

Spring 16 – AMS256 Homework 3

1. Let \mathbf{A} be a $m \times n$ constant matrix and \mathbf{x} be a $n \times 1$ random vector. Show that $\text{Cov}(\mathbf{Ax}) = \mathbf{ACov}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{A}^T$.
2. Let \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} be $m \times n$ and $p \times q$ constant matrices, respectively, and \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} be $n \times 1$ and $q \times 1$ random vectors, respectively. Show that $\text{Cov}(\mathbf{Ax}, \mathbf{By}) = \mathbf{ACov}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\mathbf{B}^T$.
3. Let \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} be $m \times 1$ and $n \times 1$ constant vectors, respectively, and \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} be $m \times 1$ and $n \times 1$ random vectors, respectively. Show that $\text{Cov}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{b}) = \text{Cov}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$.
4. Let x_1, \dots, x_n be random variables with $\text{Var}(x_1) = \sigma^2$ and $x_{i+1} = \rho x_i + a$ with a, ρ constants. Find $\text{Cov}(\mathbf{x})$ for $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^T$.
5. Let x_1, \dots, x_n be independent random variables with $E(x_i) = \mu$ and $\text{Var}(x_i) = \sigma_i^2$. Prove that

$$\frac{\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n(n-1)}$$

is an unbiased estimator of $\text{Var}(\bar{x})$.

6. Let $y_i = \beta x_i + \epsilon_i$, $i = 1, 2$ where $\epsilon_1 \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ and $\epsilon_2 \sim N(0, 2\sigma^2)$, and ϵ_1, ϵ_2 are assumed independent. Let $x_1 = 1$ and $x_2 = -1$. Obtain the weighted least squares estimate of β and its variance.
7. If $x \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$, write the moment generating function of x and prove that $\mu_3 = 0$ and $\mu_4 = 3\mu_2^2$ where μ_i denotes the i -th moment of x .
8. Let $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n)^T$ such that $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Az} + \boldsymbol{\mu}$ with $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_n)^T$, $z_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, 1)$ and a $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} such that $\Sigma = \mathbf{AA}^T$ with Σ positive definite. Show that the density of \mathbf{y} is

$$f(\mathbf{y}) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} |\Sigma|^{-1/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right\}.$$

9. Show that if $\mathbf{x} \sim N_k(\mathbf{m}, \Sigma)$, then $E(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{m}$ and $\text{Cov}(\mathbf{x}) = \Sigma$.
10. Let $\mathbf{y} \sim N_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma)$ and \mathbf{C} a $p \times n$ matrix. Show that $\mathbf{Cy} \sim N_p(\mathbf{C}\boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{C}\Sigma\mathbf{C}^T)$.
11. Let $\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{y}_1^T, \mathbf{y}_2^T)^T$ be an n -dimensional random vector with $\mathbf{y} \sim N(\mathbf{m}, \Sigma)$. Assume that \mathbf{y}_1 and \mathbf{y}_2 are, respectively, p -dimensional and q -dimensional vectors with $p + q = n$. In addition, assume that

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1 \\ \mathbf{m}_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Show that \mathbf{y}_1 and \mathbf{y}_2 are independent iff $\Sigma_{12} = \Sigma_{21}^T = 0$.

12. Let

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ Y_1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} X_2 \\ Y_2 \end{bmatrix}, \dots, \begin{bmatrix} X_n \\ Y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

be a random sample from $N_2(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \Sigma)$. This is, $Z_i \sim N_2(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \Sigma)$ with $\mathbf{Z}_i = (X_i, Y_i)^T$. Assume that \mathbf{Z}_i and \mathbf{Z}_j are independent for $i \neq j$. Find the joint density of the sample means \bar{X} and \bar{Y} .

13. Let $\mathbf{Y} \sim N_n(\theta\mathbf{1}, \Sigma)$, where $\sigma_{i,j} = \sigma^2$ and $\sigma_{i,j} = \sigma^2\rho$ for all $i, j, i \neq j$. Prove the following:

(a) Σ can be written as $\Sigma = \sigma^2[(\mathbf{1} - \rho)\mathbf{I} + \rho\mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}^T]$.

(b) $\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 / [\sigma^2(1 - \rho)] \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$.

(c) \bar{Y} and $\sum_i (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$ are independent.

14. Let $\mathbf{X} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)^T \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma)$ where $\boldsymbol{\mu} = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3)^T$ and

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

(a) What are the marginal distributions of x_2 and x_3 ?

(b) Find the distribution of $(x_1 | x_2, x_3)$. Under what condition does this distribution coincide with the marginal distribution of x_1 ?

(c) For what value of ρ are the two random variables $x_1 + x_2 + x_3$ and $x_1 - x_2 - x_3$ independently distributed?

15. The logarithm of the m.g.f. of a trivariate random vector $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)^T$ is given by

$$\log M_{\mathbf{x}}(t) = 5t_1^2 + 3t_2^2 + 6t_3^2 - 2t_1t_2 + 4t_1t_3 + 2t_2t_3 + 4t_1 - 2t_2 + t_3.$$

Show that \mathbf{x} has a trivariate normal distribution. Identify the mean and variance-covariance matrix.

16. Let $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)^T \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma)$, where

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Find the conditional distribution of $(x_1 | x_2, x_3)$.

(b) Find the distribution of $4x_1 - 6x_2 + x_3 - 18$.

17. Suppose that $\mathbf{y} \sim N_3(\mathbf{m}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I})$. Let

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) What is the distribution of $\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{y} / \sigma^2$?

(b) Are $\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{y}$ and $\mathbf{B} \mathbf{y}$ independent?

(c) Are $\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{y}$ and $y_1 + y_2 + y_3$ independent?

18. Suppose that $\mathbf{y} \sim N_n(\mathbf{m}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I})$ and suppose that \mathbf{X} is an $n \times p$ matrix of constants with rank $p < n$.

(a) Show that $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T$ and $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}$ are idempotent and find the rank of each.

- (b) If \mathbf{m} is a linear combination of the columns of \mathbf{X} , i.e., $\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b}$ for some \mathbf{b} , find $E(\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y})$ and $E[\mathbf{y}^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{y}]$.
- (c) Find the distributions of $\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}/\sigma^2$ and $\mathbf{y}^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{y}/\sigma^2$.
- (d) Show that $\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}$ and $\mathbf{y}^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{y}$ are independent.
- (e) Find the distribution of

$$\frac{\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}/p}{\mathbf{y}^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{y}/(n-p)}.$$