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1.4.9. (spectral decomposition) 1.4.22 (correlation).

2.7.3 2.7.6. (Multivariate Normal)

**Exercise 1.4.1.** Consider a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$  and a vector  $\mathbf{x} = (1, 2, 3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ . Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Compute  $A\mathbf{x}$  using both interpretations of matrix-vector multiplication: (i) by taking inner products of rows with  $\mathbf{x}$ , and (ii) as a linear combination of the columns of  $A$ .

Matrix Multiplication:

$A B$ . if  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ .

$B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$

$\Rightarrow A B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$

$A u$ . if  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$

$u \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$

$\Rightarrow A u \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$

### 1.1.1 Matrix-Vector Multiplication $A\mathbf{x}$

Let  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  be a vector, with  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_m)$ , and let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  be a matrix. Recall that the matrix-vector product  $A\mathbf{x}$  is defined by the rule:

$$(A\mathbf{x})_i = \sum_{j=1}^m A_{ij}x_j,$$

which states that the  $i$ -th entry of the vector  $A\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the inner product of the  $i$ -th row of  $A$  with the vector  $\mathbf{x}$ .

An important alternative interpretation of  $A\mathbf{x}$  is that it is a linear combination of the columns of  $A$  with coefficients given by the entries of  $\mathbf{x}$ :

$$A\mathbf{x} = x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + \dots + x_m \mathbf{a}_m, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $\mathbf{a}_j \in \mathbb{R}^n$  denotes the  $j$ -th column of  $A$ .

$$A\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+2 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 3 \\ 0 + 1 \cdot 2 + 4 \cdot 3 \\ 5 \cdot 1 + 6 \cdot 2 + 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ 14 \\ 17 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$   
 $a_1 \quad a_2 \quad a_3$   
 $\vdots$   
 $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$A\mathbf{x} = (a_1 \ a_2 \ a_3) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = a_1 + 2a_2 + 3a_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ 14 \\ 17 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Exercise 1.4.2.** Let  $\mathbf{x} = (1, 2, 3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\mathbf{y} = (4, 5, 6) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ . Compute the matrix  $\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}^\top$ . Argue why this matrix has rank one. Compute  $\text{tr}(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}^\top)$  and  $\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{y}$ . Is it a coincidence that these two numbers are equal?

A rank-one matrix is formed by the outer product of two vectors. Specifically, if  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , the outer product  $\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  is defined as:

$$A = \mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}^\top \quad \text{with} \quad A_{ij} = x_i y_j \quad \text{for all } i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, m.$$

The resulting matrix has rank<sup>2</sup> at most one because all rows (or columns) of the matrix are scalar multiples of each other.

$$\begin{matrix} \mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}^\top & = & \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} (4 \ 5 \ 6) & = & \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 8 & 10 & 12 \\ 12 & 15 & 18 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1} \end{matrix} & & \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3} \end{matrix} & & \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{matrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{tr}(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}^\top) = 4 + 10 + 18 = 32.$$

$$\begin{matrix} \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{y} & = & (1 \ 2 \ 3) \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} & = & 1 \times 4 + 2 \times 5 + 3 \times 6 = 32. \\ \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1} \end{matrix} & & \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1} \end{matrix} & & \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{tr}(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}^\top)} &= \underline{\text{tr}(\mathbf{y}^\top \mathbf{x})} \\ &= \underline{\text{tr}(\underline{\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{y}})} = \underline{\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{y}}. \end{aligned}$$

Rank: number of linearly ind. rows/cols.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}_2 &= \frac{5}{4} \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 &= \frac{3}{2} \mathbf{a}_1 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{rank 1.}$$

Properties of trace.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \text{if } \begin{matrix} AB \quad BA \text{ are both valid.} \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ \mathbb{R}^{n \times m} \quad \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \end{matrix} \quad \text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \text{tr}(A) = \text{tr}(A^\top) \quad \forall A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}.$$

**Exercise 1.4.9.** Let  $A \in \mathbb{S}^2$  be the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}. \quad \leftarrow \text{symmetric.}$$

Compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A$  by solving the characteristic equation and verify the spectral theorem by expressing  $A$  as  $A = U\Lambda U^\top$ , where  $U$  is an orthogonal matrix of eigenvectors and  $\Lambda$  is the diagonal matrix of eigenvalues.

Step 1.  $\det(\lambda I - A) = \det \begin{pmatrix} \lambda-3 & -2 \\ -2 & \lambda-6 \end{pmatrix} = (\lambda-3)(\lambda-6) - 4 = 0$

$$(\lambda-3)(\lambda-6) - 4 = \lambda^2 - 9\lambda + 14 = (\lambda-2)(\lambda-7) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 7 \quad \lambda_2 = 2.$$

Step 2.  $A v_1 = \lambda_1 v_1$  assume  $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = 7 \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 3a + 2b = 7a \\ 2a + 6b = 7b \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} b = 2a \\ a^2 + b^2 = 1 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \quad b = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \quad v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$A v_2 = \lambda_2 v_2$  assume  $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 3c + 2d = 2c \\ 2c + 6d = 2d \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} c = -2d \\ c^2 + d^2 = 1 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow c = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \quad d = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \quad v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{pmatrix} \quad U = (v_1 \ v_2)$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{pmatrix} \quad A = UAU^T$$

Exercise 1.4.22. Show that if  $Y = aX + b$  then  $\text{corr}(X, Y) = \pm 1$ .

$$\text{corr}(x, Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(x, Y)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(x)} \cdot \sqrt{\text{Var}(Y)}} \quad a \neq 0.$$

$$\text{Cov}(x, Y) = \text{Cov}(x, \underset{\triangle}{ax + b}) = \text{Cov}(x, ax) = a \text{Cov}(x, x)$$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \text{Var}(ax + b) = \text{Var}(ax) = a^2 \text{Var}(x) \quad \downarrow \quad = a \text{Var}(x).$$

$$\text{Cov}(ax, ax) = a \times a \times \text{Cov}(x, x).$$

$$\text{Corr}(x, Y) = \frac{a \text{Var}(x)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(x)} \sqrt{a^2 \text{Var}(x)}} = \frac{a \text{Var}(x)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(x)} \cdot |a| \cdot \sqrt{\text{Var}(x)}} = \frac{a}{|a|}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1 & a > 0 \\ -1 & a < 0 \end{cases}$$

**Exercise 2.7.3.** Consider two random vectors  $X \sim N_m(\mu_X, \Sigma_X)$  and  $Y \sim N_q(\mu_Y, \Sigma_Y)$ . Show that if  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent, the joint distribution of  $(X, Y)$  is multivariate normal with mean  $(\mu_X, \mu_Y)$  and block diagonal covariance matrix.

**Method 1:** p.d.f.

$$f_X(x) \quad f_Y(y)$$

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$$X \sim N_m(\mu_X, \Sigma_X) \quad \text{ind.}$$

$$f_{(X,Y)}(x, y) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y) \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \sim N_{m+q}\left(\begin{pmatrix} \mu_X \\ \mu_Y \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_X & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_Y \end{pmatrix}\right)$$

Thus, for  $X = \mu + \Sigma^{1/2}Z$ , we get:

$$\underline{\phi_X(t)} = \mathbb{E}e^{it^\top(\mu + \Sigma^{1/2}Z)} = e^{it^\top\mu} \mathbb{E}e^{i(\Sigma^{1/2}t)^\top Z} = e^{it^\top\mu} \phi_Z(\Sigma^{1/2}t) = \underline{e^{it^\top\mu - \frac{1}{2}t^\top\Sigma t}}, \quad (2.3)$$

which gives the formula for the characteristic function of the multivariate normal distribution for general  $\mu$  and  $\Sigma$ .

**Method 2.** → characteristic function.

$$\phi_{(X,Y)}(t) = E(e^{it^\top \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix}}). \quad \Delta \quad t = (\underbrace{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m}_{t_X}, \underbrace{t_{m+1}, \dots, t_{m+q}}_{t_Y})$$

$$= E(e^{i(t_X^\top X + t_Y^\top Y)})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{ind.}}{=} \dot{E}(X) \dot{E}(Y) = E(e^{it_X^\top X + it_Y^\top Y}) = E(\underline{e^{it_X^\top X}} \cdot \underline{e^{it_Y^\top Y}})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{ind.}}{=} E(e^{it_X^\top X}) \cdot E(e^{it_Y^\top Y}) = \phi_X(t_X) \cdot \phi_Y(t_Y)$$

$$= e^{it_X^\top \mu_X - \frac{1}{2}t_X^\top \Sigma_X t_X} \cdot e^{it_Y^\top \mu_Y - \frac{1}{2}t_Y^\top \Sigma_Y t_Y}$$

$$= e^{i(t_X^\top \mu_X + t_Y^\top \mu_Y) - \frac{1}{2}(t_X^\top \Sigma_X t_X + t_Y^\top \Sigma_Y t_Y)}$$

$$= e^{i t^\top \begin{pmatrix} \mu_X \\ \mu_Y \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{2} t^\top \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_X & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_Y \end{pmatrix} t} \quad \uparrow$$

$$\Downarrow \begin{pmatrix} t_X \\ t_Y \end{pmatrix}^\top \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_X & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_Y \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t_X \\ t_Y \end{pmatrix}$$

**Exercise 2.7.6.** Let  $X \sim N_m(\mu, \Sigma)$ . Use the spectral decomposition of  $\Sigma$  to transform  $X$  into independent standard normal variables.

By Proposition 2.1.1, if  $Z \sim N_m(\mathbf{0}, I_m)$  then  $\mu + \Sigma^{1/2}Z \sim N_m(\mu, \Sigma)$ . In this section, we generalize this result. More generally, for any matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times m}$  and vector  $b \in \mathbb{R}^p$ , if  $X \sim N_m(\mu, \Sigma)$ , then the linear transformation  $AX + b$  is distributed as:

conclusion.

$$\underline{AX + b \sim N_p(A\mu + b, A\Sigma A^\top)}. \quad (2.4)$$

$$\Sigma = U \Lambda U^\top$$

positive-definite.

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_m \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m > 0.$$

$X \sim N_m(\mu, \Sigma) \rightarrow \text{ind. s.n.}$

Step 1.  $X - \mu \sim N_m(0, \Sigma)$   $0 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$

Step 2. need  $\Sigma$  to be diagonal. so that independent.

$$U^T(X - \mu) \sim N_m(0, U^T \Sigma U)$$

$$\begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \Sigma = U \Lambda U^T \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \\ = I_m. \\ UU^T = U^T U \end{matrix}$$

$$U^T(X - \mu) \sim N_m(0, \Lambda)$$

Step 3.

$$\boxed{\Lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}} U^T(X - \mu)} \sim N_m(0, \Lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}} \Lambda \Lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}) \\ N_m(0, I_m)$$

$$\Lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_1}}, & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_m}} \end{pmatrix}$$