

Exercise

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$$\text{cov}(x_1, x_2) = E(x_1 x_2) - E(x_1)E(x_2)$$

and

$$\rho(x_1, x_2) = \frac{\text{cov}(x_1, x_2)}{\sqrt{\sigma_{11}^2 \sigma_{22}^2}}$$

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noise level
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example: `x1 = np.random.uniform(0, 5, (1000,))`
`x2 = np.sqrt(x1)`

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