

STAT230 Homework 1

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1 Problem B.15

Using the bi-linearity of $(x, y) \rightarrow \text{cov}(x, y)$, and using the fact that $\text{cov}(x, a) = 0$ for a constant, we have:

$$r(x^*, y^*) = \text{cov}(x^*, y^*) \quad (1)$$

$$= \text{cov}\left(\frac{x - \mu_x}{\sigma_x}, \frac{y - \mu_y}{\sigma_y}\right) \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{\text{cov}(x, y)}{\sigma_x \sigma_y} \quad (3)$$

$$= r(x, y) \quad (4)$$

2 Problem B.16

2.1

We have:

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i + y_i)^2 = \frac{1}{n} (x + y)(x + y)^T \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} (xx^T + yy^T + 2xy^T) \quad (6)$$

Since x and y are $\in R^n$, we have:

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i + y_i)^2 = E[xx^T + yy^T + 2xy^T] \quad (7)$$

$$= E[xx^T] + E[yy^T] + 2E[xy^T] \quad (8)$$

Since $s_x = s_y = 1$ and $E(x) = E(y) = 0$, we have:

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i + y_i)^2 = 1 + 1 + 2Cov(x, y) \quad (9)$$

$$= 2(1 + r) \quad (10)$$

Similarly,

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i)^2 = \frac{1}{n} (x - y)(x - y)^T \quad (11)$$

$$= E[xx^T + yy^T - 2xy^T] \quad (12)$$

$$= E[xx^T] + E[yy^T] - 2E[xy^T] \quad (13)$$

$$= 2(1 - r) \quad (14)$$

2.2

$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i)^2$ and $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i + y_i)^2$ are non negative as sums of squared numbers. Therefore, $2(1 - r)$ and $2(1 + r)$ are also non negative, i.e. respectively $r \leq 1$ and $-1 \leq r$.