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Subject: Re: Normally distributed vectors

Posted by [Emilio Martinez](#) on Thu, 11 Jun 1998 07:00:00 GMT

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I sent by mistake my reply just to Ewan Macpherson, instead of the whole newsgroup. However, since it might be of interest to other people, I post it here together with his reply.

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>>> All you need to do is generate each component from

>>> independent normal distributions.

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>> Hmmm... I might be wrong, but I think that this is true only if the

>> covariance matrix (the 3X3 matrix made up of variances and

>> covariances) is diagonal. In the other cases, I should find the

>> basis where it is diagonal, sample from independent normal

>> distributions, and then go back to the original basis. Just some

>> linear algebra.

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> Yes indeed. I misread the part of your message where you

> specified NON-zero covariances. Oops!

> cheers,

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So, thanks Ewan for your attempt. Of course, my original request is still valid. Greetings to everyone.

Emilio

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