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TMA4267 Linear Statistical Models V2014 (10)

Properties of the covariance matrix

The multivariate normal distribution [4.3-4.4]

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The Cork deposit data

- Classical data set from Rao (1948).
- Weight of bark deposits of $n = 28$ cork trees in $p = 4$ directions (N, E, S, W).

Tree	N	E	S	W
1	72	66	76	77
2	60	53	66	63
3	56	57	64	58
:	:	:	:	:
28	48	54	57	43

The covariance matrix

Random vector $\boldsymbol{X}_{(p \times 1)}$ with mean vector $\boldsymbol{\mu}_{(p \times 1)}$ and covariance matrix

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \text{Cov}(\boldsymbol{X}) = E[(\boldsymbol{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\boldsymbol{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T] = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} & \cdots & \sigma_{1p} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{22} & \cdots & \sigma_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{1p} & \sigma_{2p} & \cdots & \sigma_{pp} \end{bmatrix}$$

The covariance matrix is by construction symmetric, and we would only consider covariance matrices that are positive definite (PD).

Why would we only consider PD matrices?

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Properties of Σ (cont.)

$$\Sigma = \text{Cov}(X), \quad X \text{ random vector}$$

$\begin{matrix} / \\ p \times p \end{matrix}$

We require Σ to be symmetric positive definite (SPD)

$$\Sigma^T = \Sigma \quad x^T \Sigma x > 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$$

(λ_i, e_i) eigenvalue/eigenvector pair

↓ all eigenvalues are positive

Spectral theorem $\Sigma = P \Lambda P^T$

$$\left\{ e_1, e_2, \dots, e_p \right\} \quad \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p)$$

$$\Sigma^{1/2} \text{ is defined as } \Sigma^{1/2} = P \underbrace{\Lambda^{1/2}}_{\text{diag}(\sqrt{\lambda_1}, \sqrt{\lambda_2}, \dots, \sqrt{\lambda_p})} P^T$$

$$\Sigma^{1/2} \Sigma^{1/2} = P \Lambda^{1/2} \underbrace{P^T P}_{I} \Lambda^{1/2} P^T = P \Lambda^{1/2} \Lambda^{1/2} P^T = P \Lambda P^T = \Sigma$$

Since Σ is SPD it has an inverse Σ^{-1} .

$$\Sigma^{-1/2} = P \Lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}} P^T$$

↑

$$\text{diag}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_1}}, \dots, \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_p}}\right)$$

Cramer-Wold [T4.7]

$\mathbf{X}_{(p \times 1)}$ is a random vector. The distribution of \mathbf{X} is completely determined by the set of all one-dimensional linear combinations $Y = \mathbf{a}^t \mathbf{X} = \sum_{i=1}^p a_i X_i$ where \mathbf{a} ranges over all fixed n-vectors.

Proof:

- $Y = \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X}$ has MGF $M_Y(s) = E(\exp(sY)) = E(\exp(s\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X}))$.
- If we choose $s = 1$ $M_Y(1) = E(\exp(\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X})) = M_X(\mathbf{a})$, which is the MGF of \mathbf{X} and thus determines the distribution of \mathbf{X} .

The multivariate normal distribution (mvN) [4.3]

B&F Def^{4.8} of multivariate normal:

X is a p -variate normal (N_p) distribution iff
 $a^T X$ has a univariate (N_1) normal distribution for all
constant vectors a .

This implies that: [Let $X \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$]

1) Linear transformation of mvN are also mvN.

$$b^T X \sim N_1(b^T \mu, b^T \Sigma b)$$

$$B X \sim N(B\mu, B\Sigma B^T)$$

$\begin{matrix} & \\ \downarrow & \\ m \times p \end{matrix}$

2) Any vector of elements of a mvN is also mvN, in particular all components are univariateN.

Proof:

1) $\underset{m \times 1}{Y} = \underset{m \times p}{A} \underset{m \times 1}{X} + \underset{m \times 1}{C}$ and b is any m -vector

$$b^T Y = \underbrace{b^T A X}_{1 \times 1} + b^T C = a^T$$

Let $a^T = b^T A$, then $a^T X$ is N_1 because X is $m \times N$, and
 a^T is $1 \times p$

adding $b^T C$ then $b^T Y$ is also N_1 . This holds for b , so $Y \sim N_m$

2) Make A a suitable matrix of 0s and 1s.

Linear combinations

- Random vector $\mathbf{X}_{(p \times 1)}$ with mean vector $\boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{X} = E(\mathbf{X})$ and covariance matrix $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\mathbf{X} = \text{Cov}(\mathbf{X})$.
- The linear combinations $\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{X}$ have

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{Z} = E(\mathbf{Z}) = E(\mathbf{C}\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{C}\boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{X}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\mathbf{Z} = \text{Cov}(\mathbf{Z}) = \text{Cov}(\mathbf{C}\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{C}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\mathbf{X}\mathbf{C}^T$$

Properties of the Multivariate Normal Distribution [4.3]

Let $\mathbf{X}_{(p \times 1)}$ be a random vector from $N_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$.

1. Linear combinations of components of \mathbf{X} are (multivariate) normal.
2. All subsets of the components of \mathbf{X} are (multivariate) normal.
3. Zero covariance implies that the corresponding components are independently distributed.

T4.10: $X \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$ has MGF

$$M_X(t) = E(e^{t^T X}) = \exp\left\{ t^T \mu + \frac{1}{2} t^T \Sigma t \right\}$$

$$\begin{matrix} X_1, X_2 \\ t_1, t_2 \end{matrix} \quad t_1 X_1 + t_2 X_2$$

Proof: $Y = t^T X$, $E(Y) = \mu$, $\text{Cov}(Y) = \Sigma$

By Def 4.8 $Y \sim N_1(t^T \mu, t^T \Sigma t)$ with MGF (known from Ch. 1)

$$M_Y(s) = E(e^{sY}) = \exp\left(s \underbrace{t^T \mu}_{\mu} + \frac{1}{2} s^2 \underbrace{t^T \Sigma t}_{\sigma^2} \right)$$

$$\exp\left(s\mu + \frac{1}{2} s^2 \sigma^2 \right)$$

↑ ↑
univ. see lecture 4
 $X \sim N_1(\mu, \sigma^2)$ $M_X(t) = \exp(\mu t + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 t^2)$

Choose $s = 1$

$$E(e^{sY}) = E(e^Y) = E(e^{t^T X}) = M_X(t)$$

is the MGF of X

$$M_X(t) = E(e^{t^T X}) = \exp\left(t^T \mu + \frac{1}{2} t^T \Sigma t \right)$$

C4.11. The components of X are independent iff Σ is diagonal.

Proof: We looked at the bivariate normal (Ch1, L4) and saw that $M_{X_1, X_2}(t_1, t_2) = M_{X_1}(t_1) \cdot M_{X_2}(t_2)$ when $\rho_{12} = 0 \Rightarrow \Sigma$ is diagonal. This means that Σ needs to be diagonal to make the X_i 's independent, and viceversa.

Independent variables

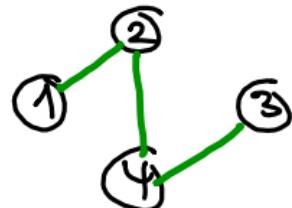
Example

X_2 vs X_3

X_1 vs X_3

X_1 vs X_4

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



Independent variables?

Let $\mathbf{X}_{p \times 1} \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$, with

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- List the pairs of variables that are independent.

Independent variables?

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sigma <- matrix(c(2,1,0,0,1,2,0,1,0,0,2,1,0,1,1,2),ncol=4)
[,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1,]    2    1    0    0
[2,]    1    2    0    1
[3,]    0    0    2    1
[4,]    0    1    1    2

eigen(sigma)
$values
[1] 3.618034 2.618034 1.381966 0.381966
$vectors
[,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
[1,] 0.371748  0.601501  0.601501  0.371748
[2,] 0.601501  0.371748 -0.371748 -0.601501
[3,] 0.371748 -0.601501  0.601501 -0.371748
[4,] 0.601501 -0.371748 -0.371748  0.601501

library(MASS)
ds <- mvrnorm(1000,c(0,0,0,0),sigma)
pairs(ds)
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Finally, Teo 4.15

Let $A_{m \times p}$ and $B_{r \times p}$ be conformable constant matrices

and $\underbrace{X}_{p \times 1} \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$.

Then $\underbrace{AX}_{m \times 1}$ and $\underbrace{BX}_{r \times 1}$ are independent iff $\underbrace{A^\top \Sigma B^\top}_{m \times p \quad r \times p \quad p \times r} = 0$

Seen from NCF, proof p 111.

The mvN density [4.4]

$$\underset{p \times 1}{\underline{z}} \sim N_p(0, I_{p \times p})$$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{2} z^2}$$

↓ independent

$$\underset{p \times 1}{\underline{z}} \sim N_p(0, I_{p \times p})$$

$$f(z) = \prod_{i=1}^p \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} z_i^2}$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right. X = \mu + \Sigma^{1/2} \underline{z}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \right)^{p/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \Sigma z^2} = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \right)^{p/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2} z^T z}$$

$$\underset{p \times 1}{\underline{X}} \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$$

$$\underset{p \times p}{\Sigma}$$

$$E(X) = \Sigma^{1/2} E(\underline{z}) + \mu = \mu$$

$$\text{Cov}(X) = \Sigma^{1/2} \underbrace{\text{Cov}(\underline{z})}_{I} \Sigma^{1/2} = \Sigma^{1/2} \Sigma^{1/2} = \Sigma$$

The mv transformation formula:

$$f_x(x) = f_z(z(x)) \cdot \text{abs}(\frac{J}{\tau})$$

$$x = \Sigma^{1/2} z + \mu \Leftrightarrow z = \Sigma^{-1/2} (x - \mu) = z(x)$$

$$J = \det \left\{ \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial x_j} \right\}$$

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial x_j} \right\} = \Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

p x p

$$f_x(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \right)^{p/2} \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\Sigma^{-1/2} (x - \mu))^T \Sigma^{-1/2} (x - \mu) \right\} \\ \cdot \text{abs}(\det(\Sigma^{-1/2}))$$

$$(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1/2} \Sigma^{-1/2} (x - \mu) = (x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)$$

$$\det(\Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}}) = \frac{1}{\det(\Sigma^{\frac{1}{2}})} = \left(\frac{1}{\det(\Sigma)}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\det(\Sigma^{\frac{1}{2}}) = \overbrace{\sqrt{\det(\Sigma)}}^{\leftarrow \det(\Sigma) = \det(\Sigma^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \Sigma^{\frac{1}{2}})} = \det(\Sigma^{\frac{1}{2}}) \cdot \det(\Sigma^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

Finally:

$$f_x(x) = \frac{-\rho/2}{2\pi \det(\Sigma)^{-\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu) \right\}$$

The Multivariate Normal Density [4.4]

- Univariate normal, $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{\sigma} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu)^2\right\}$$

- Multivariate normal:

Let $\mathbf{X}_{(p \times 1)}$ be a random vector from $N_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$, then

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{p}{2}} |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right\}$$

Contours of multivariate normal distribution

- Contours of constant density for the p -dimensional normal distribution are ellipsoids defined by \mathbf{x} such that

$$(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) = c^2$$

These ellipsoids are centered at $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ and have axes $\pm c\sqrt{\lambda_i}\mathbf{e}_i$, where $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\mathbf{e}_i = \lambda_i\mathbf{e}_i$, for $i = 1, \dots, p$.

- $(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$ is distributed as χ_p^2 .
- The solid ellipsoid of \mathbf{x} values satisfying

$$(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \leq \chi_p^2(\alpha)$$

has probability $1 - \alpha$