

## ON BILINEAR FORMS IN NORMAL VARIABLES

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**Abstract.** Bilinear forms in normal variables when the matrices of the forms are rectangular are considered. Explicit expressions for the cumulants, joint cumulants and joint cumulants of bilinear and quadratic forms are given. Necessary and sufficient conditions are established for the independence of two bilinear forms as well as a bilinear and a quadratic form. Special cases are shown to agree with known results.

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### 1. Introduction

Quadratic forms in nonsingular normal variables are widely studied in the literature. Quadratic forms, and their generalisations in the form of their matrix analogues have applications in different disciplines. Quite a large amount of work is available on the moments, cumulants, chi-squaredness, independence, distributions, approximations and asymptotic results and Chebyshev's type inequalities on one or more quadratic forms, see for example Geisser (1957), Good (1963), Hayakawa (1972), Jensen (1982), Morin-Wahhab (1985) and Provost (1989), to mention a few. Extensive results on quadratic forms are available in the singular normal case also. When it comes to bilinear forms or a collection of bilinear and quadratic forms the problem becomes complicated. Hence not many results are available in the literature in these lines. Craig (1947) considered bilinear forms of the type  $X'AY$  where  $A = A'$ , a prime denotes a transpose,  $X \sim N_p(0, I)$ ,  $Y \sim N_p(0, I)$ ,  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = \rho I$ ,  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly normal,  $\rho$  is a scalar and  $I$  denotes an identity matrix. He established a basic result on the independence of two such bilinear forms as well as one bilinear and one quadratic form. An alternate proof is given by Aitken (1950). Ogawa (1949) gave alternate derivations of the results of Craig (1947). A simpler proof of Craig's result is given by Kawada (1950). Tan and Cheng (1981) computed the first four joint cumulants of bilinear forms and joint cumulants of bilinear and quadratic forms when the component variables are mutually independently distributed. For a detailed discussion

of quadratic forms see Johnson and Kotz (1970).

In this article we consider bilinear forms of the type  $X'A_iY$ ,  $A_i$  is  $p \times q$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  and quadratic forms of the type  $Y'B_iY$ ,  $B_i = B'_i$  where  $X$  and  $Y$  have a joint  $(p + q)$ -variate nonsingular normal distribution with  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = \Sigma_{12}$  not necessarily null. Explicit forms for the cumulants of  $X'A_iY$ , joint cumulants of  $X'A_1Y$ ,  $X'A_2Y$  and joint cumulants of  $X'A_1Y$ ,  $X'B_1Y$  will be given in this article. A number of results giving necessary and sufficient conditions for the independence of bilinear forms, bilinear and quadratic forms will also be given.

## 2. Bilinear and quadratic forms

Let the  $p \times 1$  vector  $X$  and  $q \times 1$  vector  $Y$  have a joint real normal distribution  $N_{p+q}(0, \Sigma)$ ,  $\Sigma > 0$ . Let  $A_1$  be a  $p \times q$  real matrix and  $A_2$  be a  $q \times q$  real symmetric matrix of constants. Let  $Q_1 = X'A_1Y$  and  $Q_2 = Y'A_2Y$ . The joint moment generating function (m.g.f.) of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ , denoted by  $M_{Q_1, Q_2}(t_1, t_2)$  is given by the following expected value.

$$\begin{aligned} M_{Q_1, Q_2}(t_1, t_2) &= E[\exp\{t_1Q_1 + t_2Q_2\}] \\ &= \{|\Sigma|^{1/2}(2\pi)^{(p+q)/2}\}^{-1} \int_X \int_Y \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(X', Y')\tilde{\Sigma}\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix}\right\} dXdY \\ &= |\tilde{\Sigma}|^{-1/2}/|\Sigma|^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

where  $|( )|$  denotes the determinant of  $( )$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Sigma} &= \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma^{11} & \Sigma^{12} - t_1A_1 \\ \Sigma^{21} - t_1A'_1 & \Sigma^{22} - 2t_2A_2 \end{pmatrix}, \\ \Sigma^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma^{11} & \Sigma^{12} \\ \Sigma^{21} & \Sigma^{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Here  $\Sigma_{11}$  is the covariance matrix of  $X$ , that is,  $\Sigma_{11} = \text{cov}(X)$ ,  $\Sigma_{22} = \text{cov}(Y)$ ,  $\Sigma_{12} = \text{cov}(X, Y)$ . By direct multiplication of  $\Sigma$  and  $\Sigma^{-1}$  one can get the well-known relations,

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \Sigma^{21}(\Sigma^{11})^{-1} &= -\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21}, & (\Sigma^{11})^{-1}\Sigma^{12} &= -\Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}, \\ \Sigma_{22}^{-1} &= \Sigma^{22} - \Sigma^{21}(\Sigma^{11})^{-1}\Sigma^{12}, & |\Sigma| &= |\Sigma_{22}||\Sigma^{11}|^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

and so on. By using (2.1) one can simplify  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} |\tilde{\Sigma}| &= |\Sigma^{11}||(\Sigma^{22} - 2t_2A_2) - (\Sigma^{21} - t_1A'_1)(\Sigma^{11})^{-1}(\Sigma^{12} - t_1A_1)| \\ &= |\Sigma^{11}||\Sigma_{22}|^{-1}|I - 2t_2\Sigma_{22}^{1/2}A_2\Sigma_{22}^{1/2} \\ &\quad - t_1(\Sigma_{22}^{1/2}A'_1\Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1/2} + \Sigma_{22}^{-1/2}\Sigma_{21}A_1\Sigma_{22}^{1/2}) \\ &\quad - t_1^2\Sigma_{22}^{1/2}A'_1(\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})A_1\Sigma_{22}^{1/2}|, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Sigma_{22}^{1/2}$  denotes the symmetric square root of the positive definite symmetric matrix  $\Sigma_{22}$ . One can also write  $\Sigma_{22} = BB'$  and replace one of  $\Sigma_{22}^{1/2}$  by  $B$  and the other by  $B'$ . For notational convenience we will use the symmetric square root. Thus the joint m.g.f. simplifies to the following.

$$(2.2) \quad M_{Q_1, Q_2}(t_1, t_2) = |I - t_1 E_1 - t_2 E_2 - t_1^2 E_3|^{-1/2}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 &= E'_1 = \Sigma_{22}^{-1/2} \Sigma_{21} A_1 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} + \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A'_1 \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1/2}, \\ E_2 &= E'_2 = 2 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A_2 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2}, \\ E_3 &= E'_3 = \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A'_1 (\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} \Sigma_{21}) A_1 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

The joint cumulant generating function is available by taking the logarithm of the joint m.g.f. and expanding it. That is,

$$(2.3) \quad \ln M_{Q_1, Q_2}(t_1, t_2) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \text{tr } C^k \right\}$$

where  $\text{tr}(\ )$  denotes the trace of  $(\ )$  and

$$(2.4) \quad C = t_1 E_1 + t_2 E_2 + t_1^2 E_3$$

and without loss of generality it is assumed that  $\|C\| < 1$  where  $\|(\ )\|$  denotes the norm of  $(\ )$ . Thus the covariance between  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  is available from (2.3) by taking the coefficient of  $t_1 t_2$  in the expansion on the right side of (2.3). This can come only from  $C^2$ .

$$(2.5) \quad \begin{aligned} C^2 &= t_1^2 E_1^2 + t_2^2 E_2^2 + t_1^4 E_3^2 + t_1 t_2 (E_1 E_2 + E_2 E_1) \\ &\quad + t_1^3 (E_1 E_3 + E_3 E_1) + t_2 t_1^2 (E_2 E_3 + E_3 E_2). \end{aligned}$$

Let the  $(r_1, r_2)$ -th joint cumulant of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  be denoted by  $K_{r_1, r_2}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (2.6) \quad K_{1,1} &= \text{cov}(Q_1, Q_2) = \frac{1}{4} \text{tr}(E_1 E_2 + E_2 E_1) = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(E_1 E_2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(\Sigma_{22}^{-1/2} \Sigma_{21} A_1 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} + \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A'_1 \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1/2}) (2 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A_2 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2}) \\ &= 2 \text{tr}(\Sigma_{21} A_1 \Sigma_{22} A_2). \end{aligned}$$

In the simplification in (2.6) we have made use of the properties that for any two matrices  $A$  and  $B$ ,  $\text{tr } AB = \text{tr } BA$ ,  $\text{tr } A = \text{tr } A'$  whenever the products are defined. These properties will be frequently made use of in the discussions to follow. Note that  $K_{1,1} = 0$  when  $\Sigma_{21} = 0$  or when  $A_1 \Sigma_{22} A'_2 = 0$ .

2.1 *Joint cumulants of bilinear and quadratic forms*

The joint cumulant generating function is given in (2.3). Now we will establish a convenient way of finding the coefficient of  $t_1^{s_1}t_2^{s_2}$  from the expansion given in (2.3). Write

$$(2.7) \quad C = t_1E_1 + t_2E_2 + t_3E_3, \quad t_3 = t_1^2.$$

The terms containing  $t_1^{r_1}t_2^{r_2}t_3^{r_3}$  where  $r_1+r_2+r_3 = r$  can come only from  $C^r$ . From (2.4), (2.5) and higher powers of  $C$  note that the coefficient of  $t_1^{r_1}t_2^{r_2}t_3^{r_3}$  in (2.3) is  $(1/2r) \text{tr} \sum_{(r_1, r_2, r_3)} (E_1E_2E_3)$  where the notation  $\sum_{(r_1, r_2, r_3)} (E_1E_2E_3)$  stands for the sum of products of permutations of  $E_1, E_2, E_3$  taking any number of them at a time so that the sum of the exponents of  $E_i$  in each term is  $r_i, i = 1, 2, 3$ . Thus we have the following result.

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Let  $Q_1 = X'A_1Y, Q_2 = Y'A_2Y, \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} \sim N_{p+q}(0, \Sigma), \Sigma > 0$ , where  $A_2 = A_2'$  and  $A_1$  be real matrices of constants,  $A_1$  be  $p \times q$  and  $A_2$  be  $q \times q$ . Then the  $(r_1+2r_3, r_2)$ -th joint cumulant of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ , denoted  $K_{r_1+2r_3, r_2}$  is given by*

$$(2.8) \quad K_{r_1+2r_3, r_2} = \frac{(r_1 + 2r_3)!r_2!}{2r} \text{tr} \left( \sum_{(r_1, r_2, r_3)} (E_1E_2E_3) \right)$$

where  $E_1, E_2, E_3$  are defined in (2.2),  $r = r_1 + r_2 + r_3$  and  $\sum_{(r_1, r_2, r_3)}$  is explained above.

For example what is  $K_{2,2}$ ? The possible breakdowns of  $(r_1, r_2, r_3)$  are  $(0, 2, 1)$  and  $(2, 2, 0)$ .

$$\sum_{(0,2,1)} (E_1E_2E_3) = E_2^2E_3 + E_3E_2^2 + E_2E_3E_2, \quad r = 3, \quad r_1 + 2r_3 = 2, \quad r_2 = 2.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{(2,2,0)} (E_1E_2E_3) &= E_1^2E_2^2 + E_2^2E_1^2 + E_1E_2^2E_1 + E_2E_1^2E_2 \\ &+ E_1E_2E_1E_2 + E_2E_1E_2E_1, \quad r = 4, \quad r_1 + 2r_3 = 2, \quad r_2 = 2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} (2.9) \quad K_{2,2} &= \frac{2}{3} \text{tr}(E_2^2E_3 + E_3E_2^2 + E_2E_3E_2) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(E_1^2E_2^2 + E_2^2E_1^2 + E_1E_2^2E_1 \\ &\quad + E_2E_1^2E_2 + E_1E_2E_1E_2 + E_2E_1E_2E_1) \\ &= 2 \text{tr} E_2E_3E_2 + 2 \text{tr} E_1^2E_2^2 + \text{tr}(E_1E_2)^2. \end{aligned}$$

*Remark 2.1.* When  $X$  and  $Y$  are independently distributed  $\Sigma_{12} = 0$  and the joint cumulants of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are available from (2.8) by replacing  $E_1$  by a null matrix and  $E_3$  by  $\Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A_1' \Sigma_{11} A_1 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2}$ . In the sum  $\sum_{(r_1, r_2, r_3)}$  replace  $E_1$  by an identity matrix and put  $r_1 = 0$ .

Thus when  $X$  and  $Y$  are independently distributed

$$K_{2,2} = 8 \operatorname{tr}(\Sigma_{22} A_2 \Sigma_{22} A_1' \Sigma_{11} A_1 \Sigma_{22} A_2).$$

*Remark 2.2.* When  $X$  and  $Y$  are equicorrelated in the sense of Craig (1947) then  $q = p$ ,  $A_1 = A_1'$ ,  $A_2 = A_2'$ ,  $\Sigma_{11} = I$ ,  $\Sigma_{22} = I$ ,  $\Sigma_{12} = \rho I = \Sigma_{21}$  and in this case  $E_1 = 2\rho A_1$ ,  $E_2 = 2A_2$  and  $E_3 = (1 - \rho^2)A_1^2$ .

Thus when  $X$  and  $Y$  are equicorrelated in the sense of Craig (1947),

$$K_{2,2} = 8 \operatorname{tr} A_1^2 A_2^2 + 24\rho^2 \operatorname{tr} A_1^2 A_2^2 + 16\rho^2 \operatorname{tr}(A_1 A_2)^2.$$

*Remark 2.3.* If the cumulants of the quadratic form  $Q_2$  are to be obtained then in (2.8) put  $r_1 = 0$ ,  $r_3 = 0$  and replace  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  by identity matrices in the sum  $\sum_{(r_1, r_2, r_3)}$ . This will be listed as a corollary.

**COROLLARY 2.1.** *The  $r$ -th cumulant of the quadratic form  $Q_2$ , denoted by  $K_r^{(Q_2)}$ , is given by,*

$$(2.10) \quad K_r^{(Q_2)} = \frac{r!}{2^r} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{(r)} (E_2) = 2^{r-1} (r-1)! \operatorname{tr}(\Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A_2 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2})^r.$$

*Remark 2.4.* If the cumulants of the bilinear form  $Q_1$  are to be obtained then in (2.8) put  $r_2 = 0$  and replace  $E_2$  by  $I$  in the sum.

**COROLLARY 2.2.** *The  $(r_1 + 2r_3)$ -th cumulant of  $Q_1$ , denoted by  $K_{r_1+2r_3}^{(Q_1)}$ , is given by,*

$$(2.11) \quad K_{r_1+2r_3}^{(Q_1)} = \frac{(r_1 + 2r_3)!}{2^{(r_1 + r_3)}} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{(r_1, r_3)} (E_1 E_3).$$

*For approximating the density of  $Q_1$ , one may need the first four cumulants. These will be listed here explicitly.*

$$K_1^{(Q_1)} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{(1,0)} (E_1 E_3) = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} E_1 = \operatorname{tr} \Sigma_{21} A_1 = \text{expected value of } Q_1,$$

$$\begin{aligned} K_2^{(Q_1)} &= \frac{2!}{2^{(2)}} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{(2,0)} (E_1 E_3) + \frac{2!}{2^{(1)}} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{(0,1)} (E_1 E_3) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} E_1^2 + \operatorname{tr} E_3, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} K_3^{(Q_1)} &= \frac{3!}{2^{(3)}} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{(3,0)} (E_1 E_3) + \frac{3!}{2^{(2)}} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{(1,1)} (E_1 E_3) \\ &= \operatorname{tr} E_1^3 + 3 \operatorname{tr} E_1 E_3, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} K_4^{(Q_1)} &= \frac{4!}{2^{(4)}} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{(4,0)} (E_1 E_3) + \frac{4!}{2^{(3)}} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{(2,1)} (E_1 E_3) + \frac{4!}{2^{(2)}} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{(0,2)} (E_1 E_3) \\ &= 3 \operatorname{tr} E_1^4 + 12 \operatorname{tr} E_3 E_1^2 + 6 \operatorname{tr} E_3^2. \end{aligned}$$

2.2 Independence of bilinear and quadratic forms

Consider the same  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  in Section 2. What is a set of necessary and sufficient conditions under which  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are independently distributed? For the equicorrelated case, see Remark 2.2, Craig (1947) and others showed that the condition is  $A_1A_2 = 0$ . It is easily seen that when  $X$  and  $Y$  are independently distributed, the condition remains the same if  $A_1 = A'_1$  and  $\Sigma_{22} = I$ . We will establish a general result with the help of the joint cumulant generating function given in (2.3). We need a result which will be stated here as a lemma.

LEMMA 2.1. For two arbitrary  $p \times p$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$ ,

$$(2.12) \quad \text{tr}(AB)^2 + 2 \text{tr}(AB)(B'A') = 0 \Rightarrow AB = 0.$$

This result was established by Kawada (1950). The proof follows by observing that the left side of (2.12) can be written as a sum of positive definite quadratic forms of the type

$$\sum_{ij} (c_{ij}, c_{ji}) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{ij} \\ c_{ji} \end{pmatrix}$$

which can be zero only if  $c_{ij} = 0$  for all  $i$  and  $j$ , where  $c_{ij}$  is the  $(i, j)$ -th element of  $AB$ .

THEOREM 2.2. Let  $\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} \sim N_{p+q}(0, \Sigma)$ ,  $\Sigma > 0$ . Let  $Q_1 = X'A_1Y$  and  $Q_2 = Y'A_2Y$ ,  $A_2 = A'_2$  and  $A_1$  be  $p \times q$ . Let  $\text{cov}(X) = \Sigma_{11}$ ,  $\text{cov}(Y) = \Sigma_{22}$ ,  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = \Sigma_{12} = \Sigma'_{21}$ . Then  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are independently distributed iff  $A_1\Sigma_{22}A_2 = 0$  and  $A_1\Sigma_{12}A_2 = 0$ .

PROOF. Let  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  be independently distributed. Then

$$(2.13) \quad M_{Q_1,0}(t_1, 0)M_{0,Q_2}(0, t_2) = M_{Q_1,Q_2}(t_1, t_2)$$

where  $M_{Q_1,Q_2}(t_1, t_2)$  is given in (2.2). Take logarithms on both sides and expand as in (2.3) and then equate the coefficient of  $t_1^2t_2^2$  on both sides to get the following.

$$(2.14) \quad 2 \text{tr}(E_2E_3E_2) + 2 \text{tr}(E_1^2E_2^2) + \text{tr}(E_1E_2)^2 = 0$$

where  $E_1, E_2, E_3$  are given in (2.2). Equation (2.14) is noted from (2.9). But observe that  $E_1, E_2, E_3$  are symmetric matrices and further  $E_3$  can be written as  $B'B$  where  $B = (\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})^{1/2}A_1\Sigma_{22}^{1/2}$ . Hence (2.14) reduces to

$$(2.15) \quad [2 \text{tr}(E_2'B')(BE_2)] + [\text{tr}(E_1E_2)^2 + 2 \text{tr}(E_1E_2)(E_1E_2)'] = 0.$$

But the quantities in each bracket is nonnegative and hence each is zero. That is,  $E_1E_2 = 0$  and  $BE_2 = 0$ . But  $BE_2 = 0 \Rightarrow A_1\Sigma_{22}A_2 = 0$  since  $\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21} > 0, \Sigma_{22} > 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} E_1E_2 &= 2(\Sigma_{22}^{-1/2}\Sigma_{21}A_1\Sigma_{22}A_2\Sigma_{22}^{1/2} + \Sigma_{22}^{1/2}A_1\Sigma_{12}A_2\Sigma_{22}^{1/2}) \\ &= 2\Sigma_{22}^{1/2}A_1\Sigma_{12}A_2\Sigma_{22}^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $E_1E_2 = 0 \Rightarrow A'_1\Sigma_{12}A_2 = 0$ . This establishes the necessity. Now check  $M_{Q_1,0}(t_1, 0)M_{0,Q_2}(0, t_2)$  and  $M_{Q_1,Q_2}(t_1, t_2)$  separately under the conditions  $A_1\Sigma_{22}A_2 = 0$  and  $A'_1\Sigma_{12}A_2 = 0$  to see that they are equal. This completes the proof.

**COROLLARY 2.3.** *The necessary and sufficient condition for the independence of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  is (1)  $A_1\Sigma_{22}A_2 = 0$  when  $X$  and  $Y$  are independently distributed; and (2)  $A_1A_2 = 0$  when  $X$  and  $Y$  are equicorrelated in the sense of Craig (1947).*

*Remark 2.5.* In the proof of Theorem 2.2 we have made use of the explicit expressions for the cumulants. By writing bilinear forms as quadratic forms one can also make use of the results on quadratic forms, see for example Rao ((1973), p. 188), for establishing this theorem. In this case write  $Q_1 = X'A_1Y = (1/2)(X', Y') \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A_1 \\ A'_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$  and  $Q_2 = Y'A_2Y = (X', Y') \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$ .

3. Bilinear forms

Let  $\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} \sim N_{p+q}(0, \Sigma)$ ,  $\Sigma > 0$  with  $\text{cov}(X) = \Sigma_{11}$ ,  $\text{cov}(Y) = \Sigma_{22}$ ,  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = \Sigma_{12} = \Sigma'_{21}$ . Let  $Q_1 = X'A_1Y$  and  $Q_2 = X'A_2Y$  where  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are  $p \times q$  real matrices of constants. We will use the same notation  $Q_2$  to denote a bilinear form here. This will not create any confusion since we will not be considering results where the  $Q_2$ 's of Sections 2 and 3 both will be involved. The joint m.g.f. of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ , denoted again by  $M_{Q_1, Q_2}(t_1, t_2)$  is available by following through similar steps as in (2.1) to (2.2). Then

$$(3.1) \quad M_{Q_1, Q_2}(t_1, t_2) = |B^*|^{-1/2} / |\Sigma|^{1/2}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} |B^*| &= \left| \begin{array}{cc} \Sigma^{11} & \Sigma^{12} - t_1A_1 - t_2A_2 \\ \Sigma^{21} - t_1A'_1 - t_2A'_2 & \Sigma^{22} \end{array} \right| \\ &= |\Sigma^{11}| |\Sigma_{22}^{-1}| \\ &\quad \cdot |I_q - \Sigma_{21}(t_1A_1 + t_2A_2) - \Sigma_{22}(t_1A'_1 + t_2A'_2)\Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1} \\ &\quad \quad - \Sigma_{22}(t_1A'_1 + t_2A'_2)(\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})(t_1A_1 + t_2A_2)|. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} M_{Q_1, Q_2}(t_1, t_2) &= |I_q - \Sigma_{22}^{-1/2}\Sigma_{21}(t_1A_1 + t_2A_2)\Sigma_{22}^{1/2} - \Sigma_{22}^{1/2}(t_1A'_1 + t_2A'_2)\Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1/2} \\ &\quad - \Sigma_{22}^{-1/2}(t_1A_1 + t_2A_2)'(\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})(t_1A_1 + t_2A_2)\Sigma_{22}^{1/2}|^{-1/2} \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} &= |I_p - \Sigma_{11}^{-1/2}\Sigma_{12}(t_1A'_1 + t_2A'_2)\Sigma_{11}^{1/2} - \Sigma_{11}^{1/2}(t_1A_1 + t_2A_2)\Sigma_{21}\Sigma_{11}^{-1/2} \\ &\quad - \Sigma_{11}^{1/2}(t_1A_1 + t_2A_2)(\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{21}\Sigma_{11}^{-1}\Sigma_{12})(t_1A_1 + t_2A_2)' \Sigma_{11}^{1/2}|^{-1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

From (3.2) one can write

$$(3.4) \quad M_{Q_1, Q_2}(t_1, t_2) = |I_q - t_1 E_1 - t_2 E_2 - t_3 E_3 - t_4 E_4 - t_5 E_5|^{-1/2}$$

where

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{cases} t_3 = t_1^2, & t_4 = t_2^2, & t_5 = t_1 t_2, \\ E_1 = E'_1 = \Sigma_{22}^{-1/2} \Sigma_{21} A_1 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} + \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A'_1 \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1/2}, \\ E_2 = E'_2 = \Sigma_{22}^{-1/2} \Sigma_{21} A_2 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} + \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A'_2 \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1/2}, \\ E_3 = E'_3 = \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A'_1 D A_1 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2}, & D = \Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} \Sigma_{21}, \\ E_4 = E'_4 = \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A'_2 D A_2 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2}, \\ E_5 = E'_5 = \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A'_1 D A_2 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} + \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A'_2 D A_1 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2}. \end{cases}$$

For convenience we will use the same notation  $E_i$ 's as in Section 2. Note that the  $E_i$ 's appearing in Sections 2 and 3 are not all the same. Consider the expansion of  $\ln M_{Q_1, Q_2}(t_1, t_2)$  as in (2.3) where the  $C$  here is given by

$$C = t_1 E_1 + \cdots + t_5 E_5.$$

The coefficient of  $t_1^{r_1} \cdots t_5^{r_5}$ ,  $r = r_1 + \cdots + r_5$  is coming from  $C^r$  only. This is given by  $(1/2r) \operatorname{tr} \sum_{(r_1, \dots, r_5)} (E_1 \cdots E_5)$  where the notation is explained in Section 2. Note that  $t_3 = t_1^2$ ,  $t_4 = t_2^2$  and  $t_5 = t_1 t_2$  and hence the joint cumulants of the type  $(r_1 + 2r_3 + r_5, r_2 + 2r_4 + r_5)$  can be obtained from this coefficient. Again denoting the  $(s_1, s_2)$ -th joint cumulant of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  by  $K_{s_1, s_2}$  we have,

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$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} & K_{r_1+2r_3+r_5, r_2+2r_4+r_5} \\ &= \frac{(r_1 + 2r_3 + r_5)!(r_2 + 2r_4 + r_5)!}{2r} \operatorname{tr} \left( \sum_{(r_1, \dots, r_5)} (E_1 \cdots E_5) \right) \end{aligned}$$

where  $r = r_1 + \cdots + r_5$ .

*Remark 3.1.* Various cumulants of  $Q_1$  are available from (3.6) by putting  $r_2 = 0$ ,  $r_4 = 0$ ,  $r_5 = 0$  and replacing  $E_2$ ,  $E_4$  and  $E_5$  by identities in the sum  $\sum (E_1 \cdots E_5)$ .

*Remark 3.2.* When  $X$  and  $Y$  are independently distributed various joint cumulants of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are available from (3.6) by putting  $E_1 = 0$ ,  $E_2 = 0$  and replacing  $D$  by  $\Sigma_{11}$ . In the sum  $\sum (E_1 \cdots E_5)$  put  $r_1 = 0$ ,  $r_2 = 0$  and replace  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  by identity matrices.

*Remark 3.3.* When  $X$  and  $Y$  are equicorrelated in the sense of Craig (1947) the joint cumulants of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are available from (3.6) by putting  $E_1 = 2\rho A_1$ ,



$E_2 = 2\rho A_2, E_3 = (1 - \rho^2)A_1^2, E_4 = (1 - \rho^2)A_2^2, E_5 = 2(1 - \rho^2)A_1A_2$ . Note that in this case  $q = p, A_1 = A_1', A_2 = A_2'$ .

The first few cumulants will be needed if someone is trying to approximate the distributions of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  or the joint distribution of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ . Hence a few of these will be listed here explicitly.

Take  $K_{1,0}, K_{0,1}, K_{2,0}, K_{0,2}$  from (2.11) or from the explicit forms given there.

$$(3.7) \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} K_{1,1} &= \frac{1}{2(2)} \operatorname{tr}(E_1E_2 + E_2E_1) + \frac{1}{2(1)} \operatorname{tr} E_5 = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} E_1E_2 + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} E_5 \\ &= \operatorname{tr}(\Sigma_{21}A_1\Sigma_{21}A_2) + \operatorname{tr}(\Sigma_{22}A_1'\Sigma_{11}A_2) = \operatorname{cov}(Q_1, Q_2); \\ K_{2,1} &= \frac{2!}{2(3)} \operatorname{tr}(E_1^2E_2 + E_2E_1^2 + E_1E_2E_1) \\ &\quad + \frac{2!}{2(2)} \operatorname{tr}(E_1E_5 + E_5E_1) + \frac{2!}{2(2)} \operatorname{tr}(E_2E_3 + E_3E_2) \\ &= \operatorname{tr}(E_1^2E_2) + \operatorname{tr}(E_1E_5) + \operatorname{tr}(E_2E_3); \\ K_{1,2} &= \operatorname{tr}(E_2^2E_1) + \operatorname{tr}(E_2E_5) + \operatorname{tr}(E_1E_4); \\ K_{2,2} &= 2 \operatorname{tr} E_1^2E_2^2 + 2 \operatorname{tr} E_1^2E_4 + \operatorname{tr} E_5^2 + 2 \operatorname{tr} E_3E_4 \\ &\quad + 2 \operatorname{tr} E_2^2E_3 + 4 \operatorname{tr} E_1E_2E_5 + \operatorname{tr}(E_1E_2)^2. \end{aligned} \right.$$

*Remark 3.4.* When  $X$  and  $Y$  are independently distributed

$$(3.8) \quad K_{2,2} = \operatorname{tr} E_5^2 + 2 \operatorname{tr} E_3E_4.$$

**THEOREM 3.2.** Let  $\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} \sim N_{p+q}(0, \Sigma), \Sigma > 0, \operatorname{cov}(X) = \Sigma_{11}, \operatorname{cov}(Y) = \Sigma_{22}, \operatorname{cov}(X, Y) = \Sigma_{12} = \Sigma'_{21}$ . Consider  $Q_i = X'A_iY$ , where  $A_i$  is a  $p \times q$  real matrix of constants,  $i = 1, 2$ . Then the necessary and sufficient conditions for the independence of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are

$$A_1\Sigma_{22}A_2' = 0, \quad A_1'\Sigma_{11}A_2 = 0, \quad A_2\Sigma_{21}A_1 = 0, \quad A_1\Sigma_{21}A_2 = 0.$$

**PROOF.** Necessity. Let  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  be independently distributed. Then

$$(3.9) \quad M_{Q_1,0}(t_1, 0)M_{0,Q_2}(0, t_2) = M_{Q_1,Q_2}(t_1, t_2)$$

where  $M_{Q_1,Q_2}(t_1, t_2)$  is given in (3.2). Take logarithms on both sides of (3.9), expand and compare the coefficient of  $t_1^2t_2^2$  on both sides to get  $K_{2,2} = 0$  where  $K_{2,2}$  is given in (3.7). Since  $K_{2,2} = 0$  for all  $\Sigma_{12}$  it should hold for  $\Sigma_{12} = 0$  also. Then from (3.8)

$$(3.10) \quad \operatorname{tr} E_5^2 + 2 \operatorname{tr} E_3E_4 = 0.$$

But note that

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{tr} E_5^2 &= \operatorname{tr}(E_5)(E_5)' \geq 0, \\ \operatorname{tr}(E_3E_4) &= \operatorname{tr}(D^{1/2}A_1\Sigma_{22}A_2'D^{1/2})(D^{1/2}A_1\Sigma_{22}A_2'D^{1/2})' \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$D^{1/2}A_1\Sigma_{22}A_2'D^{1/2} = 0 \Rightarrow A_1\Sigma_{22}A_2' = 0.$$

Then from (3.3) one has  $A_1'\Sigma_{11}A_2 = 0$ . Now impose these conditions on (3.7) and simplify. After a lot of algebra  $K_{2,2}$  of (3.7) can be written as follows.

$$(3.11) \quad \begin{aligned} K_{2,2} &= 2 \operatorname{tr} U_1'(\Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A_2 \Sigma_{11} A_2 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2}) U_1 \\ &\quad + 2 \operatorname{tr} U_2'(\Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A_1' \Sigma_{11} A_1 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2}) U_2 \\ &\quad + 2[\operatorname{tr}(U_1 U_2)^2 + 2 \operatorname{tr}(U_1 U_2)(U_2 U_1)] \end{aligned}$$

where

$$U_1 = \Sigma_{22}^{-1/2} \Sigma_{21} A_1 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2}, \quad U_2 = \Sigma_{22}^{-1/2} \Sigma_{21} A_2 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2}.$$

Note that  $U_1 U_2' = 0$ . Also independence of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  implies that  $K_{2,2} = 0$  for all  $A_1, A_2, \Sigma_{11}, \Sigma_{22}$ . Put  $U_2 = 0$ , that is, select an  $A_2$  such that  $\Sigma_{21} A_2 = 0$ . Then  $K_{2,2} = 0 \Rightarrow \Sigma_{11}^{1/2} A_2 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} U_1 = 0 \Rightarrow A_2 \Sigma_{21} A_1 = 0$ . Similarly  $A_1 \Sigma_{21} A_2 = 0$ . Under the conditions  $A_2 \Sigma_{21} A_1 = 0$  and  $A_1 \Sigma_{21} A_2 = 0$  note that  $U_1 U_2 = 0, U_2 U_1 = 0$  and  $K_{2,2} = 0$ . Hence, the conditions  $A_2 \Sigma_{21} A_1 = 0$  and  $A_1 \Sigma_{21} A_2 = 0$  are necessary.

To see the sufficiency consider  $M_{Q_1,0}(t_1, 0)M_{0,Q_2}(0, t_2)$  and  $M_{Q_1,Q_2}(t_1, t_2)$  separately and impose the conditions  $A_1 \Sigma_{22} A_2' = 0, A_1' \Sigma_{11} A_2 = 0, A_2 \Sigma_{21} A_1 = 0$  and  $A_1 \Sigma_{21} A_2 = 0$ . Under these conditions the  $E_5$  of  $M_{Q_1,Q_2}(t_1, t_2)$  reduces to

$$(3.12) \quad \begin{aligned} E_5 &= -\Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A_1' \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} \Sigma_{21} A_2 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} - \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} A_2' \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} \Sigma_{21} A_1 \Sigma_{22}^{1/2} \\ &\quad M_{Q_1,0}(t_1, 0)M_{0,Q_2}(0, t_2) \\ &= |I - t_1 E_1 - t_2 E_2 - t_1^2 E_3 - t_2^2 E_4 \\ &\quad + t_1^2 t_2 E_3 E_2 + t_1 t_2 E_1 E_2 + t_1 t_2^2 E_1 E_4 + t_1^2 t_2^2 E_3 E_4|^{-1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

But note that under the necessary conditions  $E_1 E_4 = 0, E_3 E_2 = 0, E_3 E_4 = 0$  and  $E_1 E_2 = -E_5$  of (3.12) which establishes sufficiency.

**COROLLARY 3.1.** *When  $X$  and  $Y$  are independently distributed then  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are independently distributed iff  $A_1 \Sigma_{22} A_2' = 0$  and  $A_1' \Sigma_{11} A_2 = 0$ .*

**COROLLARY 3.2.** *When  $X$  and  $Y$  are equicorrelated in the sense  $q = p, \Sigma_{11} = \sigma_1^2 I, \Sigma_{22} = \sigma_2^2 I, \Sigma_{21} = \rho I = \Sigma_{12}$  then  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are independently distributed iff  $A_1 A_2' = 0, A_1' A_2 = 0, A_1 A_2 = 0, A_2 A_1 = 0$ .*

**COROLLARY 3.3.** *When  $X$  and  $Y$  are equicorrelated in the sense of Craig (1947) then  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are independently distributed iff  $A_1 A_2 = 0$ .*

*Remark 3.5.* Similar comments as in Remark 2.5 are also applicable here.

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