

HW 4

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(a)

$$E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{n=5} E(X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n=5} p \times 1 = 5p$$

(b)

$$Var(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{n=5} Var(X_i) = 5p(1-p)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} Var[X - Y] &= E[((X - Y) - E[X - Y])]^2 \\ &= E[((X - Y) - E[X] + E[Y])]^2 \\ &= E[(X - E[X]) - (Y - E[Y])]^2 \\ &= E[(X - E[X])^2 + (Y - E[Y])^2 - 2(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])] \\ &= E[(X - E[X])^2] + E[(Y - E[Y])^2] - 2E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])] \\ &= Var[X] + Var[Y] - 0 \\ &= Var[X] + Var[Y] \end{aligned}$$

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(a)

$$\begin{aligned} E[X_1] &= 1 \times \frac{1}{6} + 2 \times \frac{1}{6} + 3 \times \frac{1}{6} + 4 \times \frac{1}{6} + 5 \times \frac{1}{6} + 6 \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{7}{2} \\ E[X_2] &= 1 \times \frac{1}{16} + 2 \times \frac{1}{16} + 3 \times \frac{3}{16} + 4 \times \frac{3}{16} + 5 \times \frac{4}{16} + 6 \times \frac{4}{16} = \frac{17}{4} \\ E[Y] &= E[X_1 X_2] = E[X_1] E[X_2] = \frac{7}{2} \times \frac{17}{4} = \frac{119}{8} \approx 14.9 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[Y] &= E[Y^2] - E[Y]^2 \\ &= E[X_1^2]E[X_2^2] - E[Y]^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{6}(1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2 + 6^2) \times \left[\frac{1}{16}(1^2 + 2^2) + \frac{3}{16}(3^2 + 4^2) + \frac{4}{16}(5^2 + 6^2) \right] - \frac{119^2}{8} \\ &\approx 85.9 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

After simulating 10,000 rolls of the pair of dice in python. The mean of Y is 14.8664, the variance of Y is 85.56415104.

While in 3(a) and 3(b), the mean is around 14.9 and the variance is around 85.9, which are close to the values from simulation.

