

# Joint Distributions

We are often interested in the relationship between random variables

What is the relationship between winter snow depth and vegetation cover?

What is the relationship between race and mortgage lending?

Spatial Statistics:

What is the relationship between variables at different locations.

What is the relationship between my house price and my neighbor's?

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Example: Raw Data

	T Training	No training	Total
A Accident	30	70	100
No Accident	570	330	900
Total	600	400	1000

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Example: Recoding

	T		
	0	1	Total
A 0	30	70	100
1	570	330	900
Total	600	400	1000

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	1	.57	.33

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		T	
		0	1
A	0	.03	.1
	1	.6	1.00

# Marginal pmfs

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		T		
		0	1	$f_A(a)$
A	0	.03	.07	<b>.10</b>
	1	.57	.33	<b>.90</b>

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Example: Marginal pmf of T

		T		
		0	1	
A	0	.03	.07	
	1	.57	.33	
$f_T(t)$		.60	.40	

# Conditional PMF

$$f_{X|Y}(x|Y = y) = \frac{f_{XY}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

The conditional “slices” through a joint along one dimension

joint pmf

Conditional (on T) pmfs

		T		T	
		0	1	0	1
A	0	.03	.07	.05	.175
	1	.57	.33	.95	.825
				$f_{A T}(a T = 0)$	$f_{A T}(a T = 1)$

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Conditional (on A) pmfs

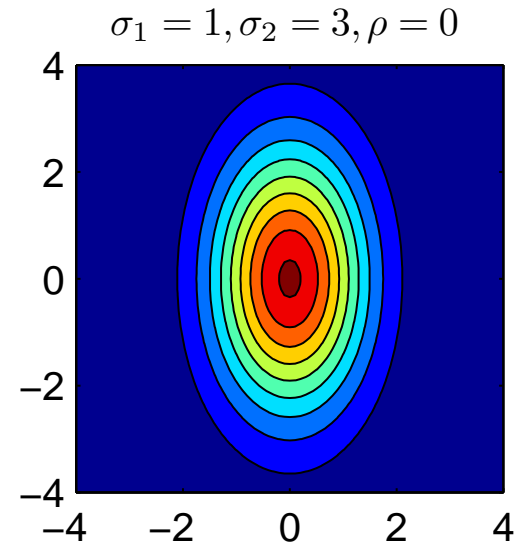
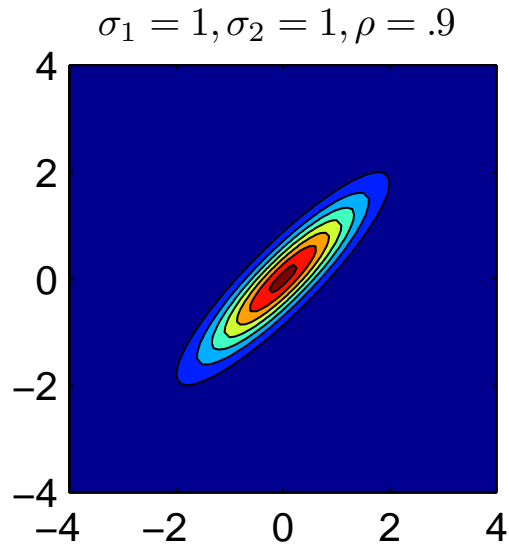
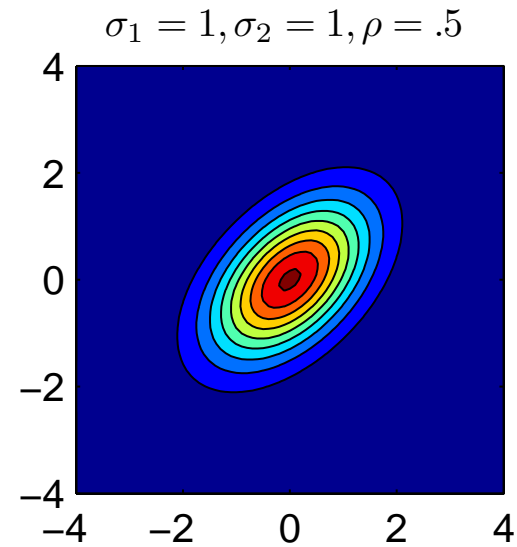
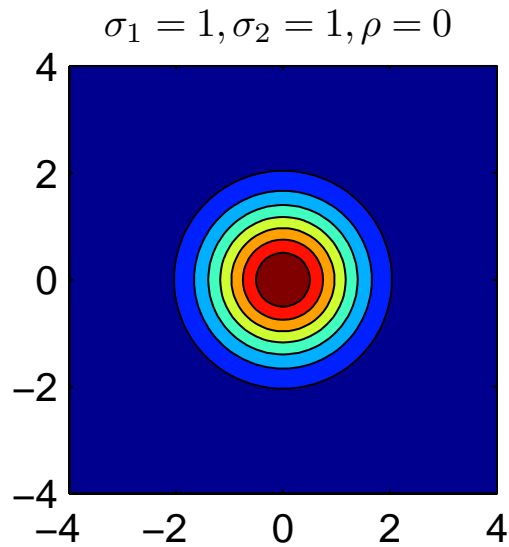
		T						
		0	1					
A	0	.03	.07	A	0	.30	.70	$f_{T A}(t A = 0)$
	1	.57	.33		1	.633	.367	$f_{T A}(t A = 1)$

# Bivariate Normal Distribution

The bivariate normal distribution is a bell curve in 2-D  
Characterized by 5 numbers:

1.  $\mu_X$ : Mean of X
2.  $\mu_Y$ : Mean of Y
3.  $\sigma_X$ : Std. Deviation (scale) of X
4.  $\sigma_Y$ : Std. Deviation (scale) of Y
5.  $\rho$ : Correlation of X and Y

# Bivariate Normal Examples



# Marginal and Conditional BVN

If  $X, Y \sim BVN(\mu_x, \mu_Y, \sigma_X^2, \sigma_Y^2, \rho)$

$$f_X(x) = N(\mu_x, \sigma_X^2)$$

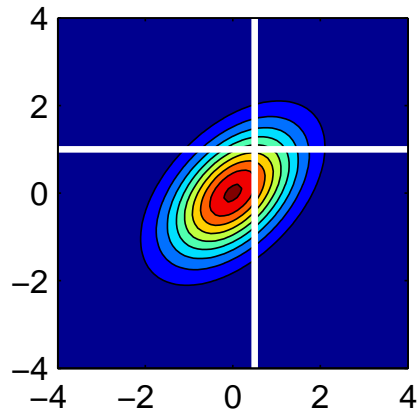
$$f_Y(y) = N(\mu_Y, \sigma_Y^2)$$

$$f_{X|Y}(X|Y = y) = N\left(\mu_X + \rho \frac{\sigma_X}{\sigma_Y}(y - \mu_y), \sigma_Y^2(1 - \rho^2)\right)$$

# Conditional Example

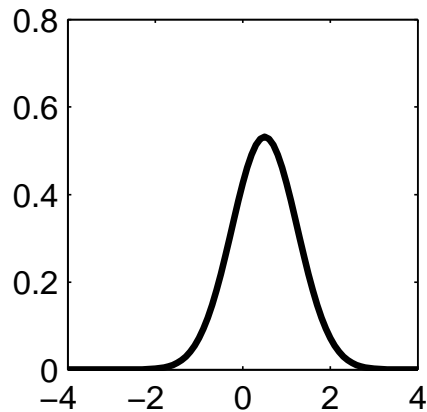
$$\mu_x = \mu_y = 0 \quad \sigma_x = \sigma_y = 1 \quad \rho = .5$$

Condition on  $Y = 1$



$$\mu_{X|Y} = \mu_X + \rho \frac{\sigma_X}{\sigma_Y} (y - \mu_Y)$$

$$\mu_{X|Y} = 0 + .5 \frac{1}{1} (1 - 0) = .5$$



$$\sigma_{X|Y}^2 = \sigma^2 (1 - \rho^2)$$

$$\sigma_{X|Y}^2 = 1(1 - .5^2) = .75$$