

MATH 567: Mathematical Techniques in Data
Science
Lab 5

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Exercise 1: Multivariate normal distribution

- 1 Load the `mvtnorm` library.
- 2 Construct a mean vector $\mu = (0, 0)$ and a covariance matrix $\Sigma = X^T X$ for some random matrix $X \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$.
- 3 Construct vectors x, y and a matrix z as follows:

```
x = seq(-1, 1, by=0.05)
y = seq(-1, 1, by=0.05)
n = length(x)
z = matrix(0, nrow=n, ncol=n)
```

- 4 Compute $z[i, j] = f(x[i], y[j])$ where f is the density of $N(\mu, \Sigma)$. (Use the `dmvnorm` command).
- 5 Make a contour plot of the normal density: `contour(x, y, z)`.
- 6 Add the eigenvectors of Σ to the plot

```
e = eigen(Sigma)
arrows(0, 0, e$vector[1, 1], e$vector[2, 1])
arrows(0, 0, e$vector[1, 2], e$vector[2, 2])
```

- 7 Density in 3d: `persp(x, y, z, theta = 30, phi = 30)`.

Exercise 2: Titanic

- 1 Load the `titanic` training dataset (available on Sakai).
- 2 Split the data into a training set (2/3) and a test set (1/3).
- 3 Run `contrasts(data$Embarked)` to see how R handles categorical variables such as `Embarked`.
- 4 Train a logistic regression model to try to predict the fate of the passengers using some of the features:

```
model = glm(Survived ~ x1 + x2 + ... ,  
            family=binomial(link='logit'),data=train)
```

- 5 Predict values on the test set:

```
yhat = predict(model, test, type='response')
```

(Note: returned values are of the form $P(Y = 1|X = x)$ because of the “response” option).

- 6 Compute the prediction accuracy of your model.