

**Exercise 3** d) If  $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n) \sim N(m, C)$ , we have

$$X_k \sim N(m_k, c_{kk}) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Cov}(X)_{jk} := \text{Cov}(X_j, X_k) = c_{jk}$$

for  $j, k = 1, \dots, n$ .

**Solution:** For any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  we calculate

$$\varphi_{X_k}(t) = \varphi_X(0, \dots, 0_{(k-1)}, t, 0_{(k+1)}, \dots, 0) = e^{itm_k} e^{-\frac{1}{2}t^2 c_{kk}}.$$

By part c) and uniqueness of the characteristic function we obtain  $X_k \sim N(m_k, c_{kk})$ .

Now let  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  be independent standard Gaussians and  $B = (b_{k\ell})_{k,\ell=1}^n$  as in the previous parts. Then  $X \stackrel{d}{=} BY + m$  and  $X_k \stackrel{d}{=} \sum_{\ell=1}^n b_{k\ell} Y_\ell + m_k$ . Using this, we finally get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}X_j X_k &= \mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{\ell,m=1}^n b_{jm} b_{k\ell} Y_j Y_\ell\right) + m_j m_k + m_j \underbrace{\mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{\ell=1}^n b_{k\ell} Y_\ell\right)}_{=0} + m_k \underbrace{\mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{m=1}^n b_{jm} Y_m\right)}_{=0} \\ &= \sum_{\ell,m=1}^n b_{jm} b_{k\ell} \underbrace{\mathbb{E}Y_j Y_\ell}_{=\delta_{j\ell}} + m_j m_k = \sum_{\ell=1}^n b_{j\ell} b_{k\ell} + m_j m_k \\ &= c_{jk} + m_j m_k, \end{aligned}$$

which implies the claim.

e) If  $X \sim N(m, C)$ , then it holds that

$$X_1, \dots, X_n \text{ are independent} \iff c_{jk} = 0 \text{ for all } j \neq k.$$

**Solution:** If  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are independent, we get for  $j \neq k$  by part d)

$$c_{jk} = \text{Cov}(X_j, X_k) = \mathbb{E}X_j X_k - \mathbb{E}X_j \mathbb{E}X_k = \mathbb{E}X_j \mathbb{E}X_k - \mathbb{E}X_j \mathbb{E}X_k = 0.$$

Conversely, if  $c_{jk} = 0$  for  $j \neq k$ , then  $C$  is of diagonal form and for the characteristic function of  $\mathbb{P}^X$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_X(t) &\stackrel{c)}{=} e^{it^\top m} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum c_{kk} t_k^2} = \prod_{k=1}^n e^{it_k m_k} e^{-\frac{1}{2} c_{kk} t_k^2} \stackrel{d)}{=} \prod_{k=1}^n \varphi_{X_k}(t_k) \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^n \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{it_k x_k} d\mathbb{P}^{X_k}(x_k) \stackrel{\text{Fub.}}{=} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{it^\top x} d(\mathbb{P}^{X_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{P}^{X_n})(x). \end{aligned}$$

Since the characteristic function determines the probability measure uniquely, we conclude that

$$\mathbb{P}^X = \bigotimes_{k=1}^n \mathbb{P}^{X_k},$$

which means that  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are independent.