



"True friendship comes when the silence  
between two people is comfortable."

Your random variables are correlated

# Covariance and Correlation

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# Joint Random Variables



Use a joint table, density function or CDF to solve probability question



Think about **conditional** probabilities with joint variables (which might be continuous)



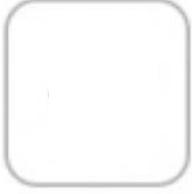
Use and find **expectation** of multiple RVS



Use and find **independence** of multiple RVS



What happens when you **add** random variables?



How do multiple variables **covary**?

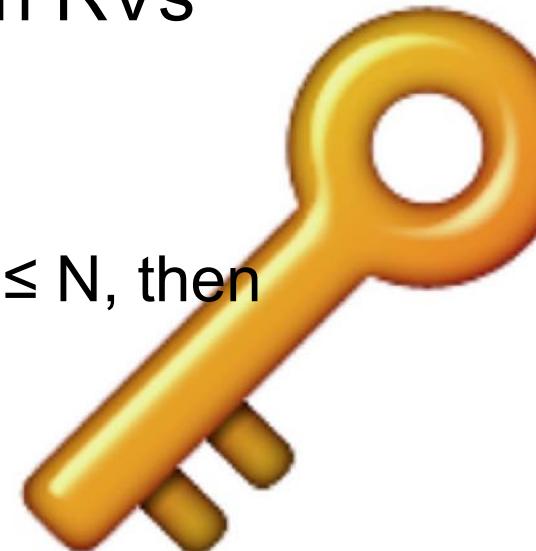
# Reference: Sum of Independent RVs

- Let X and Y be independent Binomial RVs
  - $X \sim \text{Bin}(n_1, p)$  and  $Y \sim \text{Bin}(n_2, p)$
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  - More generally, let  $X_i \sim \text{Bin}(n_i, p)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq N$ , then

$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^N X_i \right) \sim \text{Bin}\left( \sum_{i=1}^N n_i, p \right)$$

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But what about the general case?

# The Insight to Convolution Proofs

$$P(X + Y = n) ?$$

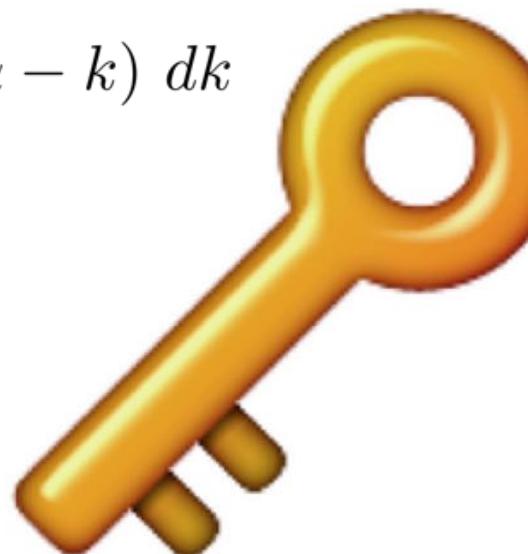
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1	$n - 1$	1	$P(X = 1, Y = n - 1)$
2	$n - 2$	2	$P(X = 2, Y = n - 2)$
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$n$	0	$n$	$P(X = n, Y = 0)$

$$P(X + Y = n) = \sum_{k=0}^n P(X = k, Y = n - k)$$

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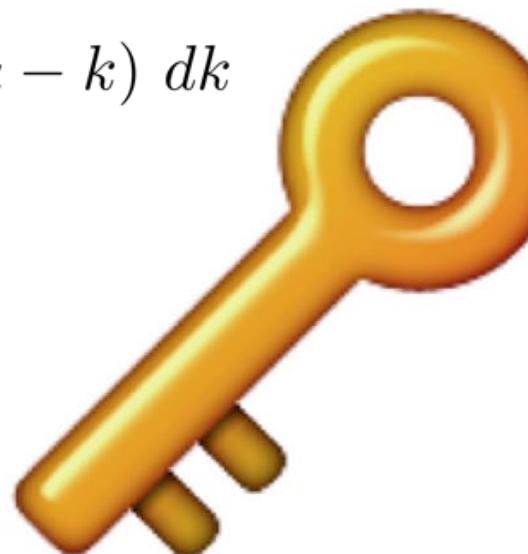
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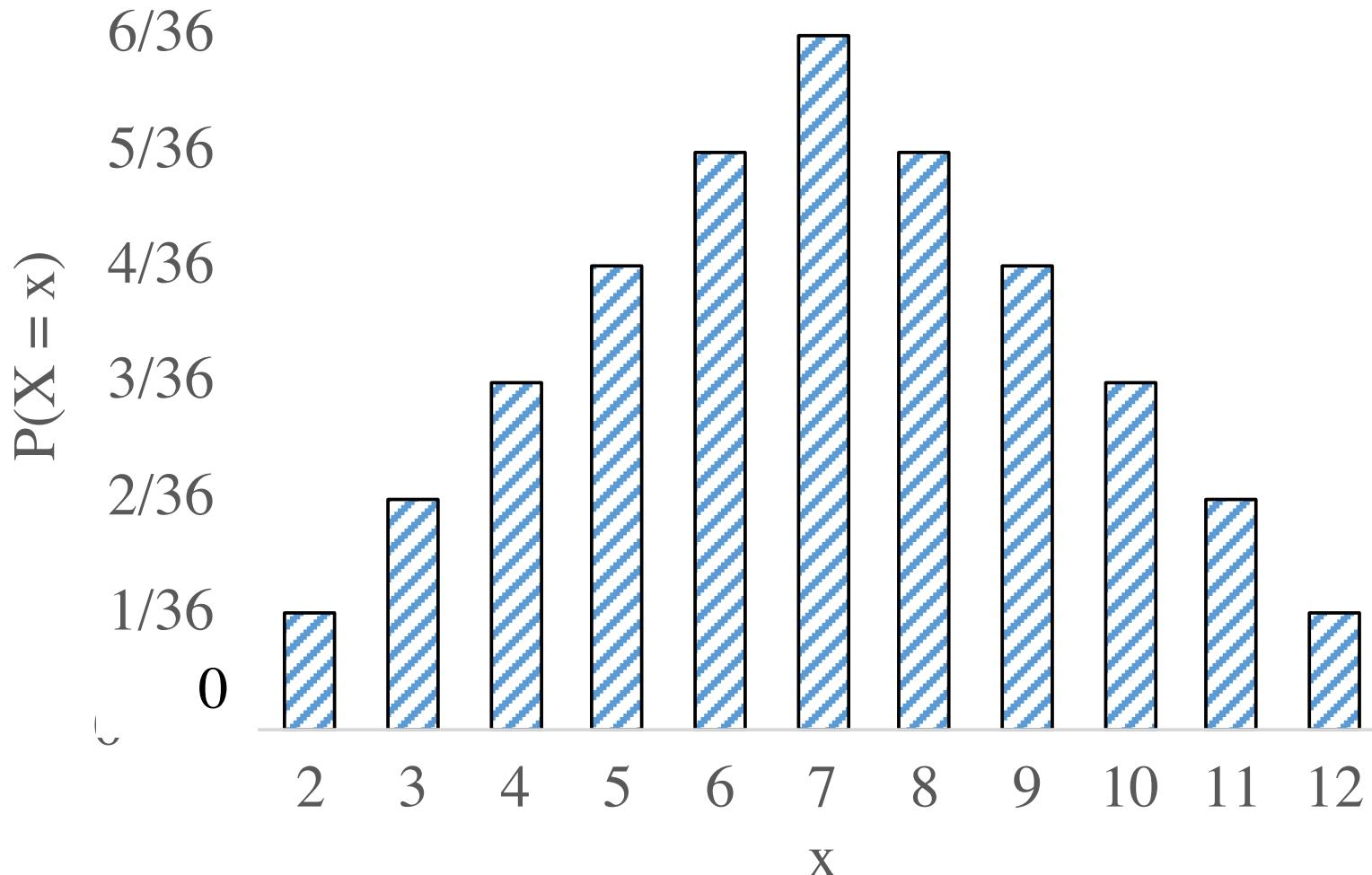
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# Sum of Two Dice

Let  $X$  be the value of the sum of two dice  
(aka two independent random variables)



# Sum of Independent Uniforms

$X \sim \text{Uni}(0, 1)$      $Y \sim \text{Uni}(0, 1)$

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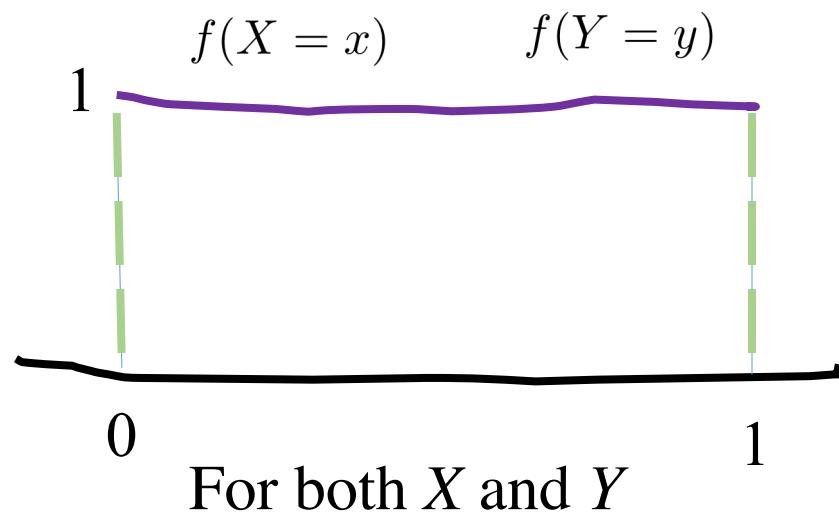
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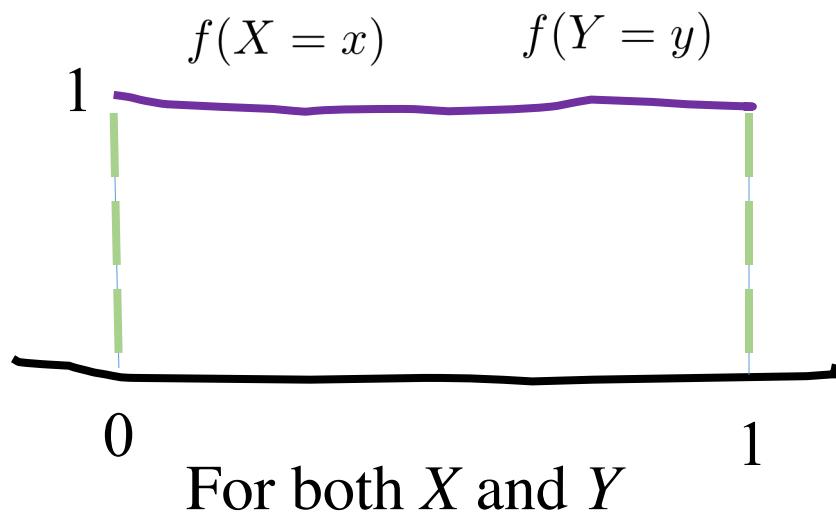
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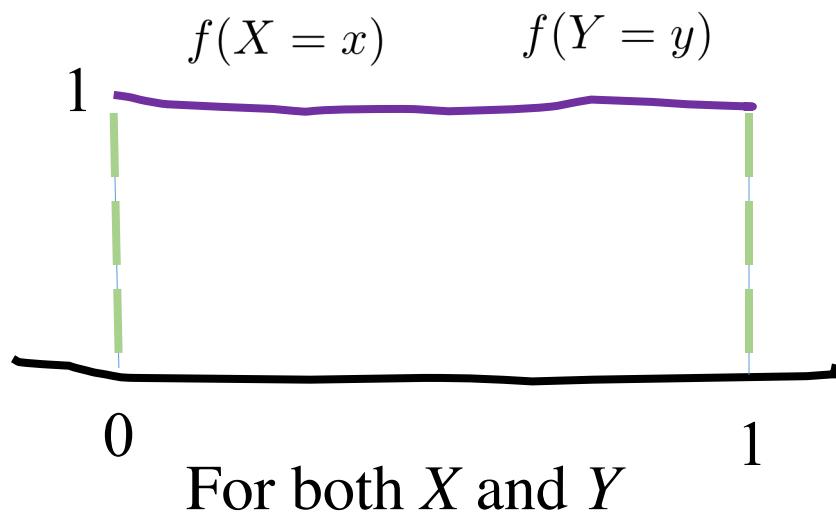
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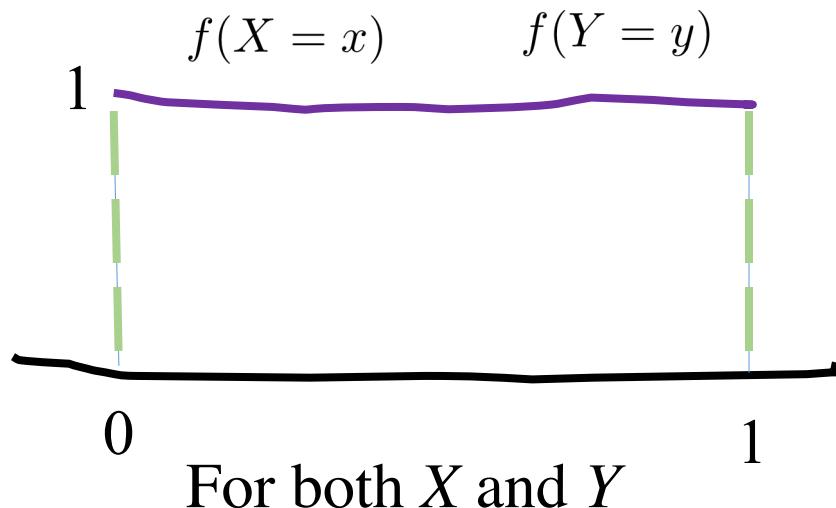
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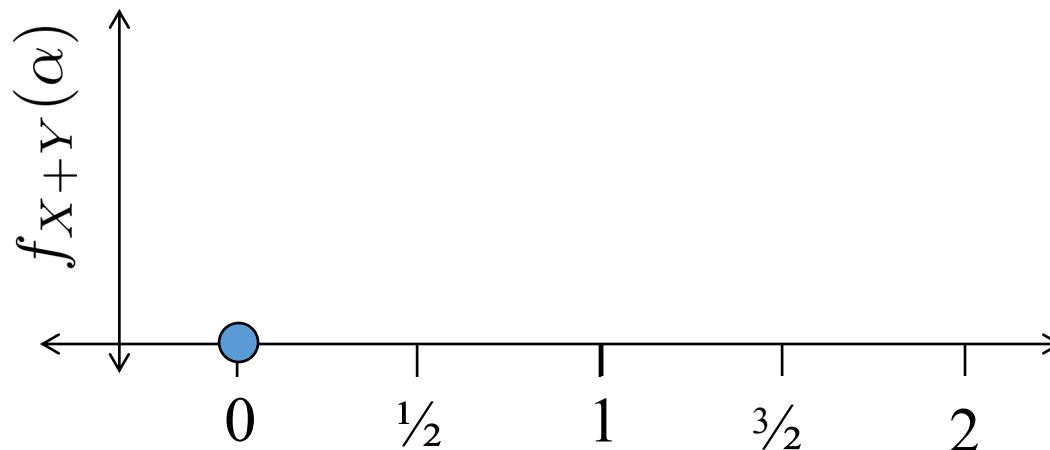
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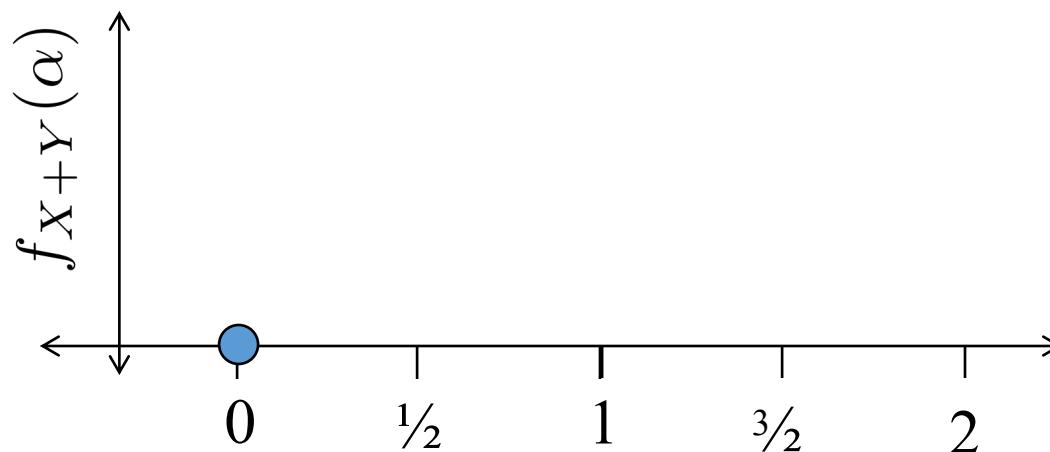
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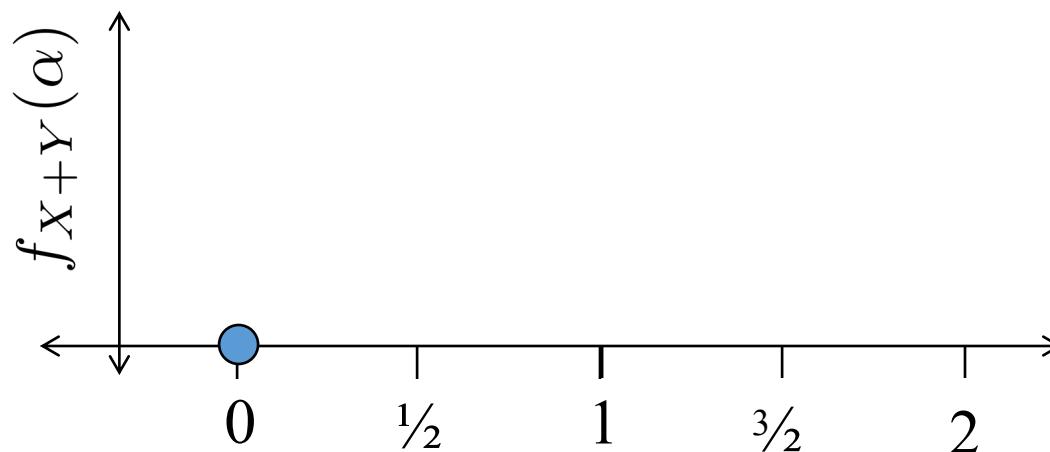
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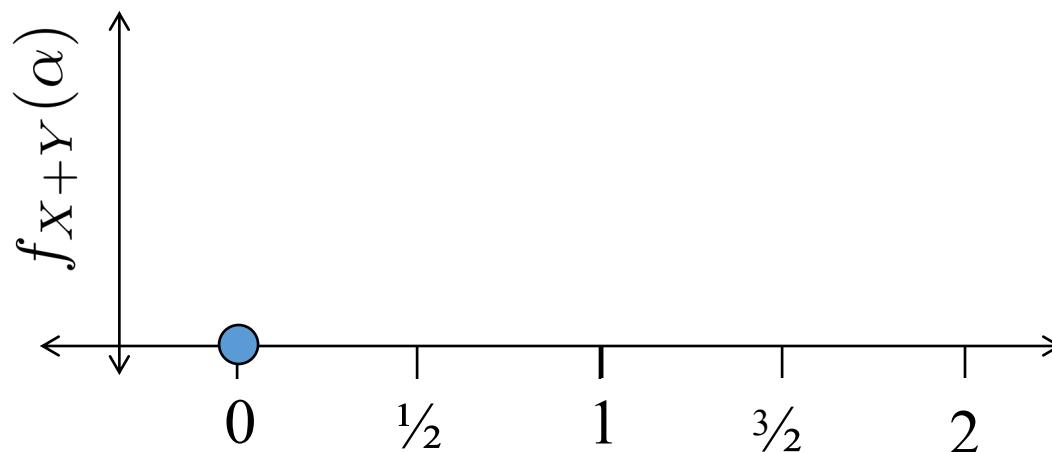
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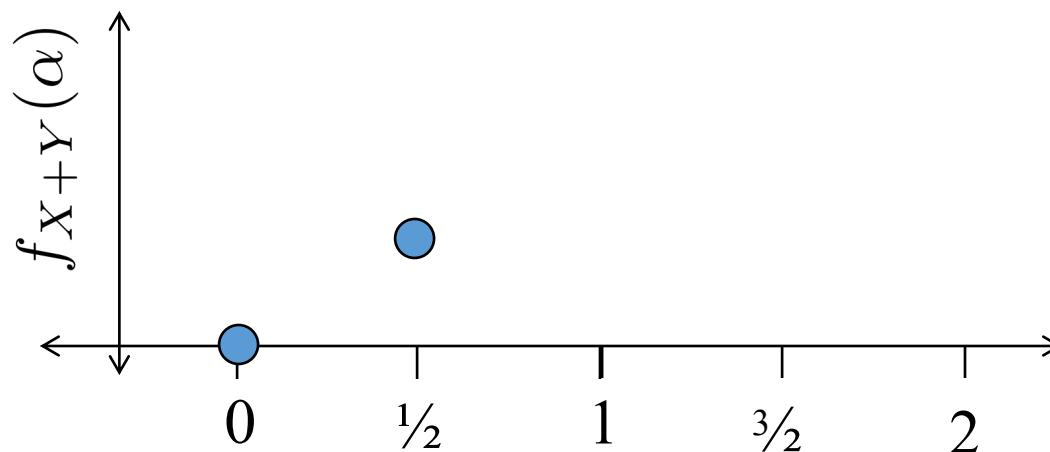
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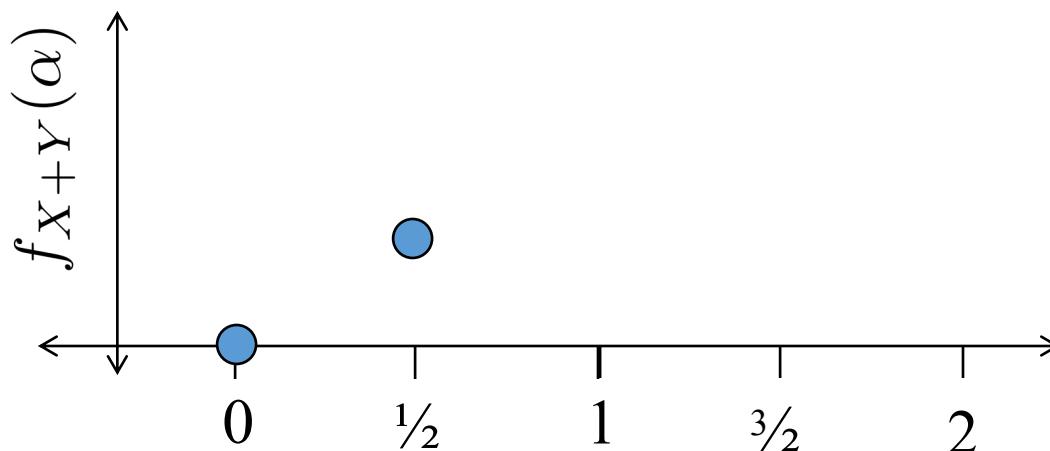
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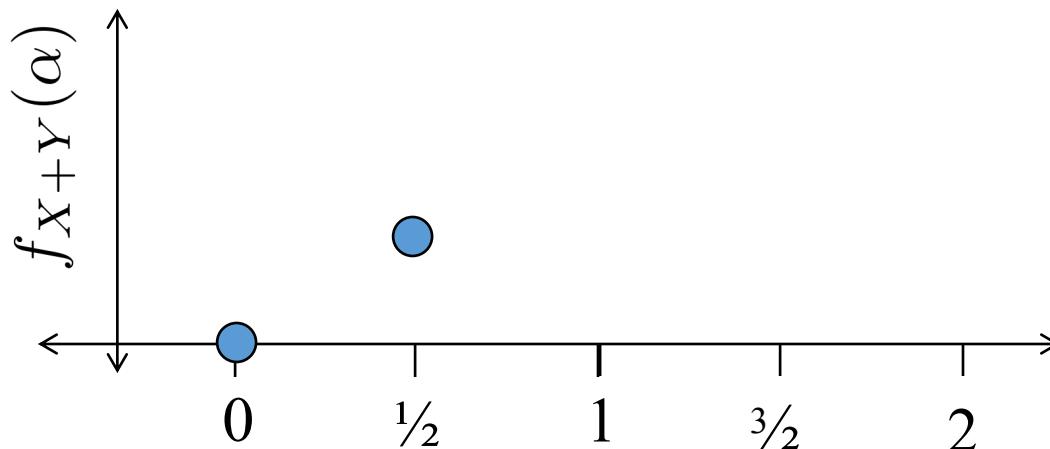
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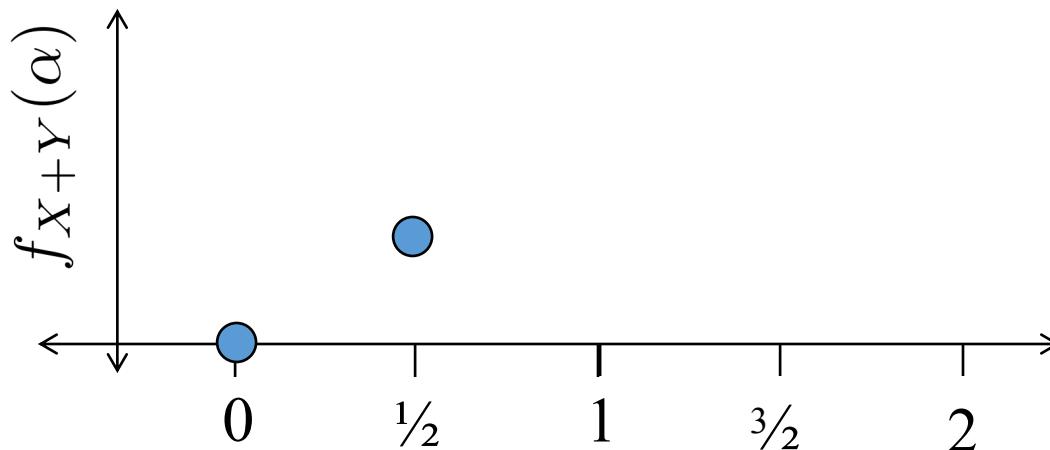
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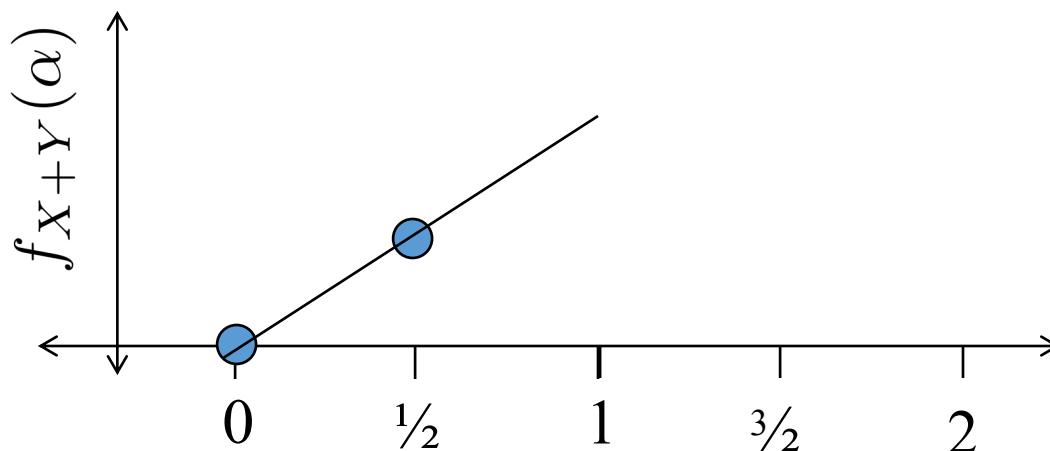
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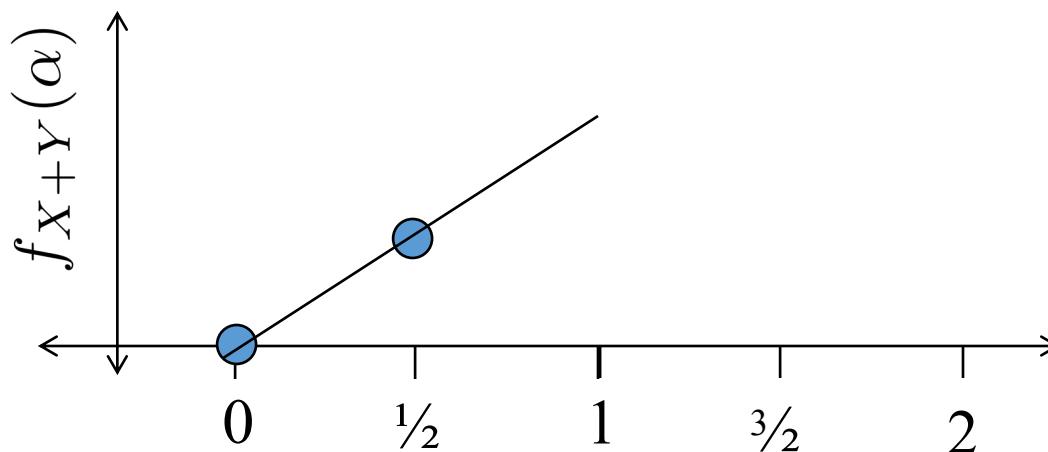
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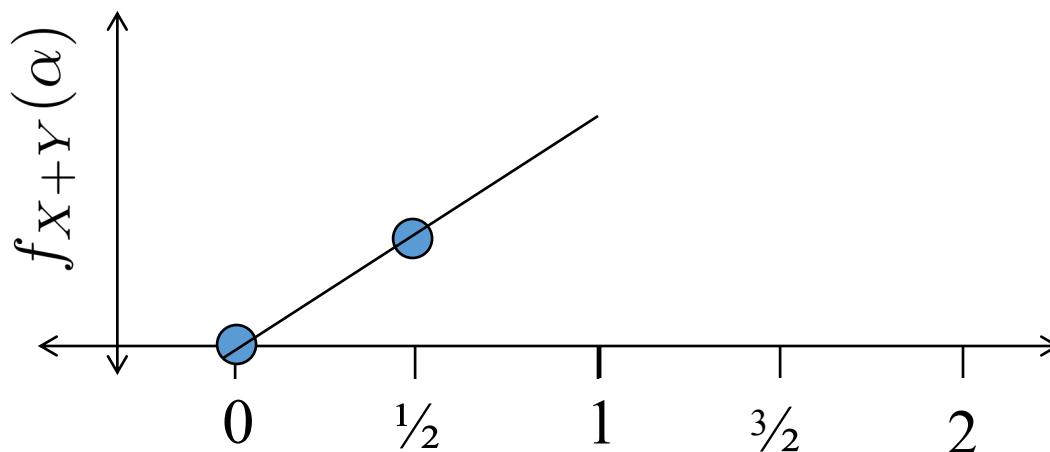
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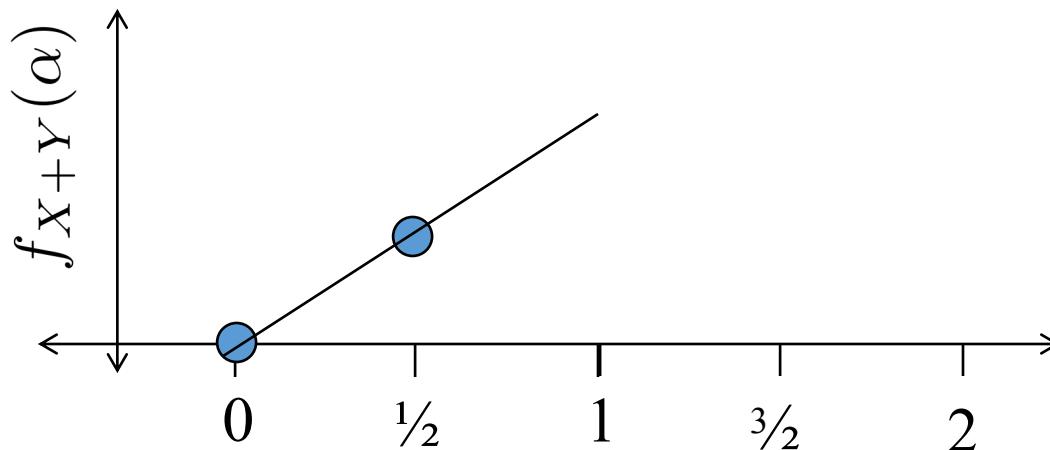
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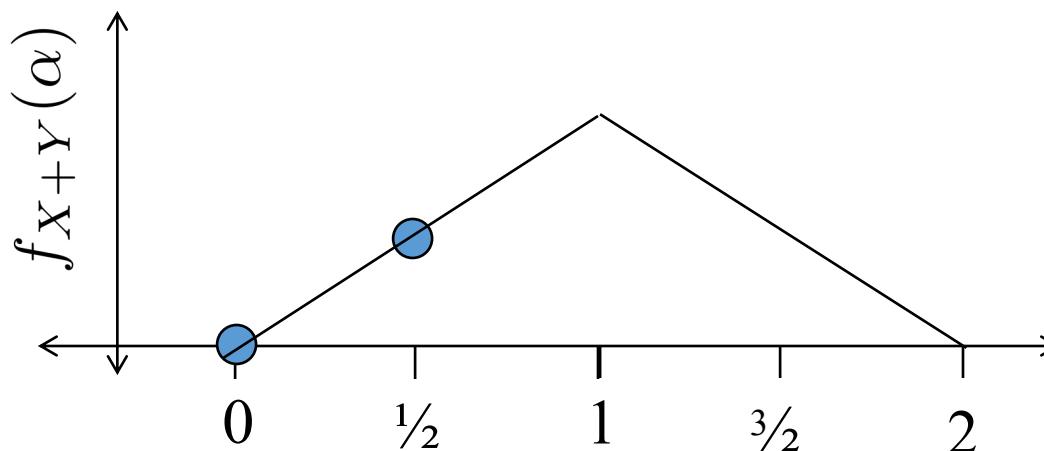
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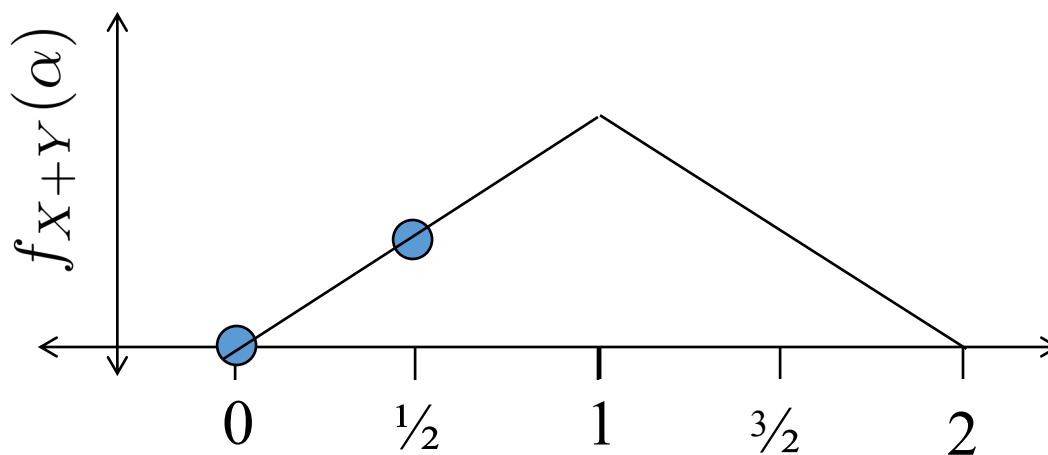
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$$f_{X+Y}(\alpha) ?$$

$$f_{X+Y}(a) = \begin{cases} a & 0 \leq a \leq 1 \\ 2 - a & 1 < a \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$





# Sum of Independent Normals

- Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be independent random variables
  - $X \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$  and  $Y \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$
  - $X + Y \sim N(\mu_1 + \mu_2, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)$
- Generally, have  $n$  independent random variables  $X_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2)$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ :

$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right) \sim N\left( \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i, \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2 \right)$$

# Virus Infections

- Say you are working with the WHO to plan a response to the initial conditions of a virus:
  - Two exposed groups
  - P1: 50 people, each independently infected with  $p = 0.1$
  - P2: 100 people, each independently infected with  $p = 0.4$
  - Question: Probability of more than 40 infections?

**Sanity check:** Should we use the Binomial Sum-of-RVs shortcut?

- A. YES!
- B. NO!
- C. Other/none/more

# Dance of Covariance

# Recall our Ebola Bats



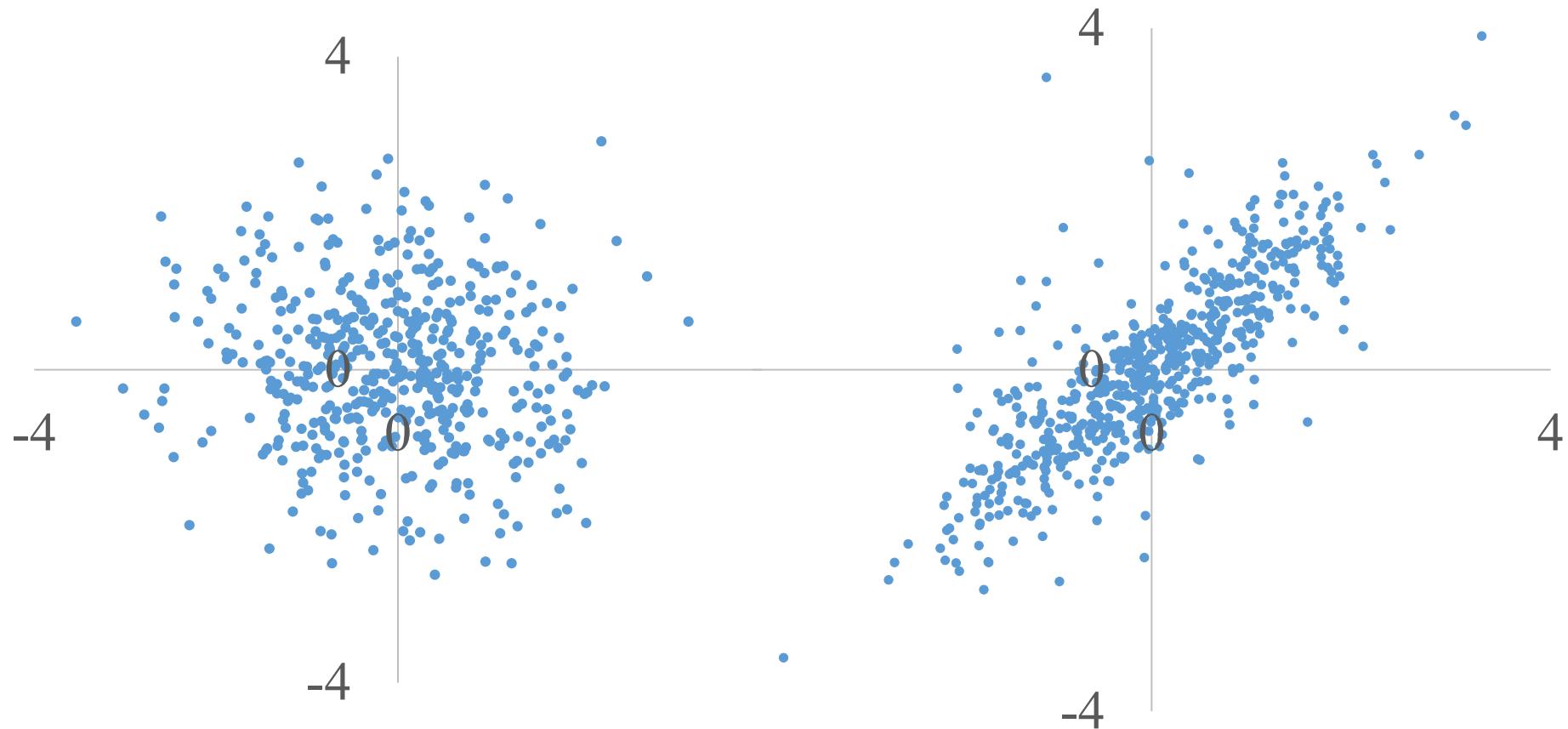
# Bat Data

Gene1	Gene2	Gene3	Gene4	Gene5	Trait
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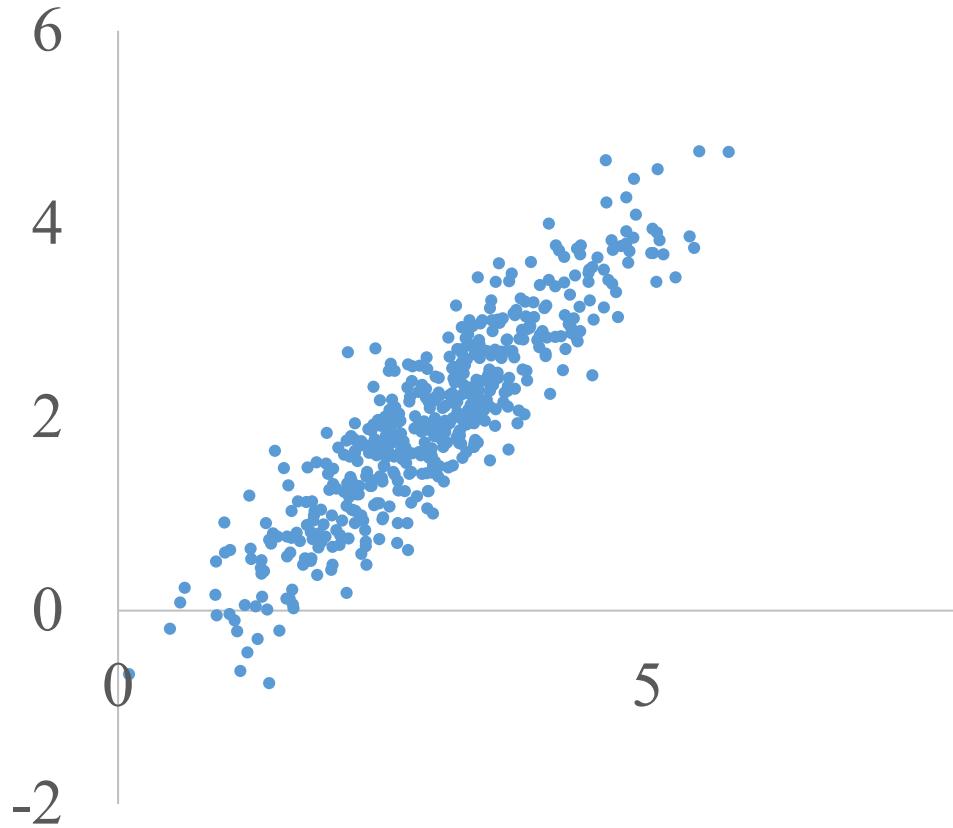
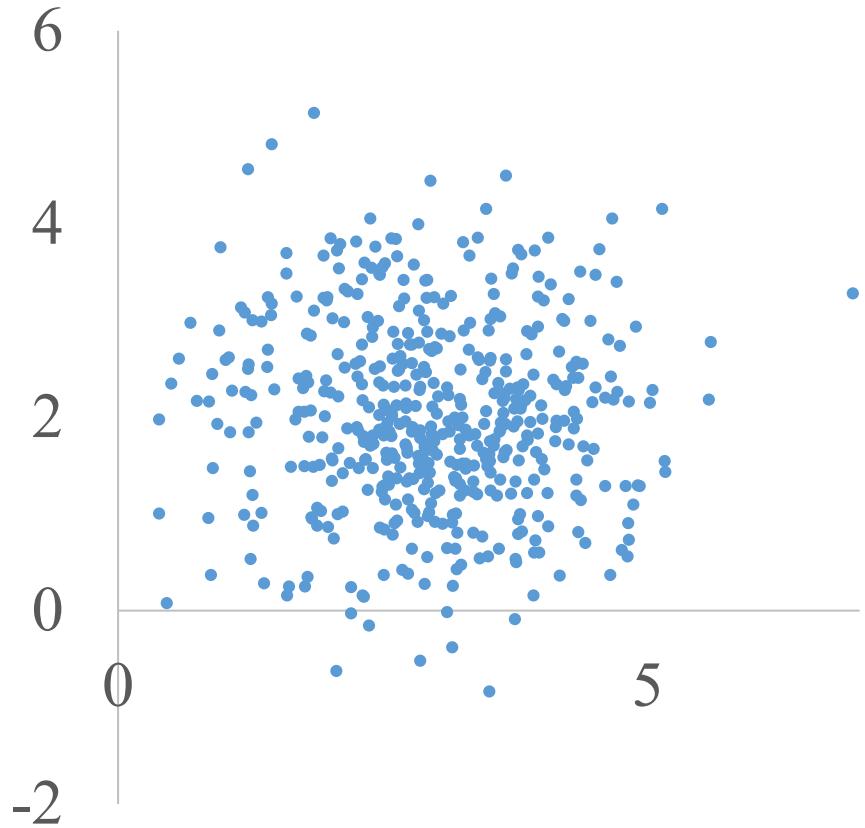
# Expression Amount

Gene5	Trait
0.76	0.83
0.94	0.85
0.82	0.03
0.94	0.32
0.50	0.10
0.40	0.53
0.90	0.67
0.29	0.71
0.72	0.25
0.15	0.24
0.79	0.98
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0.71	0.37
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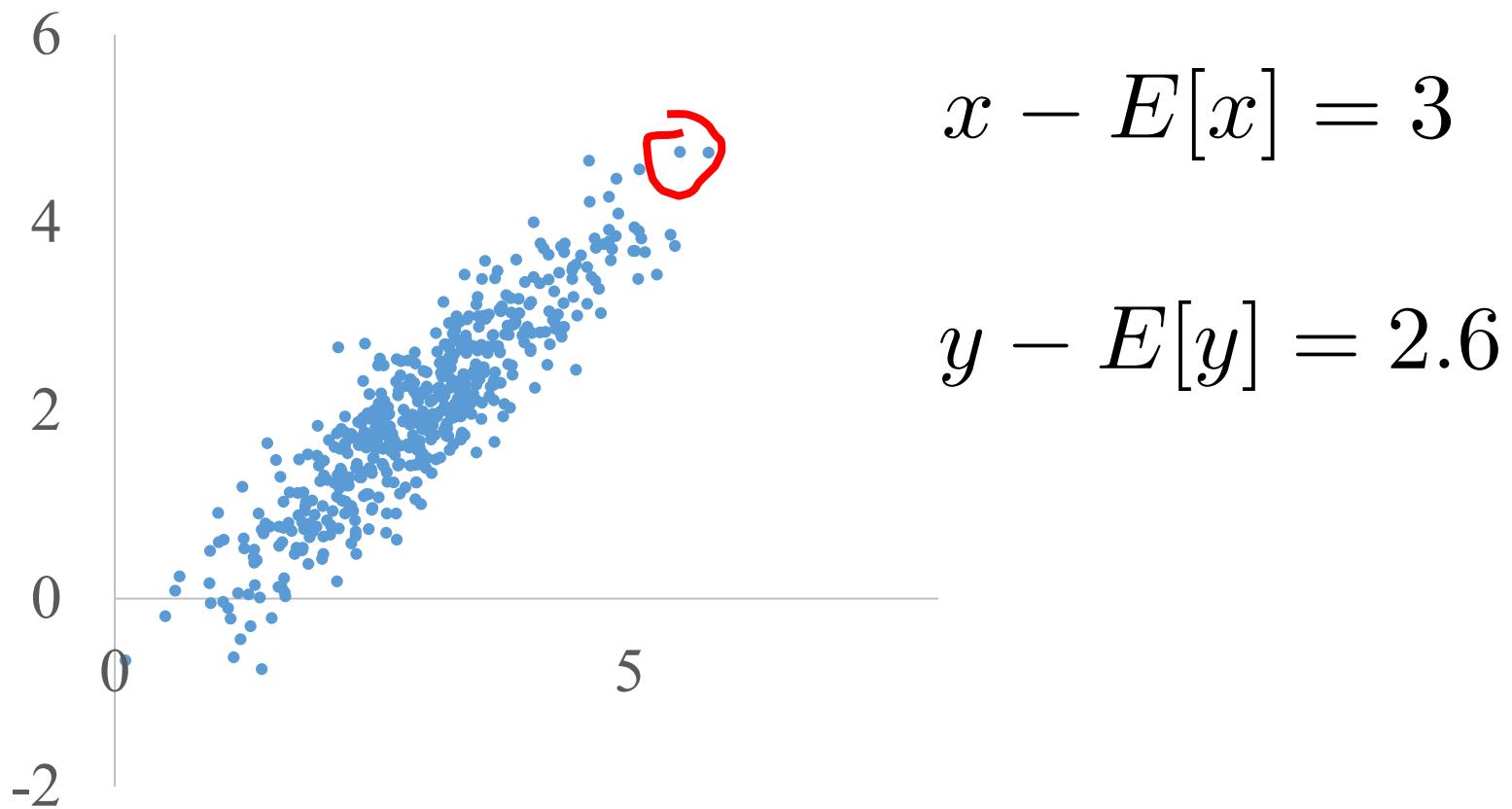
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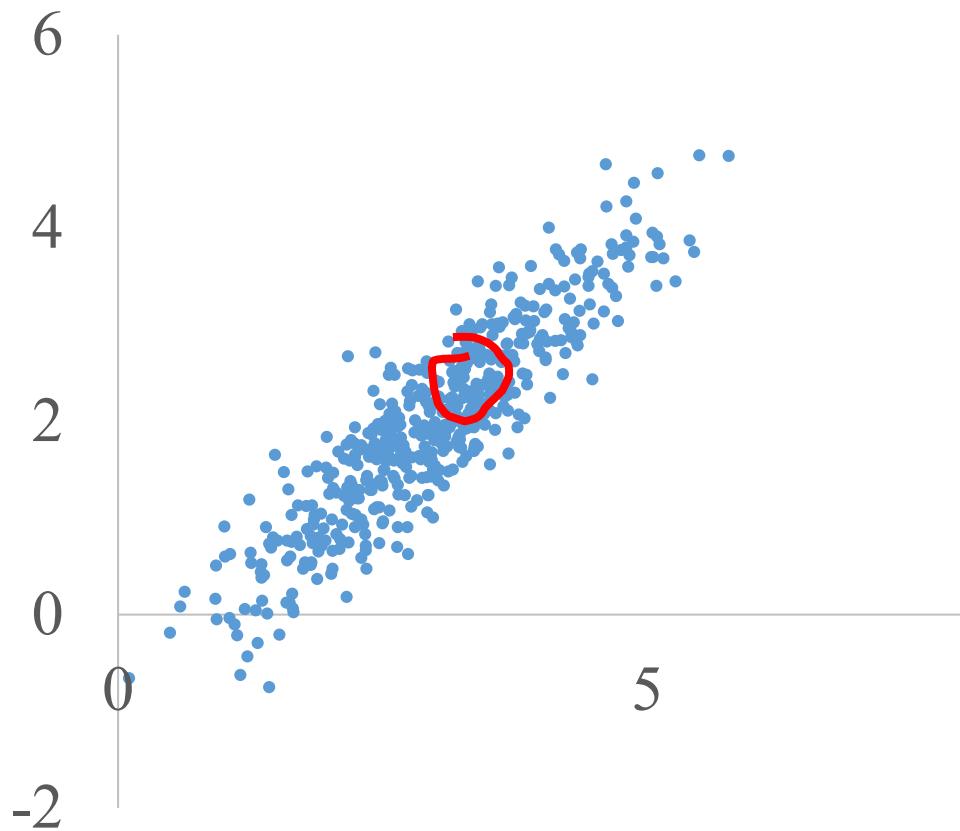
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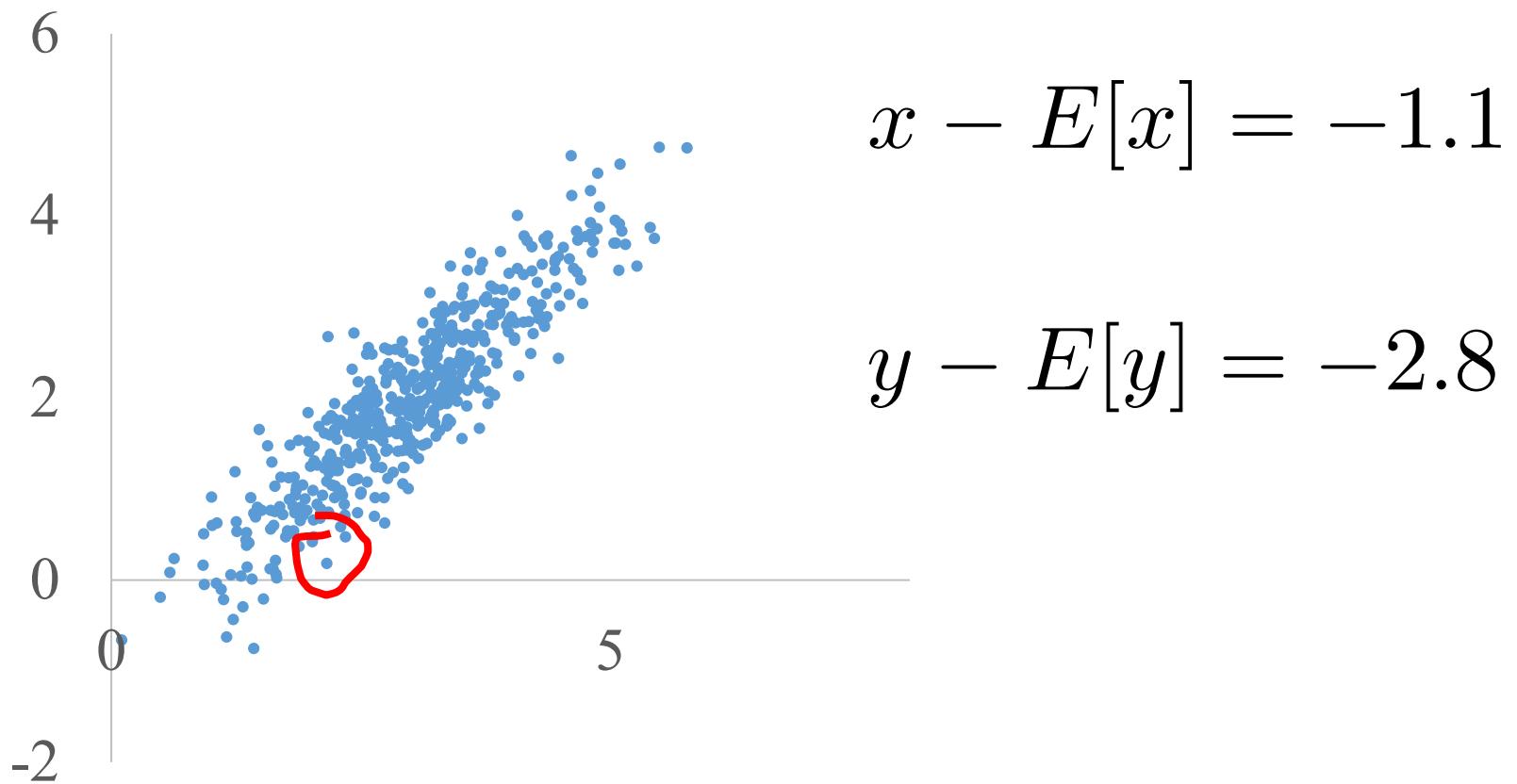


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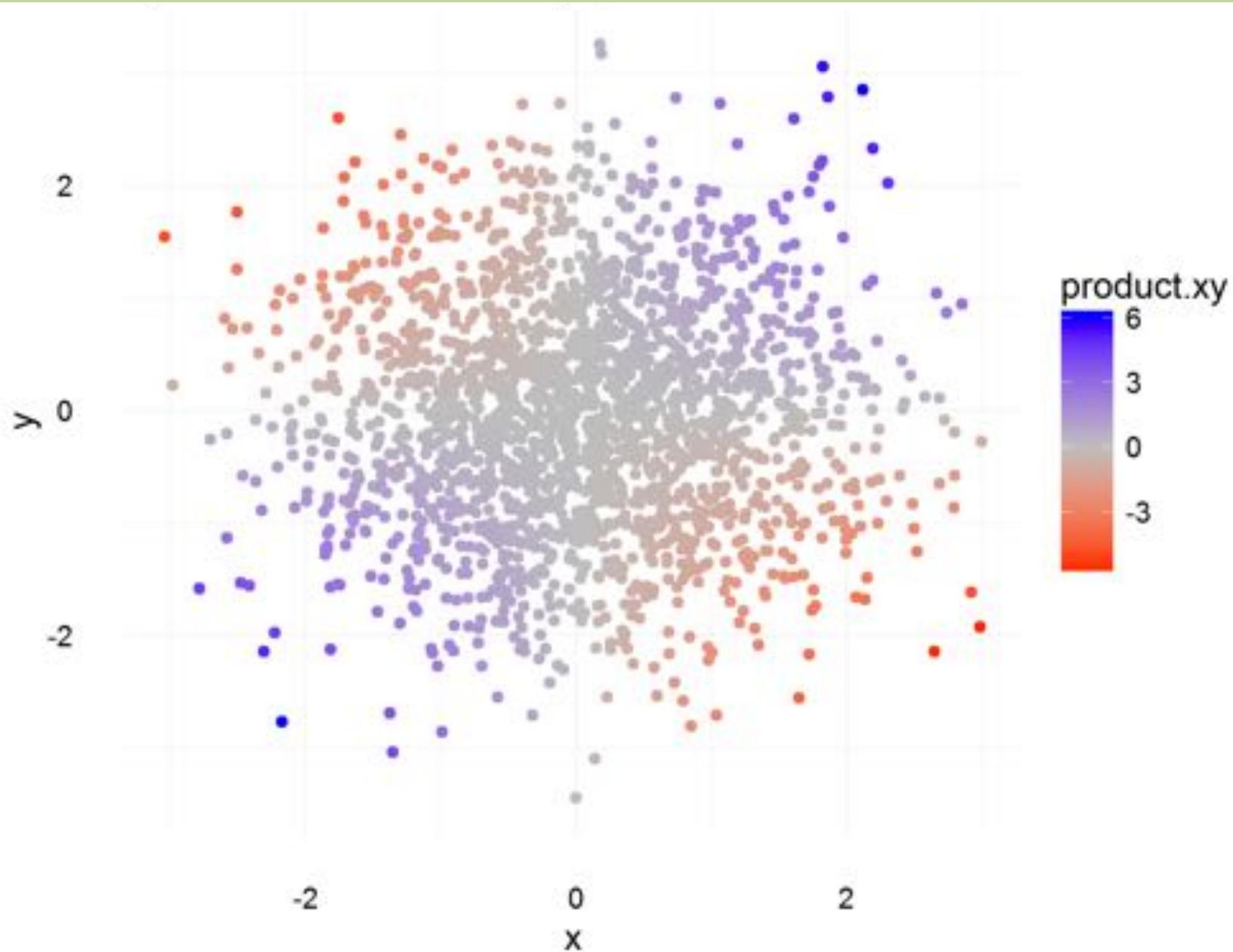
$$y - E[y] \approx 0$$

$$(x - E[x])(y - E[y]) = 0$$

# Vary Together



# Understanding Covariance



# The Dance of the Covariance

- Say X and Y are arbitrary random variables
- Covariance of X and Y:

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])]$$

x	y	$(x - E[X])(y - E[Y])p(x,y)$
Above mean	Above mean	Positive
Below mean	Below mean	Positive
Below mean	Above mean	Negative
Above mean	Below mean	Negative

# The Dance of the Covariance

- Say  $X$  and  $Y$  are arbitrary random variables
- Covariance of  $X$  and  $Y$ :

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- Equivalently:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}(X, Y) &= E[XY - E[X]Y - XE[Y] + E[Y]E[X]] \\ &= E[XY] - E[X]E[Y] - E[X]E[Y] + E[X]E[Y] \\ &= E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]\end{aligned}$$

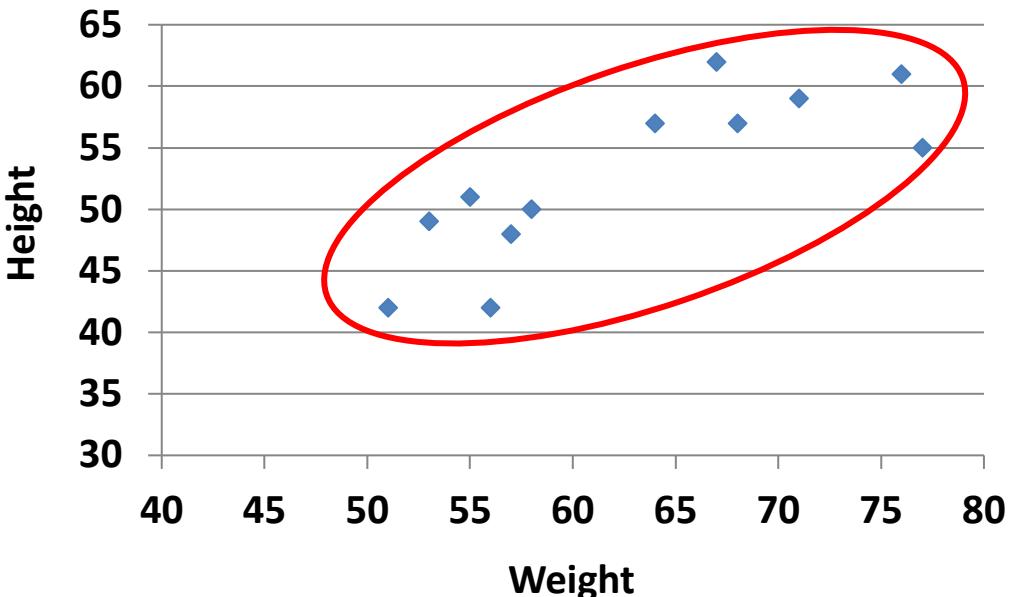
- $X$  and  $Y$  independent,  $E[XY] = E[X]E[Y] \rightarrow \text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$
- But  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$  does not imply  $X$  and  $Y$  independent!

# Covariance and Data

- Consider the following data:

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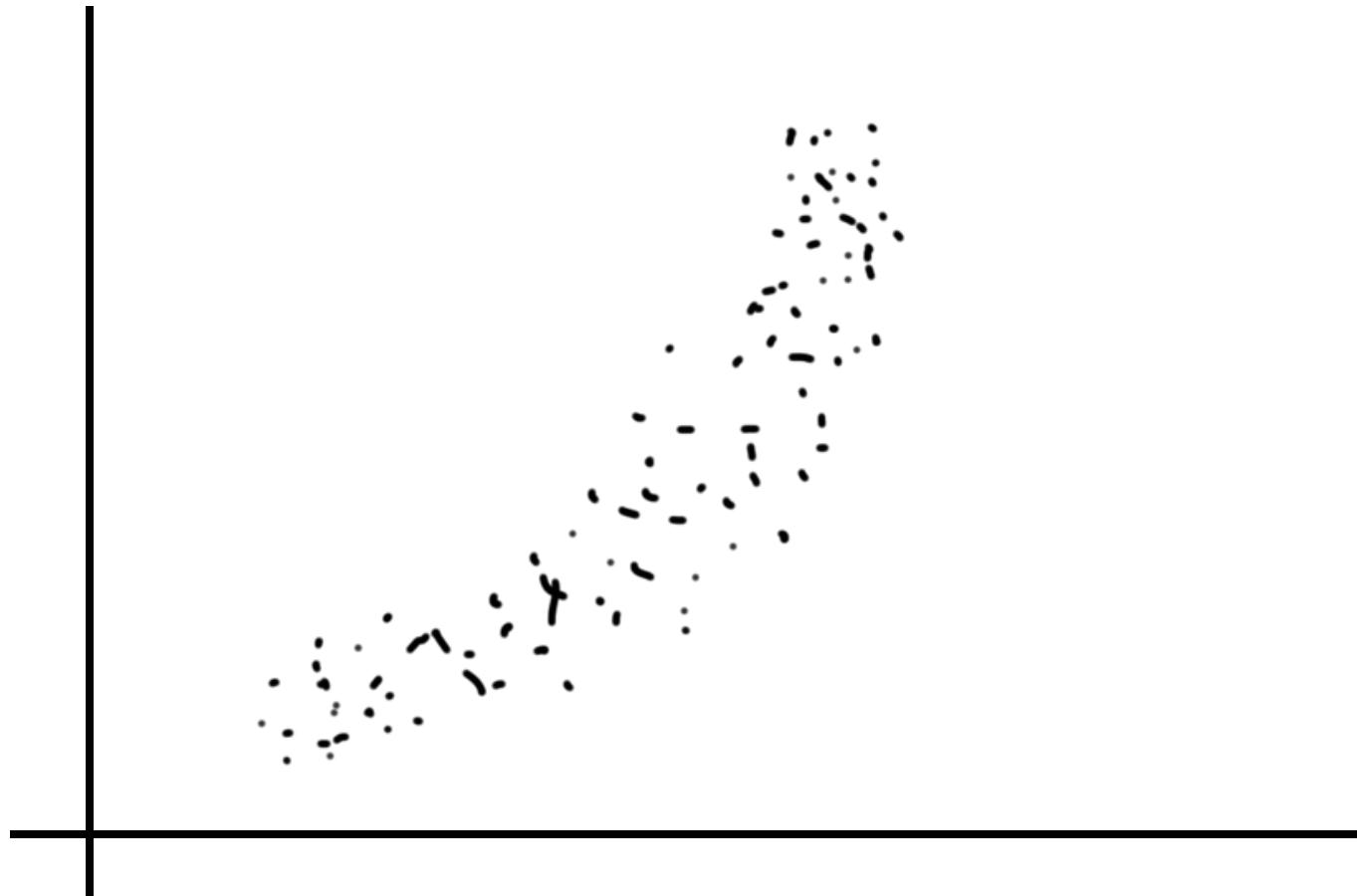
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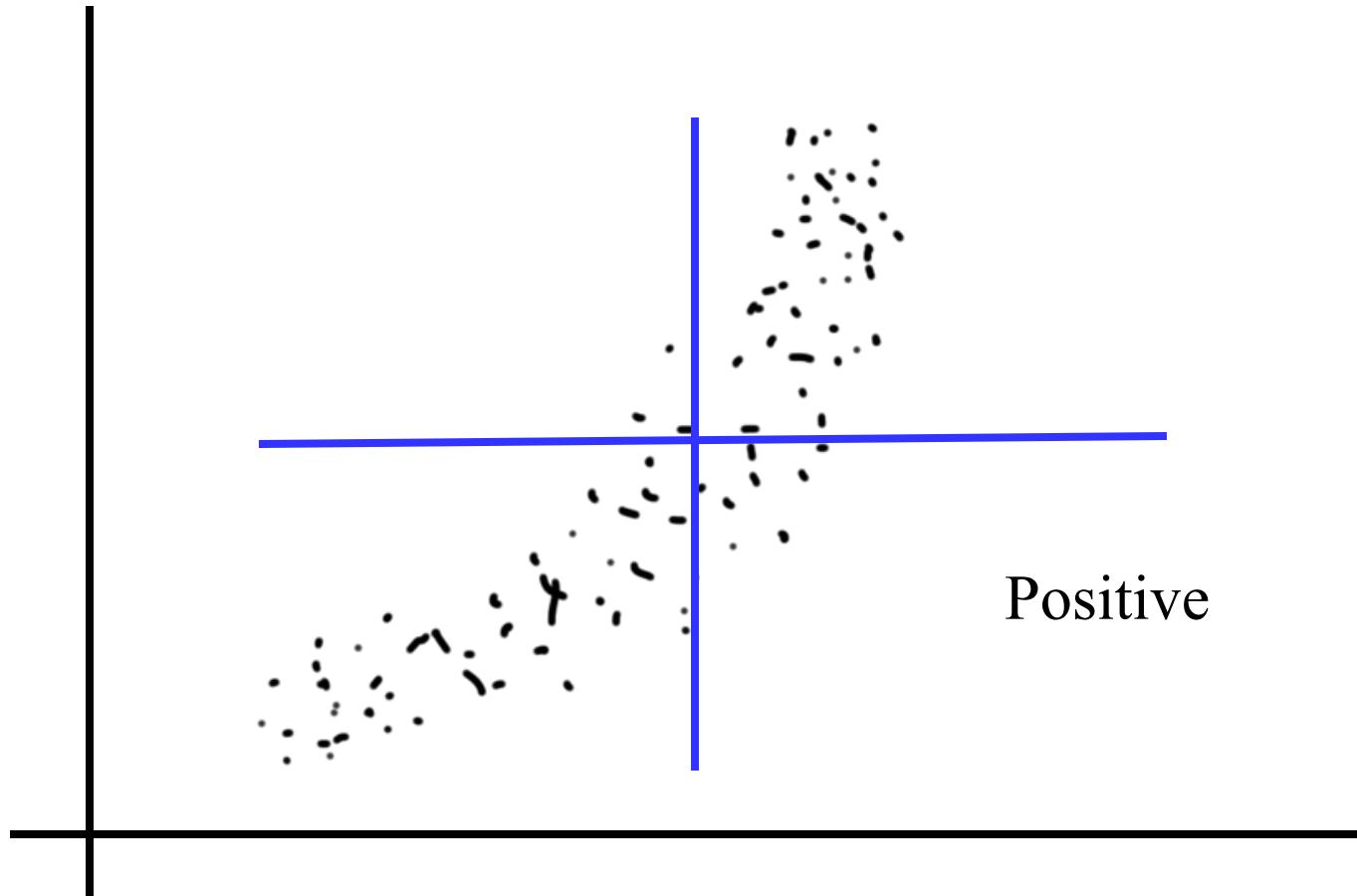
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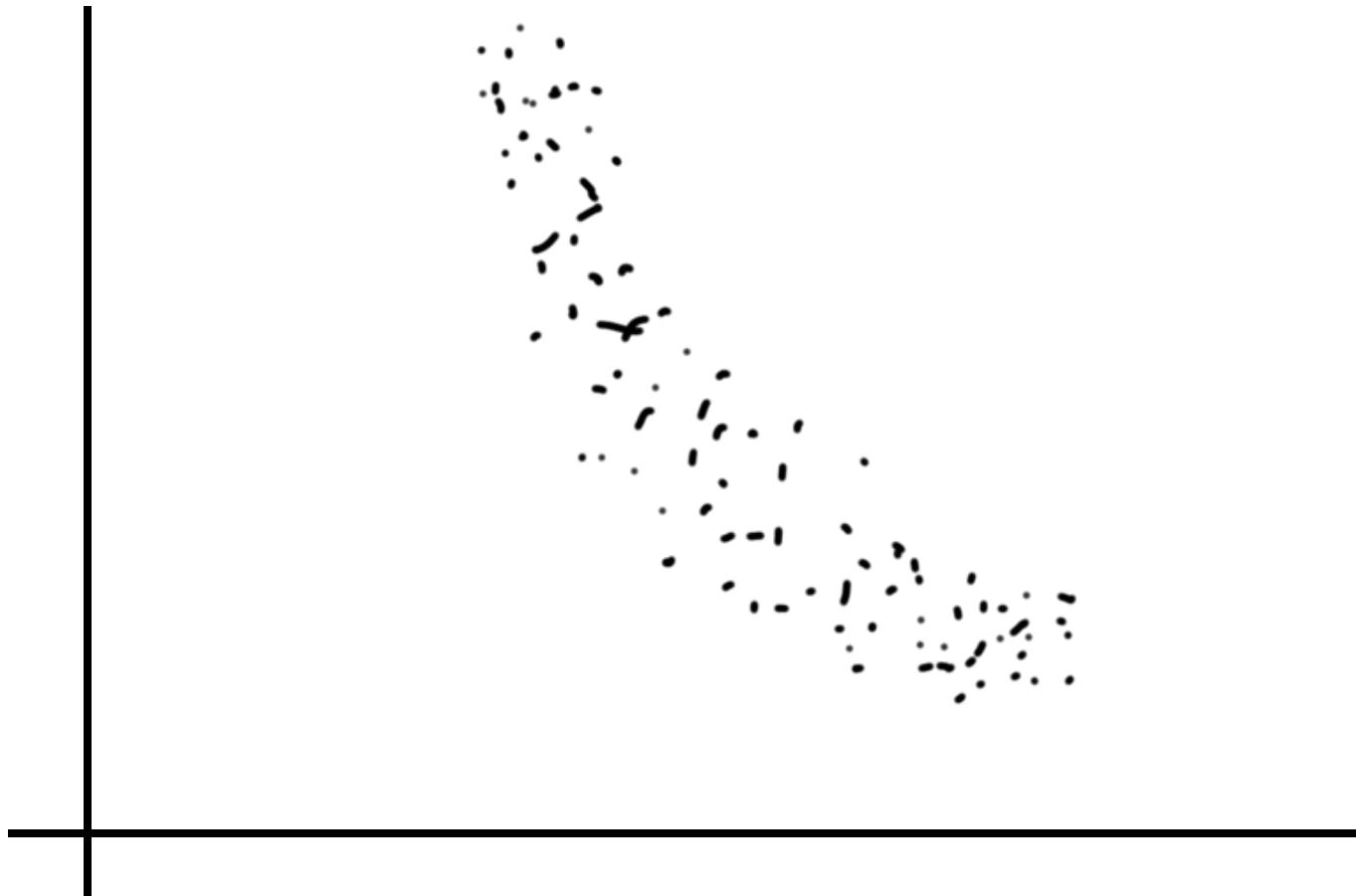
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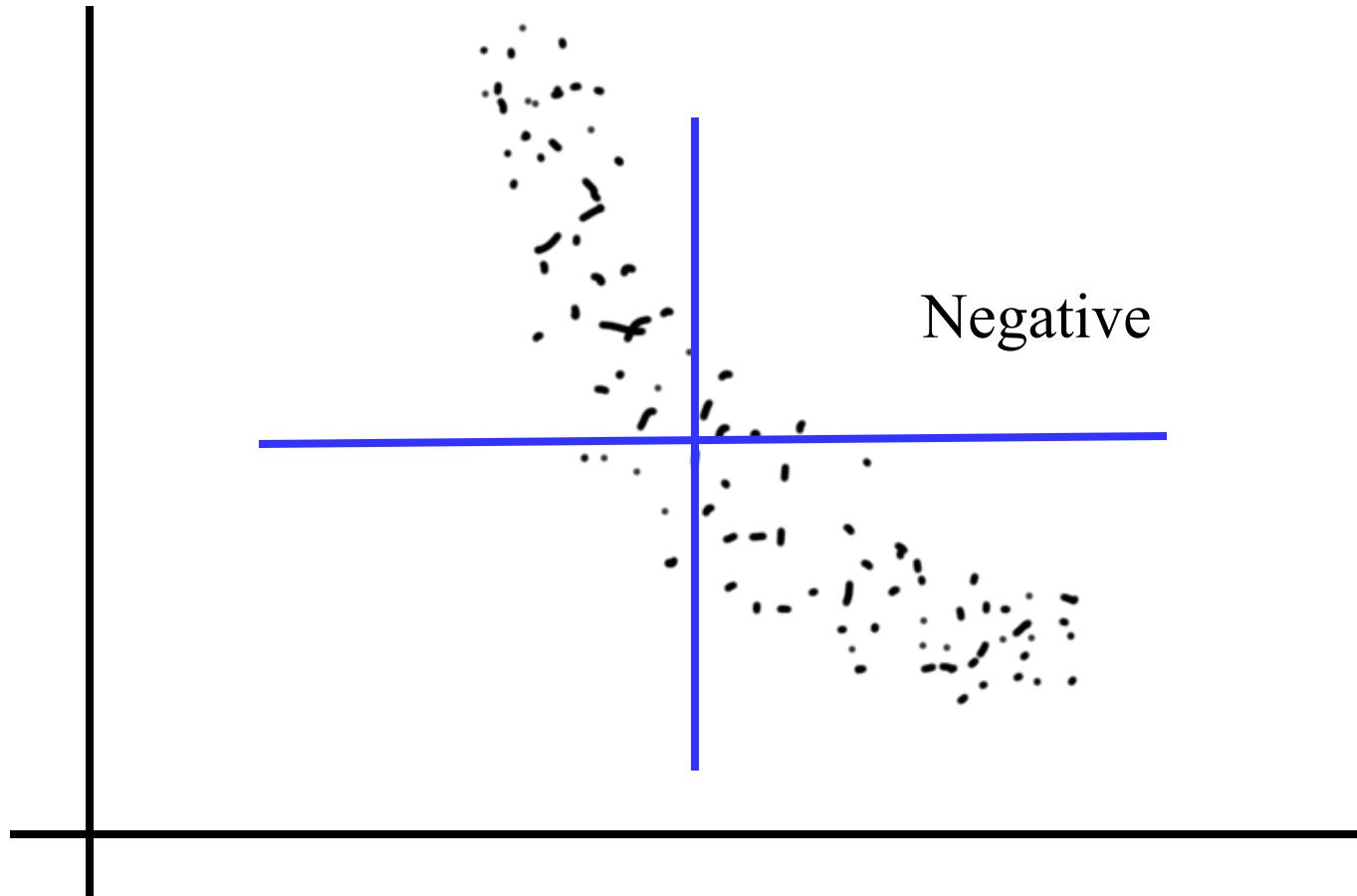
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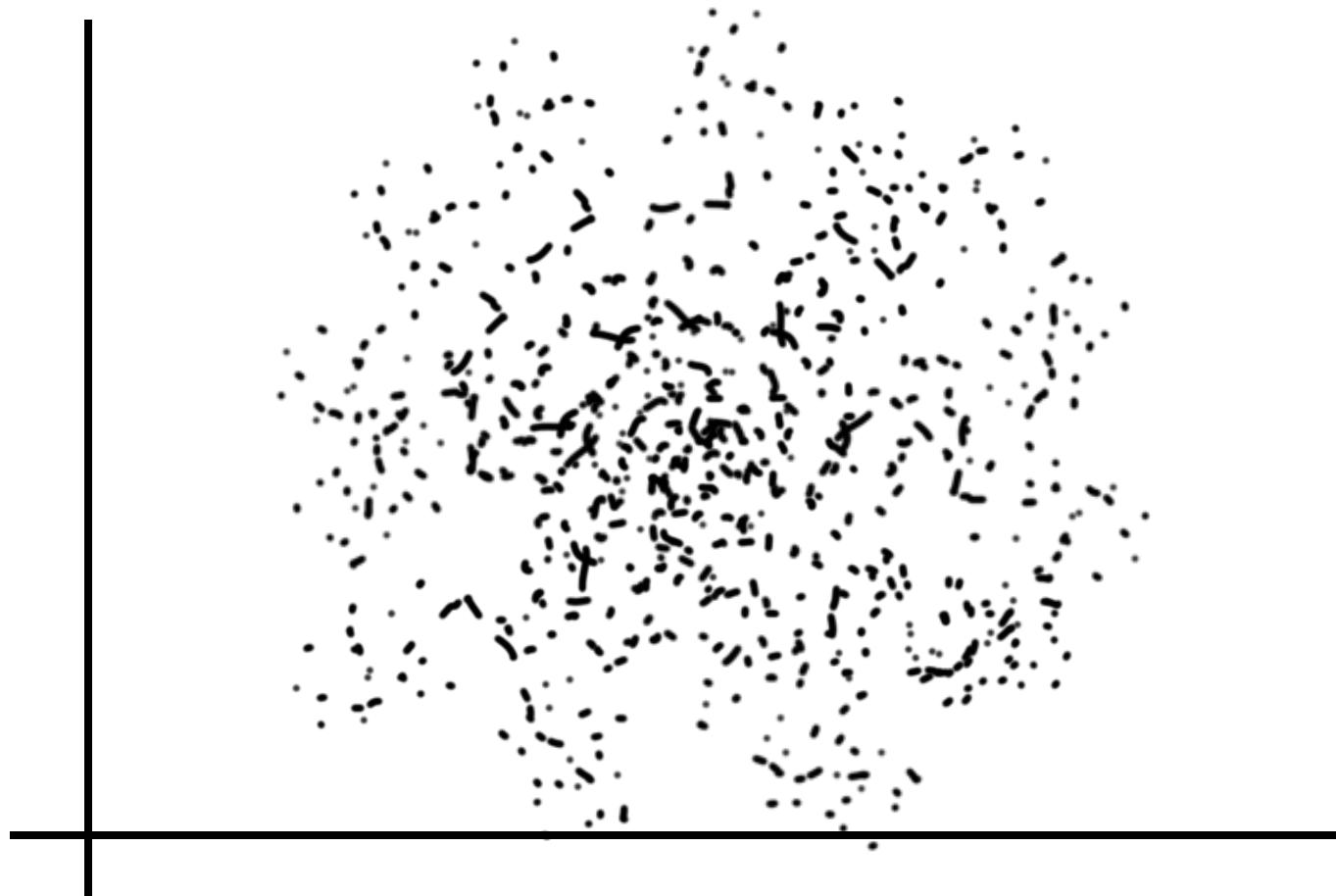
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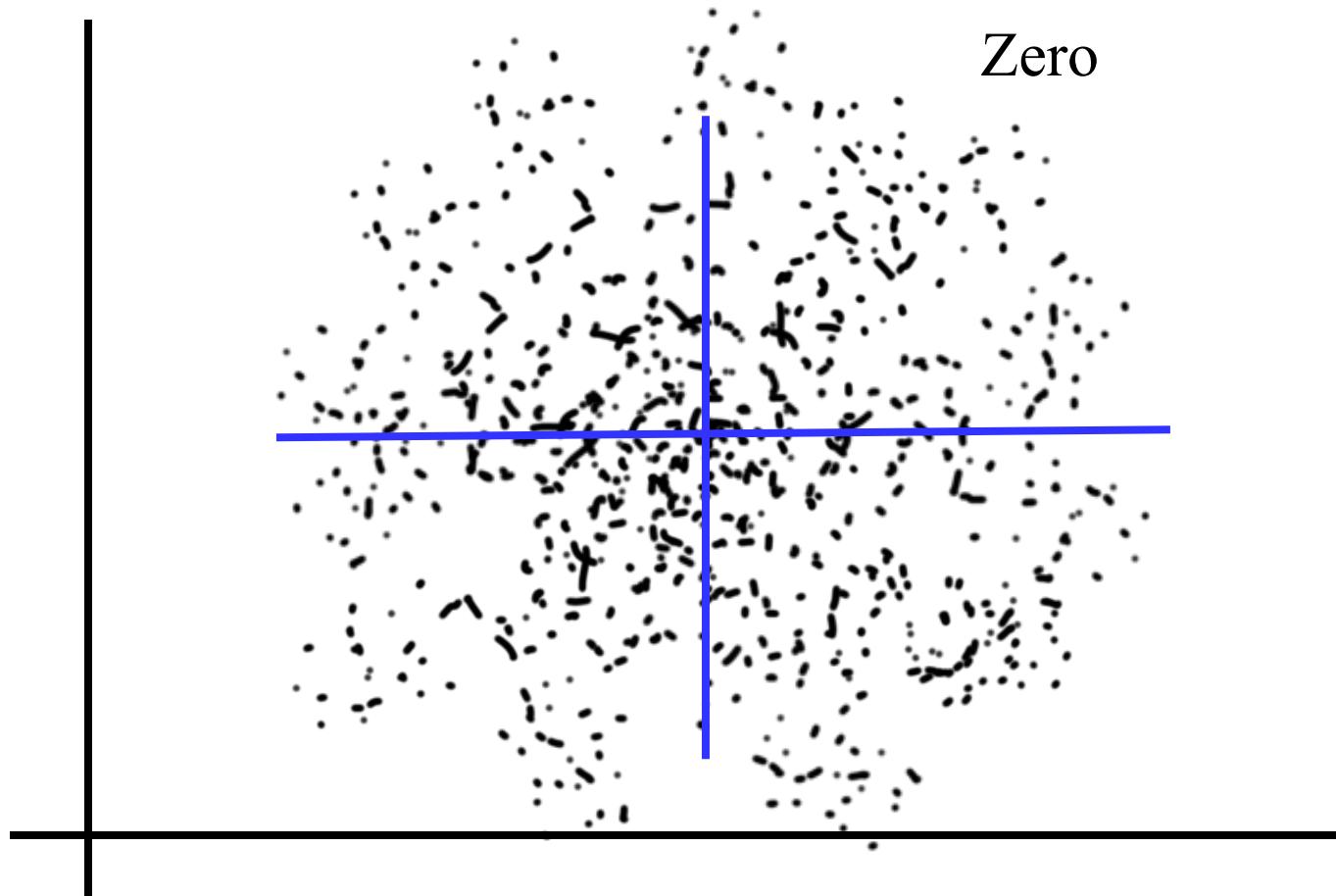
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# Independence and Covariance

- $X$  and  $Y$  are random variables with PMF:

$\backslash$	$X$	-1	0	1	$p_Y(y)$
$Y$					
0		1/3	0	1/3	2/3
1		0	1/3	0	1/3
$p_X(x)$	1/3	1/3	1/3		1

$$Y = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } X \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- $E[X] = -1(1/3) + 0(1/3) + 1(1/3) = 0$
- $E[Y] = 0(2/3) + 1(1/3) = 1/3$
- Since  $XY = 0$ ,  $E[XY] = 0$
- $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[XY] - E[X]E[Y] = 0 - 0 = 0$
- But,  $X$  and  $Y$  are clearly dependent!

# Properties of Covariance

- Say  $X$  and  $Y$  are arbitrary random variables
  - $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \text{Cov}(Y, X)$
  - $\text{Cov}(X, X) = E[X^2] - E[X]E[X] = \text{Var}(X)$
  - $\text{Cov}(aX + b, Y) = a\text{Cov}(X, Y)$
- Covariance of sums of random variables
  - $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  and  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_m$  are random variables
  - $\text{Cov}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \sum_{j=1}^m Y_j\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m \text{Cov}(X_i, Y_j)$

# Correlation

# What is Wrong With This?

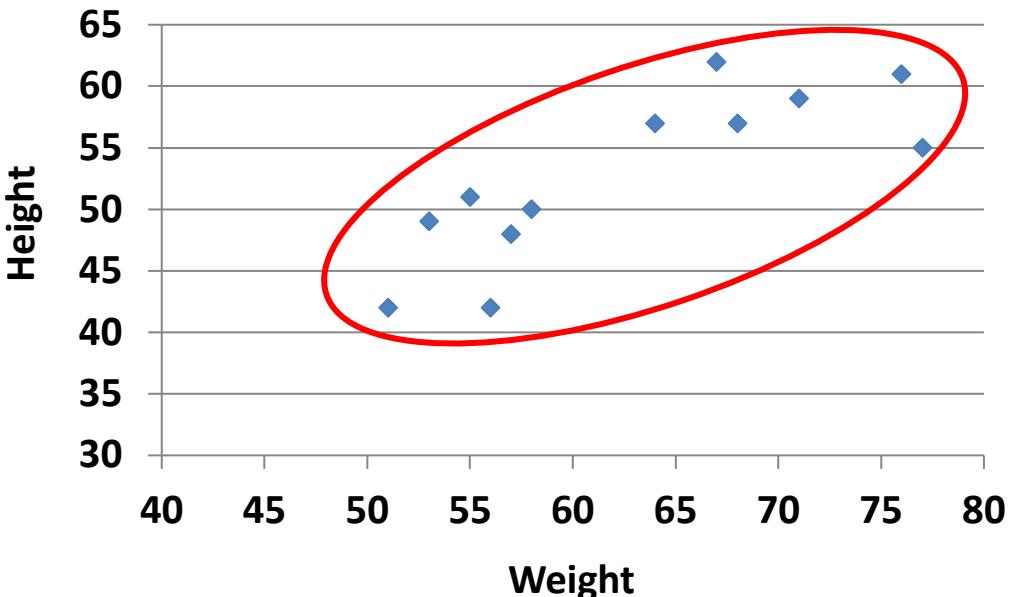
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    - 3.2  $\mathbb{R}^n$  ( $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space)
    - 3.3  $L^2$

$$-\text{Std}(X)\text{Std}(Y) \leq \text{Cov}(X, Y) \leq \text{Std}(X)\text{Std}(Y)$$

# Viva La Correlatióñ

- Say X and Y are arbitrary random variables
  - Correlation of X and Y, denoted  $\rho(X, Y)$ :
$$\rho(X, Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X)\text{Var}(Y)}}$$
  - Note:  $-1 \leq \rho(X, Y) \leq 1$
  - Correlation measures linearity between X and Y
  - $\rho(X, Y) = 1 \Rightarrow Y = aX + b$  where  $a = \sigma_y/\sigma_x$
  - $\rho(X, Y) = -1 \Rightarrow Y = aX + b$  where  $a = -\sigma_y/\sigma_x$
  - $\rho(X, Y) = 0 \Rightarrow$  absence of linear relationship
    - But, X and Y can still be related in some other way!
  - If  $\rho(X, Y) = 0$ , we say X and Y are “uncorrelated”
    - Note: Independence implies uncorrelated, but not vice versa!

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- Say  $Y = cX$ . Correlation should be 1.

# Do Indicators Correlate?

- Let  $I_A$  and  $I_B$  be indicators for events A and B

$$I_A = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } A \text{ occurs} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$I_B = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } B \text{ occurs} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- $E[I_A] = P(A)$ ,  $E[I_B] = P(B)$ ,  $E[I_A I_B] = P(AB)$
- $\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(I_A, I_B) &= E[I_A I_B] - E[I_A] E[I_B] \\ &= P(AB) - P(A)P(B) \\ &= P(A | B)P(B) - P(A)P(B) \\ &= P(B)[P(A | B) - P(A)] \end{aligned}$
- Cov( $I_A, I_B$ ) determined by  $P(A | B) - P(A)$
- $P(A | B) > P(A) \Rightarrow \rho(I_A, I_B) > 0$
- $P(A | B) = P(A) \Rightarrow \rho(I_A, I_B) = 0 \quad (\text{and } \text{Cov}(I_A, I_B) = 0)$
- $P(A | B) < P(A) \Rightarrow \rho(I_A, I_B) < 0$

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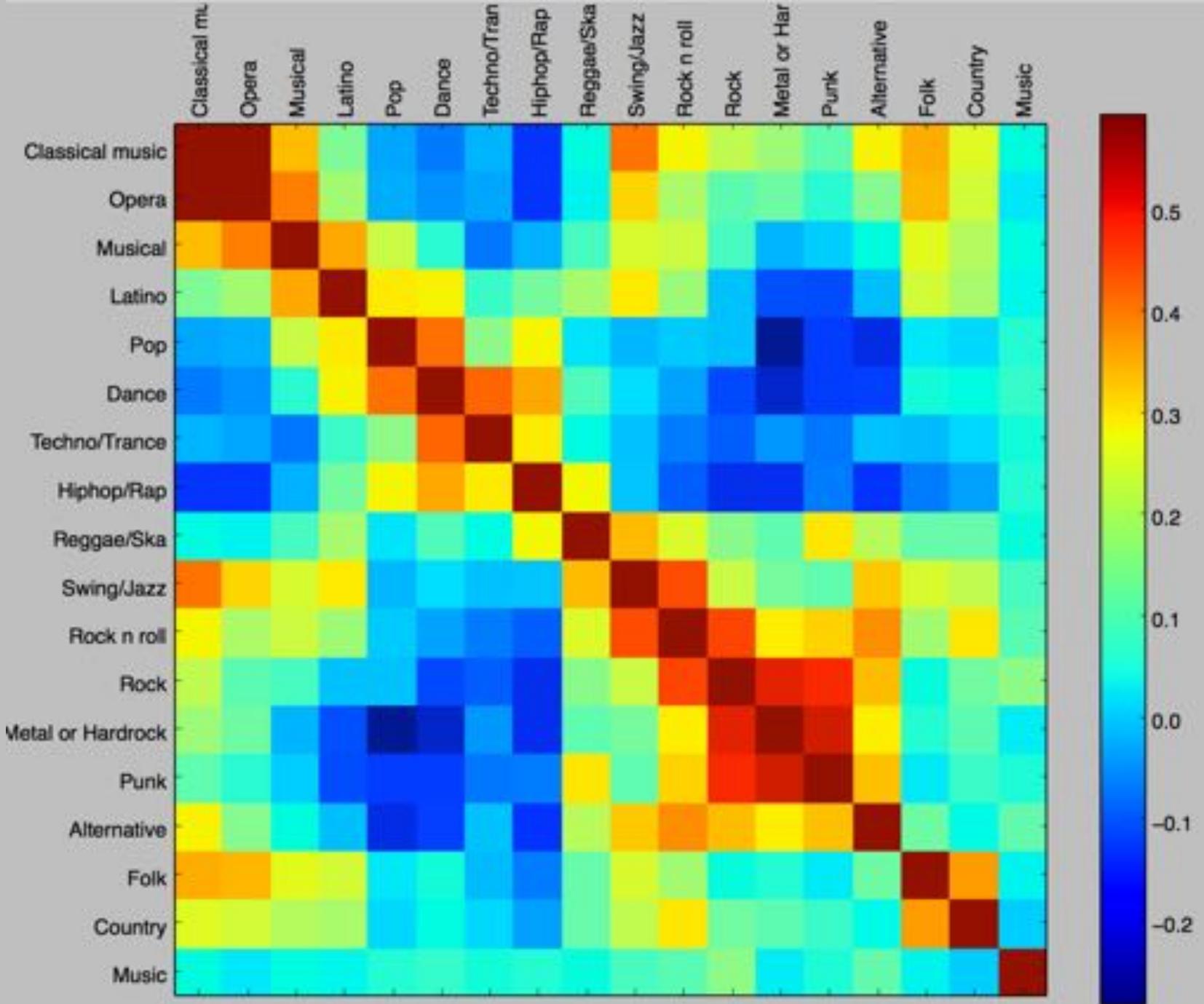
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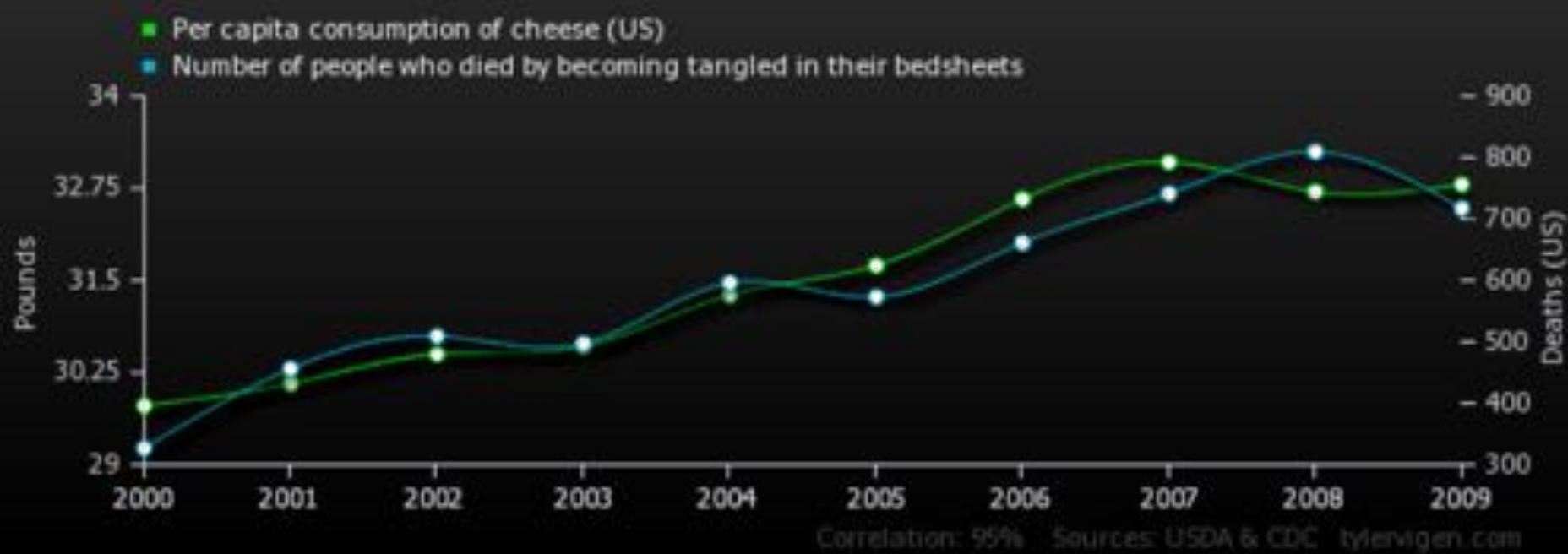
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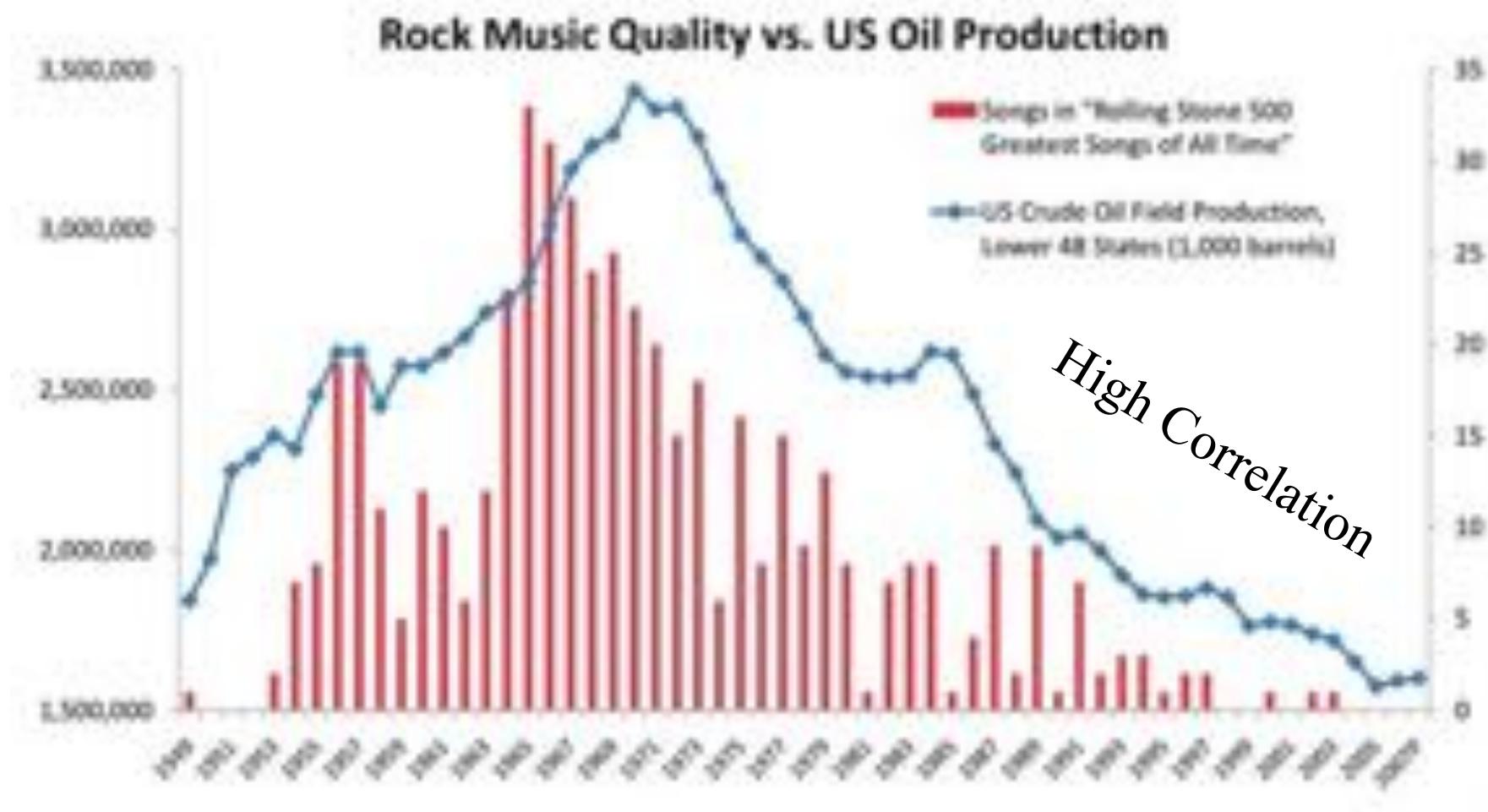
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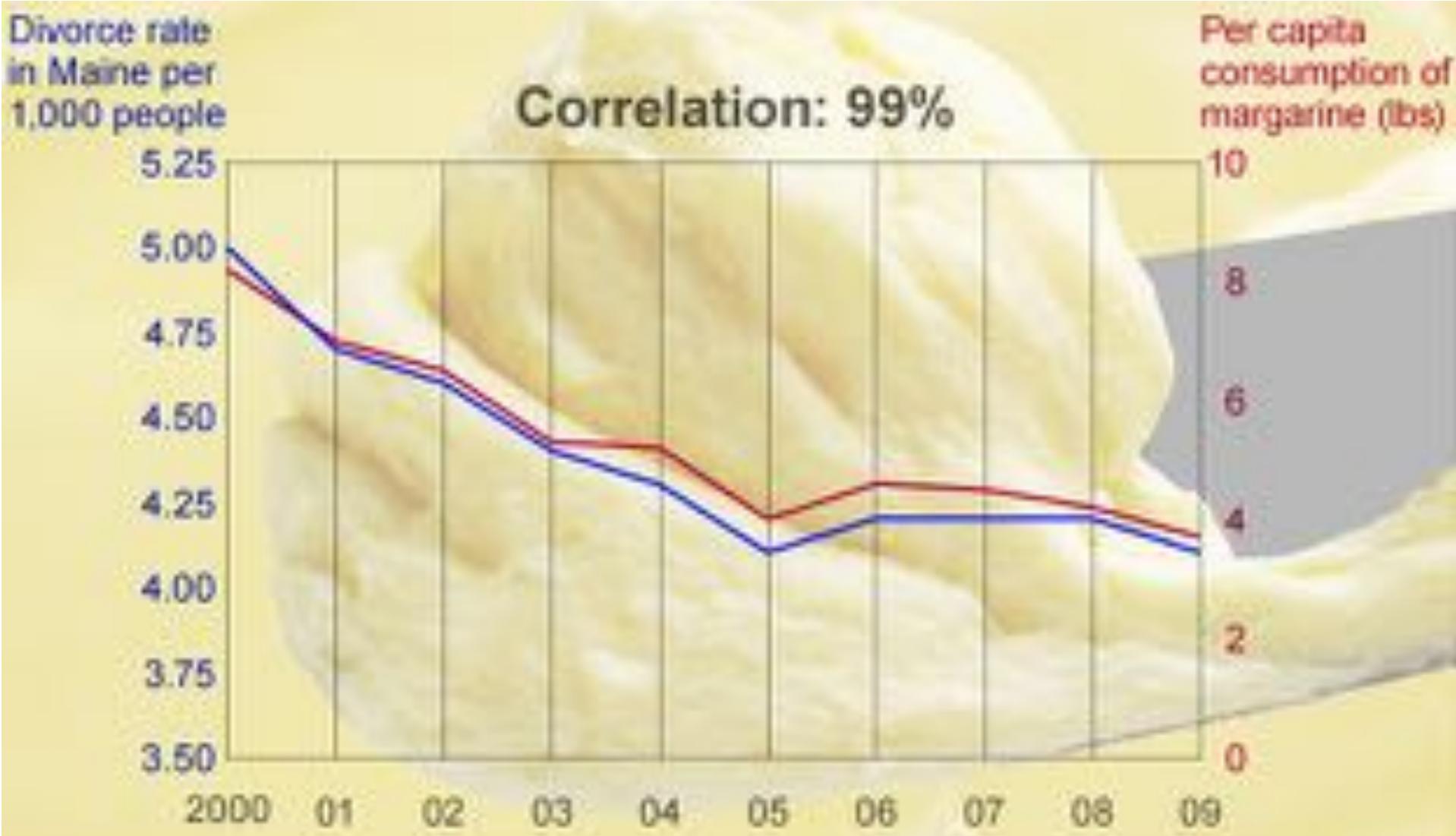
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