

1. Show that  $m(a + bX) = a + b \times m(X)$ .

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 m(a + bX) & \text{-----} & m(X) = E(X) \\
 m(a) + m(bX) & \text{-----} & \text{the mean of a constant "a" and "b"} \\
 \boxed{a + b m(X)} & & \text{is itself}
 \end{array}$$

2. Show that  $\text{cov}(X, a + bY) = b \times \text{cov}(X, Y)$

formula :  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (X_i - m(X))(Y_i - m(Y))$

plug in :

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (X_i - m(X)) \underbrace{((a + bY_i) - m(a + bY_i))}_{\substack{\text{We know from problem 1} \\ (a + bY_i) - (a + b \cdot m(Y)) \\ \cancel{a} + bY_i - \cancel{a} - b \cdot m(Y) \\ bY_i - bm(Y)}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (X_i - m(X)) \cdot b(Y_i - m(Y)) \quad \text{factor out } b \\
 &= \boxed{\text{cov}(X, Y) \cdot b}
 \end{aligned}$$

3. Show that  $\text{cov}(a + bX, a + bX) = b^2 \text{cov}(X, X)$ , and in particular that  $\text{cov}(X, X) = s^2$ .

plug into formula from earlier

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{cov}(a + bX, a + bX) &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \underbrace{(a + bX_i - m(a + bX_i))}_{\substack{\text{we did this same calculation in problem 2} \\ b(X_i - m(X))}} \underbrace{(a + bX_i - m(a + bX_i))}_{b(X_i - m(X))} \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N b^2 (X_i - m(X))^2
 \end{aligned}$$

this is the formula  
for sample  
variance

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (X_i - m(X))^2 \cdot b^2 \\
 &= \boxed{s^2 \cdot b^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Instead of the mean, consider the median. Consider transformations that are non-decreasing (if  $x \geq x'$ , then  $g(x) \geq g(x')$ ), like  $2 + 5 \times X$  or  $\text{arcsinh}(X)$ . Is a non-decreasing transformation of the median the median of the transformed variable? Explain. Does your answer apply to any quantile? The IQR? The range?

median of  $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ , median is 3

transformation  $X \rightarrow g(x) = 1 + 2(x)$ , now,

$g(x) = \{3, 5, 7, 9, 11\}$ , median is 7

$$g(3) = 7$$

$$\boxed{\text{median}(g(X)) = g(\text{median}(X))}$$

this works because  
 $\text{median}(g(X)) = 7$

and  
 $g(\text{median}(X)) = g(3) = 7$

The transformations will also work for quantiles because the values are preserved under the non-decreasing transformation. For IQR and Range, it will not be in the same format of  $X$  to  $g(X)$  because they are scaled.

5. Consider a non-decreasing transformation  $g()$ . Is it always true that  $m(g(X)) = g(m(X))$ ?

$X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  median is 3

nonlinear transformation  $g(x) = x^2$

$g(X) = \{1, 4, 9, 16, 25\}$  median is 9

$$g(m(3)) = 3^2 = 9 \quad \checkmark \quad \text{this one works}$$

if we are talking about  $m = \text{median}$ , then it is true because the order is preserved in the list of numbers, so even after transforming it,  $m(g(X)) = g(m(X))$