

# ME 233 Advanced Control II

## Lecture 4

### Introduction to Probability Theory

#### Random Vectors and Conditional Expectation

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# Outline

- Multiple random variables
- Random vectors
  - Correlation and covariance
- Gaussian random variables
- PDFs of Gaussian random vectors
- Conditional expectation of Gaussian random vectors

# Multiple Random Variables

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be continuous random variables.

- Their joint cumulative distribution function (CDF) is given by

$$F_{XY}(x, y) = \underbrace{P(X \leq x, Y \leq y)}_{P(X \leq x \text{ and } Y \leq y)}$$

# Multiple Random Variables

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be continuous random variables with a differentiable joint CDF

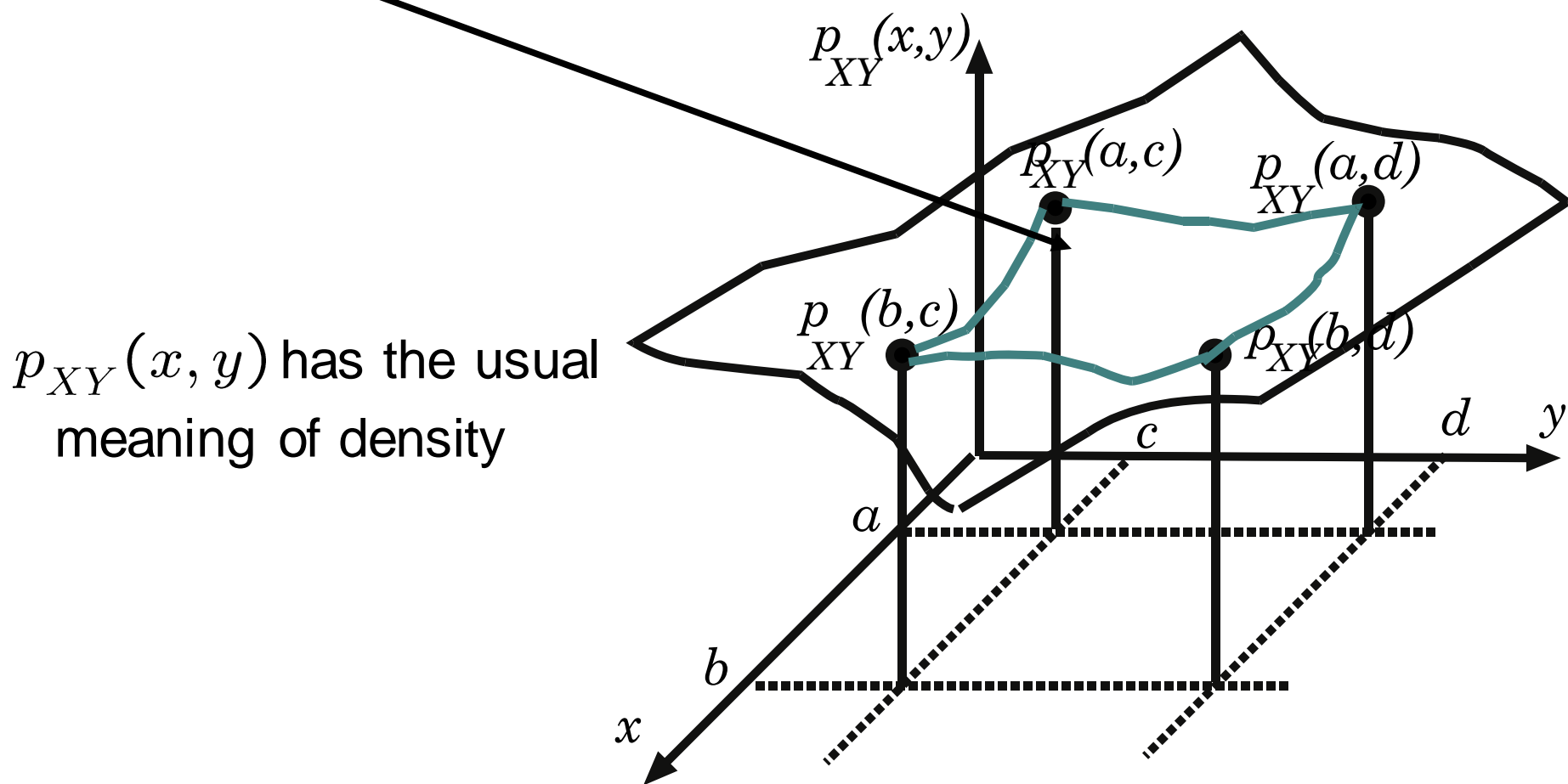
$$F_{XY}(x, y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y)$$

Their joint probability density function (PDF) is

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2 F_{XY}(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y}$$

# Multiple Random Variables

$$P(a \leq X \leq b, c \leq Y \leq d) = \int_a^b \int_c^d p_{XY}(x, y) dy dx$$



# Multiple Random Variables

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be *independent*

- Then:

$$F_{XY}(x, y) = F_X(x) F_Y(y)$$

Marginal CDF of  $X$



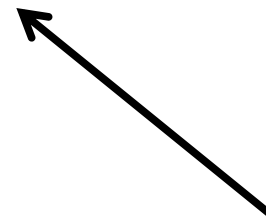
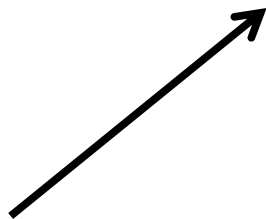
Marginal CDF of  $Y$

# Multiple Random Variables

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be *independent*

- Then:

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = p_X(x) p_Y(y)$$



Marginal PDF of  $X$

Marginal PDF of  $Y$

# Correlation and Covariance

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be continuous random variables with joint PDF

$$p_{XY}(x, y)$$

- **Correlation:**

$$R_{XY} = E\{XY\}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xy p_{XY}(x, y) dy dx$$



# Mean

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be continuous random variables  
with joint PDF  $p_{XY}(x, y)$

- **Mean:**

$$\begin{aligned}m_X &= E\{X\} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p_{XY}(x, y) dy dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p_X(x) dx\end{aligned}$$

where  $p_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_{XY}(x, y) dy$

# Correlation and Covariance

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be continuous random variables with joint PDF

$$p_{XY}(x, y)$$

- **Covariance:**

$$\Lambda_{XY} = E\{(X - m_X)(Y - m_Y)\}$$

*means*



$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - m_X)(y - m_Y) p_{XY}(x, y) dy dx$$

# Correlation and Covariance

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be continuous random variables with joint PDF  $p_{XY}(x, y)$

- $X$  and  $Y$  **are uncorrelated** if :

$$\Lambda_{XY} = 0 \quad \text{their covariance is zero}$$

- $X$  and  $Y$  **are orthogonal** if :

$$R_{XY} = 0 \quad \text{their correlation is zero}$$

# Multiple Random Variables

- $X$  and  $Y$  are uncorrelated if and only if

$$R_{XY} = E\{XY\} = E\{X\} E\{Y\} = m_X m_Y$$

***Proof:***

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_{XY} &= E\{(X - m_X)(Y - m_Y)\} \\ &= E\{XY\} - m_X \underbrace{E\{Y\}}_{m_Y} - \underbrace{E\{X\}}_{m_X} m_Y + m_X m_Y \\ &= E\{XY\} - m_X m_Y \end{aligned}$$

therefore  $\Lambda_{XY} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad E\{XY\} = m_X m_Y$



# Variance

The ***variance*** of random variable  $X$  is:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_X^2 &= E[(X - m_X)^2] \\ &= E\{(X - m_X)(X - m_X)\} \\ &= \Lambda_{XX}\end{aligned}$$

# Marginal PDF

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have a joint PDF  $p_{XY}(x, y)$

- ***Marginal or unconditional*** PDFs:

$$p_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_{XY}(x, y) dy$$

$$p_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_{XY}(x, y) dx$$

# Marginal PDF

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have a joint PDF  $p_{XY}(x, y)$

- Expected value of  $X$

$$\begin{aligned} m_X = E\{X\} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p_{XY}(x, y) dy dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p_X(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

# Conditional PDF

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have a joint PDF  $p_{XY}(x, y)$

- The **Conditional** PDF of  $X$  given an outcome of  $Y = y_1$  :

$$\underbrace{p_{X|Y=y_1}(x)}_{p_{X|y_1}(x)} = \frac{p_{XY}(x, y_1)}{p_Y(y_1)}$$



# Conditional PDF

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have a joint PDF  $p_{XY}(x, y)$

- The **Conditional** PDF of  $Y$  given an outcome of  $X = x_1$  :

$$p_{Y|x_1}(y) = \frac{p_{XY}(x_1, y)}{p_X(x_1)}$$

# Conditional PDF

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have a joint PDF  $p_{XY}(x, y)$

- **Bayes' rule:**

$$\begin{aligned} p_{X|y}(x) p_Y(y) &= p_{Y|x}(y) p_X(x) \\ &= p_{XY}(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

# Conditional Expectation

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have a joint PDF  $p_{XY}(x, y)$

- Conditional Expectation of  $X$  given an outcome of  $Y = y_1$  :

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \underbrace{m_{X|Y=y_1}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ m_{X|y_1}}} = E\{X|Y = y_1\} \\
 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p_{X|y_1}(x) dx
 \end{array}$$

# Conditional Variance

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have a joint PDF  $p_{XY}(x, y)$

- Conditional variance of  $X$  given an outcome of  $Y = y_1$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{X|y_1}^2 &= \wedge_{X|y_1} X|y_1 \\ &= E\{(X - m_{X|y_1})^2 | Y = y_1\} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - m_{X|y_1})^2 p_{X|y_1}(x) dx\end{aligned}$$

# Independent Variables

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be independent. Then:

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = p_X(x) p_Y(y)$$


$$p_{X|y}(x) = p_X(x)$$

$$p_{Y|x}(y) = p_Y(y)$$

# Independent Variables

If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent random variables, then  $X$  and  $Y$  are uncorrelated

*Proof:*

$$\begin{aligned}\Lambda_{XY} &= E\{(X - m_X)(Y - m_Y)\} \\ &= E\{X - m_X\}E\{Y - m_Y\} \quad (\textit{independence}) \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$


The converse statement is NOT true in general

# Bilateral Laplace and Fourier Transforms

Given  $f : \mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$

- Laplace transform:  $F(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f(\cdot)\}$

$$F(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt \quad s \in \mathcal{C}$$

- Inverse Laplace transform:

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{\gamma-j\infty}^{\gamma+j\infty} e^{st} F(s) ds$$

for some real  $\gamma$  so that contour path of integration  
is in the region of convergence

# Bilateral Laplace and Fourier Transforms

Given  $f : \mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$

- Fourier transform:  $F(j\omega) = \mathcal{F}\{f(\cdot)\}$

$$F(j\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-j\omega t} f(t) dt \quad \omega \in \mathcal{R}$$

- Inverse Fourier transform:

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j\omega t} F(\omega) d\omega$$



# Moment Generating Function

The Fourier transform of the PDF of a random variable  $X$  is also called the moment generating function or characteristic function

Notice that, given the PDF  $p_X(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} P_X(j\omega) &= \mathcal{F}\{p_X(\cdot)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-j\omega x} p_X(x) dx \\ &= E \left[ e^{-j\omega X} \right] \end{aligned}$$

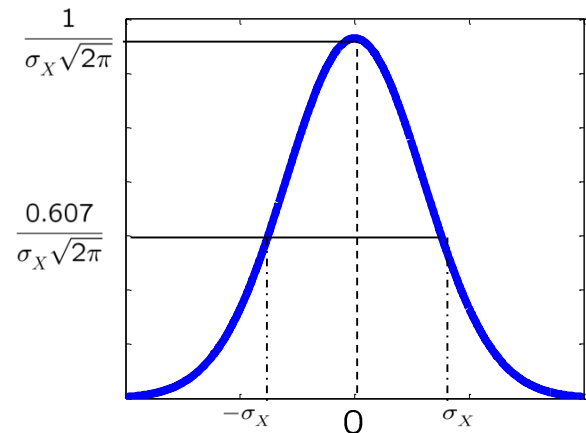
it can be shown that  $E[X^n] = j^n P_X^{[n]}(j\omega)|_{\omega=0}$

where  $^{[n]}$  indicates the  $n$ th derivative w/r  $\omega$  (see Poolla's notes)

# Properties of Normal distributions

The moment generating function of a zero-mean normal distribution is also normal.

$$p_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma_X \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma_X^2}\right)$$



$$\begin{aligned} P_X(j\omega) &= E\left[e^{-j\omega X}\right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-j\omega x} p_X(x) dx \\ &= \exp\left(\frac{-\sigma_X^2 \omega^2}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

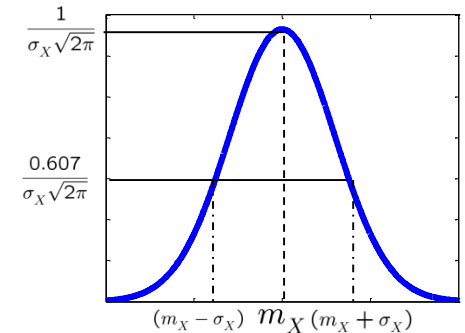
# Moment generating functions of Normal PDFs

Let,

$$X \sim N(m_X, \sigma_X^2)$$

i.e.,

$$p_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma_X \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-m_X)^2}{2\sigma_X^2}\right)$$



The moment generating functions of  $X$  is:

$$P_X(j\omega) = E\left\{e^{-j\omega X}\right\} = \exp(-j\omega m_X) \exp\left(\frac{-\sigma_X^2 \omega^2}{2}\right)$$

# Sum of independent random variables

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two **independent** random variables  
with PDFs  $p_X(x)$   $p_Y(y)$

Define

$$Z = X + Y$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} p_Z(z) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_X(x)p_Y(z-x)dx \\ &= p_X(\cdot) * p_Y(\cdot) \quad \text{(convolution)} \end{aligned}$$

# Proof

Assume  $X$  and  $Y$  are two ***independent*** random variables and define

$$Z = X + Y$$

Let us now calculate the moment generating function of  $Z$ :

$$\begin{aligned} P_Z(j\omega) &= E\{e^{-j\omega Z}\} \\ &= E\{e^{-j\omega(X+Y)}\} = E\{e^{-j\omega X} e^{-j\omega Y}\} \\ &= E\{e^{-j\omega X}\} E\{e^{-j\omega Y}\} \quad (\text{independence}) \\ &= P_X(j\omega) P_Y(j\omega) \end{aligned}$$

# Proof

Since

$$P_Z(j\omega) = P_X(j\omega) P_Y(j\omega)$$

Applying the inverse Fourier transform,

$$\begin{aligned} p_Z(z) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_X(x) p_Y(z - x) dx \\ &= p_X(\cdot) * p_Y(\cdot) \end{aligned}$$



# Random Vectors

Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be continuous random variables.  
Recall that:

- Their joint CDF is given by

$$F_{X_1 X_2}(x_1, x_2) = P(X_1 \leq x_1, X_2 \leq x_2)$$

- Their joint PDF is

$$p_{X_1 X_2}(x_1, x_2) = \frac{\partial^2 F_{X_1 X_2}(x_1, x_2)}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2}$$

# Random Vector

Define the random vector  $X = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}^2$

(and the dummy vector)  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}^2$

with CDF

$$F_X(x) = P(X_1 \leq x_1, X_2 \leq x_2)$$

$$F_X : \mathcal{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_+$$



# Random Vector

Define the random vector  $X = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}^2$

(and the dummy vector)  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}^2$

with PDF

$$p_X(x) = \frac{\partial^2 F_X(x)}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2}$$

$$p_X : \mathcal{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_+$$

# Random Vector

Define the random vector  $X = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}^2$

Mean:

$$\begin{aligned} m_X &= E\{X\} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{X_1} \\ m_{X_2} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{R}^2} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} p_X(x) dx_1 dx_2 \end{aligned}$$

# Random Vector

Define the random vector  $X = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}^2$

Mean:

$$m_X = \begin{bmatrix} m_{X_1} \\ m_{X_2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p_{X_1}(x) dx \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y p_{X_2}(y) dy \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_{X_1}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_X(x, y) dy$$

**Marginal  
PDFs**

$$p_{X_2}(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_X(x, y) dx$$

# Correlation

$$\begin{aligned} R_{XX} &= E\{XX^T\} \in \mathcal{R}^{2 \times 2} \\ &= E\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 & X_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} R_{X_1X_1} & R_{X_1X_2} \\ R_{X_2X_1} & R_{X_2X_2} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

# Covariance

$$\begin{aligned}\Lambda_{XX} &= E\{(X - m_X)(X - m_X)^T\} \in \mathcal{R}^{2 \times 2} \\ &= E\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} X_1 - m_{X_1} \\ X_2 - m_{X_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 - m_{X_1} & X_2 - m_{X_2} \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{X_1 X_1} & \Lambda_{X_1 X_2} \\ \Lambda_{X_2 X_1} & \Lambda_{X_2 X_2} \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

# Covariance

$$\Lambda_{XX} = \Lambda_{XX}^T \succeq 0$$

*Proof:*

- Define any deterministic vector  $v \in \mathcal{R}^2$   $\|v\| \neq 0$
- $Q = (X - m_X)^T v$  is a scalar random variable.

$$\begin{aligned} v^T \Lambda_{XX} v &= E\left\{ \underbrace{v^T (X - m_X)}_Q \underbrace{(X - m_X)^T v}_Q \right\} \\ &= E\{Q^2\} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$



# Random Vectors

$X$  be a random  $n$  vector       $Y$  be a random  $m$  vector

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ \vdots \\ X_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}^n$$

$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ \vdots \\ Y_m \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}^m$$

with PDF

$$p_X(x) = \frac{\partial^n F_X(x)}{\partial x_1 \cdots \partial x_n}$$

$$p_X : \mathcal{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_+$$

with PDF

$$p_Y(x) = \frac{\partial^m F_Y(x)}{\partial x_1 \cdots \partial x_m}$$

$$p_Y : \mathcal{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_+$$

# Cross-covariance

$X$  be a random  $n$  vector       $Y$  be a random  $m$  vector

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Lambda_{XY} &= E\{(X - m_X)(Y - m_Y)^T\} \in R^{n \times m} \\
 &= E \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} X_1 - m_{X_1} \\ \vdots \\ X_n - m_{X_n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 - m_{Y_1} & \cdots & Y_m - m_{Y_m} \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{X_1 Y_1} & \cdots & \Lambda_{X_1 Y_m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \Lambda_{X_n Y_1} & \cdots & \Lambda_{X_n Y_m} \end{bmatrix} = \Lambda_{YX}^T
 \end{aligned}$$



# Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

For any scalar random variables  $X$  and  $Y$

$$\Lambda_{XY}^2 \leq \Lambda_{XX} \Lambda_{YY}$$

# Proof

Define the random vector  $Z = \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}^2$

$$\Lambda_{ZZ} = \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{XX} & \Lambda_{XY} \\ \Lambda_{YX} & \Lambda_{YY} \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0$$

Thus,

$$\text{Det}[\Lambda_{ZZ}] = \Lambda_{XX}\Lambda_{YY} - \Lambda_{XY}^2 \geq 0$$



# Gaussian Random Variables (Review)

Let  $X$  be Gaussian with PDF

$$p_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma_X \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-m_X)^2}{2\sigma_X^2}}$$

## Frequently-used notation

$$X \sim N(m_X, \sigma_X^2)$$

$X$  is normally distributed with

mean  $m_X$

and variance  $\sigma_X^2 = \Lambda_{XX}$

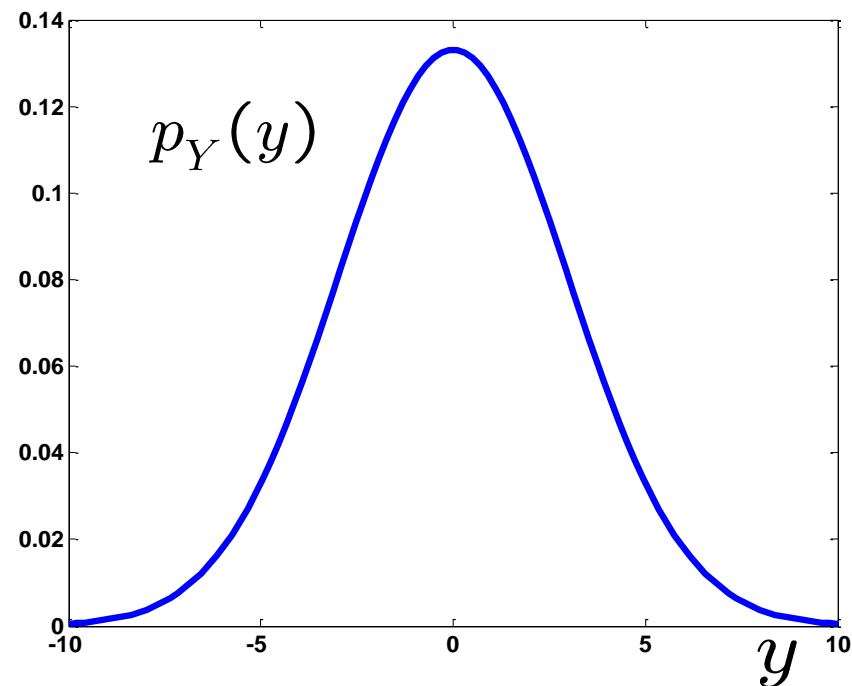
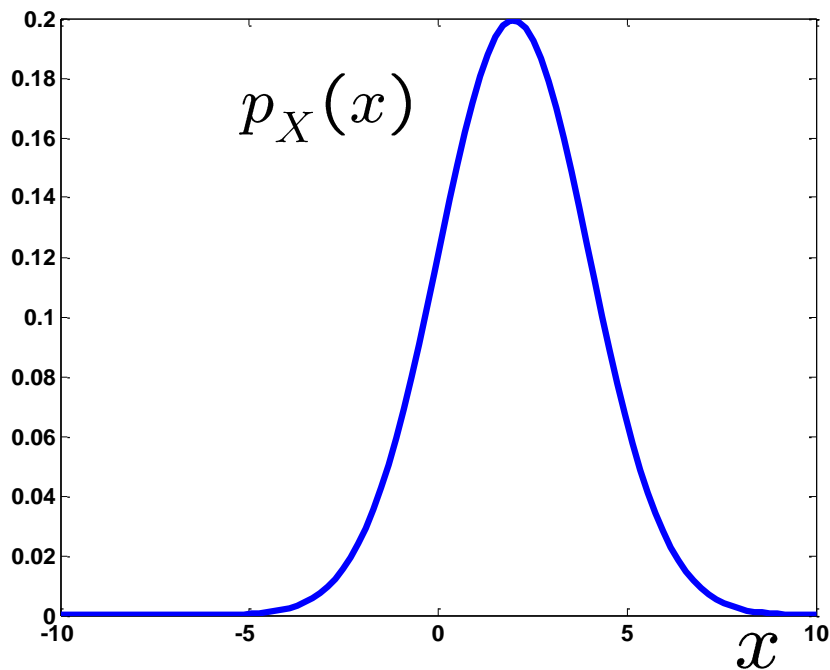
# Two independent Gaussians

$$X \sim N(m_X, \sigma_X^2)$$

$$Y \sim N(m_Y, \sigma_Y^2)$$

$$\sigma_X = 2 \quad m_X = 2$$

$$\sigma_Y = 3 \quad m_Y = 0$$



# Space-saving notation

$$p_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma_X \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-m_X)^2}{2\sigma_X^2}} \quad p_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sigma_Y \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-m_Y)^2}{2\sigma_Y^2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sigma_X \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{\tilde{x}^2}{2\sigma_X^2}} \quad = \frac{1}{\sigma_Y \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{\tilde{y}^2}{2\sigma_Y^2}}$$

dummy variables

$$\tilde{x} = x - m_X$$

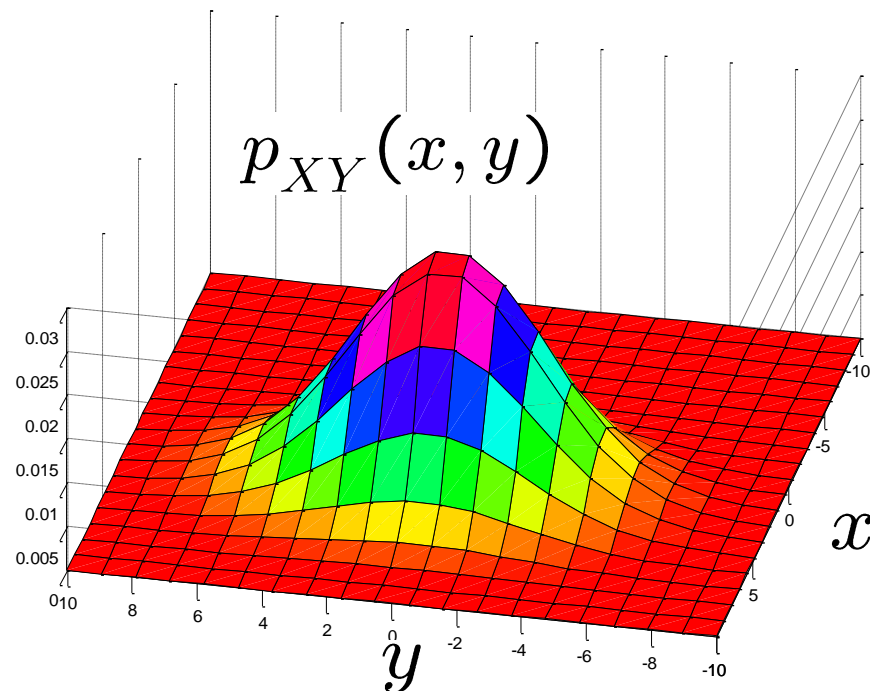
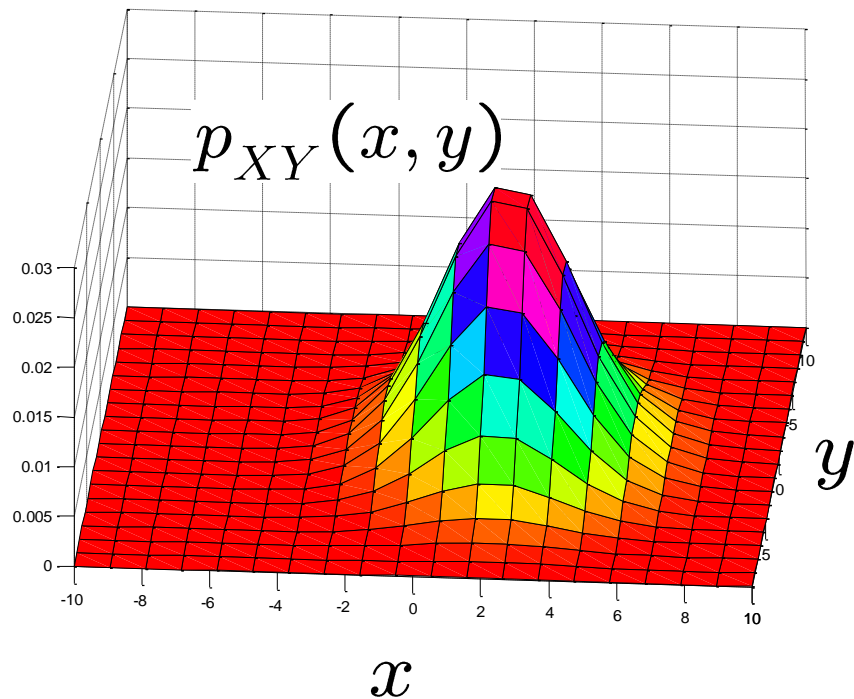
$$\tilde{y} = y - m_Y$$

# Two independent Gaussians

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = p_X(x)p_Y(y)$$

$$\sigma_X = 2 \quad m_X = 2$$

$$\sigma_Y = 3 \quad m_Y = 0$$



# Two independent Gaussians

Joint PDF of independent Gaussian  $X$  and  $Y$

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = p_X(x)p_Y(y)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sigma_X \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{\tilde{x}^2}{2\sigma_X^2}} \frac{1}{\sigma_Y \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{\tilde{y}^2}{2\sigma_Y^2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sigma_X \sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{\sigma_Y \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\left[ \frac{\tilde{x}^2}{2\sigma_X^2} + \frac{\tilde{y}^2}{2\sigma_Y^2} \right]}$$

# Two independent Gaussians

Joint PDF of independent Gaussian  $X$  and  $Y$

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = p_X(x)p_Y(y)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y 2\pi} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x} & \tilde{y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_X^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_Y^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \end{bmatrix}}$$



# Two independent Gaussians

Define the vector

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix}$$

(independent Gaussian  $X$  and  $Y$ )

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = p_Z(z)$$

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

Covariance

$$\hat{\Lambda}_{ZZ} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\Lambda}_{XX} & \hat{\Lambda}_{XY} \\ \hat{\Lambda}_{YX} & \hat{\Lambda}_{YY} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_X^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_Y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Two independent Gaussians

Joint PDF of independent Gaussian  $X$  and  $Y$

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{1}{\underbrace{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}_{z} 2\pi} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x} & \tilde{y} \end{bmatrix}}_{\tilde{z}^T} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_X^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_Y^2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\Lambda_{ZZ}^{-1}}^{-1} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \end{bmatrix}}_{\tilde{z}}}$$

$$\sigma_X \sigma_Y = |\Lambda_{ZZ}|^{\frac{1}{2}} = \text{Det}(\Lambda_{ZZ})^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

# Two independent Gaussians

Joint PDF of independent Gaussian  $X$  and  $Y$

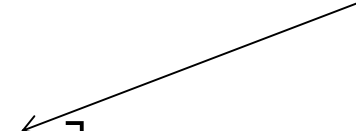
$$p_Z(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi |\Lambda_{ZZ}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (z-m_Z)^T \Lambda_{ZZ}^{-1} (z-m_Z)}$$

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}^2 \quad m_Z = \begin{bmatrix} m_X \\ m_Y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Lambda_{ZZ} = \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{XX} & \Lambda_{XY} \\ \Lambda_{YX} & \Lambda_{YY} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_X^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_Y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## 2-dimensional Gaussian random vector

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix} \quad m_Z = \begin{bmatrix} m_X \\ m_Y \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} X \text{ and } Y \\ \text{independent} \end{array}$$

$$\Lambda_{ZZ} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_X^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_Y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$


$$p_Z(z) = p_{XY}(x, y) = p_X(x)p_Y(y)$$

$$= \dots = \frac{1}{2\pi |\Lambda_{ZZ}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (z - m_Z)^T \Lambda_{ZZ}^{-1} (z - m_Z)}$$

# n-dimensional Gaussian random vector

Joint PDF of a Gaussian vector

$$\mathbf{Z} = \begin{bmatrix} Z_1 \\ \vdots \\ Z_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{Z} \sim N(m_{\mathbf{Z}}, \Lambda_{\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}})$$

$$p_{\mathbf{Z}}(z) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Lambda_{\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (z-m_{\mathbf{Z}})^T \Lambda_{\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}}^{-1} (z-m_{\mathbf{Z}})}$$

  $n$ : dimension of  $\mathbf{Z}$

# Linear combination of Gaussians

If  $X$  is Gaussian and

$$Z = AX + b$$

where

- $A$  is a deterministic matrix
- $b$  is a deterministic vector

then  $Z$  is also Gaussian

# Conditional PDF (Review)

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have a joint PDF  $p_{XY}(x, y)$

- The **Conditional** PDF of  $X$  given an outcome of  $Y = y_1$  :

$$p_{X|y_1}(x) = \frac{p_{XY}(x, y_1)}{p_Y(y_1)}$$

# Conditional Expectation (Review)

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have a joint PDF  $p_{XY}(x, y)$

- Conditional Expectation of  $X$  given an outcome of  $Y = y_1$  :

$$\begin{aligned} m_{X|y_1} &= E\{X|y_1\} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p_{X|y_1}(x) dx \end{aligned}$$



# Motivation for Gaussians

When  $X$  and  $Y$  are Gaussians

The conditional probabilities  $p_{X|y}(x)$

and conditional expectations  $m_{X|y}$   
(for any outcome  $y$ )

can be calculated very easily!

# Random Vectors

Define the Gaussian random  $\mathbf{n} + \mathbf{m}$  vector

$$\mathbf{Z} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{Y} \end{bmatrix} \sim N(\mathbf{m}_Z, \Lambda_{ZZ})$$

$\mathbf{X}$  is Gaussian  $\mathbf{n}$  vector     $\mathbf{Y}$  is a Gaussian  $\mathbf{m}$  vector

$$\mathbf{m}_Z = \begin{bmatrix} m_X \\ m_Y \end{bmatrix} \quad \Lambda_{ZZ} = \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{XX} & \Lambda_{XY} \\ \Lambda_{YX} & \Lambda_{YY} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Random Vectors

$\mathbf{X}$  is Gaussian  $n$  vector       $\mathbf{Y}$  is a Gaussian  $m$  vector

$$m_X = E\{X\} \quad m_Y = E\{Y\}$$

$$\Lambda_{XX} = E\{(X - m_X)(X - m_X)^T\} \quad (n \times n)$$

$$\Lambda_{YY} = E\{(Y - m_Y)(Y - m_Y)^T\} \quad (m \times m)$$

$$\Lambda_{XY} = E\{(X - m_X)(Y - m_Y)^T\} \quad (n \times m)$$

# Conditional PDF for Gaussians

- The conditional PDF of  $X$  given  $Y = y$

$$p_{X|y}(x) = \frac{p_{XY}(x, y)}{p_Y(y)}$$

$$p_{X|y}(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} \sqrt{|\Lambda_{X|yX|y}|}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x - m_{X|y})^T \Lambda_{X|yX|y}^{-1} (x - m_{X|y})}$$

**also a Gaussian PDF**

# Conditional PDF for Gaussians

The conditional random vector  $X$  given and  
*outcome*  $Y = y$

$$X|y \sim N(m_{X|y}, \Lambda_{X|yX|y})$$

**is also normally distributed  
(also a Gaussian random vector)**

# Conditional PDF for Gaussians

$$p_{X|y}(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} \sqrt{|\Lambda_{X|yX|y}|}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-m_{X|y})^T \Lambda_{X|yX|y}^{-1} (x-m_{X|y})}$$

$$X|y \sim N(m_{X|y}, \Lambda_{X|yX|y})$$

$$m_{X|y} = m_X + \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} (y - m_Y)$$

conditional expectation of  $X$  given  $Y = y$

**affine function of the outcome  $y$**

# Conditional PDF for Gaussians

$$p_{X|y}(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} \sqrt{|\Lambda_{X|yX|y}|}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-m_{X|y})^T \Lambda_{X|yX|y}^{-1} (x-m_{X|y})}$$

$$X|y \sim N(m_{X|y}, \Lambda_{X|yX|y})$$

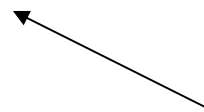
$$\Lambda_{X|yX|y} = \Lambda_{XX} - \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \Lambda_{YX}$$

The conditional covariance of  $\mathbf{X}$  given  $\mathbf{Y} = y$   
**independent of the outcome  $y$  !!**

# Conditional covariance of $X$ given $Y = y$

$$\Lambda_{X|yX|y} = E\{(x - m_{X|y})(x - m_{X|y})^T | Y=y\}$$

$$= \Lambda_{XX} - \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \Lambda_{YX}$$



$$E\{(X - m_X)(X - m_X)^T\}$$

$$\lambda_{max} [\Lambda_{X|yX|y}] \leq \lambda_{max} [\Lambda_{XX}] - \lambda_{min} [\Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \Lambda_{YX}]$$

*max eigenvalues*

*min eigenvalue*



# Independent Gaussians

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be jointly Gaussian random vectors.

$X$  and  $Y$  are independent if and only if they are uncorrelated

**Proof:**

$(\Rightarrow)$  We already showed this this is true even if  $X$  and  $Y$  are not jointly Gaussian

$(\Leftarrow)$   $X|y \sim N(m_{X|y}, \Lambda_{X|yX|y})$

$$m_{X|y} = m_X + \cancel{\Lambda_{XY}} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} (y - m_Y) = m_X$$

$$\Lambda_{X|yX|y} = \Lambda_{XX} - \cancel{\Lambda_{XY}} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \Lambda_{YX} = \Lambda_{XX}$$

$$\Rightarrow X|y \sim N(m_X, \Lambda_{XX}) \Rightarrow p_{X|y}(x) = p_X(x) \quad \blacksquare$$

# Proof of conditional PDF for Gaussians

Idea of proof

- Some details regarding Schur complements
- A lot of algebra...

# Schur complement

- Given

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} A & D \\ C & B \end{bmatrix}$$

- Schur complement of ***B***:

$$\Delta = A - DB^{-1}C$$

- Then

$$|M| = \det \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & D \\ C & B \end{bmatrix} \right) = |B| |\Delta|$$

# Schur complement

- Given

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} A & D \\ C & B \end{bmatrix}$$

- If Schur complement of  $B$

$$\Delta = A - DB^{-1}C$$

is nonsingular

- Then

$$M^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta^{-1} & -\Delta^{-1}F \\ -E\Delta^{-1} & B^{-1} + E\Delta^{-1}F \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E = B^{-1}C$$

$$F = DB^{-1}$$

# Proof

- Given

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} A & D \\ C & B \end{bmatrix}$$

- Define

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ \underbrace{-B^{-1}C}_E & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Then

$$MQ = \begin{bmatrix} \underbrace{A - DB^{-1}C}_\Delta & \underbrace{DB^{-1}}_F \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} = R$$

- Results follow by computing inverses and determinants of matrices  $Q$  and  $R$

# details

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta & F \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \quad \rightarrow \quad R^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta^{-1} & -\Delta^{-1}F \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ -E & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = RQ^{-1} \quad \rightarrow \quad M^{-1} = Q R^{-1}$$

$$M^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ -E & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta^{-1} & -\Delta^{-1}F \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta^{-1} & -\Delta^{-1}F \\ -E\Delta^{-1} & B^{-1} + E\Delta^{-1}F \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} E = B^{-1}C \\ F = DB^{-1} \end{array}$$

# Conditional covariance $\Lambda_{X|yX|y}$

- Given

$$\Lambda_{ZZ} = \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{XX} & \Lambda_{XY} \\ \Lambda_{YX} & \Lambda_{YY} \end{bmatrix}$$

- The Schur complement of  $\Lambda_{YY}$

$$\Delta = \Lambda_{XX} - \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \Lambda_{YX}$$

$$= \Lambda_{X|yX|y}$$

# Schur complement of $\Lambda_{YY}$

- Given

$$\Lambda_{ZZ} = \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{XX} & \Lambda_{XY} \\ \Lambda_{YX} & \Lambda_{YY} \end{bmatrix} \quad \Delta = \Lambda_{XX} - \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \Lambda_{YX}$$

- Then

$$|\Lambda_{ZZ}| = \det \left( \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{XX} & \Lambda_{XY} \\ \Lambda_{YX} & \Lambda_{YY} \end{bmatrix} \right) = |\Lambda_{YY}| |\Delta|$$

$$\Delta = \Lambda_{X|yX|y}$$



# Schur complement of $\Lambda_{YY}$

- Given

$$\Lambda_{ZZ} = \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{XX} & \Lambda_{XY} \\ \Lambda_{YX} & \Lambda_{YY} \end{bmatrix} \quad \Delta = \Lambda_{XX} - \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \Lambda_{YX}$$

- and

$$\Lambda_{ZZ}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta^{-1} & -\Delta^{-1} F \\ -F^T \Delta^{-1} & \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} + F^T \Delta^{-1} F \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Delta = \Lambda_{X|yX|y} \quad F = \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1}$$

# Theorem

Given 
$$\begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix} \sim N\left(\begin{bmatrix} m_X \\ m_Y \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{XX} & \Lambda_{XY} \\ \Lambda_{YX} & \Lambda_{YY} \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

Then 
$$X|y \sim N(m_{X|y}, \Lambda_{X|yX|y})$$

with

$$m_{X|y} = m_X + \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} (y - m_Y)$$

$$\Lambda_{X|yX|y} = \Lambda_{XX} - \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \Lambda_{YX}$$

# Proof

- Random vector

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix} \sim N\left(\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} m_X \\ m_Y \end{bmatrix}}_{m_Z}, \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\Lambda}_{XX} & \hat{\Lambda}_{XY} \\ \hat{\Lambda}_{YX} & \hat{\Lambda}_{YY} \end{bmatrix}}_{\hat{\Lambda}_{ZZ}}\right)$$

- dummy variables

$$\tilde{z} = z - m_Z = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x - m_X \\ y - m_Y \end{bmatrix}$$

# Proof: use Schur complement

- Now compute:

$$\tilde{z}^T \Lambda_{ZZ}^{-1} \tilde{z} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}^T & \tilde{y}^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{XX} & \Lambda_{XY} \\ \Lambda_{YX} & \Lambda_{YY} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Using:

$$\Lambda_{ZZ}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta^{-1} & -\Delta^{-1}F \\ -F^T \Delta^{-1} & \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} + F^T \Delta^{-1}F \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Delta = \Lambda_{XX} - \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \Lambda_{YX} \quad F = \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1}$$

# Proof

- Now compute:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{z}^T \Lambda_{ZZ}^{-1} \tilde{z} &= \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}^T & \tilde{y}^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{XX} & \Lambda_{XY} \\ \Lambda_{YX} & \Lambda_{YY} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y})^T \Delta^{-1} (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y}) \\
 &\quad + \tilde{y}^T \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \tilde{y}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta = \Lambda_{XX} - \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \Lambda_{YX} \qquad F = \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1}$$

# Proof: compute the conditional PDF

$$p_{X|y}(x) = \frac{p_{XY}(x, y)}{p_Y(y)} = \frac{p_Z(x, y)}{p_Y(y)}$$

where:

$$p_Y(y) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{m}{2}} |\Lambda_{YY}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \tilde{y}^T \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \tilde{y}\right)$$

dimension of  $Y$

$$\tilde{y} = y - m_Y$$

# Proof: compute the conditional PDF

$$p_{X|y}(x) = \frac{p_{XY}(x, y)}{p_Y(y)} = \frac{p_Z(x, y)}{p_Y(y)}$$

where:

$$p_Z(z) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n+m}{2}} |\Lambda_{ZZ}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \tilde{z}^T \Lambda_{ZZ}^{-1} \tilde{z}\right)$$

dimension of  $X$  + dimension of  $Y$

$$\tilde{z} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x} \\ \tilde{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x - m_X \\ y - m_Y \end{bmatrix}$$

# Proof

$$p_{X|y}(x) = \frac{p_{XY}(x, y)}{p_Y(y)}$$

$$= \frac{(2\pi)^{\frac{m}{2}} |\Lambda_{YY}|^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n+m}{2}} |\Lambda_{ZZ}|^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\tilde{z}^T \Lambda_{ZZ}^{-1} \tilde{z}}_{\tilde{z}^T \Lambda_{ZZ}^{-1} \tilde{z}} - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{y}^T \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \tilde{y}\right)$$

$$\tilde{z}^T \Lambda_{ZZ}^{-1} \tilde{z} = (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y})^T \Delta^{-1} (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y}) + \tilde{y}^T \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \tilde{y}$$



# Proof

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{X|y}(x) &= \frac{p_{XY}(x, y)}{p_Y(y)} \\
 &= \frac{|\Lambda_{YY}|^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Lambda_{ZZ}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \\
 &\quad \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y})^T \Delta^{-1} (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y}) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta = \Lambda_{XX} - \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \Lambda_{YX} \qquad F = \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1}$$

# Proof

$$p_{X|y}(x) = \frac{|\Lambda_{YY}|^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Lambda_{ZZ}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y})^T \Delta^{-1} (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y}) \right]$$

use Schur determinant result:

$$|\Lambda_{ZZ}| = \det \left( \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{XX} & \Lambda_{XY} \\ \Lambda_{YX} & \Lambda_{YY} \end{bmatrix} \right) = |\Lambda_{YY}| |\Delta|$$

# Proof

$$p_{X|y}(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Delta|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y})^T \Delta^{-1} (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y}) \right]$$

Now use:

$$\Lambda_{X|yX|y} = \Delta = \Lambda_{XX} - \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \Lambda_{YX}$$

# Proof

$$p_{X|y}(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Lambda_{X|yX|y}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y})^T \Lambda_{X|yX|y}^{-1} (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y}) \right]$$

Now use:  $F = \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1}$        $\tilde{x} = x - m_X$

$$\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y} = x - \underbrace{m_X - \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \tilde{y}}_{m_{X|y}} = x - m_{X|y}$$

# Proof

$$p_{X|y}(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Lambda_{X|yX|y}|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y})^T \Lambda_{X|yX|y}^{-1} (\tilde{x} - F\tilde{y}) \right]$$

Therefore,

$$X|y \sim N(m_{X|y}, \Lambda_{X|yX|y})$$

# Proof

Therefore,

$$X|y \sim N(m_{X|y}, \Lambda_{X|yX|y})$$

with

$$m_{X|y} = m_X + \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} (y - m_Y)$$

$$\Lambda_{X|yX|y} = \Lambda_{XX} - \Lambda_{XY} \Lambda_{YY}^{-1} \Lambda_{YX}$$

**This result is important and constitutes the basis for the Kalman Filter!**



# Supplemental Material

(You are not responsible for this...)

- Laplace and Fourier transform of Gaussian PDF
- Transformation of random variables

# Laplace transform of normal PDF

$$p_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma_X \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-m_X)^2}{2\sigma_X^2}}$$

$$P_X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-sx} p_X(x) dx = \frac{1}{\sigma_X \sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-sx} e^{-\frac{(x-m_X)^2}{2\sigma_X^2}} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sigma_X \sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-A(x)} dx$$

where, after “completing the squares”,

$$\begin{aligned} A(x) &= sx + \frac{x^2}{2\sigma_X^2} + \frac{m_X^2}{2\sigma_X^2} - \frac{2m_X x}{2\sigma_X^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sigma_X^2} \left\{ \left[ x + (s\sigma_X^2 - m_X) \right]^2 - s^2\sigma_X^4 + 2m_X s\sigma_X^2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$



# Laplace transform of normal PDF

substituting,

$$P_X(s) = e^{(s^2\sigma_X^2/2) - sm_X} \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_X} e^{-(x+s\sigma_X^2 - m_X)^2/2\sigma_X^2} \right\} dx}_{= 1 \text{ (area under a PDF = 1)}}$$

$$P_X(s) = e^{(s^2\sigma_X^2/2) - sm_X}$$

Fourier transform:  $P_X(j\omega) = e^{\frac{-\omega^2\sigma_X^2}{2}} e^{-j\omega m_X}$

# Transformation of random variables

Given a real valued function  $f$  of random variable  $X$

$$Y = f(X)$$

Assume that  $Y$  is also a random variable.

Also assume that  $g(\cdot) = f^{-1}(\cdot)$  exists. Then,

$$p_Y(y_0) = p_X(g(y_0)) \left| \frac{dg(y_0)}{dy} \right|$$

# Transformation of random variables

Let  $y_o = f(x_o)$  and  $x_o = g(y_o)$

$$P(x_o \leq X \leq x_o + dx) = P(y_o \leq Y \leq y_o + dy)$$

$$\int_{x_o}^{x_o+dx} p_X(x) dx = \begin{cases} \int_{y_o}^{y_o+dy} p_Y(y) dy & dy > 0 \\ - \int_{y_o}^{y_o+dy} p_Y(y) dy & dy < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$p_Y(y_o) = p_X(x_o) \left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right|_{x=x_o} = p_X(g(y_o)) \left| \frac{dg(y_o)}{dy} \right|$$