

Exercise 6

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6.3.1

The covariance is a symmetric bilinear form. Therefore the following rules apply:

$$Cov(X, Y) = Cov(Y, X) \quad (1)$$

$$Cov(aX + b, Y) = a * Cov(X, Y) \quad (2)$$

$$Cov(X + Y, Z) = Cov(X, Z) + Cov(Y, Z) \quad (3)$$

3 can be generalized to:

$$Cov(\sum_i X_i, Y) = \sum_i Cov(X_i, Y) \quad (4)$$

Furthermore the covariance is a generalization of the variance:

$$Var(X) = Cov(X, X) \quad (5)$$

The relation between covariance and correlation is given by:

$$\rho_{ij} = \frac{cov(X_i, X_j)}{\sigma_i \sigma_j} \stackrel{i.d.}{=} \frac{cov(X_i, X_j)}{\sigma^2} \quad (6)$$

With this preconditions we get:

$$Var(\frac{1}{B} \sum_{i=1}^B X_i) \stackrel{5}{=} Cov(\frac{1}{B} \sum_{i=1}^B X_i, \frac{1}{B} \sum_{i=1}^B X_i) \quad (7)$$

$$\stackrel{2,3}{=} \frac{1}{B^2} \sum_{i,j=1}^B (X_i, X_j) \quad (8)$$

$$\stackrel{5}{=} \frac{1}{B^2} \sum_{i=1}^B Var(X_i) + \frac{2}{B^2} \sum_{i=1}^{B-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^B cov(X_i, X_j) \quad (9)$$

$$\stackrel{6,i.d.}{=} \frac{1}{B^2} B \sigma^2 + \frac{2\rho\sigma^2}{B^2} \sum_{i=1}^{B-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^B 1 \quad (10)$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{B} + \frac{2\rho\sigma^2}{B^2} \sum_{i=1}^{B-1} (B - i) \quad (11)$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{B} + \frac{2\rho\sigma^2}{B^2} \left(B(B-1) - \frac{B(B-1)}{2} \right) \quad (12)$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{B} + \frac{\rho\sigma^2}{B} (B-1) \quad (13)$$

$$= \rho\sigma^2 + \frac{(1-\rho)\sigma^2}{B} \quad (14)$$