



Lecture 07 – Correlation & Autocorrelation

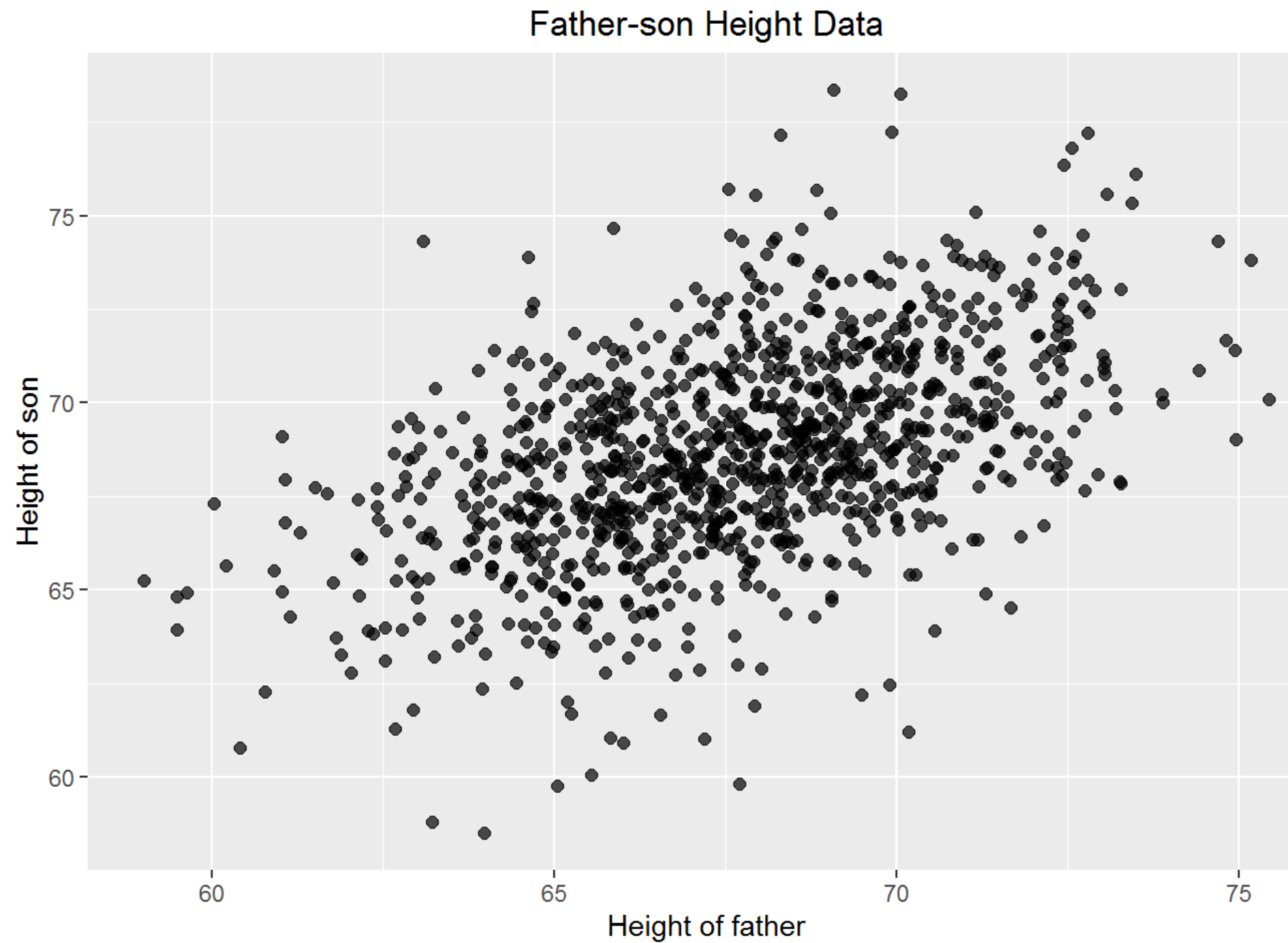
Recap

- RMS, SD, Chebyshev inequality

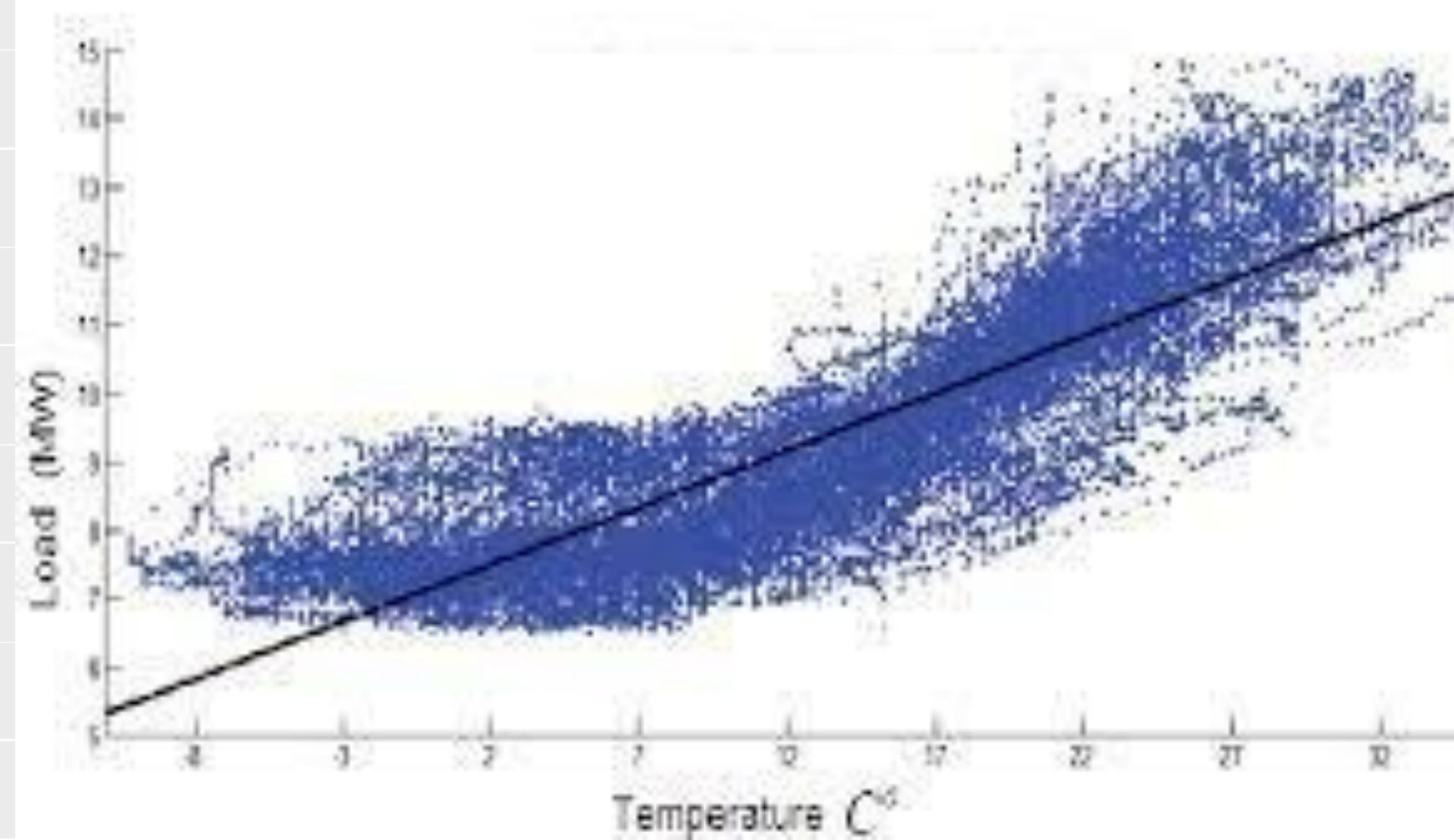


Correlation

- Father-son heights

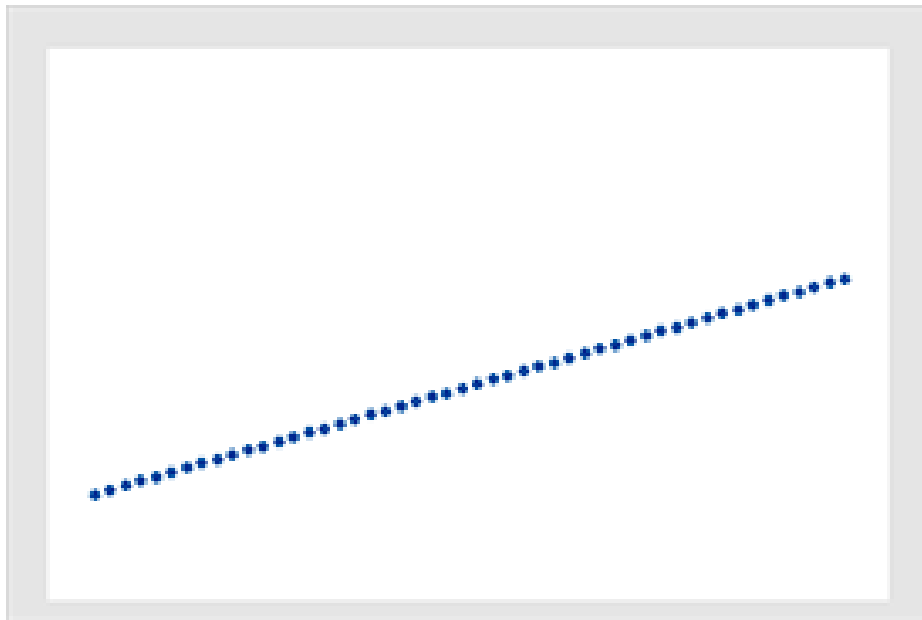


- Temperature-Electric bill

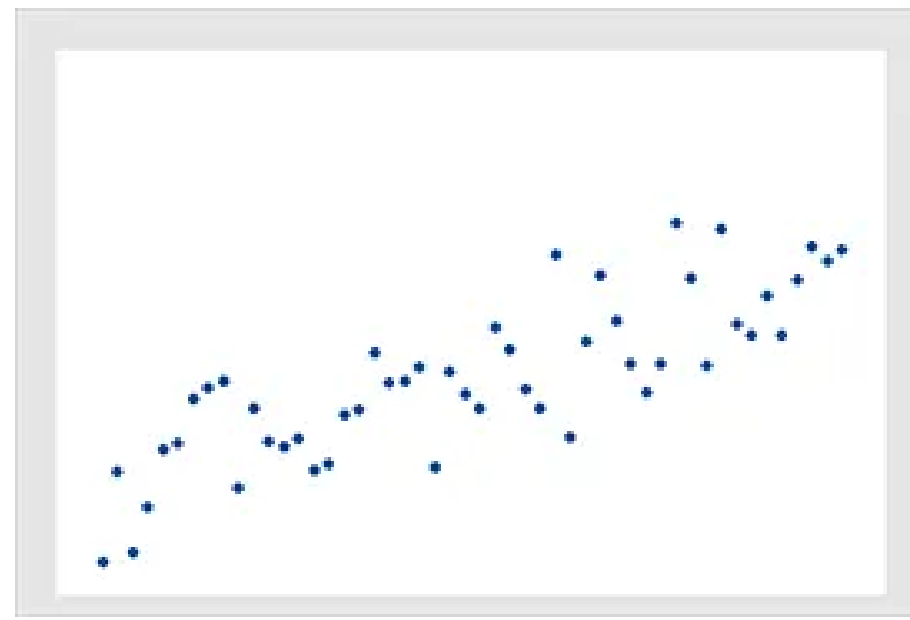


Correlation strength & coefficients

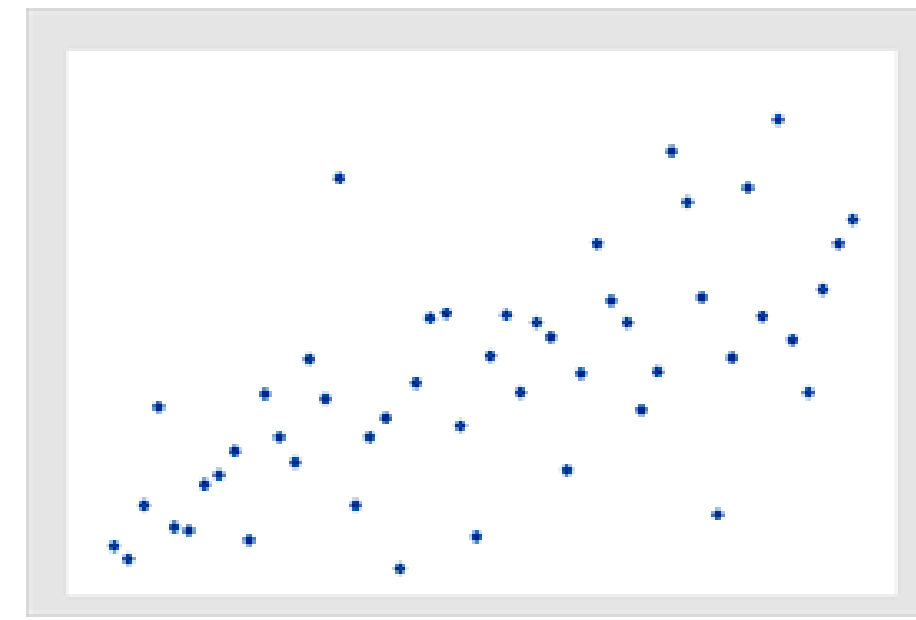
• Very Strong



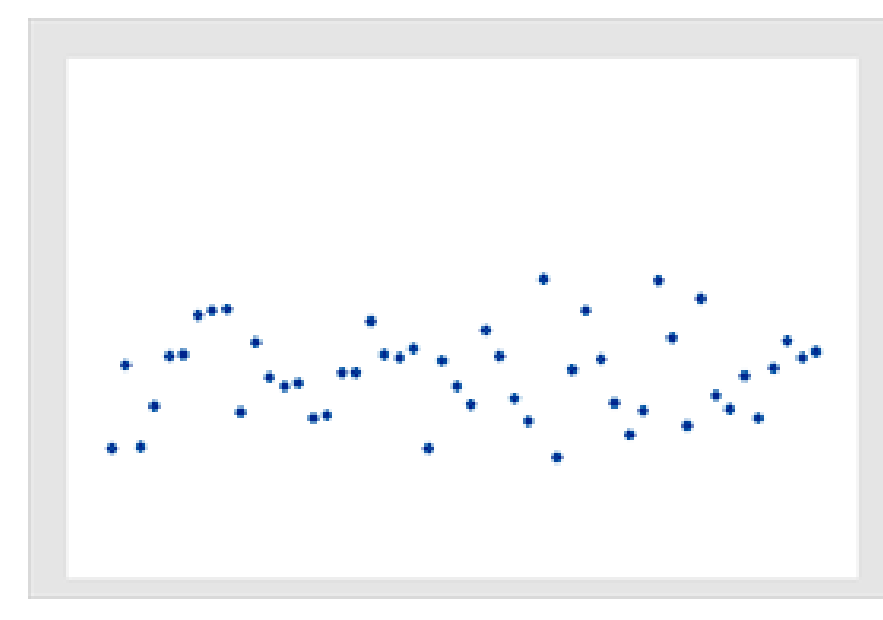
Strong



Moderate



None



• 1

0.8

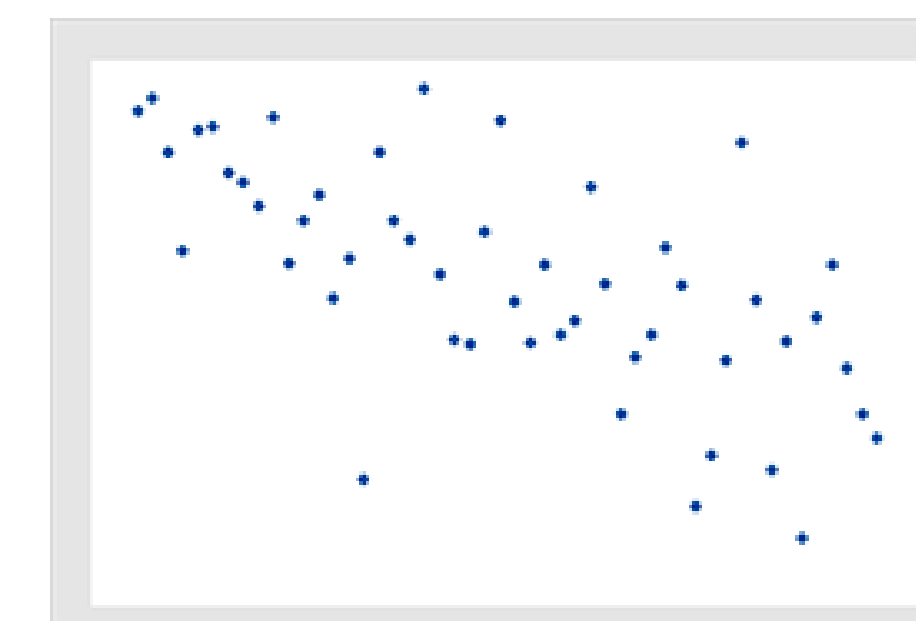
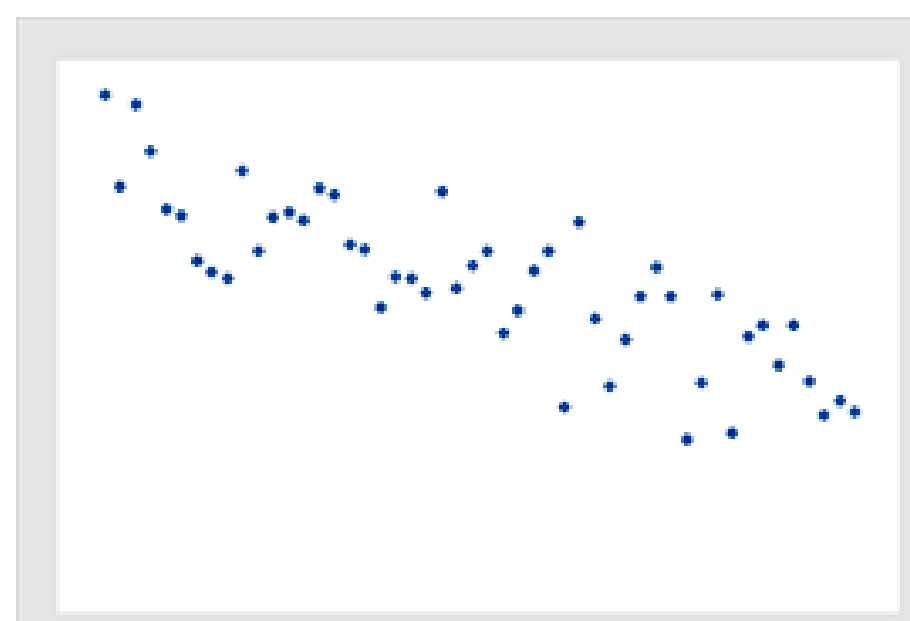
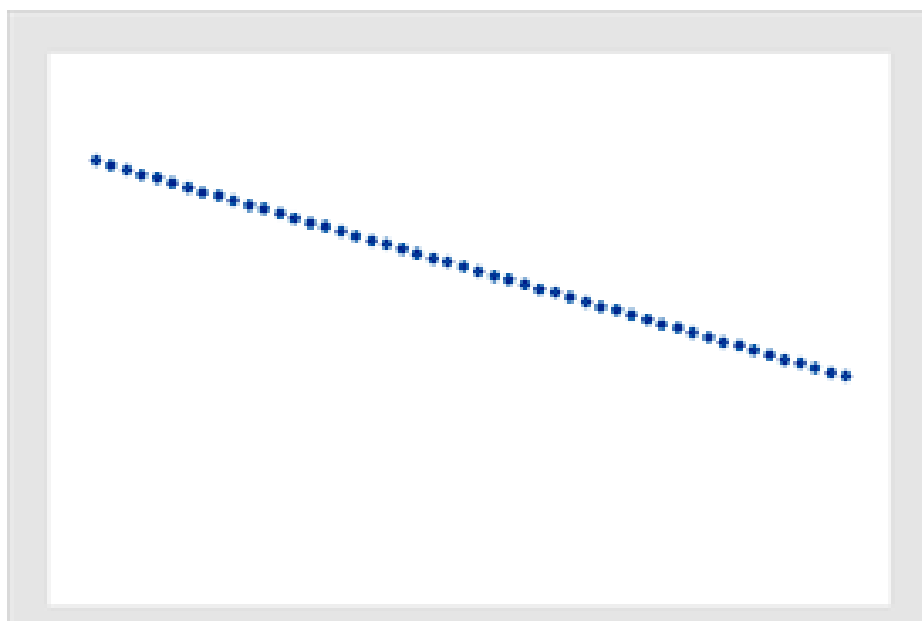
0.6

0

• -1

-0.8

-0.6



Correlation coefficient

Simple form

$$\rho = \frac{(a - \bar{a})^T (b - \bar{b})}{\|a - \bar{a}\| \|b - \bar{b}\|}$$

Denominator for
normalizing between -
1 and 1

• Why not

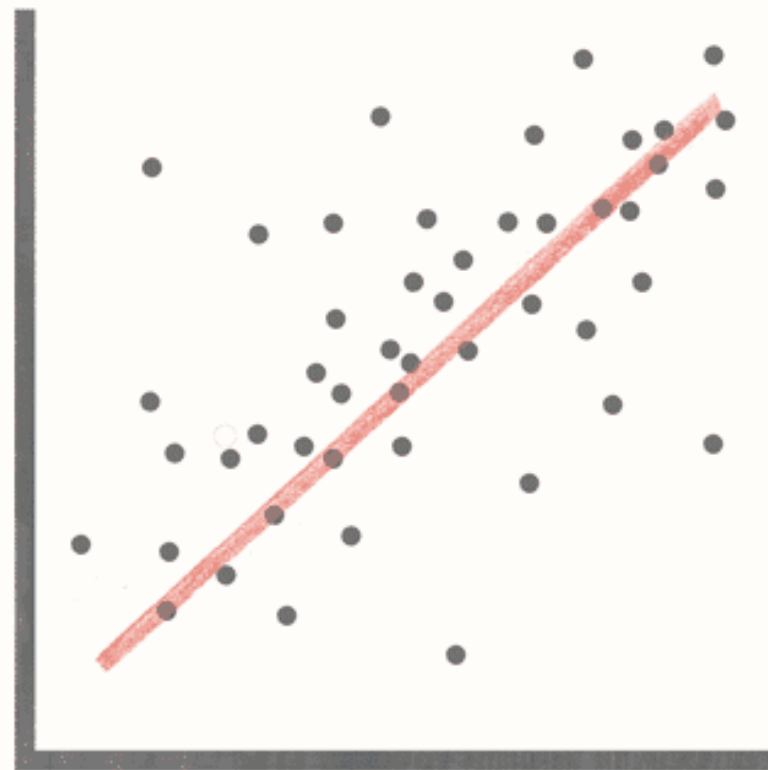
$$\rho = \frac{a^T b}{\|a\| \|b\|}$$

Nasty form

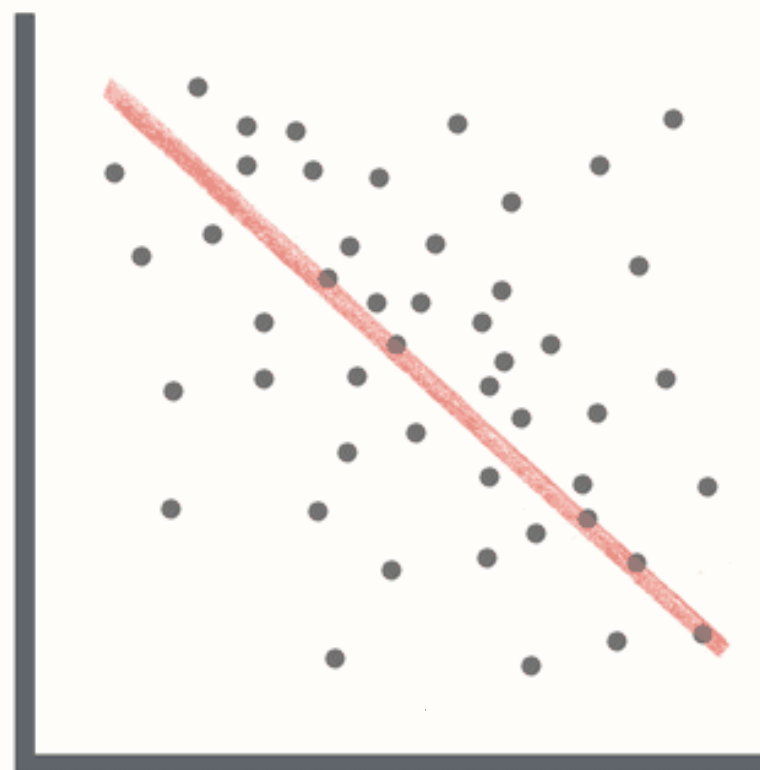
$$\rho = \frac{(a - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}^T a \mathbf{1})^T (b - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}^T b \mathbf{1})}{\|a - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}^T a \mathbf{1}\| \|b - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}^T b \mathbf{1}\|}$$

After all, dot
product measures
similarity

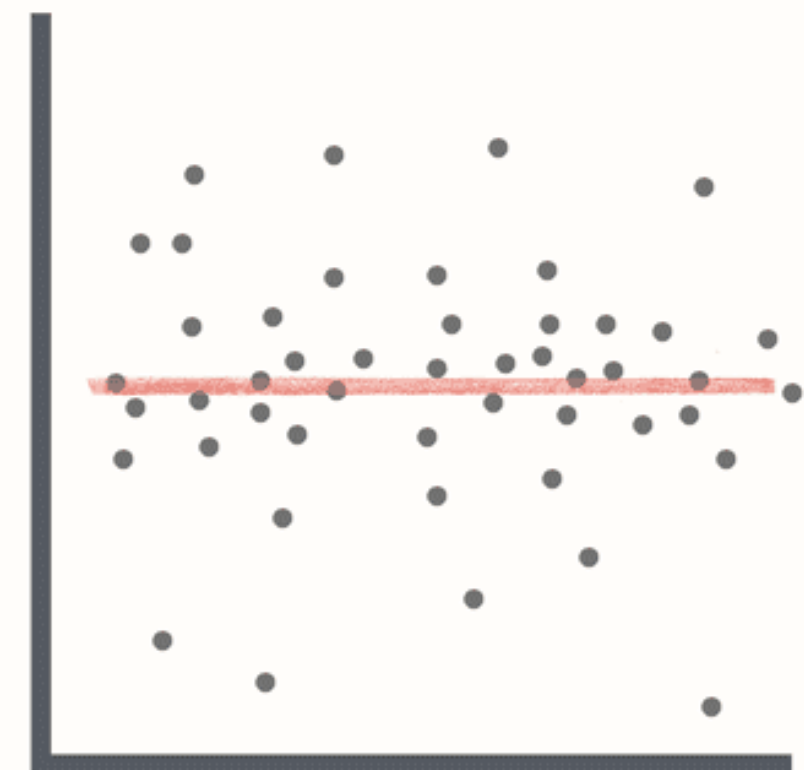
Intuition behind mean centering



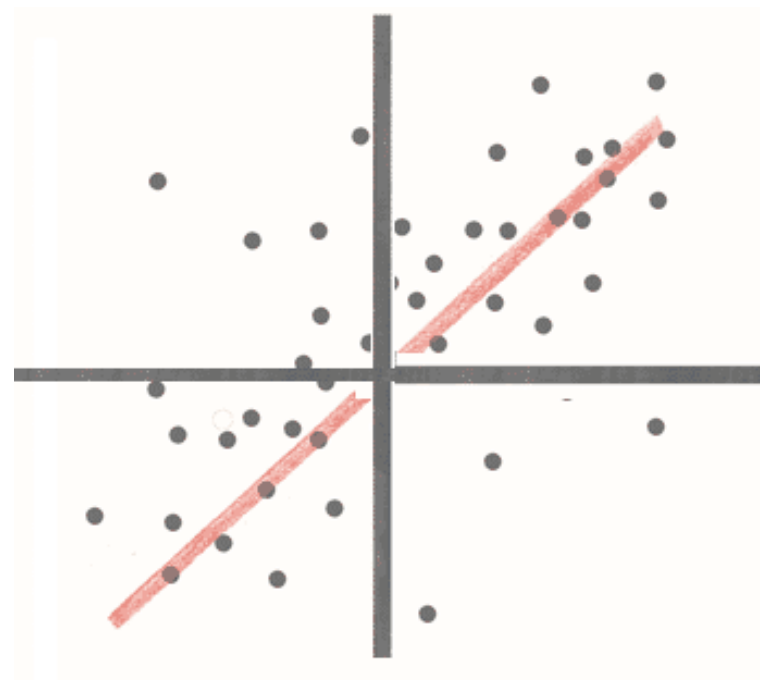
Positive Correlation



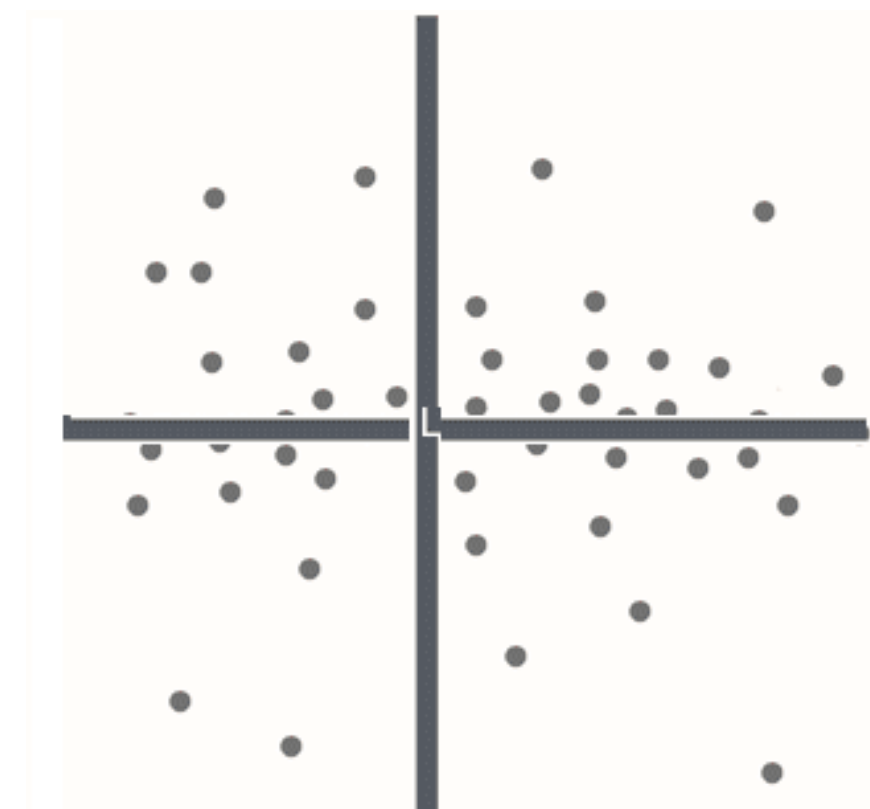
Negative Correlation



No Correlation

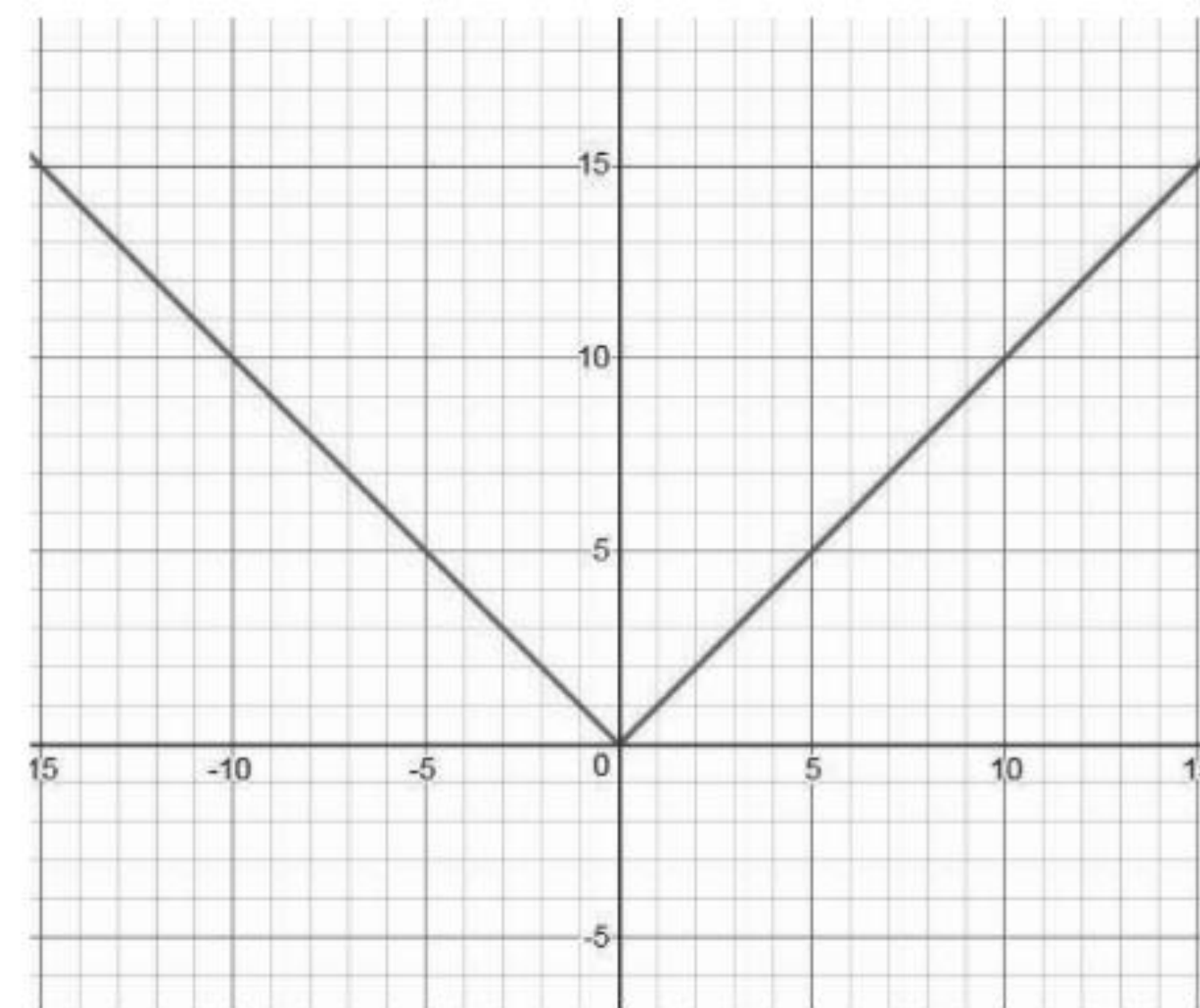
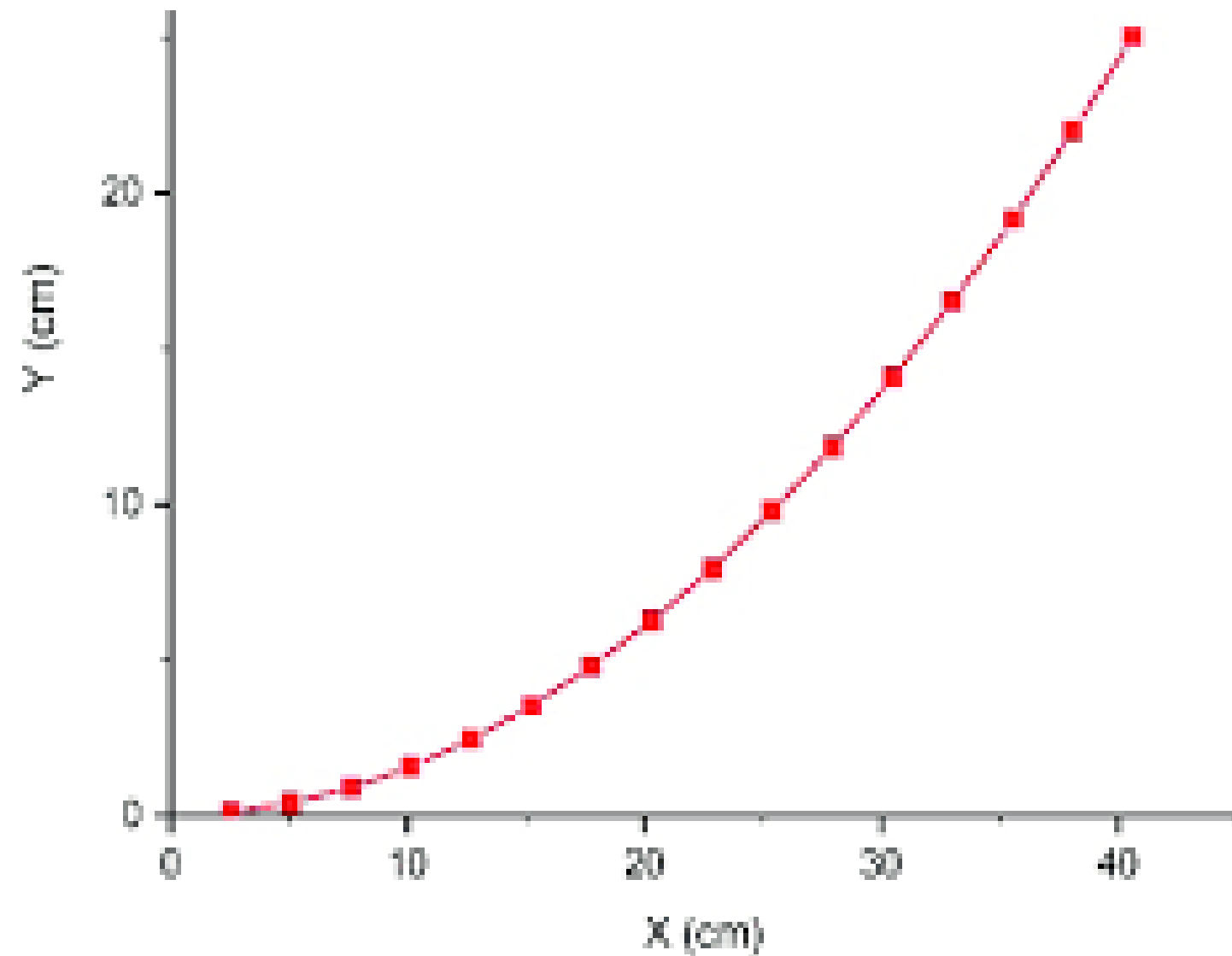


Positive Correlation



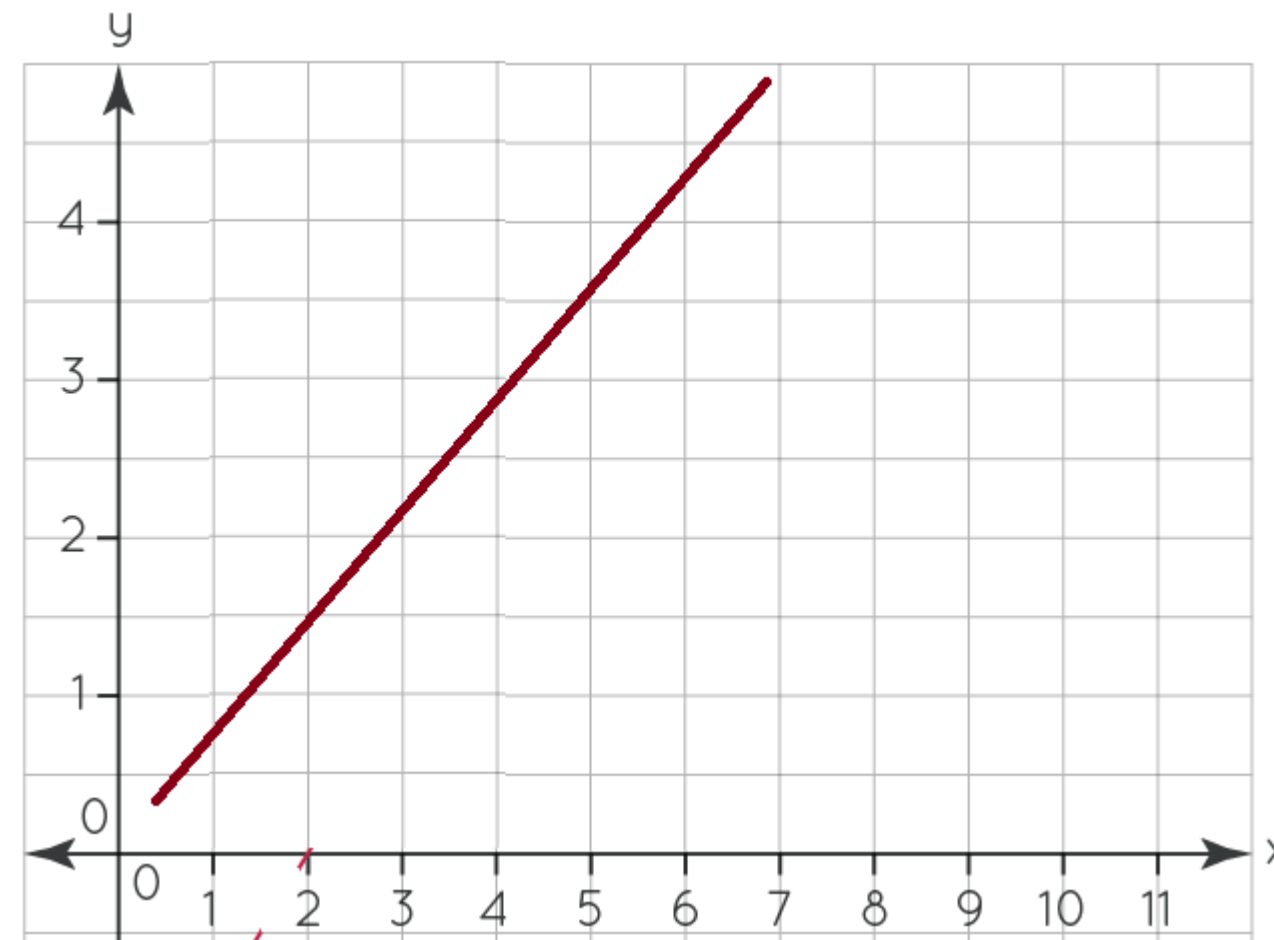
What is the correlation coefficient ?

- Imagine two datasets with points **perfectly** along the curve
- What is the correl coeff?



Which has more correlation coefficient ?

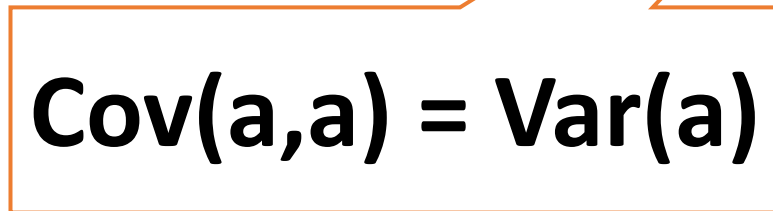
- Imagine two datasets where points are **perfectly** along these lines
- Which has more correlation coefficient?



Correlation coefficient other forms

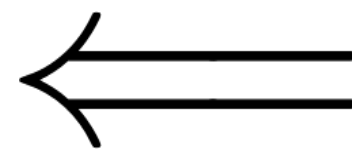
In Linear Algebra

$$\rho = \frac{(a - \bar{a})^T (b - \bar{b})}{\|a - \bar{a}\| \|b - \bar{b}\|}$$


$$\mathbf{Cov}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}) = \mathbf{Var}(\mathbf{a})$$

$$\rho = \frac{u^T v}{n}$$

where $u = \frac{a - \bar{a}}{\sigma_a}$ $v = \frac{b - \bar{b}}{\sigma_b}$



In Statistics

$$\mathit{Cov}(a, b) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (a - \bar{a})(b - \bar{b})}{n}$$

$$\rho = \mathit{Correl}(a, b) = \frac{\mathit{Cov}(a, b)}{\sigma_a \sigma_b}$$

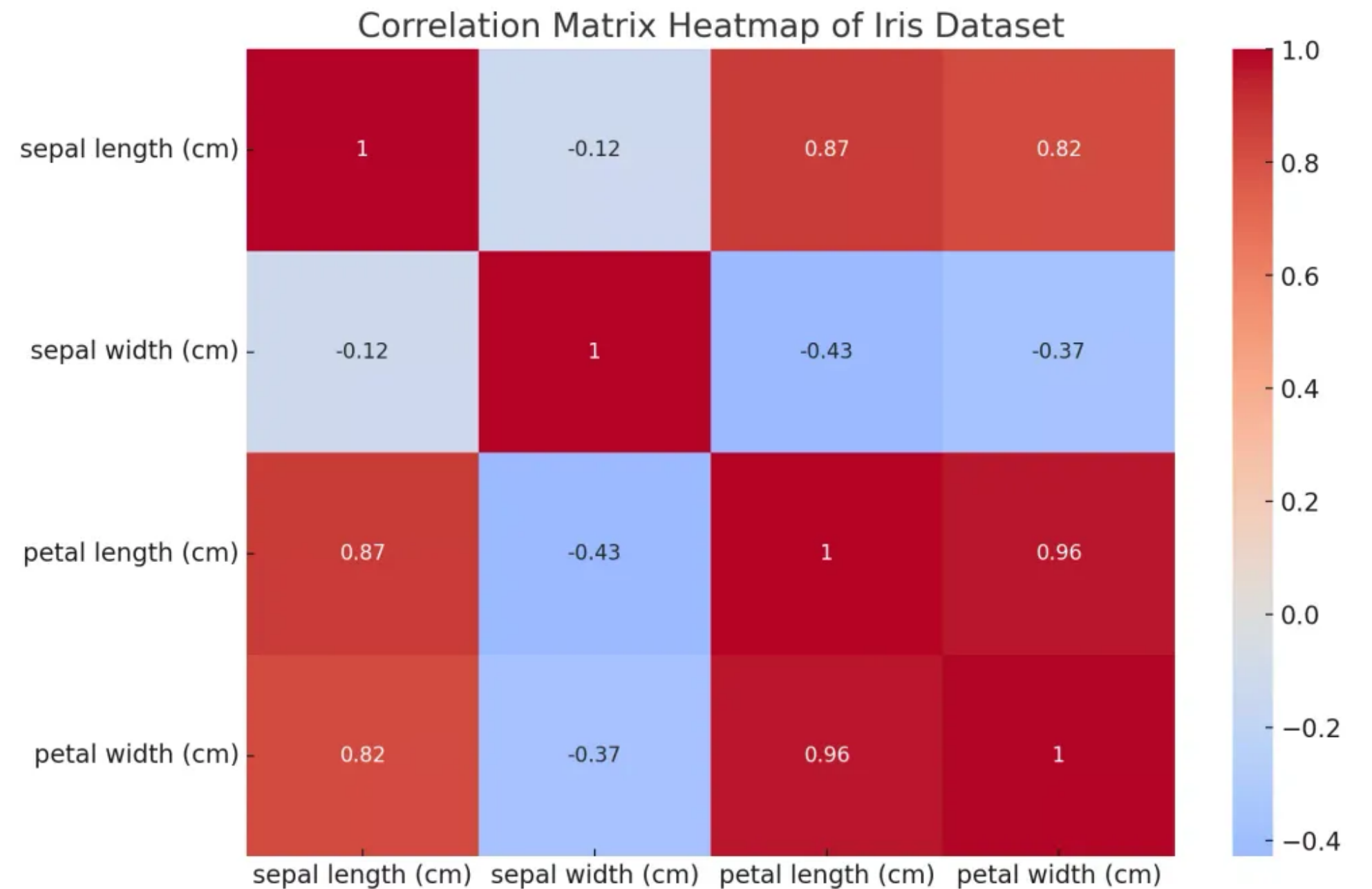
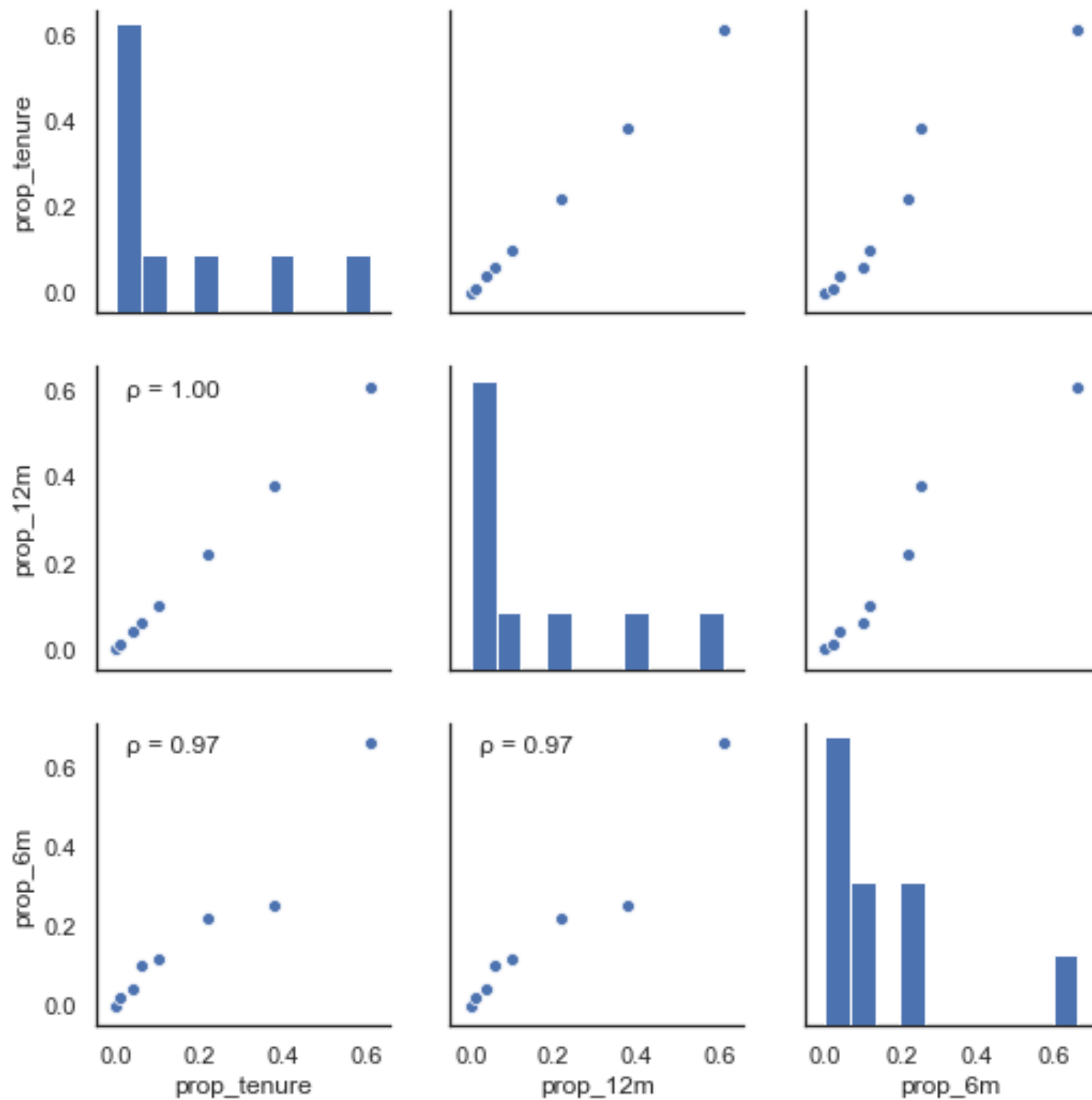
$$\rho = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{a_i - \bar{a}}{\sigma_a} \right) \left(\frac{b_i - \bar{b}}{\sigma_b} \right)$$

Covariance & Correlation in numpy

- Covariance: `np.cov()`
 - Returns covariance matrix
- Correlation Coefficient: `np.corrcoef(a, b)`
 - Two 1-D vectors passed
 - Supports only Pearson correlation coefficient
- There are two more – Spearman and Kendall
 - When are they used? - Reading assignment
- What is the relation to `np.correlate()`?
- Pandas `corr()`

Visualizing correlation

- Seaborn pair plots and heatmaps



Correlation is not causation



Correlation is not causation

- Ice cream sale increases as summer heat increases
- Shark attack increases as summer heat increases
- Ice cream sale is highly correlated to shark attacks
- Wrong to conclude ice cream sale caused shark attack



2. Correlation between time series signals

Auto correlation

- Correlation of data with itself
- Auto-correlation is always 1
- What if it is time lagged version of itself?

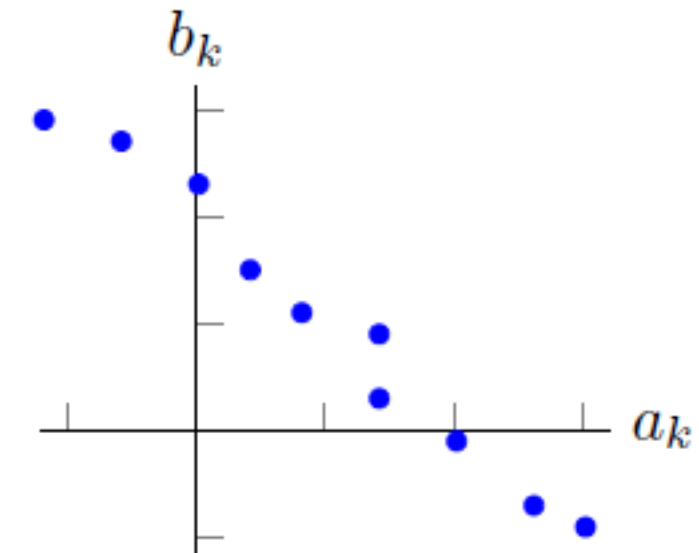
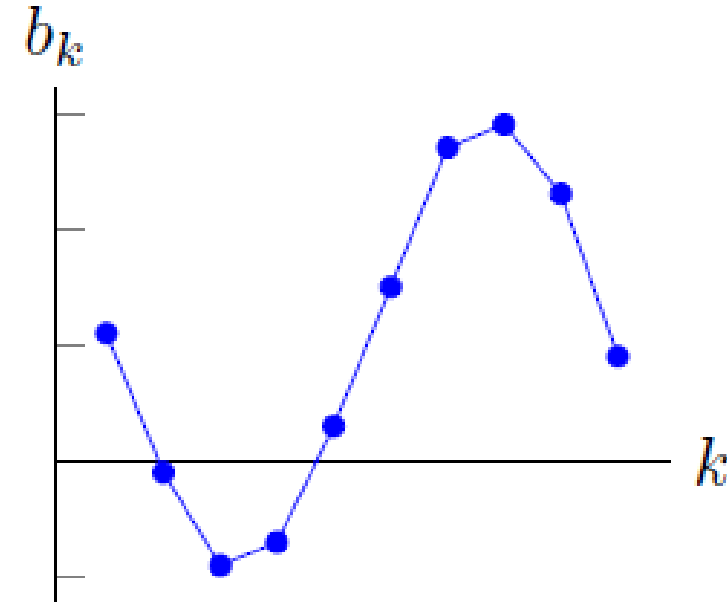
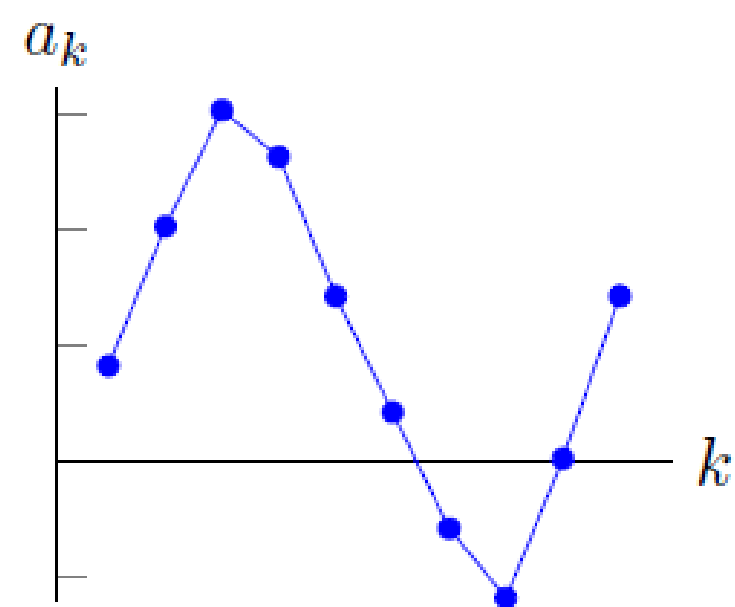
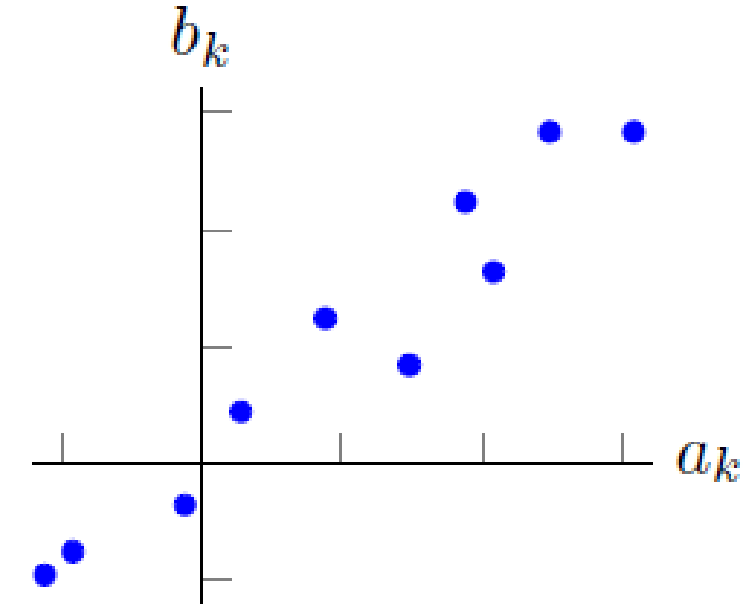
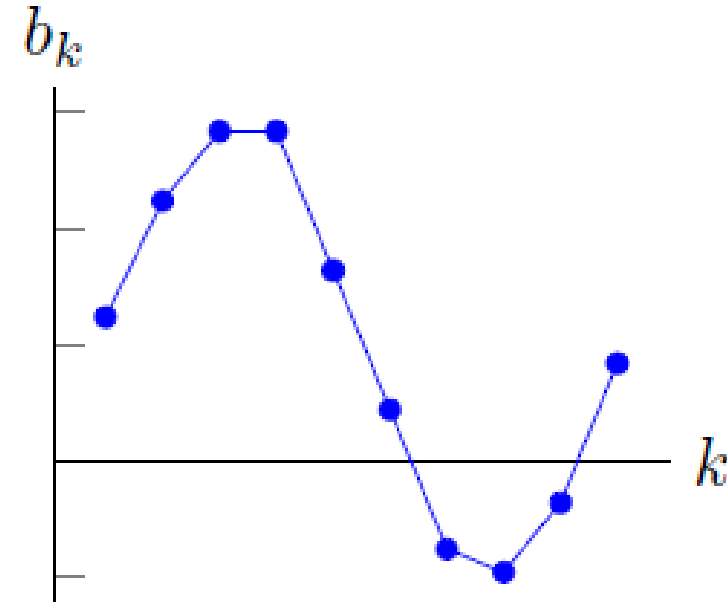
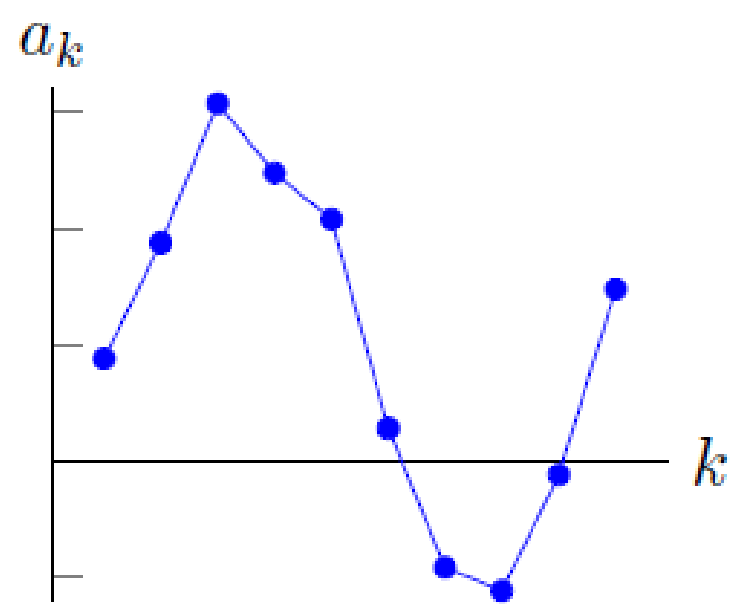
Auto correlation

- Correlation of time series signal with a lagged version of itself

$$r_k = \frac{\sum_{t=k+1}^N (y_t - \bar{y})(y_{t-k} - \bar{y})}{\sum_{t=1}^N (y_t - \bar{y})^2}$$

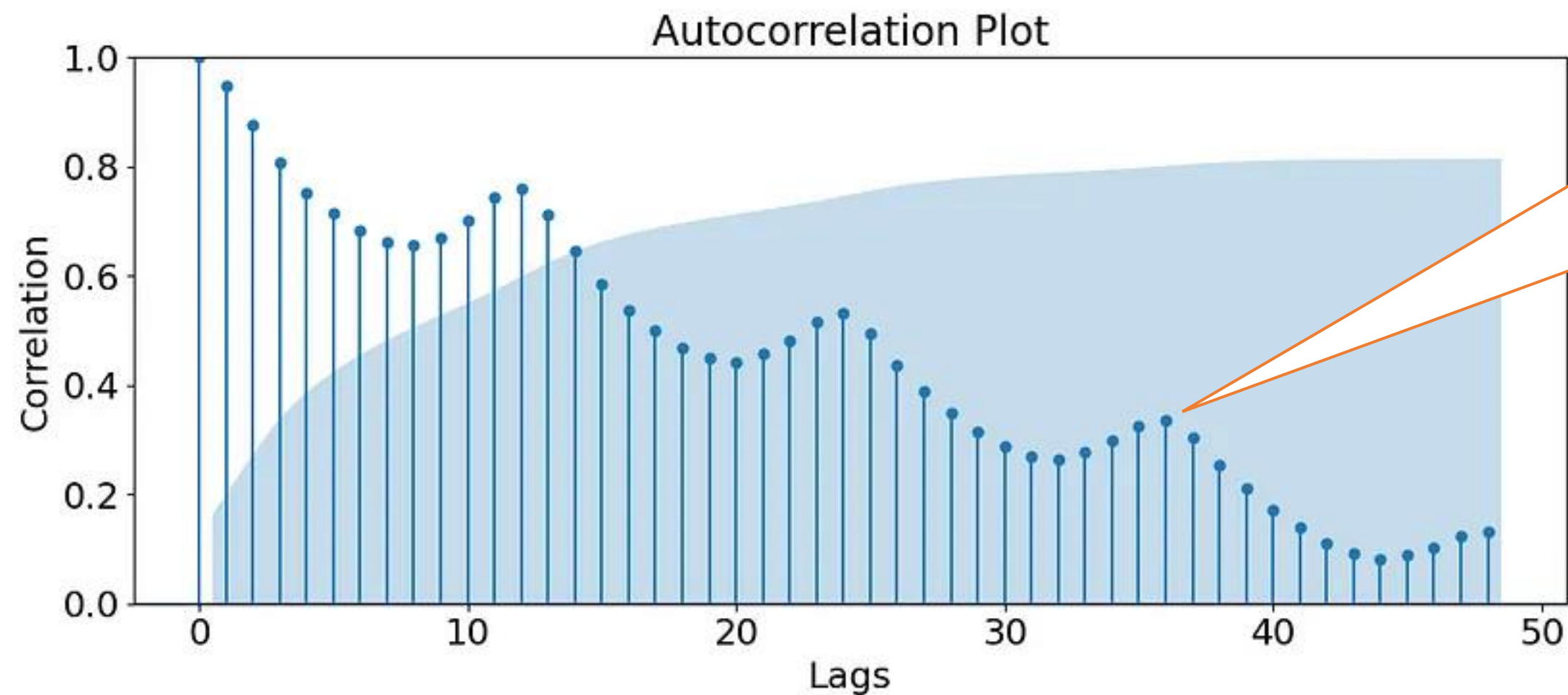
Auto correlation

- Correlation of time series signal with a lagged version of itself is often useful



Auto correlation

- Air pollution timeseries auto correlation



Why is autocorrelation decreasing even for 12 month cycle with the passage of time?

- Notice the cyclical pattern in multiple of 12

Correlation between time series

- Stock market correlation between stocks of same sector
- If they are not showing strong correlation, then something is wrong or some new opportunity
- Always analyze correlation with volatility (coefficient of standard deviation over a period)



Standard deviation of the sum

- a and b are two equal sized vectors
- In statistical terms a and b are realizations of A and B

$$\text{std}(a + b) = \sqrt{\text{std}(a)^2 + \text{std}(b)^2 + 2\rho\text{std}(a)\text{std}(b)}$$

- Special cases:
 - Correlation coefficient = 1, -1 and 0

Standard deviation of the sum

$$\text{std}(a + b) = \sqrt{\text{std}(a)^2 + \text{std}(b)^2 + 2\rho\text{std}(a)\text{std}(b)}$$

- Correlation coefficient = 1

$$\text{std}(a + b) = \text{std}(a) + \text{std}(b)$$

- Correlation coefficient = -1

$$\text{std}(a + b) = \text{std}(a) - \text{std}(b)$$

- Correlation coefficient = 0 (Uncorrelated features in ML)

$$\text{std}(a + b) = \sqrt{\text{std}(a)^2 + \text{std}(b)^2}$$

Hedging investments

- Invest in two assets with same return (μ) & risk(σ)
- Asset returns over 5 year period in a and b vectors
- Hedged investment

$$c = \frac{a + b}{2} \quad avg(c) = avg\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) = \mu \quad \sigma_{\frac{a}{2}} = \sigma_{\frac{b}{2}} = \frac{\sigma}{2}$$

$$std(c) = \sqrt{std\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2 + std\left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2 + 2\rho std(a)std(b)}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2\sigma^2 + 2\rho\sigma^2}}{2} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{1 + \rho}$$

**Two special cases:
Rho = 0 and 1**

Brief plan of what is next

- Remaining topics between chapter 1 & 3:
 - Linear Combinations



QUESTIONS



Thank You!