

Theorem 4.4 (Cramer-Wold device)

The distribution of \underline{X} is completely determined by the set of all (one dimensional) distribution of $a^T \underline{X}$.

Proof. $M_{a^T \underline{X}}(s) = E[e^{s a^T \underline{X}}]$

$$M_{\underline{X}}(t) = E[e^{t^T \underline{X}}] = M_{t^T \underline{X}}(1)$$

which shows that the moment generating function for \underline{X} for a given t can be found from the univariate mgf of $t^T \underline{X}$.

The multivariate normal distribution

Definition. A random vector \underline{X}_{px1} is multivariate normal distributed if $\underline{a}^T \underline{X}$ is univariate normal distributed $\forall \underline{a} \in \mathbb{R}^p$ (p is the dimension of \underline{X}).

Theorem 5.2. Let \underline{X} be multivariate normal. Then all linear transformations of \underline{X} followed by a translation i.e. $\underline{A}\underline{X} + \underline{c}$ is multivariate normal distributed.

Proof. Let $\underline{Y} = \underline{A}\underline{X} + \underline{c}$. $\underline{a}^T \underline{Y} = \underline{a}^T (\underline{A}\underline{X} + \underline{c}) = \underline{a}^T \underline{A}\underline{X} + \underline{a}^T \underline{c}$
 $= (\underline{A}^T \underline{a})^T \underline{X} + \underline{a}^T \underline{c}$. $(\underline{A}^T \underline{a})^T \underline{X}$ is $\underbrace{\underline{a}^T \underline{X}}$ + $\underbrace{\underline{a}^T \underline{c}}$. $\underline{a}^T \underline{c}$ is a number.
 $\underline{a}^T \underline{X}$ is univariate.

This implies $\underline{a}^T (\underline{A}\underline{X} + \underline{c})$ is univariate normal distributed for a
 and therefore $\underline{Y} = \underline{A}\underline{X} + \underline{c}$ is multivariate normal distributed.
 $E[\underline{Y}] = \underline{A}E[\underline{X}] + \underline{c} = \underline{A}\underline{\mu} + \underline{c}$ and $\text{cov}(\underline{Y}) = \underline{A}\Sigma\underline{A}^T$.

Theorem. $\underline{X} \sim N(\underline{\mu}, \Sigma)$ with Σ positive definite.

$$\text{Then } f(\underline{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{p}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\underline{x}-\underline{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\underline{x}-\underline{\mu})}$$

Proof. Let $\underline{z} = [z_1, \dots, z_p]^T \sim N(\underline{0}, \underline{I})$

$$\Rightarrow f_{\underline{z}}(\underline{z}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{p}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \underline{z}^T \underline{z}} \quad (\phi_{z_i}(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}})$$

Define $\underline{x} = \underline{\Sigma}^{\frac{1}{2}} \underline{z} + \underline{\mu}$ i.e. $\underline{z} = \underline{\Sigma}^{-\frac{1}{2}} (\underline{x} - \underline{\mu})$ (Mahalanobis transformation)

Then $E[\underline{x}] = \underline{\Sigma}^{\frac{1}{2}} E[\underline{z}] + \underline{\mu} = \underline{\mu}$, $Cov(\underline{x}) = \underline{\Sigma}^{\frac{1}{2}} \underline{\Gamma} \underline{\Sigma}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \underline{\Sigma}$

Hence $\underline{x} \sim N(\underline{\mu}, \underline{\Sigma})$ and

$$f_{\underline{x}}(\underline{x}) = f_{\underline{z}}\left(\underline{\Sigma}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\underline{x} - \underline{\mu})\right) \cdot |\underline{\Sigma}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2\pi^{\frac{p}{2}} |\underline{\Sigma}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\underline{x} - \underline{\mu})^T \underline{\Sigma}^{-1} (\underline{x} - \underline{\mu})}$$

Result. All vectors of components from \underline{x} (multivariate normal)

are also multivariate normally distributed.

Proof. Choose an appropriate \underline{A} with 0 and 1 as elements and let $\underline{c} = \underline{0}$. For instance for $\underline{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_5]^T$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix}$$

and $\underline{y} = \underline{A} \underline{x}$ is multivariate normal according to theorem 5.2

$$\underline{y} = \underline{A} \underline{x}$$

Quadratic forms as distance measures

Let $\underline{A}_{k \times k}$ be symmetric and positive definite i.e

$\underline{x}^T \underline{A} \underline{x} > 0 \quad \forall \underline{x} \neq \underline{0}$. Every point with a distance

from origo satisfies $\underline{x}^T \underline{A} \underline{x} = c^2$. In particular for $\underline{A}_{2 \times 2}$ we get $\underline{x}^T \underline{A} \underline{x} = c^2 \Leftrightarrow [x_1, x_2] \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = a_{11}x_1^2 + 2a_{12}x_1x_2 + a_{22}x_2^2 = c^2$

Also $\underline{A} = \underline{P} \underline{\Lambda} \underline{P}^T$ where $\underline{P} = [\underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_2]$, the matrix of normalized eigen vectors and $\underline{\Lambda} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$ (eigenvalues)

$$\text{Hence } \underline{A} = \lambda_1 \underline{e}_1 \underline{e}_1^T + \lambda_2 \underline{e}_2 \underline{e}_2^T$$

$$\text{and } \underline{x}^T \underline{A} \underline{x} = \lambda_1 \underbrace{\underline{x}^T e_1 e_1^T \underline{x}}_{y_1} + \lambda_2 \underline{x}^T e_2 e_2^T \underline{x} = \lambda_1 y_1^2 + \lambda_2 y_2^2$$

and $\underline{x}^T \underline{A} \underline{x} = c^2$ is the equation for an ellipse in y_1 and y_2

$$\underline{x} = c \lambda_1^{-\frac{1}{2}} e_1 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y_1 = c \lambda_1^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ y_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\underline{x} = c \lambda_2^{-\frac{1}{2}} e_2 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y_1 = 0 \\ y_2 = c \lambda_2^{-\frac{1}{2}} \end{cases}$$

are points on the ellipse $\lambda_1 y_1^2 + \lambda_2 y_2^2 = c^2$

such that the length of the half axes are

$c \lambda_1^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ and $c \lambda_2^{-\frac{1}{2}}$. In general $(\underline{x} - \underline{u})^T \underline{\Sigma} (\underline{x} - \underline{u})$ gives the same

squared distance, c^2 , for all points that lie on an ellipsoid with half axes given by $c \lambda_i^{-\frac{1}{2}} e_i$.

The multivariate normal density is constant on surfaces where $(\underline{x} - \underline{u})^T \underline{\Sigma}^{-1} (\underline{x} - \underline{u})$ is constant i.e. for all \underline{x} such that $(\underline{x} - \underline{u})^T \underline{\Sigma}^{-1} (\underline{x} - \underline{u}) = c^2$.

Theorem (corollary 5.2 in HS). Assume $\underline{x} \sim N(\underline{\mu}, \underline{\Sigma})$.

Then $\underline{A} \underline{x}$ and $\underline{B} \underline{x}$ are independent if and only if $\underline{A} \underline{\Sigma} \underline{B}^T = \underline{0}$

Note. $\underline{A} \underline{\Sigma} \underline{B}^T = \text{Cov}(\underline{A} \underline{x}, \underline{B} \underline{x})$

$\Rightarrow \underline{A} \underline{x}$ and $\underline{B} \underline{x}$ independent $\Rightarrow \text{Cov}(\underline{A} \underline{x}, \underline{B} \underline{x}) = \underline{A} \underline{\Sigma} \underline{B}^T = \underline{0}$

$$\Leftarrow \left[\begin{array}{c} \underline{A} \\ \underline{B} \end{array} \right] \underline{x} \sim N\left(\left[\begin{array}{c} \underline{A} \\ \underline{B} \end{array} \right] \underline{\mu}, \left[\begin{array}{c} \underline{A} \\ \underline{B} \end{array} \right] \underline{\Sigma} \left[\begin{array}{c} \underline{A}^T \\ \underline{B}^T \end{array} \right]\right), \quad \left[\begin{array}{c} \underline{A} \\ \underline{B} \end{array} \right] \underline{\Sigma} \left[\begin{array}{c} \underline{A}^T \\ \underline{B}^T \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{cc} \underline{A} \underline{\Sigma} \underline{A}^T & \underline{A} \underline{\Sigma} \underline{B}^T \\ \underline{B} \underline{\Sigma} \underline{A}^T & \underline{B} \underline{\Sigma} \underline{B}^T \end{array} \right]$$