We consider the following data points: (2, 19), (9, 6), (7, 15), (5, 12).

a) Calculate the covariance matrix of this set of data.

以下(1)和(2)均对。在 Excel 等工具中,一般采用(1)。

(1) 根据样本方差及样本协方差计算得到的协方差矩阵:

We denote the first attribute as x, and the second attribute as y.

$$cov(x, y) = \frac{1}{3}[(2-5.75)(19-13) + (9-5.75)(6-13) + (7-5.75)(15-13) + (5-5.75)(12-13)] = -14$$

The covariance matrix is given by $\begin{bmatrix} 8.917 & -14 \\ -14 & 30 \end{bmatrix}$

上述协方差矩阵,第一行第一列为 cov(x, x);第一行第二列为 cov(x, y);第二行第一列为 cov(y, x);第二行第二列为 cov(y, y)。

(2) 根据总体方差及总体协方差计算得到的协方差矩阵:

$$\sigma_{x}^{2} = \frac{1}{4}[(2 - 5.75)^{2} + \cdots]$$

$$\sigma_{y}^{2} = \frac{1}{4}[(19 - 13)^{2} + \cdots]$$

$$cov(x, y) = \frac{1}{4}[(2 - 5.75)(19 - 13) + \cdots]$$

- b) Calculate the correlation coefficient between the two attributes.
 - (1) 根据样本方差及样本协方差计算得到的相关系数:

The correlation coefficient between the two attributes is

$$r_{xy} = \frac{-14}{\sqrt{8.917}\sqrt{30}} = -0.86$$

(2) 根据总体方差及总体协方差计算相关系数,参照课件公式。