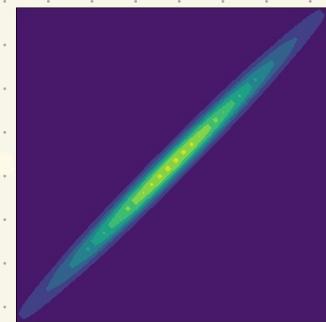
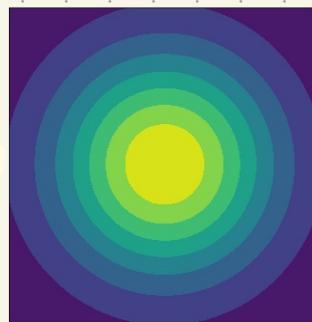
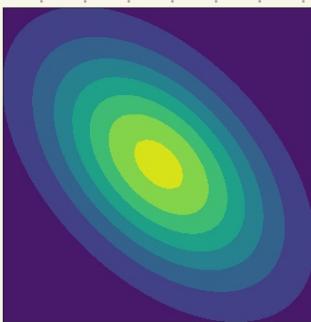


# Review: MVN distribution



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## Multivariate normal (MVN) distribution

A random vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^P$  has  $p$ -dimensional MVN distribution if  $V^T x$  is a univariate normal random variable for all  $V \in \mathbb{R}^P$ .

Denote  $x \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$ , where  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^P$  and  $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{P \times P}$

### Properties

- If  $x$  is  $p$ -variate normal and  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times p}$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^q$  then  $Ax + b$  is  $q$ -variate normal
  - |  $V^T(Ax + b) = \tilde{V}^T x + \tilde{b}$
- If  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_p \end{pmatrix}$  is  $p$ -variate normal then  $x_i$  are univariate normal
  - |  $e_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , with  $e_i^T x = x_i$

## MVN density

If  $\Sigma > 0$  then the density for  $x \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$  is

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

and the characteristic function is

$$\varphi_x(t) = e^{it^T \mu - \frac{1}{2} t^T \Sigma t}$$

## Transformation

- If  $x \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$  then  $y = Ax + b$  where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times p}$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^q$  has distribution  $y \sim N_q(A\mu + b, A\Sigma A^\top)$ .  
|  $E(y) = A\mu + b$ ,  $\text{cov}(y) = A\Sigma A^\top$
- If  $x \sim N_p(0, I_p)$  and  $y = \Sigma^{1/2}x + \mu$  then  $y \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$
- If  $x \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$  where  $\Sigma$  is full rank then  
 $y = \Sigma^{-1/2}(x - \mu) \sim N_p(0, I_p)$

## Independence

- If  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$  is MVN then  
 $x$  and  $y$  are independent  $\Leftrightarrow x$  and  $y$  are uncorrelated  
This is not true for a general distribution.
- If  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \sim N_{p+q} \left( \begin{pmatrix} \mu_x \\ \mu_y \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_x & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_y \end{pmatrix} \right)$  then  
 $x$  and  $y$  are independent and  
 $x \sim N_p(\mu_x, \Sigma_x)$  and  $y \sim N_q(\mu_y, \Sigma_y)$   
| density functions and  $|\Sigma| = |\Sigma_x| \cdot |\Sigma_y|$
- If  $x \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$  then  $Ax$  and  $Bx$  are independent  
iff  $A \Sigma B^T = 0$   
|  $\text{Cov}(Ax, Bx) = A \text{Cov}(x) B^T = 0$

## Conditional distribution

$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \sim N_{p+q} \left( \begin{pmatrix} M_x \\ M_y \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_x & \Sigma_{xy} \\ \Sigma_{yx} & \Sigma_y \end{pmatrix} \right)$ , denote  $z = y - \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} x$

- $x$  and  $z$  are normal

$$x = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \quad z = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -\Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} & I \end{pmatrix}}_B \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

- $x \sim N_p(M_x, \Sigma_x)$

$$z \sim N_q(M_y - \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} M_x, \Sigma_y - \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} \Sigma_{xy})$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(Bx) &= B \cdot \begin{pmatrix} M_x \\ M_y \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{Cov}(Bx) &= B \sum B^T = \begin{pmatrix} -\Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_x & \Sigma_{xy} \\ \Sigma_{yx} & \Sigma_y \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\Sigma_x^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} \\ I \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{yx} + \Sigma_{yy} & -\Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} + \Sigma_y \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\Sigma_x^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} \\ I \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

- $x$  and  $z$  are independent

$$A \Sigma B^T = (I_0) \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_x & \Sigma_{xy} \\ \Sigma_{yx} & \Sigma_y \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\Sigma_x^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} \\ I \end{pmatrix} = (\Sigma_x & \Sigma_{xy}) \begin{pmatrix} -\Sigma_x^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} \\ I \end{pmatrix} = -\Sigma_{xy} + \Sigma_{xy}$$

- $y|x \sim N_q(\mu_y + \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1}(x - \mu_x), \Sigma_y - \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} \Sigma_{xy})$

$$z = y - \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} x \Rightarrow y = z + \underbrace{\Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} x}_{\text{independent}}$$

$$E(y|x) = E(z) + \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} x = \mu_y - \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} \mu_x + \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} x$$

$$\text{Cov}(y|x) = \text{Cov}(z)$$

## Connection to regression

- $z = y - \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} x$  represents residuals

$$e = y - \hat{y} = y - x S_x^{-1} S_{xy} \quad e_i = y_i - S_{yx} S_x^{-1} x_i$$

- $\text{Cov}(z)$  represents MSE

$$\frac{\text{RSS}}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \|e\|^2 = \frac{1}{n} \|y - x S_x^{-1} S_{xy}\|^2 = \Sigma_y - S_{yx} S_x^{-1} S_{xy}$$

## Geometry of MVN

Given  $x \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$ ,  $f(x)$  is the same for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^p$  such that  $\underbrace{(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)}_d(x, \mu) = C$ .  
 $d(x, \mu)$  = Mahalanobis distance from  $x$  to  $\mu$ .

Density of MVN is constant on contours of an ellipsoid.

$$\Sigma = U \Lambda U^T, \text{ denote } y = U^T (x - \mu) \sim N_p(0, I)$$

$$\text{Contours for } y: y^T \Lambda^{-1} y = c \iff \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{y_i^2}{\lambda_i} = c \quad \text{ellipsoid}$$

$$x = Uy + \mu \quad (\text{rotation + shift})$$

P=2

$$x \sim N_2(\mu, \Sigma)$$

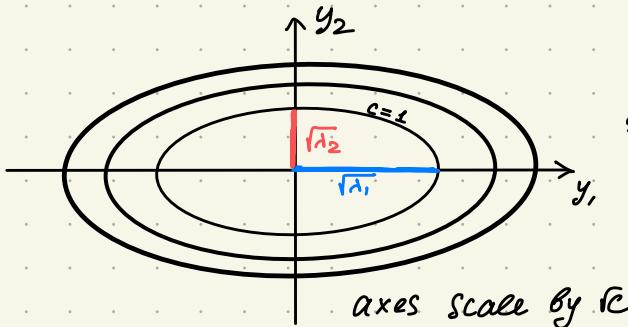
$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix}^{1/2}$$

$$\Sigma = U \Lambda U^T$$

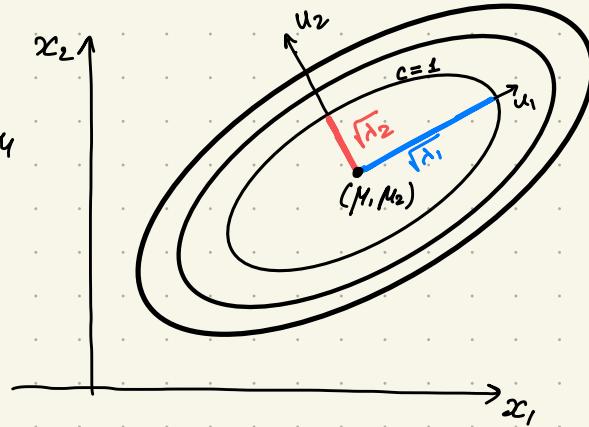
$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -u_1^T \\ -u_2^T \end{pmatrix}$$

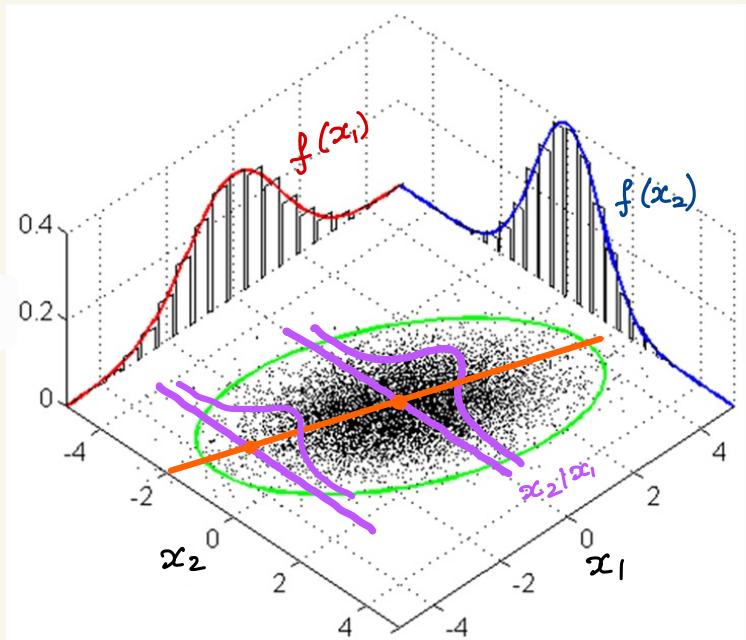
$$y = U^T(x - \mu) \sim N(0, 1)$$

Contours for  $y$  are  $\frac{y_1^2}{\lambda_1} + \frac{y_2^2}{\lambda_2} = c$



$$x = Uy + \mu$$





$$y|x \sim N_y(\mu_y + \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1}(x - \mu_x), \Sigma_y - \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} \Sigma_{yy})$$

Orange line:  $\mu_2 + \frac{\Sigma_{21}}{\Sigma_{11}}(x_1 - \mu_1)$

- it passes through  $(\mu_1, \mu_2)$ , how about the direction?
- variance of  $x_2|x_1$  is  $\Sigma_{22} - \frac{\Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{21}}{\Sigma_{11}}$

## Confidence ellipses

If  $x \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$  and  $\Sigma > 0$  then

$$(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu) \sim \chi^2(p)$$

This allows to compute  $P[(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu) < t]$

and draw confidence ellipses (e.g. 95%)

$$y = \Sigma^{-1/2} (x - \mu) \sim N_p(0, I)$$

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_p \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } y_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, 1)$$

$$(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu) = y^T y = \sum_{i=1}^p y_i^2 \sim \chi^2(p)$$

## Schur complement

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ B^T & C \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(p+q) \times (p+q)}$$

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$ ,  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times q}$  are invertible

**Schur complement** of  $C$  is  $M/C = A - BC^{-1}B^T \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$   
of  $A$  is  $M/A = C - B^TA^{-1}B \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times q}$

## Properties

- $M \succ 0$  if  $A \succ 0$  and  $M/A \succ 0$
- $M \succ 0$  if  $C \succ 0$  and  $M/C \succ 0$

## Block inverse

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ B^T & C \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{A} & \tilde{B} \\ \tilde{B}^T & \tilde{C} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (M/C)^{-1} & -A^{-1}B(M/A)^{-1} \\ -C^{-1}B^T(M/C)^{-1} & (M/A)^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A\tilde{A} + B\cdot\tilde{B}^T = I$$

$$A\tilde{B} + B\cdot\tilde{C} = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{B} = -A^{-1}B\tilde{C}$$

$$B^T\tilde{A} + C\tilde{B}^T = 0$$

$$B^T\tilde{B} + C\tilde{C} = I \Rightarrow -B^TA^{-1}B\tilde{C} + C\tilde{C} = I$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{C} = (C - B^TA^{-1}B)^{-1}$$

$$\text{By analogy} \quad \tilde{A} = (A - B C^{-1}B^T)^{-1}$$

$$\tilde{B}^T = -C^{-1}B^T\tilde{A}$$

## Partial Correlation

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_{(1)} \\ x_{(2)} \end{pmatrix} \sim N_{p_1 + p_2} \left( \begin{pmatrix} M_{(1)} \\ M_{(2)} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix} \right) \quad (p = p_1 + p_2)$$

$$x_{(2)} | x_{(1)} \sim N_{p_2} \left( M_{(2)} + \Sigma_{21} \Sigma_{11}^{-1} (x_{(1)} - M_{(1)}), \underbrace{\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{21} \Sigma_{11}^{-1} \Sigma_{12}}_{\Sigma_{2 \cdot 1}} \right)$$

$\Sigma_{2 \cdot 1}$  is called partial covariance.

- $\Sigma_{2 \cdot 1}$  is Schur complement  $\Sigma / \Sigma_{11}$

Now, let  $x_{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} x_i \\ x_j \end{pmatrix}$  then  $\Sigma_{2 \cdot 1} \in R^{2 \times 2}$  and could be used to compute partial correlation

$$\int_{ij}^{ij} (12..(i-1)(i+1)..(j-1)(j+1) - p)$$

Consider the precision matrix

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} & \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12} \\ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21} & \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ * & \underbrace{(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}/\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^{-1}}_{\text{inverse of partial covariance}} \end{pmatrix}$$

If  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}/\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$  ( $a_{21} = a_{12}$ )

then  $(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}/\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12} \cdot a_{21}} \begin{pmatrix} a_{22} - a_{12} \\ -a_{21} & a_{11} \end{pmatrix}$

Thus  $-\frac{b_{12}}{\sqrt{b_{11}b_{22}}} = \frac{a_{12}}{\sqrt{a_{11}a_{22}}} = \rho_{ij | 12 \dots (i-1)(i+1) \dots (j-1)(j+1) \dots p}$

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} & \\ \hline & \boxed{\phantom{00}} \\ & i \\ \hline j & \end{array} \right)$$

deliver partial correlations

If  $\theta_{ij} = 0$  then  $x_i$  and  $x_j$  are independent given the rest.

$$(\Sigma / \Sigma_{11})^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}} \begin{pmatrix} a_{22} - a_{12} \\ -a_{21} & a_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

implies  $B_{11} = \frac{a_{22}}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}}$

$$B_{22} = \frac{a_{11}}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}}$$

$$B_{12} = -\frac{a_{12}}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}}$$

Thus  $-\frac{B_{12}}{\sqrt{B_{11}B_{22}}} = \frac{a_{12}/(a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21})}{\sqrt{a_{22}/(a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}) \cdot a_{11}/(a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21})}} = \frac{a_{12}}{\sqrt{a_{22}a_{11}}}$

$\Sigma_{2,1}$  can be viewed as covariance matrix and

$$\rho_{ij} | i_2 \dots (i-1) (i+1) \dots (j-1) (j+1) \dots p = \frac{a_{12}}{\sqrt{a_{11}a_{22}}} = -\frac{B_{12}}{\sqrt{B_{11}B_{22}}}$$

This quantity can be computed from  $\theta$ .

## Log-likelihood

If  $x_1, \dots, x_n \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$  then log-likelihood is

$$l(x; \mu, \Sigma) = -\frac{n \cdot P}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{n}{2} \log|\Sigma| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x_i - \mu)$$

Now  $\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x_i - \mu) =$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\bar{x} - \mu) + n (\bar{x} - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\bar{x} - \mu)$$

$$l(x; \mu, \Sigma) = \left( \frac{n}{2} (\bar{x} - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\bar{x} - \mu) \right) + \dots$$

$$\nabla_{\mu} l(x; \mu, \Sigma) = n \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{x} - \mu) = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\mu} = \bar{x}$$

$$\ell(x; \hat{\mu}, \Sigma) = -\frac{n}{2} \log |\Sigma| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^\top \Sigma^{-1} (x_i - \bar{x}) + \dots$$

$$= -\frac{n}{2} \log |\Sigma| - \frac{n}{2} \text{tr}(\Sigma^{-1} S) + \dots$$

where  $S = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(x_i - \bar{x})^\top$

$$\left| \begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^\top \Sigma^{-1} (x_i - \bar{x}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{tr}[(x_i - \bar{x}) \Sigma^{-1} (x_i - \bar{x})^\top] = \\ &= \text{tr}[\Sigma^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(x_i - \bar{x})^\top] = n \text{tr}(\Sigma^{-1} S) \end{aligned} \right.$$

One can show that  $\boxed{\hat{\Sigma} = S}$ .

$$\theta = \Sigma^{-1} \Rightarrow \ell(x; \hat{\mu}, \theta) = \frac{n}{2} \log |\theta| - \frac{n}{2} \text{tr}(\theta S)$$

$$\nabla_\theta \ell(x; \hat{\mu}, \theta) = \frac{n}{2} (\theta^{-1} - S) \Rightarrow \hat{\theta} = S^{-1}$$

Here we used the fact that  $\nabla_A \log \det(A) = A^{-T}$

## Distribution of the estimates

If  $x_1, \dots, x_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$  then  $\bar{x} \sim N_p(\mu, \frac{\Sigma}{n})$   
|  $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = Ay$  where  $y$  is MVN.

If  $x_1, \dots, x_n \sim N(0, \Sigma)$  then  $M = X^T X = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i^T \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$   
has a **Wishart distribution** with  $n$  degrees-of-freedom  
and scale matrix  $\Sigma$ . Denote by  $M \sim W_p(\Sigma, n)$ .

If  $\Sigma = I$  the it is **standard Wishart distribution**

One can show that

$$(n-1) S = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(x_i - \bar{x})^T \sim W_p(\Sigma, n-1)$$

and independent of  $\bar{x}$ .

## Properties

- $W_p(\Sigma, n)$  is a probability distribution on PSD matrices of size  $p \times p$ .
- It is a generalization of  $\chi_n^2$ , if  $p=1$   $W_1(\sigma^2, n) = \sigma^2 \chi_n^2$   
|  $p=1$ ,  $X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^p$ ,  $X^T X = \sum_{i=1}^p x_i^2$
- If  $M \sim W_p(\Sigma, n)$  and  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q}$  then  
 $A^T M A \sim W_p(A^T \Sigma A, n)$   
|  $A^T M A = (XA)^T (XA)$ ,  $Y = XA = \begin{pmatrix} -y_1^T - \\ \vdots \\ -y_n^T - \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $y_i \sim N_q(0, A^T \Sigma A)$
- If  $M \sim W_p(I, n)$  then  $\text{tr}(M) \sim \chi^2(np)$   
|  $\text{tr} M = \text{tr} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i^T \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{tr}(x_i^T x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^2 \sim \sum_{i=1}^n \chi^2(p)$

If  $x \sim N_p(0, I)$  and  $M \sim W_p(I, n)$  are independent  
 $\tau^2 = n x^T M^{-1} x$  has Hotelling  $T^2$  distribution  
with parameters  $p$  and  $n$ . Denote  $\tau^2 \sim T^2(p, n)$ .

### Properties

- It is a generalization of Student  $t$ -distribution

- If  $x_1, \dots, x_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$ ,  $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ ,  $S = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i^T$   
 $n (\bar{x} - \mu)^T S^{-1} (\bar{x} - \mu) \sim T^2(p, n-1)$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \sqrt{n} (\bar{x} - \mu) \sim N_p(0, \Sigma) & - \text{ independent} \\ (n-1) S \sim W_p(\Sigma, n-1) & - \end{vmatrix}$$

## Univariate ( $p=1$ )

$$x_1, \dots, x_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$\bar{x} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$$

$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

$$(n-1)s^2 \sim \sigma^2 \chi^2(n-1)$$

$$\frac{(\bar{x} - \mu)^2}{s^2/n} \sim \chi^2(n-1)$$

## Multivariate

$$x_1, \dots, x_n \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$\bar{x} \sim N_p\left(\mu, \frac{\Sigma}{n}\right)$$

$$S = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(x_i - \bar{x})^\top$$

$$(n-1)S \sim W_p(\Sigma, n-1)$$

$$n(\bar{x} - \mu) S^{-1} (\bar{x} - \mu) \sim T_p^2(n-1)$$

## Recap from Lecture 2

$x$  is  $p$ -dimensional MVN if  $V^T x$  is univariate normal for any  $V \in \mathbb{R}^p$ .

- density for  $x \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$  is

$$f(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi}\right)^{p/2} \frac{1}{|\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu)}_{(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu)}}$$

- density contours are ellipsoids  $(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu) = c$

### Properties

- $x \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$  then  $\tilde{y} = A x + b \sim N_q(A\mu + b, A\Sigma A^T)$ ,  
e.g.  $y = \Sigma^{-1/2}(x - \mu) \sim N_p(0, I)$
  - $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$  is MVN
- $x$  and  $y$  are independent  $\Leftrightarrow x$  and  $y$  are uncorrelated

- $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{\epsilon R^p}{\sim} N_{p+q} \left( \begin{pmatrix} \mu_x \\ \mu_y \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_x & \Sigma_{xy} \\ \Sigma_{yx} & \Sigma_y \end{pmatrix} \right)$  then

$$y|x \sim N_q \underbrace{\left( \mu_y + \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} (x - \mu_x) \right)}_{\text{linear in } x}, \underbrace{\Sigma_y - \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_x^{-1} \Sigma_{xy}}_{\text{constant}}$$

- If  $\Theta_{ij} = 0$  in the precision matrix  $\Theta = \Sigma^{-1}$   
then  $x_i$  and  $x_j$  are independent given  $x_1, \dots, \cancel{x_i}, \dots, \cancel{x_j}, \dots, x_n$

- If  $x_1, \dots, x_n \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$  then MLE are

$$\hat{\mu} = \bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\Sigma} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(x_i - \bar{x})^T$$

- Distribution of the estimates

$$\bar{x} \sim N_p \left( \mu, \frac{\Sigma}{n} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(x_i - \bar{x})^T \sim W_p(\Sigma, n-1)$$