

Textbook Problems 8.4.10, 9.1.1, 9.1.2, 9.1.4, 9.1.5, 9.3.1, 9.3.2.

Notes Work out Problem 9.1.5 by two methods:

1. Use $\text{var } W = \text{var } X + \text{var } Y + 2 \text{cov}(X, Y)$.
2. First determine $f_W(w)$.

Supplementary Problems

1. Let $\mathbf{Y} = [Y_1 \ Y_2]^\top$ and $\mathbf{X} = [X_1 \ X_2]^\top$ be two random vectors such that $\mathbf{Y} = A\mathbf{X}$, where A is a 2×2 *invertible* real matrix. Determine $f_{\mathbf{Y}}$ in terms of $f_{\mathbf{X}}$.

2. Show that

$$\text{var} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \text{cov}(X_i, X_j).$$

Compare this formula with $\text{var}(X + Y) = \text{var } X + \text{var } Y + 2 \text{cov}(X, Y)$.

3. The expectation operator E can be applied to a random vector. Specifically, if $\mathbf{X} = [X_1 \ X_2 \ \cdots \ X_n]^\top$, then $E\mathbf{X} = [EX_1 \ EX_2 \ \cdots \ EX_n]^\top$. Show that

$$E[(\mathbf{X} - E\mathbf{X})(\mathbf{X} - E\mathbf{X})^\top] = [\text{cov}(X_i, X_j)]_{i,j=1}^n.$$

This matrix is called the covariance matrix of the random vector \mathbf{X} .

4. Let X_1, X_2, \dots be i.i.d. random variables $\sim X$, and let N be random variable taking values in $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$.

- (a) Show that $E[X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_N] = (EN)(EX)$ if N is independent of X_1, X_2, \dots .
- (b) Is it true in general that $E[X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_N] = (EN)(EX)$?