

**Table 3.2** Multivariate distributions available in WinBUGS

Distribution name	WinBUGS syntax	Probability or density function $f(x)$	Mean	Variance/covariance
<b>Discrete distributions</b>				
(19) Multinomial	$x[1:K] \sim \text{dmulti}(p[], N)$	$N! \left( \prod_{i=1}^K x_i! \right)^{-1} \prod_{i=1}^K p_i^{x_i}$	$E(X_i) = Np_i$	$V(X_i) = Np_i(1 - p_i)$ $\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = -Np_i p_j$
<b>Continuous distributions</b>				
(20) Dirichlet	$x[1:K] \sim \text{ddirch}(a[])$	$\Gamma(a) \left[ \prod_{i=1}^K \Gamma(a_i) \right]^{-1} \prod_{i=1}^K x_i^{a_i-1}$	$E(X_i) = a_i/a$	$V(X_i) = a_i(a - a_i)/[a^2(a + 1)]$ $\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = -a_i a_j / [a^2(a + 1)]$
(21) Multivariate normal	$x[1:K] \sim \text{dmnorm}(mu[], T[,])$	$(2\pi)^{-K/2}  T ^{1/2} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (x - \mu)^T T (x - \mu) \right]$	$E(X) = \mu$	$V(X) = T^{-1}$
(22) Multivariate Student's $t$	$x[1:K] \sim \text{dmt}(mu[], T[,], v)$	$\left\{ (v\pi)^{-K/2} \Gamma[(v + K)/2] / \Gamma(v/2) \right\}$ $\times \left[ 1 + v^{-1} (x - \mu)^T T (x - \mu) \right]^{- (v+K)/2}$	$E(X) = \mu$	$V(X) = v(v - 2)^{-1} T^{-1}$
(23) Wishart	$x[1:K, 1:K] \sim \text{dwish}(R[,], v)$	$ R ^{v/2} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(Rx) \right]$	$E(X_{ij}) = vA_{ij}$	$\text{Cov}(X_{ij}, X_{km}) = v(A_{ik}A_{jm} + A_{im}A_{jk})$

*Key:*  $(\mathbf{19})$   $x[]$  and  $p[]$  are vectors of dimension  $K$  with elements  $x[i] = x_i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  and  $p[i] = p_i \in (0, 1)$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^K x_i = N$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^K p_i = 1$ ;  $(\mathbf{20})$   $x[]$  and  $a[]$  are vectors of dimension  $K$  with elements  $x[i] = x_i \in (0, 1)$  and  $a[i] = a_i > 0$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^K x_i = 1$  and  $a = \sum_{i=1}^K a_i$ ;  $(\mathbf{21}, \mathbf{22})$   $x[]$  and  $mu[]$  are vectors of dimension  $K$  with elements  $x[i] = x_i \in (0, 1)$  and  $\mu[i] = \mu_i \in \mathbf{R}$ .  $T[]$  (and  $T$ ) is a  $K \times K$  symmetric precision matrix with elements  $T[i, j] = \tau_{ij} > 0$ ;  $v > 0$ ;  $(\mathbf{23})$   $x[], \mu$  and  $R[]$  are  $K \times K$  positive-definite (symmetric) matrices with elements  $x[i, j] = x_{ij}$  and  $R[i, j] = R_{ij}$ ;  $A_{ij}$  are the element of the matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{R}^{-1}$ ;  $v > 0$ . Also  $\mu_i$ : mean of  $X_i$ ;  $V(X_i)$ ,  $\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$ : variance of  $X_i$ ;  $\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$ : covariance between  $X_i$  and  $X_j$ .