

**Exercise 1:** Use the following r code to simulate and plot a data set consisting of  $n = 60$  values from the model  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \epsilon$ , where the  $\epsilon$ 's are independent  $N(0, \sigma^2)$  random variables.

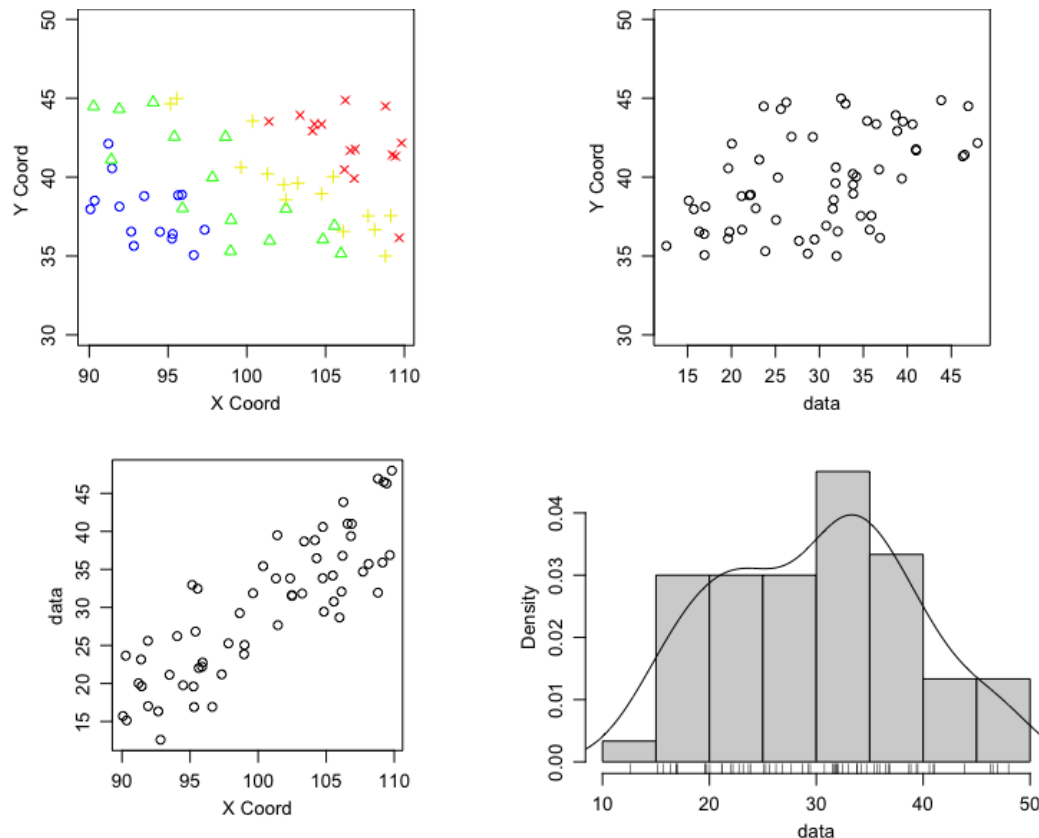
**Code:**

```
library(geoR)
set.seed(32123) # for reproducibility
n <- 60
lons <- runif( n, min=90, max=110 )
lats <- runif( n, min=35, max=45 )
y <- 30.0 + 1.3*(lons-100) + 1.5*(lats-40) + rnorm(n, mean=0, sd=1.6)
mydata <- as.geodata( cbind(lons, lats, y) )
plot(mydata)
```

- a. Include the resulting plot in your write-up.

**Solution:**

Running the given R code produces the following plot,



- b. What are the values of  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2$ , and  $\sigma^2$  that are being used to simulate these data?

**Solution:**

The given R code defines the following function for  $Y$  (assuming  $lons = X_1$  and  $lat = X_2$ ),

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= 30 + 1.3(X_1 - 100) + 1.5(X_2 - 40) + \epsilon, \\ &= 30 + 1.3X_1 - 130 + 1.5X_2 - 60 + \epsilon, \\ &= -160 + 1.3X_1 + 1.5X_2 + \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Simplifying the function we get that  $\beta_0 = -160, \beta_1 = 1.3, \beta_2 = 1.5$ . The distribution of  $\epsilon$  is described by the `rnorm()` function which gives  $\sigma^2 = 1.6^2 = 2.56$ .

- c. Fit a linear model with independent errors using the R function `lm`, for example by typing,

**Code:**

```
myfit <- lm( y ~ lons + lats )
summary( myfit )
```

**Solution:**

Fitting the model we get the following summary report,

**Code:**

```
> LinearModel <- lm(y ~ lons + lats )
> summary(LinearModel)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = y ~ lons + lats)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-3.6062	-1.2721	-0.2853	1.2536	3.0766

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	-153.67616	4.47966	-34.30	<2e-16 ***
lons	1.25420	0.03443	36.43	<2e-16 ***
lats	1.45169	0.06947	20.90	<2e-16 ***

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Residual standard error: 1.636 on 57 degrees of freedom  
 Multiple R-squared: 0.9681, Adjusted R-squared: 0.967  
 F-statistic: 864.7 on 2 and 57 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

- d. State the estimated regression function and the estimate of  $\sigma^2$  (Be sure to include the R output.)

**Solution:**

From the summary report, which is included above, we can see that the following estimated regression function is produced,

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{Y} &= \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 X_2, \\ &= (-153.67616) + (1.25420)X_1 + (1.45169)X_2.\end{aligned}$$

- e. Construct a 95 percent confidence for all  $\beta_i$ 's.

**Solution:**

We can quickly compute the 95 percent confidence interval for all of our  $\beta_i$  regression parameters using the R `confint()` function. Doing so we get the following,

**Code:**

```
> confint(LinearModel)
              2.5 %      97.5 %
(Intercept) -162.646523 -144.705802
lons         1.185266    1.323137
lats         1.312573    1.590810
```

- f. Make a table with the values of the  $\beta$ 's, the estimates of the  $\beta$ 's, and 95 percent CIs for the  $\beta$ 's. Comment briefly for example, are the  $\hat{\beta}$ 's 'close to' the true  $\beta$ 's? Do the  $\beta$ 's lie in the respective 95 percent CIs.

**Solution:**

$i$	$\beta_i$	$\hat{\beta}_i$	Upper CI	Lower CI
0	-160	-153.67616	-162.646523	-144.705802
1	1.3	1.25420	1.185266	1.323137
2	1.5	1.45169	1.312573	1.590810

- g. Perhaps  $Y(s)$  is the weight of observed dog fur, in nanograms, at  $s$ . Interpret  $\beta_0$  in terms of  $E(Y)$ . Explain why it doesn't really make sense to interpret  $\beta_0$ . (I'm looking for two reasons. Three, if you include "it's silly to talk about dog fur.")

**Solution:**

The term  $\beta_0 = -160$  would be interpreted as, the mean weight of the observed dog fur is  $-160$  at point  $s = (0, 0)$ . In terms of  $E(Y)$  we would say  $\beta_0 = -160 = E(Y((0, 0)))$ . It doesn't really make sense to interpret this coefficient since the data is translation invariant, or in other words  $s \in D$  is a generic data location in  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  dimensional space.

- h. Interpret  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  in terms of  $E(Y)$ . ( $\beta_1$  is the change in mean response if ...if what? -If you have question about what I'm looking for please ask.)

**Solution:**

For every one unit  $s \in D$  increases in the longitudinal direction, the  $E(Y)$  response changes by  $\beta_1 = 1.25420$ . Similarly for every one unit  $s \in D$  increases in the latitudinal direction, the  $E(Y)$  response changes by  $\beta_2 = 1.45169$ . These coefficient make sense interpret since the describe a relationship between points in  $D$ .

**Exercise 2:** Let,

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- a. Show that  $\Sigma$  cannot be a valid variance-covariance matrix for  $(Y_1, Y_2)^T$ , by assuming it is and finding the correlation of  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$ .

**Solution:**

Assuming  $\Sigma$  is a valid variance-covariance matrix we can compute the correlation of  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  by the following,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cor}(Y_1, Y_2) &= \frac{\text{Cov}(Y_1, Y_2)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(Y_1)\text{Var}(Y_2)}}, \\ &= \frac{-3}{\sqrt{(5)(1)}}, \\ &< -1. \end{aligned}$$

This matrix produces a correlation between  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  which is outside of the possible domain  $\text{Cor}(Y_1, Y_2) \notin [-1, 1]$

- b. Show that  $\Sigma$  cannot be a valid variance-covariance matrix by assuming it is and finding  $\text{Var}(Y_1 + 2Y_2)$ .

**Solution:**

Simplifying the variance expression we get the following,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(Y_1 + 2Y_2) &= \text{Var}(Y_1) + 4\text{Var}(Y_2) + 2(1)(2)\text{Cov}(Y_1, Y_2), \\
 &= 5 + 4(1) + 4(-3), \\
 &= 5 + 4 + 4(-3), \\
 &= -3.
 \end{aligned}$$

A linear combination of random variables should not be able to produce a negative variance, which suggests that  $\Sigma$  is not a valid variance-covariance matrix.

**Exercise 3:** Consider the covariogram,

$$C(h) = \begin{cases} 8 & h = 0 \\ 5e^{-h^2/16} & h > 0 \end{cases}$$

a. Sketch  $C(h)$ , for example, using R code:

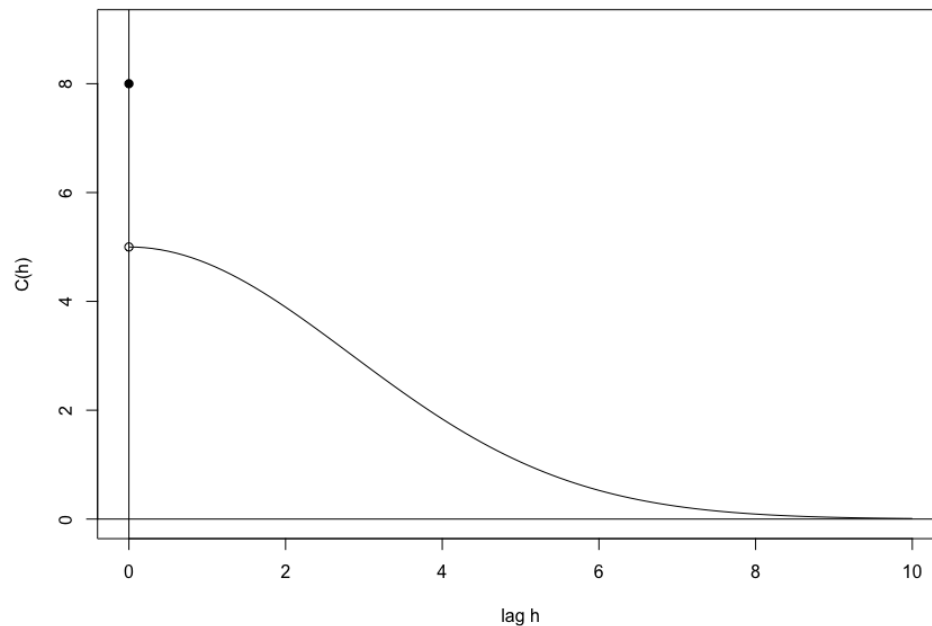
```
hh <- seq( 0,10, length=200 )
curve( 5*exp(-x^2/16), xlab="lag h", ylab="C(h)",
       from=0.0, to=10)
abline( v = 0 ) # include y-axis on the plot
abline( h = 0 ) # include x-axis on the plot
```

**Solution:**

Running the tweaked version of the given R code we produce the following plot,

**Code:**

```
hh <- seq( 0,10, length=200 )
curve( 5*exp(-x^2/16), xlab="lag h", ylab="C(h)",
       from=0.0, to=10, ylim = c(0, 9))
abline( v = 0 ) # include y-axis on the plot
abline( h = 0 ) # include x-axis on the plot
points(0, 5)
points(0, 8, pch = 16)
```



- b. Calculate the corresponding semivariogram. (Be sure to show your work.) You need to be careful about your calculations at  $h = 0$ .

**Solution:**

Recall the relationship between a covariogram and the corresponding semivariogram,

$$\gamma(h) = C(0) - C(h).$$

Applying this relationship to both parts of the piecewise function  $C(h)$  we get the following,

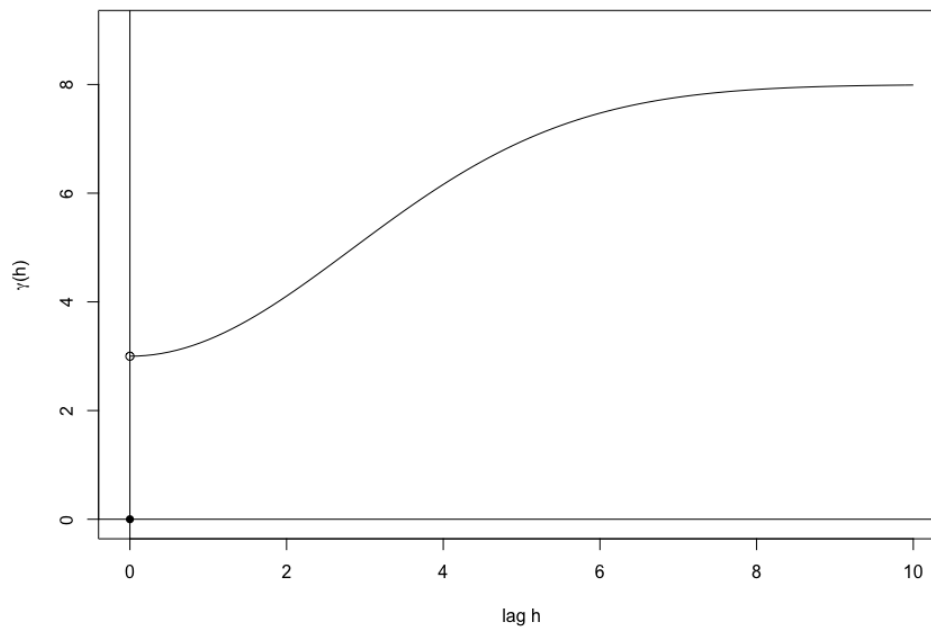
$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(h) &= \begin{cases} C(0) - C(0) & h = 0 \\ C(0) - C(h) & h > 0 \end{cases}, \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & h = 0 \\ 8 - 5e^{-h^2/16} & h > 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Plotting the resulting semivariogram, we get the following,

**Code:**

```
hh <- seq( 0,13, length=200 )
curve( 8 - 5*exp(-x^2/16), xlab="lag h",
       ylab=expression(paste(gamma, "(h)")),
       from=0.0, to=10, ylim = c(0, 9))
```

```
abline( v = 0 ) # include y-axis on the plot
abline( h = 0 ) # include x-axis on the plot
points(0, 3)
points(0, 0, pch = 16)
```



c. What kind of (semi)variogram is this, and what are its parameters?

**Solution:**

This is an example of an exponential semivariogram. It's parameters are  $\tau^2 = 3$ ,  $\sigma^2 = 5$  and  $\phi = 16$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma(h) &= \begin{cases} 0 & h = 0 \\ 8 - 5e^{-h^2/16} & h > 0 \end{cases}, \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & h = 0 \\ 3 + 5(1 - e^{-h^2/16}) & h > 0 \end{cases}, \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & h = 0 \\ \tau^2 + \sigma^2(1 - e^{-h^2/\phi}) & h > 0 \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

d. What is the nugget? the partial sill? the sill? the range (or effective range)?  $Var(Y(s))$ ?

**Solution:**

From the figure we can see that the nugget for the semivariogram is 3. The partial sill is 5. The sill is 8. the range looks to go from  $[0, 10]$  maybe even  $[0, 8]$ .

**Exercise 4:** Consider the semivariogram,

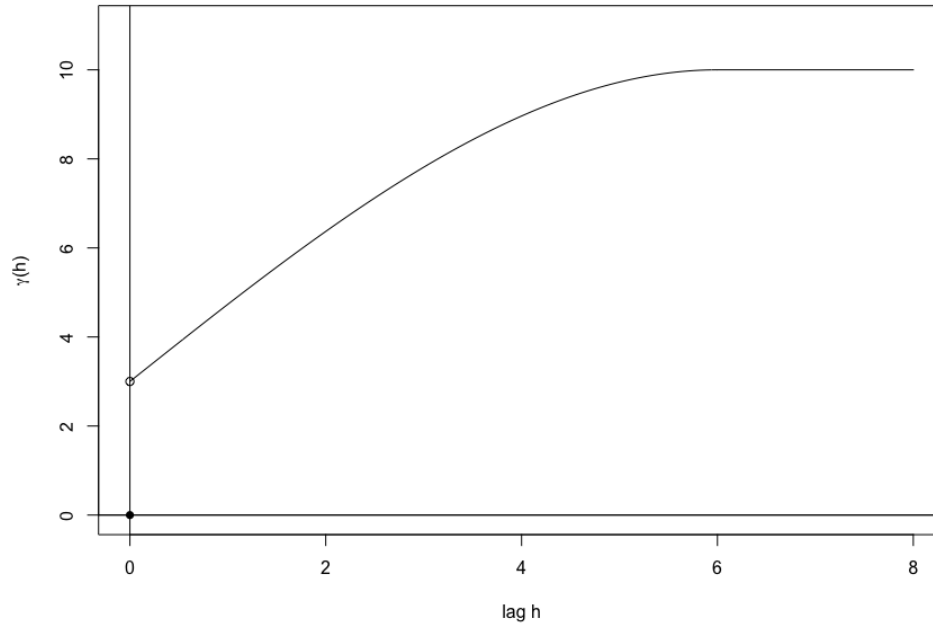
$$\gamma(h) = \begin{cases} 0 & h = 0 \\ 3 + 7(1.5(h/6) - .5(h/6)^3) & 0 < h < 6 \\ 10 & h \geq 6 \end{cases}$$

- a. Use R to sketch  $\gamma(h)$  for a suitable range of  $h$ .

**Solution:****Code:**

```
hh <- seq( 0,13, length=200 )
curve( 3 + 7*(1.5*(x/6) - .5*(x/6)^3), xlab="lag h",
      ylab=expression(paste(gamma, "(h)")),
      from=0.0, to=6, ylim = c(0, 11), xlim = c(0,8))
segments(6, 10, x1 = 8, y1 = 10)
abline( v = 0 ) # include y-axis on the plot
abline( h = 0 ) # include x-axis on the plot
points(0, 3)
points(0, 0, pch = 16)
```





b. Find the corresponding covariogram,  $C(h)$ .

**Solution:**

Recall the relationship between a covariogram and a semivariogram,

$$C(h) = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \gamma(R) - \gamma(h).$$

Applying this relationship to each part of the piecewise definition of  $\gamma(h)$  we get,

$$\begin{aligned} C(h) &= \begin{cases} 10 - 0 & h = 0, \\ 10 - (3 + 7(1.5(h/6) - .5(h/6)^3)) & 0 < h < 6, \\ 10 - 10 & h \geq 6. \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} 10 & h = 0, \\ 10 - 3 - 7(1.5(h/6) - .5(h/6)^3) & 0 < h < 6, \\ 0 & h \geq 6. \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} 10 & h = 0, \\ 7 - 7(\frac{3}{2}(h/6) - \frac{1}{2}(h/6)^3) & 0 < h < 6, \\ 0 & h \geq 6. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Plotting in R we get the following,

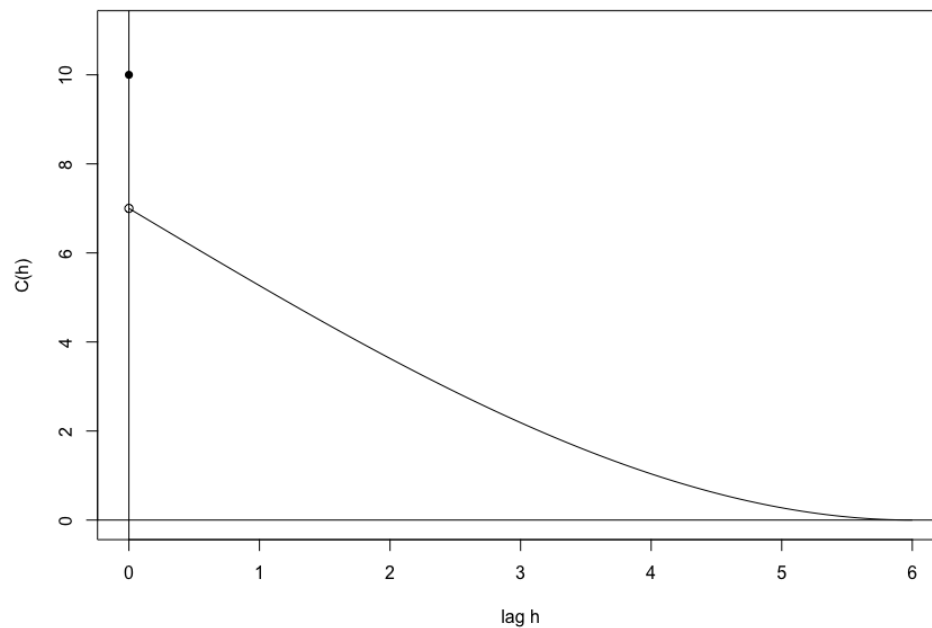
**Code:**

```

hh <- seq( 0,13, length=200 )
curve( 7-7*(1.5*(x/6) - .5*(x/6)^3),
      xlab="lag h", ylab="C(h)",
      from=0.0, to=6, ylim = c(0, 11))

abline( v = 0 ) # include y-axis on the plot
abline( h = 0 ) # include x-axis on the plot
points(0, 7)
points(0, 10, pch = 16)

```



c. What kind of (semi)variogram is this, and what are its parameters?

**Solution:**

This is an example of a spherical semivariogram with parameters  $\tau^2 = 3$ ,  $\sigma^2 = 6$ , and  $\phi = 6$ .

d. What is the nugget? the partial sill? the sill? the range?  $Var(Y(s))$ ?

**Solution:**

From the figure we can see that the nugget for the semivariogram is 3. The partial sill is 7. The sill is 10. The range is from  $[0, 6]$ .

**Exercise 5:** Let  $X$  be a discrete random variable such that,

$x$	-2	-1	1	2
$P(X = x)$	.4	.1	.1	.4

Define  $Y = X^2$ .

- a. Show that  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0$  (To do this, you will need to calculate  $E(X)$ ,  $E(Y)$ , and  $E(XY)$ , and use the formula for covariance from page 25 of the lecture notes.)

**Solution:**

Recall the formula for the covariance,

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - \mu_x \mu_y = E(X^3) - \mu_x \mu_y.$$

Computing each term we get,

$$E(X^3) = (.4)(-2)^3 + (.1)(-1)^3 + (.1)1^3 + (.4)2^3 = 0.$$

$$\mu_x = \frac{(-2) + (-1) + (1) + (2)}{4} = 0.$$

$$\mu_y = \frac{(-2)^2 + (-1)^2 + (1)^2 + (2)^2}{4} = 2.4.$$

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = E(X^3) - \mu_x \mu_y = 0 - 0(2.4) = 0.$$

- b. Show that  $X$  and  $Y$  are dependent. (E.g., calculate  $P(X = 1, Y = 4)$  and  $P(X = 1)P(Y = 4)$ ; if  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent, these two values- among others- must be equal.)

**Solution:**

Following the example described in the hint consider the following,

$$P(X = 1, Y = 4) = 0.$$

Since  $Y = X^2$  we know that when  $X = 1$  it follows that  $Y = 1$  and similarly if  $y = 4$  it follows that  $X = 2, -2$ . In anycase the joint probability  $P(X = 1, Y = 4)$  must be zero. Furthermore computing the product we get,

$$P(X = 1)P(Y = 4) = (.1)(.8) = .08 \neq 0.$$

Thus  $X$  and  $Y$  are dependent.