = \text{diag}(m_1, \cdots, m_n)$ . Hence

$$\text{diag} \left( \frac{1}{m_1}, \cdots, \frac{1}{m_n} \right) = (L^T M L)^{-1} = L^{-1} M^{-1} (L^T)^{-1} = L^T M^{-1} L$$

- ▶ Since  $|L| = 1$ , we get

$$|L^T M^{-1} L| = |M^{-1}| = \frac{1}{m_1 \cdots m_n}$$

Putting all this together

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} C e^{-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{y}^T M \mathbf{y}} d\mathbf{y} = C \prod_{i=1}^n \sqrt{2\pi \frac{1}{m_i}} = C (2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |M^{-1}|^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |M^{-1}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{y}^T M \mathbf{y}} d\mathbf{y} = 1$$

- ▶ We showed the following is a density (taking  $M^{-1} = \Sigma$ )

$$f_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{y}^T \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{y}}, \quad \mathbf{y} \in \Re^n$$

- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{Y} + \boldsymbol{\mu}$ . Then

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = f_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})}$$

- ▶ This is the multidimensional Gaussian distribution

- Consider  $\mathbf{Y}$  with joint density

$$f_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{y}^T \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{y}}, \quad \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

- As earlier let  $M = \Sigma^{-1}$ . Let  $L^T M L = \text{diag}(m_1, \dots, m_n)$
- Define  $\mathbf{Z} = (Z_1, \dots, Z_n)^T = L^T \mathbf{Y}$ . Then  $\mathbf{Y} = L\mathbf{Z}$ .
- Recall  $|L| = 1$ ,  $|M^{-1}| = (m_1 \cdots m_n)^{-1}$
- Then density of  $\mathbf{Z}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{z}) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |M^{-1}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{z}^T L^T M L \mathbf{z}} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{m_1 \cdots m_n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_i m_i z_i^2} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{m_i}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} m_i z_i^2} = \prod_{i=1}^n \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{m_i}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{z_i^2}{\frac{1}{m_i}}} \end{aligned}$$

This shows that  $Z_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \frac{1}{m_i})$  and  $Z_i$  are independent.

- ▶ If  $\mathbf{Y}$  has density  $f_{\mathbf{Y}}$  and  $\mathbf{Z} = L^T \mathbf{Y}$  then  $Z_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \frac{1}{m_i})$  and  $Z_i$  are independent. Hence,

$$\Sigma_Z = \text{diag} \left( \frac{1}{m_1}, \dots, \frac{1}{m_n} \right) = L^T M^{-1} L$$

- ▶ Also, since  $E[Z_i] = 0$ ,  $\Sigma_Z = E[\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}^T]$ .
- ▶ Since  $\mathbf{Y} = L\mathbf{Z}$ ,  $E[\mathbf{Y}] = 0$  and

$$\Sigma_Y = E[\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{Y}^T] = E[L\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}^T L^T] = L E[\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}^T] L^T = L(L^T M^{-1} L) L^T = M^{-1}$$

- ▶ Thus, if  $\mathbf{Y}$  has density

$$f_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{y}^T \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{y}}, \quad \mathbf{y} \in \Re^n$$

then  $E\mathbf{Y} = 0$  and  $\Sigma_Y = M^{-1} = \Sigma$

- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{Y}$  have density

$$f_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{y}^T \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{y}}, \quad \mathbf{y} \in \Re^n$$

- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{Y} + \boldsymbol{\mu}$ . Then

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})}$$

- ▶ We have

$$E\mathbf{X} = E[\mathbf{Y} + \boldsymbol{\mu}] = \boldsymbol{\mu}$$

$$\Sigma_X = E[(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T] = E[\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{Y}^T] = \Sigma$$

# Multi-dimensional Gaussian density

- ▶  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)^T$  are said to be jointly Gaussian if

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})}$$

- ▶  $E\mathbf{X} = \boldsymbol{\mu}$  and  $\Sigma_X = \Sigma$ .
- ▶ Suppose  $\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = 0, \forall i \neq j \Rightarrow \Sigma_{ij} = 0, \forall i \neq j$ .
- ▶ Then  $\Sigma$  is diagonal. Let  $\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_n^2)$ .

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} \sigma_1 \cdots \sigma_n} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{x_i - \mu_i}{\sigma_i} \right)^2} = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x_i - \mu_i}{\sigma_i} \right)^2}$$

- ▶ This implies  $X_i$  are independent.
- ▶ If  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are jointly Gaussian then uncorrelatedness implies independence.

- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)^T$  be jointly Gaussian:

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})}$$

- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu}$ .
- ▶ Let  $M = \Sigma^{-1}$  and  $L$  be such that  $L^T M L = \text{diag}(m_1, \dots, m_n)$
- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{Z} = (Z_1, \dots, Z_n)^T = L^T \mathbf{Y}$ .
- ▶ Then we saw that  $Z_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \frac{1}{m_i})$  and  $Z_i$  are independent.
- ▶ If  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are jointly Gaussian then there is a 'linear' transform that transforms them into independent random variables.

# Moment generating function

- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)^T$  be jointly Gaussian
- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu}$  and  $\mathbf{Z} = (Z_1, \dots, Z_n)^T = L^T \mathbf{Y}$  as earlier
- ▶ The moment generating function of  $\mathbf{X}$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{s}) &= E \left[ e^{\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{X}} \right] \\ &= E \left[ e^{\mathbf{s}^T (\mathbf{Y} + \boldsymbol{\mu})} \right] = e^{\mathbf{s}^T \boldsymbol{\mu}} E \left[ e^{\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{Y}} \right] \\ &= e^{\mathbf{s}^T \boldsymbol{\mu}} E \left[ e^{\mathbf{s}^T L \mathbf{Z}} \right] \\ &= e^{\mathbf{s}^T \boldsymbol{\mu}} E \left[ e^{\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{Z}} \right] \\ &\quad \text{where } \mathbf{u} = L^T \mathbf{s} \\ &= e^{\mathbf{s}^T \boldsymbol{\mu}} M_{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{u}) \end{aligned}$$



- ▶ Since  $Z_i$  are independent, easy to get  $M_{\mathbf{Z}}$ .
- ▶ We know  $Z_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \frac{1}{m_i})$ . Hence

$$M_{Z_i}(u_i) = e^{\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{m_i} u_i^2} = e^{\frac{u_i^2}{2m_i}}$$

$$M_{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{u}) = E \left[ e^{\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{Z}} \right] = \prod_{i=1}^n E \left[ e^{u_i Z_i} \right] = \prod_{i=1}^n e^{\frac{u_i^2}{2m_i}} = e^{\sum_i \frac{u_i^2}{2m_i}}$$

- ▶ We derived earlier

$$M_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{s}) = e^{\mathbf{s}^T \boldsymbol{\mu}} M_{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{u}), \quad \text{where } \mathbf{u} = L^T \mathbf{s}$$

- We got

$$M_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{s}) = e^{\mathbf{s}^T \boldsymbol{\mu}} M_{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{u}); \quad \mathbf{u} = L^T \mathbf{s}; \quad M_{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{u}) = e^{\sum_i \frac{u_i^2}{2m_i}}$$

- Earlier we have shown  $L^T M^{-1} L = \text{diag}(\frac{1}{m_1}, \dots, \frac{1}{m_n})$  where  $M^{-1} = \Sigma$ . Now we get

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \frac{u_i^2}{m_i} = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{u}^T (L^T M^{-1} L) \mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{s}^T M^{-1} \mathbf{s} = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{s}^T \Sigma \mathbf{s}$$

- Hence we get

$$M_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{s}) = e^{\mathbf{s}^T \boldsymbol{\mu} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{s}^T \Sigma \mathbf{s}}$$

- This is the moment generating function of multi-dimensional Normal density

- ▶ Let  $X, Y$  be jointly Gaussian. For simplicity let  $EX = EY = 0$ .
- ▶ Let  $\text{Var}(X) = \sigma_x^2$ ,  $\text{Var}(Y) = \sigma_y^2$ ;  
let  $\rho_{XY} = \rho \Rightarrow \text{Cov}(X, Y) = \rho\sigma_x\sigma_y$ .
- ▶ Now, the covariance matrix and its inverse are given by

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x^2 & \rho\sigma_x\sigma_y \\ \rho\sigma_x\sigma_y & \sigma_y^2 \end{bmatrix}; \quad \Sigma^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sigma_x^2\sigma_y^2(1-\rho^2)} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_y^2 & -\rho\sigma_x\sigma_y \\ -\rho\sigma_x\sigma_y & \sigma_x^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ The joint density of  $X, Y$  is given by

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)}\left(\frac{x^2}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{y^2}{\sigma_y^2} - \frac{2\rho xy}{\sigma_x\sigma_y}\right)}$$

- ▶ This is the bivariate Gaussian density

- ▶ Suppose  $X, Y$  are jointly Gaussian (with the density above)
- ▶ Then, all the marginals and conditionals would be Gaussian.
- ▶  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_x^2)$ , and  $Y \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_y^2)$
- ▶  $f_{X|Y}(x|y)$  would be a Gaussian density with mean  $y\rho\frac{\sigma_x}{\sigma_y}$  and variance  $\sigma_x^2(1 - \rho^2)$ .
- ▶ Exercise for you – show all this starting with the joint density we have

- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)^T$  be jointly Gaussian.
- ▶ Then we call  $\mathbf{X}$  as a Gaussian vector.
- ▶ It is possible that  $X_i, i = 1, \dots, n$  are individually Gaussian but  $\mathbf{X}$  is not a Gaussian vector.
- ▶ For example,  $X, Y$  may be individually Gaussian but their joint density is not the bivariate normal density.
- ▶ Gaussian vectors have some special properties. (E.g., uncorrelated implies independence)
- ▶ Important to note that 'individually Gaussian' does not mean 'jointly Gaussian'

- ▶ The multi-dimensional Gaussian density has some important properties.
- ▶ We have seen some of them earlier.
- ▶ If  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are jointly Gaussian then they are independent if they are uncorrelated.
- ▶ Suppose  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be jointly Gaussian and have zero means. Then there is an orthogonal transform  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}$  such that  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  are jointly Gaussian and independent.
- ▶ Another important property is the following
- ▶  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are jointly Gaussian if and only if  $\mathbf{t}^T \mathbf{X}$  is Gaussian for all non-zero  $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- ▶ We will prove this using moment generating functions