

CS-C3240 – Machine Learning D

Feature Engineering

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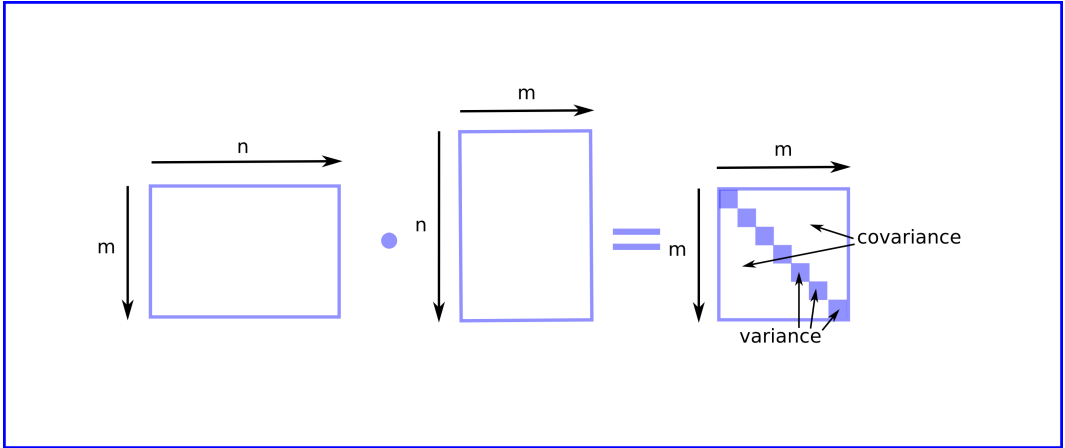
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Covariance: $E[(\vec{x}_i - E[\vec{x}_i])(\vec{x}_j - E[\vec{x}_j])]$

Covariance matrix



Questions?

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