

L17: Extended concepts of Normal distribution and independence

1. Normal distributions

- (1) New definition for $N(\mu, \Sigma)$

$$\begin{aligned} X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} X \stackrel{d}{=} AZ + \mu \text{ where } Z \sim N(0, I_r) \text{ by its pdf and } AA' = \Sigma \\ &\implies E(X) = \mu \text{ and } \text{Cov}(X) = \Sigma. \end{aligned}$$

- (2) Extended concept of $N(\mu, \Sigma)$

$X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$ by its pdf $\implies X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$ by new definition

Proof If $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$ by its pdf, then $\Sigma > 0$.

So $Z = \Sigma^{-1/2}(X - \mu) \sim N(0, I)$ by its pdf.

But $X = \Sigma^{1/2}[\Sigma^{-1/2}(X - \mu)] + \mu = \Sigma^{1/2}Z + \mu$ where $\Sigma^{1/2}[\Sigma^{1/2}]' = \Sigma$.

Thus by new definition $Z \sim N(0, I)$.

- (3) A transformation

$$X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma) \implies AX + b \sim N(A\mu + b, A\Sigma A')$$

Proof $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma) \iff X = BZ + \mu, Z \sim N(0, I) \text{ and } BB' = \Sigma$.

So $AX + b = (AB)Z + (A\mu + b)$ where $(AB)(AB)' = A\Sigma A'$.

Thus $AX + b \sim N(A\mu + b, A\Sigma A')$.

- (4) Support of $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$.

The support for $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$ is $\mu + L(\Sigma)$. ($L(A) = \mathcal{R}(A) = \mathcal{C}(A) = \mathcal{S}(A)$)

Proof $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma) \iff X = AZ + \mu$ where $AA' = \Sigma$ and $Z \sim N(0, I)$.

Thus $X = AZ + \mu \in \mu + L(A) = \mu + L(AA') = \mu + L(\Sigma)$.

Ex1: For $Z \sim N(0, 1^2)$ define $X_1 = Z + 1$ and $X_2 = Z + 2$.

$$\text{Then } \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} Z + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \sim N\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right).$$

Ex2: The support for $X = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix}$ in Ex1 is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + L\left[\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + L\left[\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right]$.

2. Independence

- (1) New definition for independence

Random vectors $X \in R^m$ and $Y \in R^n$ are independent if X is a vector-valued function of Z_I , Y is a vector-valued function of Z_{II} , and Z_I and Z_{II} are independent by classical definitions, i.e., Z_I has pdf $f_1(z_I)$, Z_{II} has pdf $f_2(z_{II})$, $\begin{pmatrix} Z_I \\ Z_{II} \end{pmatrix}$ has joint pdf $f(z_I, z_{II})$, and $f(z_I, z_{II}) = f_1(z_I) f_2(z_{II})$.

- (2) Extended concept of independence

If X and Y are independent by classical definitions, they are independent by the new definition.

- (3) Property I

If X and Y are independent by new definition, so are functions of X and functions of Y .

- (4) Property II

If X and Y are independent, then $P(X \in A | Y \in B) = P(X \in A)$ and $P(Y \in B | X \in A) = P(Y \in B)$

Proof $X \in A \implies Z_I \in A_1$ and $Y \in B \implies Z_{II} \in B_1$.

So $P(X \in A) = P(X_I \in A_1)$ and $P(Y \in B) = P(X_{II} \in B_1)$

Thus $P(X \in A|Y \in B) = P(Z_I \in A_1|Z_{II} \in B_1) = P(Z_I \in A_1) = P(X \in A)$.

(5) Property III

If X and Y are independent, then $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$.

Pf: X is a vector valued function of Z_I , so X_i is a function of Z_I , $X_i = g_i(Z_I)$.

Y is a vector-valued function of Z_{II} , so Y_j is a function of Z_{II} , $Y_j = h_j(Z_{II})$.

$$\begin{aligned} E(X_i Y_j) &= E[g_i(Z_I) h_j(Z_{II})] = \int \int_{z_I, z_{II}} g_i(z_I) h_j(z_{II}) f(z_I, z_{II}) dz_I dz_{II} \\ &= \int \int_{z_I, z_{II}} g_i(z_I) h_j(z_{II}) f_1(z_I) f_2(z_{II}) dz_I dz_{II} \\ &= \int \int_{z_I} g_i(z_I) f_1(z_I) dz_I \int \int_{z_{II}} h_j(z_{II}) f_2(z_{II}) dz_{II} \\ &= E[g_i(Z_I)] E[h_j(Z_{II})] = E(X_i) E(Y_j). \end{aligned}$$

So $E(XY^T) = E(X)E(Y^T)$. Hence $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E(XY^T) - E(X)E(Y^T) = 0$.

3. Independence in normal distributions

Suppose $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$.

(1) $AX \in R^p$ and $BX \in R^q$ are independent $\iff \text{Cov}(AX, BX) = A\Sigma B' = 0$.

Pf: $\implies$ has been established by (5) of 2. Now consider $\impliedby$.

$X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma) \iff X \stackrel{d}{=} DZ + \mu$ where $Z \in N(0, I_k)$ and $DD' = \Sigma$.

In $AX = ADZ + A\mu$, $AD \in R^{p \times k}$ with rank r_1 has a sub-matrix $T_1 \in R^{r_1 \times k}$ with full row rank such that ADZ is a function of $T_1 Z$ and hence

$$AX = ADZ + A\mu \text{ is a function of } T_1 Z.$$

In $BX = BDZ + B\mu$, $BD \in R^{q \times k}$ with rank r_2 has a sub-matrix $T_2 \in R^{r_2 \times k}$ with full row rank such that BDZ is a function of $T_2 Z$ and hence

$$BX = BDZ + B\mu \text{ is a function of } T_2 Z.$$

Note that $0 = A\Sigma B' = ADD'B' = (AD)(BD)'$ has a sub-matrix $T_1 T_2'$. So $T_1 T_2' = 0$.

From $\begin{pmatrix} T_1 \\ T_2 \end{pmatrix} Z \sim N\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} T_1 T_1' & 0 \\ 0 & T_2 T_2' \end{pmatrix}\right)$, to claim the independence of $T_1 Z$ and

$T_2 Z$ we need the full row rank of $\begin{pmatrix} T_1 \\ T_2 \end{pmatrix}$ or full column rank of (T_1', T_2') . But

$$0 = (T_1', T_2') \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = T_1' \alpha + T_2' \beta \implies \begin{cases} 0 = T_1 T_1' \alpha \\ 0 = T_2 T_2' \beta \end{cases} \implies \begin{cases} \alpha = (T_1 T_1')^{-1} 0 = 0 \\ \beta = (T_2 T_2')^{-1} 0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

So (T_1', T_2') has full column rank. Conclusion follows.

(2) $A\Sigma B = 0$ where $B' = B \implies AX$ and $X'BX$ are independent.

Pf: $B' = B$ has compact form of EVD $B = P_I \Lambda_r P_I'$.

$0 = A\Sigma B = A\Sigma P_I \Lambda_r P_I' \implies A\Sigma P_I = 0 \implies AX$ and $P_I' X$ are independent by (1) of 3.

So AX and $X'BX = (P_I' X)' \Lambda_r (P_I' X)$ are independent by (3) of 2.

L18 Matrices with normal distributions

1. Two notations for random matrices

(1) Settings

$M = (m_1, \dots, m_n) \in R^{p \times n}$, $\Sigma' = \Sigma = (\sigma_{ij})_{p \times p} \geq 0$ where $\sigma_{ii} = \sigma_i^2$ for $i = 1, \dots, p$, and $\Psi' = \Psi = (\psi_{ij})_{n \times n} \geq 0$ where $\psi_{ii} = \psi_i^2$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$ are non-random matrices. $X \in R^{p \times n}$ is a random matrix.

(2) Notation $X \sim (M, \Sigma, \Psi)$

We write $X \sim (M, \Sigma, \Psi)$ if $E(X) = M$, $\text{Cov}(\text{vec}(X), \text{vec}(X)) = \Psi \otimes \Sigma$, i.e.,

$$X \sim (M, \Sigma, \Psi) \iff \text{vec}(X) \sim (\text{vec}(M), \Psi \otimes \Sigma).$$

(3) Notation $X \sim N_{p \times n}(M, \Sigma, \Psi)$

$$X \sim N_{p \times n}(M, \Sigma, \Psi) \iff \text{vec}(X) \sim N(\text{vec}(M), \Psi \otimes \Sigma)$$

(4) Relations

$$\begin{aligned} X \sim N_{p \times n}(M, \Sigma, \Psi) &\implies X \sim (M, \Sigma, \Psi) \\ &\iff X_i \sim (m_i, \Sigma, \psi_i^2) = (\mu_i, \psi_i^2 \Sigma) \text{ for all } i = 1, \dots, n. \text{ and} \\ &\quad (X_i, X_j) \sim \left((m_i, m_j), \Sigma, \begin{pmatrix} \psi_i^2 & \psi_{ij} \\ \psi_{ji} & \psi_j^2 \end{pmatrix} \right) \text{ for all } i \neq j. \end{aligned}$$

Ex1: $X_1, \dots, X_n$ is a random sample from a $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then $\begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ \vdots \\ X_n \end{pmatrix} \sim N(\mu 1_n, \sigma^2 I_n)$.

Ex2: $X_1, \dots, X_n$ is a random sample from a p-dimensional population.

If the population has parameters (μ, Σ) , then $(X_1, \dots, X_n) \sim (\mu 1'_n, \Sigma, I_n)$.

If the population has the distribution $N(\mu, \Sigma)$, then $(X_1, \dots, X_n) \sim N_{p \times n}(\mu 1'_n, \Sigma, I_n)$.

Ex3: $X \sim (\mu, \Sigma) = (\mu, \Sigma, 1)$ and $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma) = N(\mu, \Sigma, 1)$. $N(\mu 1_n, \sigma^2 I_n) = N(\mu 1_n, I_n, \sigma^2)$.

2. X and X'

(1) If $X \sim N_{p \times n}(M, \Sigma, \Psi)$, then $X' \sim N_{n \times p}(M', \Psi, \Sigma)$.

Pf: If $X \sim N_{p \times n}(M, \Sigma, \Psi)$, then $\text{vec}(X) \sim N(\text{vec}(M), \Psi \otimes \Sigma)$.

With commutation matrix K_{pn} , $K_{pn} \text{vec}(X) \sim N(K_{pn} \text{vec}(M), K_{pn}(\Psi \otimes \Sigma)K_{pn})$.

Thus $\text{vec}(X') \sim N(\text{vec}(M'), \Sigma \otimes \Psi)$. Hence $X' \sim N_{n \times p}(M', \Psi, \Sigma)$.

(2) If $X \sim (M, \Sigma, \Psi)$, then $X' \sim (M', \Psi, \Sigma)$.

Pf: Skipped

Ex4: Recall: For random vectors X and Y , $E(X'AY) = [E(X)]'A[E(Y)] + \text{tr}(A\text{Cov}(Y, X))$.

So if $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n) \sim (M, \Sigma, \Psi)$ where $M = (m_1, \dots, m_n)$, then

$$E(X'_i A X_j) = (m'_i A m_j) + \text{tr}(A \psi_{ji} \Sigma).$$

Note that $E(X'_i A X_j) = (E(X' A X))_{ij}$, $m'_i A m_j = (M' A M)_{ij}$ and $\text{tr}(\Sigma) \psi_{ij} = \text{tr}(A \Sigma)(\Psi)_{ij}$. So

$$E(X' A X) = M' A M + \text{tr}(A \Sigma) \Psi.$$

Comment: In Ex4 $A \in R^{p \times p}$. What about $E(XBX')$ where $B \in R^{n \times n}$?

Hint: $X \sim (M, \Sigma, \Psi) \implies Y = X' \sim (M', \Psi, \Sigma)$.

$$E(XBX') = E(Y'BY) = \dots$$

3. More properties

(1) Distribution of a transformation

If $X \sim N_{p \times n}(M, \Sigma, \Psi)$, then with $A \in R^{q \times p}$, $B \in R^{n \times m}$ and $C \in C^{q \times m}$

$$AXB + C \sim N_{q \times m}(AMB + C, A\Sigma A', B'\Psi B).$$

Pf: If $X \sim N_{p \times n}(M, \Sigma, \Psi)$, then $\text{vec}(X) \sim N(\text{vec}(M), \Psi \otimes \Sigma)$. So

$$\begin{aligned} \text{vec}(AXB + C) &= (B' \otimes A)\text{vec}(X) + \text{vec}(C) \\ &\sim N((B' \otimes A)\text{vec}(M) + \text{vec}(C), (B' \otimes A)(\Psi \otimes \Sigma)(B \otimes A')) \\ &= N(\text{vec}(AMB + C), (B'\Psi B) \otimes (A\Sigma A')) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus } AXB + c \sim N_{q \times m}(AMB + C, A\Sigma A', B'\Psi B).$$

(2) Parameters of a transformation

If $X \sim (M, \Sigma, \Psi)$, then $AXB + C \sim (AMB + C, A\Sigma A', B'\Psi B)$.

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(3) Independence

$X \sim N_{p \times n}(M, \Sigma, \Psi)$.

$$AXB \text{ and } CXD \text{ are independent} \iff A\Sigma C' = 0 \text{ or } B'\Psi D = 0$$

Pf: AXB and CXD are independent if and only if $\text{vec}(AXB) = (B' \otimes A)\text{vec}(X)$ and $\text{vec}(CXD) = (D' \otimes C)\text{vec}(X)$ are independent.

But $\text{vec}(X) \sim N(\text{vec}(M), \Sigma, \Psi)$. So AXB and CXD are independent if and only if $\text{Cov}(\text{vec}(AXB), \text{vec}(CXD)) = 0$. But

$$\text{Cov}(\text{vec}(AXB), \text{vec}(CXD)) = (B' \otimes A)(\Psi \otimes \Sigma)(D' \otimes C)' = (B'\Psi D) \otimes (A\Sigma C').$$

So AXB and CXD are independent if and only if $A\Sigma C' = 0$ or $B'\Psi D = 0$.