

2-D Gaussian pdf

Note Title

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$$f_{XY}(x,y) = \frac{1}{2\pi \sigma_x \sigma_y \sqrt{1-\rho^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} \left[\left(\frac{x-m_x}{\sigma_x}\right)^2 - 2\rho \left(\frac{x-m_x}{\sigma_x}\right) \left(\frac{y-m_y}{\sigma_y}\right) + \left(\frac{y-m_y}{\sigma_y}\right)^2 \right]}$$

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$$f_{XY}(x,y) = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot c} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 4y^2 - 3xy + 3y - 2x + 1)}$$

Find m_x , m_y , σ_x^2 , σ_y^2 , ρ , $\text{Cov}(X,Y)$

Ans: We first express it as

$$\frac{1}{2\pi \cdot c} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (1 \cdot (x-a)^2 + (-3)(x-a)(y-b) + 4(y-b)^2)}$$

& find a , b , by inspection

x term: $-2a + 3b = -2$
 y term: $-8b + 3a = 3 \implies b = 0 \quad a = 1$

constant term: $a^2 - 3ab + 4b^2 = 1 \quad \checkmark$

$f_{X,Y} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot c} e^{-\frac{1}{2}((x-1)^2 - 3(x-1)y + 4y^2)}$

$\implies \left. \begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \sigma_x \sigma_y \sqrt{1-\rho^2} &= c \\ \textcircled{2} \frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)\sigma_x^2} &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \textcircled{3} \frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)\sigma_y^2} &= \frac{4}{2} \\ \textcircled{4} \frac{2\rho}{2(1-\rho^2)} \times \frac{1}{\sigma_x \sigma_y} &= \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} \sigma_y^2 &= \frac{4}{7} \\ \sigma_x^2 &= \frac{16}{7} \\ c &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{7}} \\ \rho &= \frac{3}{4} \end{aligned}$

$\textcircled{4}^2 / \textcircled{2} \textcircled{3} \implies \rho^2 = \frac{9}{16} \implies \rho = \frac{3}{4}$

substitute ρ into $\textcircled{2} \implies \sigma_x^2 = \frac{16}{7}$
 ρ into $\textcircled{3} \implies \sigma_y^2 = \frac{4}{7}$

from $\textcircled{1} \implies c = \frac{2}{\sqrt{7}}$

$\implies \mu_x = 1, \mu_y = 0 \quad \sigma_x^2 = \frac{16}{7}, \sigma_y^2 = \frac{4}{7} \quad c = \frac{2}{\sqrt{7}} \quad \rho = \frac{3}{4}$
 $\text{Cov}(X,Y) = \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{8}{7}$