MA323 - Monte Carlo Simulation

Lab - 5

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Goal: To generate 10,000 samples from the distribution X such that,

$$oldsymbol{X} = egin{pmatrix} X_1 \ X_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim N_2(oldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma).$$

where,

$$\mu = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2a \\ 2a & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

To generate from this distribution the following steps were taken:

- 1) 10,000 samples from N(0, 1) distribution were generated using Box-Muller Method. These samples are called Z.
- 2) From the given covariance-variance matrix, a matrix A such that $\Sigma = A.A^T$ was determined using Cholesky Factorization.
- 3) The target distribution was determined using

$$X = \boldsymbol{\mu} + A\boldsymbol{Z}$$

Observations:

1) 1st plot:

The samples from target distribution X using the process were plotted in a 2-D histogram, the color bar on the right side of each image specifies the height of each pixel in the 2-D histogram.

2) 2nd plot:

The 2-D histogram in the first plot was overlaid with the contour plot of the actual distribution using inbuilt libraries.

Result:

The contour lines generated by the actual distribution are consistent with the 2-D histogram of the samples generated from the target distribution using the above process.

We consider various values of 'a':

1)
$$a = -0.5$$

















