

Some rules, providing the expectations exist

$$E[\alpha \underline{x} + \beta \underline{y}] = \alpha E[\underline{x}] + \beta E[\underline{y}] \quad \text{linearity.}$$

$$\underline{A} (q \times p): \quad E[\underline{A} \underline{x}] = \underline{A} E[\underline{x}]$$

⚡ The i -th element in $E[\underline{A} \underline{x}]$ is $E\left[\sum_{k=1}^p a_{ik} x_k\right] = \sum_{k=1}^p a_{ik} E[x_k]$

where a_{ik} is the element on place ik in $\underline{A}$

In general: let $\underline{x}$ be a matrix with random variable x_{ij} on place ij . let $\underline{A}$ and $\underline{B}$ be matrices such that $\underline{A} \underline{x} \underline{B}$ is defined. Then $E[\underline{A} \underline{x} \underline{B}] = \underline{A} E[\underline{x}] \underline{B}$

let $\underline{x}$ and $\underline{y}$ be independent random vectors. Then

$$E[\underline{x} \underline{y}^T] = E\left[\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_p \end{pmatrix} (y_1, \dots, y_q)\right]_{p \times q} = (E \underline{x})(E \underline{y})^T$$

~~alle Komponenten von $\underline{x}$ und $\underline{y}$ sind unabhängig~~

The covariance matrix $\underline{\Sigma} = \text{Var}(\underline{x})$

Univariate. $\text{Cov}(x, y) = E[(x - E[x])(y - E[y])] = E[xy] - E[x]E[y]$

$$y = x: \quad \text{Cov}(x, x) = E[(x - E[x])^2] = \text{Var}[x]$$

let $\underline{x}$ be a random vector, $\underline{x} = [x_1, \dots, x_p]$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}[\underline{x}] &\stackrel{A}{=} E[(\underline{x} - E[\underline{x}])(\underline{x} - E[\underline{x}])^T]_{p \times p} = \text{Var}[\underline{x}] = \underline{\Sigma} \\ &= E[\underline{x} \underline{x}^T] - E[\underline{x} E[\underline{x}]^T] + E[E[\underline{x}] \underline{x}^T] - E[E[\underline{x}] E[\underline{x}]^T] \\ &= E[\underline{x} \underline{x}^T] - E[\underline{x}] \cdot E[\underline{x}]^T \end{aligned}$$

Also.

$$\text{Cov}[\underline{x}] = E \left[\begin{pmatrix} x_1 - E[x_1] \\ \vdots \\ x_p - E[x_p] \end{pmatrix} (x_1 - E[x_1], \dots, x_p - E[x_p]) \right]_{p \times p}$$

has $\text{Cov}[x_i, x_j]$ on place ij and the variances for each x_i on the diagonal.

Example

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 6xy^2, & 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f_X(x) = 2x, \quad 0 < x < 1$$

$$f_Y(y) = 3y^2, \quad 0 < y < 1$$

$$E[X] = \int_0^1 x \cdot 2x \, dx = \int_0^1 2x^2 \, dx = \left[2 \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^1 = \frac{2}{3}, \quad E[Y] = \int_0^1 3y^3 \, dy = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$E \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ 3/4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Var}[X] = \int_0^1 2x^3 \, dx - (E[X])^2 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{4}{9} = \frac{1}{18}$$

$$\text{Var}[Y] = \int_0^1 3y^4 \, dy - (E[Y])^2 = \frac{3}{5} - \frac{9}{16} = \frac{3}{80}$$

$$\text{Cov} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/18 & 0 \\ 0 & 3/80 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{since } X \text{ and } Y \text{ are independent}$$

$\Sigma = \text{Cov}[\underline{x}]$ is symmetric ($\text{Cov}(x_i, x_j) = \text{Cov}(x_j, x_i)$)

and positive semidefinite i.e. $\underline{a}^T \Sigma \underline{a} \geq 0$ for all vectors $\underline{a}$

If $\underline{x}_{p \times 1}$ and $\underline{y}_{q \times 1}$ are two random vectors

$$\text{we have } \text{Cov}[\underline{x}, \underline{y}] = E[(\underline{x} - E[\underline{x}])(\underline{y} - E[\underline{y}])^T]_{p \times q}$$

$$= E[\underline{x}\underline{y}^T] - E[\underline{x}]E[\underline{y}]^T$$

We have $\text{Cov}[x_i, y_j]$ on place ij . If $\underline{x}$ and $\underline{y}$ are independent $\text{Cov}[\underline{x}, \underline{y}]$ is a $0_{p \times q}$ matrix

Properties

$$\text{Cov}[\underline{A}\underline{x} + \underline{b}] = \underline{A}(\text{Cov}[\underline{x}])\underline{A}^T$$

Proof. $\underline{v} = \underline{A}\underline{x} + \underline{b} \Rightarrow \underline{v} - E[\underline{v}] = \underline{A}\underline{x} + \underline{b} - \underline{A}E[\underline{x}] - \underline{b} = \underline{A}(\underline{x} - E[\underline{x}])$

$$(\underline{v} - E[\underline{v}])^T = (\underline{x} - E[\underline{x}])^T \underline{A}^T$$

$$\text{Hence } \text{Cov}[\underline{A}\underline{x} + \underline{b}] = \underline{A} E[(\underline{x} - E[\underline{x}])(\underline{x} - E[\underline{x}])^T] \underline{A}^T = \underline{A} \text{Cov}(\underline{x}) \underline{A}^T$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \text{Cov}[(\underline{x} + \underline{y}), \underline{z}] &= E[(\underline{x} + \underline{y} - E[\underline{x} + \underline{y}])(\underline{z} - E[\underline{z}])^T] \\ &= E[(\underline{x} - E[\underline{x}])(\underline{z} - E[\underline{z}])^T] + E[(\underline{y} - E[\underline{y}])(\underline{z} - E[\underline{z}])^T] \\ &= \text{Cov}[\underline{x}, \underline{z}] + \text{Cov}[\underline{y}, \underline{z}]. \end{aligned}$$

Univariate $\text{Cov}[x+y, z] = \text{Cov}(x, z) + \text{Cov}(y, z)$

$$\begin{aligned} 3. \text{Cov}[\underline{x} + \underline{y}] &= E[(\underline{x} + \underline{y} - E[\underline{x} + \underline{y}])(\underline{x} + \underline{y} - E[\underline{x} + \underline{y}])^T] \\ &= E[(\underline{x} - E[\underline{x}] + \underline{y} - E[\underline{y}])(\underline{x} - E[\underline{x}] + \underline{y} - E[\underline{y}])^T] \\ &= \text{Cov}[\underline{x}] + \text{Cov}(\underline{y}, \underline{x}) + \text{Cov}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}) + \text{Cov}(\underline{y}) \end{aligned}$$

univariate: $\text{Var}[x+y] = \text{Var}[x] + 2\text{Cov}(x, y) + \text{Var}(y)$

$$4. \quad \text{Cov}(\underline{A}\underline{X}, \underline{B}\underline{Y}) = E[(\underline{A}(\underline{X} - E(\underline{X}))) (\underline{Y} - E(\underline{Y}))^T \underline{B}^T] \\ = \underline{A} \text{Cov}(\underline{X}, \underline{Y}) \underline{B}^T$$

Univariate ~~Cov(aX, bY)~~ $\text{Cov}(aX, bY) = ab \text{Cov}(X, Y)$

Why is $\text{Cov}(\underline{X})$ positive semidefinite?

Let $\underline{a}$ be a $p \times 1$ vector. $\underline{a}^T \text{Cov}(\underline{X}) \underline{a}$ is a quadratic form symmetric
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Then $\underline{a}^T (\text{Cov}(\underline{X})) \underline{a} = \underbrace{\text{Cov}(\underline{a}^T \underline{X})}_{\text{scalar}} = \text{Var}(\underline{a}^T \underline{X}) \geq 0$

If $\underline{a}^T (\text{Cov}(\underline{X})) \underline{a} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Var}(\underline{a}^T \underline{X}) = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{a}^T \underline{X}$ essentially is a constant.

Spectral decomposition of symmetric matrices.

Let $\underline{X}$ be a $p \times 1$ random vector and $\underline{\Sigma} = \text{Cov}(\underline{X})$

$\underline{\Sigma}$ is symmetric and positive semidefinite.

$\underline{\Sigma}$ symmetric implies that $\underline{\Sigma}$ can be expressed in terms

of p eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs $(\lambda_i, \underline{e}_i)$ orthogonal ($\underline{e}_i^T \underline{e}_j = 0$)
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eigenvalue eigenvector with length 1

$$\text{as } \underline{\Sigma} = \sum_{i=1}^p \lambda_i \underline{e}_i \underline{e}_i^T = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \underline{e}_1 & \underline{e}_2 & \dots & \underline{e}_p \end{bmatrix}}_{\underline{P}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ 0 & & \lambda_p \end{bmatrix}}_{\underline{\Lambda}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \underline{e}_1^T \\ \underline{e}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{e}_p^T \end{bmatrix}}_{\underline{P}^T}$$

$$\underline{a}^T \underline{\Sigma} \underline{a} \geq 0, \forall \underline{a} \neq 0$$

$$= \underline{P} \underline{\Lambda} \underline{P}^T, \quad \underline{P} \underline{P}^T = \underline{P}^T \underline{P} = \underline{I}$$

$\underline{\Sigma}$ positive definite i.e. $\underline{a}^T \underline{\Sigma} \underline{a} > 0, \forall \underline{a} \neq \underline{0}$

$\Leftrightarrow \lambda_i > 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, \rho$. Then $\underline{\Sigma}^{-1}$ exists,