

## 20. Gaussian Measures

$\mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  is the set of all  $n \times n$ -matrices with real entries,  $n \geq 1$ .

**Definition 141** A matrix  $M \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  is said to be **symmetric**, if and only if  $M = M^t$ .  $M$  is **orthogonal**, if and only if  $M$  is non-singular and  $M^{-1} = M^t$ . If  $M$  is symmetric, we say that  $M$  is **non-negative**, if and only if:

$$\forall u \in \mathbf{R}^n, \langle u, Mu \rangle \geq 0$$

**Theorem 131** Let  $\Sigma \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , be a symmetric and non-negative real matrix. There exist  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbf{R}^+$  and  $P \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  orthogonal matrix, such that:

$$\Sigma = P \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix} \cdot P^t$$

In particular, there exists  $A \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  such that  $\Sigma = A \cdot A^t$ .

As a rare exception, theorem (131) is given without proof.

**EXERCISE 1.** Given  $n \geq 1$  and  $M \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$ , show that we have:

$$\forall u, v \in \mathbf{R}^n, \langle u, Mv \rangle = \langle M^t u, v \rangle$$

**EXERCISE 2.** Let  $n \geq 1$  and  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $\Sigma \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  be a symmetric and non-negative matrix. Let  $\mu_1$  be the probability measure on  $\mathbf{R}$ :

$$\forall B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}), \mu_1(B) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_B e^{-x^2/2} dx$$

Let  $\mu = \mu_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mu_1$  be the product measure on  $\mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $A \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  be such that  $\Sigma = A.A^t$ . We define the map  $\phi : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$  by:

$$\forall x \in \mathbf{R}^n, \phi(x) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} Ax + m$$

1. Show that  $\mu$  is a probability measure on  $(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n))$ .
2. Explain why the image measure  $P = \phi(\mu)$  is well-defined.
3. Show that  $P$  is a probability measure on  $(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n))$ .

4. Show that for all  $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$ :

$$\mathcal{F}P(u) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} e^{i\langle u, \phi(x) \rangle} d\mu(x)$$

5. Let  $v = A^t u$ . Show that for all  $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$ :

$$\mathcal{F}P(u) = e^{i\langle u, m \rangle - \|v\|^2/2}$$

6. Show the following:

**Theorem 132** *Let  $n \geq 1$  and  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $\Sigma \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  be a symmetric and non-negative real matrix. There exists a unique complex measure on  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , denoted  $N_n(m, \Sigma)$ , with fourier transform:*

$$\mathcal{F}N_n(m, \Sigma)(u) \triangleq \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} e^{i\langle u, x \rangle} dN_n(m, \Sigma)(x) = e^{i\langle u, m \rangle - \frac{1}{2}\langle u, \Sigma u \rangle}$$

for all  $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Furthermore,  $N_n(m, \Sigma)$  is a probability measure.

**Definition 142** Let  $n \geq 1$  and  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $\Sigma \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  be a symmetric and non-negative real matrix. The probability measure  $N_n(m, \Sigma)$  on  $\mathbf{R}^n$  defined in theorem (132) is called the  $n$ -dimensional **gaussian measure** or **normal distribution**, with mean  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$  and covariance matrix  $\Sigma$ .

**EXERCISE 3.** Let  $n \geq 1$  and  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Show that  $N_n(m, 0) = \delta_m$ .

**EXERCISE 4.** Let  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $\Sigma \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  be a symmetric and non-negative real matrix. Let  $A \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  be such that  $\Sigma = A.A^t$ . A map  $p : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  is said to be a *polynomial*, if and only if, it is a finite linear complex combination of maps  $x \rightarrow x^\alpha$ ,<sup>1</sup> for  $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^n$ .

1. Show that for all  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R})$ , we have:

$$N_1(0, 1)(B) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_B e^{-x^2/2} dx$$

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<sup>1</sup>See definition (140).

2. Show that:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |x| dN_1(0, 1)(x) < +\infty$$

3. Show that for all integer  $k \geq 1$ :

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^{+\infty} x^{k+1} e^{-x^2/2} dx = \frac{k}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^{+\infty} x^{k-1} e^{-x^2/2} dx$$

4. Show that for all integer  $k \geq 0$ :

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |x|^k dN_1(0, 1)(x) < +\infty$$

5. Show that for all  $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^n$ :

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |x^\alpha| dN_1(0, 1) \otimes \dots \otimes N_1(0, 1)(x) < +\infty$$

6. Let  $p : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  be a polynomial. Show that:

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |p(x)| dN_1(0, 1) \otimes \dots \otimes N_1(0, 1)(x) < +\infty$$

7. Let  $\phi : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$  be defined by  $\phi(x) = Ax + m$ . Explain why the image measure  $\phi(N_1(0, 1) \otimes \dots \otimes N_1(0, 1))$  is well-defined.

8. Show that  $\phi(N_1(0, 1) \otimes \dots \otimes N_1(0, 1)) = N_n(m, \Sigma)$ .

9. Show if  $\beta \in \mathbf{N}^n$  and  $|\beta| = 1$ , then  $x \rightarrow \phi(x)^\beta$  is a polynomial.

10. Show that if  $\alpha' \in \mathbf{N}^n$  and  $|\alpha'| = k+1$ , then  $\phi(x)^{\alpha'} = \phi(x)^\alpha \phi(x)^\beta$  for some  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{N}^n$  such that  $|\alpha| = k$  and  $|\beta| = 1$ .

11. Show that the product of two polynomials is a polynomial.

12. Show that for all  $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^n$ ,  $x \rightarrow \phi(x)^\alpha$  is a polynomial.

13. Show that for all  $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^n$ :

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |\phi(x)^\alpha| dN_1(0, 1) \otimes \dots \otimes N_1(0, 1)(x) < +\infty$$

14. Show the following:

**Theorem 133** *Let  $n \geq 1$  and  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $\Sigma \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  be a symmetric and non-negative real matrix. Then, for all  $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^n$ , the map  $x \rightarrow x^\alpha$  is integrable with respect to the gaussian measure  $N_n(m, \Sigma)$ :*

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |x^\alpha| dN_n(m, \Sigma)(x) < +\infty$$

**EXERCISE 5.** Let  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $\Sigma = (\sigma_{ij}) \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  be a symmetric and non-negative real matrix. Let  $j, k \in \mathbf{N}_n$ . Let  $\phi$  be the fourier transform of the gaussian measure  $N_n(m, \Sigma)$ , i.e.:

$$\forall u \in \mathbf{R}^n, \phi(u) \triangleq e^{i\langle u, m \rangle - \frac{1}{2}\langle u, \Sigma u \rangle}$$

1. Show that:

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} x_j dN_n(m, \Sigma)(x) = i^{-1} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial u_j}(0)$$

2. Show that:

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} x_j dN_n(m, \Sigma)(x) = m_j$$

3. Show that:

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} x_j x_k dN_n(m, \Sigma)(x) = i^{-2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial u_j \partial u_k}(0)$$

4. Show that:

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} x_j x_k dN_n(m, \Sigma)(x) = \sigma_{jk} + m_j m_k$$

5. Show that:

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} (x_j - m_j)(x_k - m_k) dN_n(m, \Sigma)(x) = \sigma_{jk}$$

**Theorem 134** Let  $n \geq 1$  and  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $\Sigma = (\sigma_{ij}) \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  be a symmetric and non-negative real matrix. Let  $N_n(m, \Sigma)$  be the gaussian measure with mean  $m$  and covariance matrix  $\Sigma$ . Then, for all  $j, k \in \mathbf{N}_n$ , we have:

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} x_j dN_n(m, \Sigma)(x) = m_j$$

and:

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} (x_j - m_j)(x_k - m_k) dN_n(m, \Sigma)(x) = \sigma_{jk}$$

**Definition 143** Let  $n \geq 1$ . Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  be a probability space. Let  $X : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n))$  be a measurable map. We say that  $X$  is an  $n$ -dimensional **gaussian** or **normal vector**, if and only if its distribution is a gaussian measure, i.e.  $X(P) = N_n(m, \Sigma)$  for some  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$  and  $\Sigma \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  symmetric and non-negative real matrix.

**EXERCISE 6.** Show the following:

**Theorem 135** *Let  $n \geq 1$ . Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  be a probability space. Let  $X : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$  be a measurable map. Then  $X$  is a gaussian vector, if and only if there exist  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$  and  $\Sigma \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  symmetric and non-negative real matrix, such that:*

$$\forall u \in \mathbf{R}^n, E[e^{i\langle u, X \rangle}] = e^{i\langle u, m \rangle - \frac{1}{2}\langle u, \Sigma u \rangle}$$

where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the usual inner-product on  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .

**Definition 144** *Let  $X : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \bar{\mathbf{R}}$  (or  $\mathbf{C}$ ) be a random variable on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ . We say that  $X$  is **integrable**, if and only if we have  $E[|X|] < +\infty$ . We say that  $X$  is **square-integrable**, if and only if we have  $E[|X|^2] < +\infty$ .*

**EXERCISE 7.** Further to definition (144), suppose  $X$  is  $\mathbf{C}$ -valued.

1. Show  $X$  is integrable if and only if  $X \in L^1_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ .
2. Show  $X$  is square-integrable, if and only if  $X \in L^2_{\mathbf{C}}(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ .

**EXERCISE 8.** Further to definition (144), suppose  $X$  is  $\bar{\mathbf{R}}$ -valued.

1. Show that  $X$  is integrable, if and only if  $X$  is  $P$ -almost surely equal to an element of  $L_{\mathbf{R}}^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ .
2. Show that  $X$  is square-integrable, if and only if  $X$  is  $P$ -almost surely equal to an element of  $L_{\mathbf{R}}^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ .

**EXERCISE 9.** Let  $X, Y : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}))$  be two square-integrable random variables on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ .

1. Show that both  $X$  and  $Y$  are integrable.
2. Show that  $XY$  is integrable
3. Show that  $(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])$  is a well-defined and integrable.

**Definition 145** Let  $X, Y : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}))$  be two square-integrable random variables on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ . We define the **covariance** between  $X$  and  $Y$ , denoted  $\text{cov}(X, Y)$ , as:

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) \triangleq E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])]$$

We say that  $X$  and  $Y$  are **uncorrelated** if and only if  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0$ . If  $X = Y$ ,  $\text{cov}(X, Y)$  is called the **variance** of  $X$ , denoted  $\text{var}(X)$ .

**EXERCISE 10.** Let  $X, Y$  be two square integrable, real random variable on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ .

1. Show that  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]$ .
2. Show that  $\text{var}(X) = E[X^2] - E[X]^2$ .
3. Show that  $\text{var}(X + Y) = \text{var}(X) + 2\text{cov}(X, Y) + \text{var}(Y)$
4. Show that  $X$  and  $Y$  are uncorrelated, if and only if:

$$\text{var}(X + Y) = \text{var}(X) + \text{var}(Y)$$

**EXERCISE 11.** Let  $X$  be an  $n$ -dimensional normal vector on some probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ , with law  $N_n(m, \Sigma)$ , where  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$  and  $\Sigma = (\sigma_{ij}) \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  is a symmetric and non-negative real matrix.

1. Show that each coordinate  $X_j : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is measurable.
2. Show that  $E[|X^\alpha|] < +\infty$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^n$ .
3. Show that for all  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , we have  $E[X_j] = m_j$ .
4. Show that for all  $j, k = 1, \dots, n$ , we have  $\text{cov}(X_j, X_k) = \sigma_{jk}$ .

**Theorem 136** *Let  $X$  be an  $n$ -dimensional normal vector on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ , with law  $N_n(m, \Sigma)$ . Then, for all  $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^n$ ,  $X^\alpha$  is integrable. Moreover, for all  $j, k \in \mathbf{N}_n$ , we have:*

$$E[X_j] = m_j$$

and:

$$\text{cov}(X_j, X_k) = \sigma_{jk}$$

where  $(\sigma_{ij}) = \Sigma$ .

**EXERCISE 12.** Show the following:

**Theorem 137** *Let  $X : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}))$  be a real random variable on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ . Then,  $X$  is a normal random variable, if and only if it is square integrable, and:*

$$\forall u \in \mathbf{R}, E[e^{iuX}] = e^{iuE[X] - \frac{1}{2}u^2\text{var}(X)}$$

**EXERCISE 13.** Let  $X$  be an  $n$ -dimensional normal vector on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ , with law  $N_n(m, \Sigma)$ . Let  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{d,n}(\mathbf{R})$  be an  $d \times n$  real matrix, ( $n, d \geq 1$ ). Let  $b \in \mathbf{R}^d$  and  $Y = AX + b$ .

1. Show that  $Y : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^d, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^d))$  is measurable.
2. Show that the law of  $Y$  is  $N_d(Am + b, A\Sigma A^t)$
3. Conclude that  $Y$  is an  $\mathbf{R}^d$ -valued normal random vector.

**Theorem 138** *Let  $X$  be an  $n$ -dimensional normal vector with law  $N_n(m, \Sigma)$  on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ , ( $n \geq 1$ ). Let  $d \geq 1$  and  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{d,n}(\mathbf{R})$  be an  $d \times n$  real matrix. Let  $b \in \mathbf{R}^d$ . Then,  $Y = AX + b$  is an  $d$ -dimensional normal vector, with law:*

$$Y(P) = N_d(Am + b, A.\Sigma.A^t)$$

**EXERCISE 14.** Let  $X : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n))$  be a measurable map, where  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  is a probability space. Show that if  $X$  is a gaussian vector, then for all  $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $\langle u, X \rangle$  is a normal random variable.

**EXERCISE 15.** Let  $X : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n))$  be a measurable map, where  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  is a probability space. We assume that for all  $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $\langle u, X \rangle$  is a normal random variable.

1. Show that for all  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $X_j$  is integrable.
2. Show that for all  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $X_j$  is square integrable.
3. Explain why given  $j, k = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $cov(X_j, X_k)$  is well-defined.

4. Let  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$  be defined by  $m_j = E[X_j]$ , and  $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Show:

$$E[\langle u, X \rangle] = \langle u, m \rangle$$

5. Let  $\Sigma = (\text{cov}(X_i, X_j))$ . Show that for all  $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$ , we have:

$$\text{var}(\langle u, X \rangle) = \langle u, \Sigma u \rangle$$

6. Show that  $\Sigma$  is a symmetric and non-negative  $n \times n$  real matrix.

7. Show that for all  $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$ :

$$E[e^{i\langle u, X \rangle}] = e^{iE[\langle u, X \rangle] - \frac{1}{2}\text{var}(\langle u, X \rangle)}$$

8. Show that for all  $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$ :

$$E[e^{i\langle u, X \rangle}] = e^{i\langle u, m \rangle - \frac{1}{2}\langle u, \Sigma u \rangle}$$

9. Show that  $X$  is a normal vector.

10. Show the following:

**Theorem 139** *Let  $X : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n))$  be a measurable map on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ . Then,  $X$  is an  $n$ -dimensional normal vector, if and only if, any linear combination of its coordinates is itself normal, or in other words  $\langle u, X \rangle$  is normal for all  $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$ .*

**EXERCISE 16.** Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}) = (\mathbf{R}^2, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^2))$  and  $\mu$  be the probability on  $(\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}))$  defined by  $\mu = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_0 + \delta_1)$ . Let  $P = N_1(0, 1) \otimes \mu$ , and  $X, Y : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}))$  be the canonical projections defined by  $X(x, y) = x$  and  $Y(x, y) = y$ .

1. Show that  $P$  is a probability measure on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ .
2. Explain why  $X$  and  $Y$  are measurable.
3. Show that  $X$  has the distribution  $N_1(0, 1)$ .
4. Show that  $P(\{Y = 0\}) = P(\{Y = 1\}) = \frac{1}{2}$ .
5. Show that  $P^{(X, Y)} = P$ .

6. Show for all  $\phi : (\mathbf{R}^2, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^2)) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  measurable and bounded:

$$E[\phi(X, Y)] = \frac{1}{2}(E[\phi(X, 0)] + E[\phi(X, 1)])$$

7. Let  $X_1 = X$  and  $X_2$  be defined as:

$$X_2 \triangleq X1_{\{Y=0\}} - X1_{\{Y=1\}}$$

Show that  $E[e^{iuX_2}] = e^{-u^2/2}$  for all  $u \in \mathbf{R}$ .

8. Show that  $X_1(P) = X_2(P) = N_1(0, 1)$ .

9. Explain why  $cov(X_1, X_2)$  is well-defined.

10. Show that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are uncorrelated.

11. Let  $Z = \frac{1}{2}(X_1 + X_2)$ . Show that:

$$\forall u \in \mathbf{R}, E[e^{iuZ}] = \frac{1}{2}(1 + e^{-u^2/2})$$

12. Show that  $Z$  cannot be gaussian.
13. Conclude that although  $X_1, X_2$  are normally distributed, (and even uncorrelated),  $(X_1, X_2)$  is not a gaussian vector.

**EXERCISE 17.** Let  $n \geq 1$  and  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $\Sigma \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  be a symmetric and non-negative real matrix. Let  $A \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  be such that  $\Sigma = A.A^t$ . We assume that  $\Sigma$  is non-singular. We define  $p_{m,\Sigma} : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^+$  by:

$$\forall x \in \mathbf{R}^n, p_{m,\Sigma}(x) \triangleq \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} \sqrt{\det(\Sigma)}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\langle x-m, \Sigma^{-1}(x-m) \rangle}$$

1. Explain why  $\det(\Sigma) > 0$ .
2. Explain why  $\sqrt{\det(\Sigma)} = |\det(A)|$ .
3. Explain why  $A$  is non-singular.

4. Let  $\phi : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$  be defined by:

$$\forall x \in \mathbf{R}^n, \phi(x) \triangleq A^{-1}(x - m)$$

Show that for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $\langle x - m, \Sigma^{-1}(x - m) \rangle = \|\phi(x)\|^2$ .

5. Show that  $\phi$  is a  $C^1$ -diffeomorphism.

6. Show that  $\phi(dx) = |\det(A)|dx$ .

7. Show that:

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} p_{m,\Sigma}(x)dx = 1$$

8. Let  $\mu = \int p_{m,\Sigma}dx$ . Show that:

$$\forall u \in \mathbf{R}^n, \mathcal{F}\mu(u) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}}} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} e^{i\langle u, Ax+m \rangle - \|x\|^2/2} dx$$

9. Show that the fourier transform of  $\mu$  is therefore given by:

$$\forall u \in \mathbf{R}^n, \mathcal{F}\mu(u) = e^{i\langle u, m \rangle - \frac{1}{2}\langle u, \Sigma u \rangle}$$

10. Show that  $\mu = N_n(m, \Sigma)$ .
11. Show that  $N_n(m, \Sigma) \ll dx$ , i.e. that  $N_n(m, \Sigma)$  is absolutely continuous w.r. to the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .

**EXERCISE 18.** Let  $n \geq 1$  and  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $\Sigma \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  be a symmetric and non-negative real matrix. We assume that  $\Sigma$  is singular. Let  $u \in \mathbf{R}^n$  be such that  $\Sigma u = 0$  and  $u \neq 0$ . We define:

$$B \triangleq \{x \in \mathbf{R}^n, \langle u, x \rangle = \langle u, m \rangle\}$$

Given  $a \in \mathbf{R}^n$ , let  $\tau_a : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$  be the translation of vector  $a$ .

1. Show  $B = \tau_{-m}^{-1}(u^\perp)$ , where  $u^\perp$  is the orthogonal of  $u$  in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .
2. Show that  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ .
3. Explain why  $dx(u^\perp) = 0$ . Is it important to have  $u \neq 0$ ?
4. Show that  $dx(B) = 0$ .

5. Show that  $\phi : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  defined by  $\phi(x) = \langle u, x \rangle$ , is measurable.
6. Explain why  $\phi(N_n(m, \Sigma))$  is a well-defined probability on  $\mathbf{R}$ .
7. Show that for all  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$ , we have:

$$\mathcal{F}\phi(N_n(m, \Sigma))(\alpha) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} e^{i\alpha\langle u, x \rangle} dN_n(m, \Sigma)(x)$$

8. Show that  $\phi(N_n(m, \Sigma))$  is the dirac distribution on  $(\mathbf{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}))$  centered on  $\langle u, m \rangle$ , i.e.  $\phi(N_n(m, \Sigma)) = \delta_{\langle u, m \rangle}$ .
9. Show that  $N_n(m, \Sigma)(B) = 1$ .
10. Conclude that  $N_n(m, \Sigma)$  cannot be absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesgue measure on  $(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n))$ .
11. Show the following:

**Theorem 140** *Let  $n \geq 1$  and  $m \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $\Sigma \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbf{R})$  be a symmetric and non-negative real matrix. Then, the gaussian measure  $N_n(m, \Sigma)$  is absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesgue measure on  $(\mathbf{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n))$ , if and only if  $\Sigma$  is non-singular, in which case for all  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ , we have:*

$$N_n(m, \Sigma)(B) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} \sqrt{\det(\Sigma)}} \int_B e^{-\frac{1}{2} \langle x-m, \Sigma^{-1}(x-m) \rangle} dx$$