

4.3) Min & max values for $\text{CoV}[X, Y]$

$$\text{CoV}[X, Y] = E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]$$

Case of minimum covariance:

\Rightarrow minimize covariance means correlation = -1

$$\rho = \frac{\text{CoV}[X, Y]}{\sigma[X]\sigma[Y]} \quad ; \begin{array}{l} \rho = -1 \text{ for minimum} \\ \rho = +1 \text{ for maximum} \end{array}$$

$$\sigma[X]\sigma[Y] = \text{CoV}[X, Y]$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma[X] = \sqrt{V[X]}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V[X] &= E[X^2] - E[X]^2 \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^1 x^2 f(x) - \left(\sum_{x=0}^1 x f(x) \right)^2 \end{aligned} \quad \text{LOTUS}$$

$$\left(0\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 1\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \right) - \left(0\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 1\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \right)^2$$

$$V[X] = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) - \left(\frac{4}{9}\right) = \frac{2}{9}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V[Y] &= E[Y^2] - E[Y]^2 \\
 &= \sum_{Y=0}^1 Y^2 f(Y) - \left(\sum_{Y=0}^1 Y f(Y) \right)^2 \\
 &= \left(0\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right) - \left(0\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right)^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{V[X]} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{9}} \quad \sigma_y = \sqrt{V[Y]} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}}$$

For Minimum $\text{CoV}[X, Y] \Rightarrow \rho = -1$

$$-\sigma_x \sigma_y = \text{CoV}[X, Y]$$

$$\text{CoV}[X, Y] = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{9}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{36}}$$

$$\text{CoV}[X, Y] = -0.24 \Rightarrow \text{minimum}$$

By the same logic correlation at maximum is +1

So the max covariance is

$$\text{CoV}[X, Y] = 0.24 \Rightarrow \text{maximum}$$