

## 457.646 Topics in Structural Reliability

### In-Class Material: Class 05

※ See supplementary material on bivariate normal joint PDF

#### ◎ Covariance & Correlation Coefficient

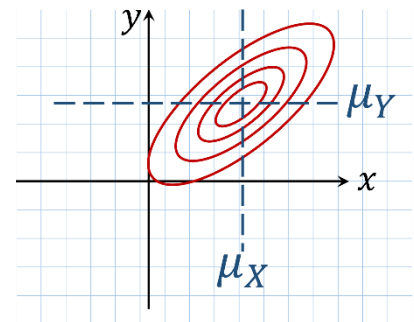
– Partial descriptors or measures for \_\_\_\_\_ dependence

##### ① Covariance

(a) Definition:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}[X, Y] &\equiv E[ \quad ] \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \quad f_{XY}(x, y) dy dx \end{aligned}$$

c.f. c.o.v.  $\delta =$

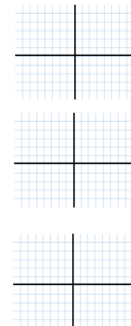


(b)  $\text{Cov}[X, Y] =$  \_\_\_\_\_ –

(c)  $\text{Cov}[X, Y] > 0$  \_\_\_\_\_ linear dependence

$= 0$  \_\_\_\_\_ linear dependence

$< 0$  \_\_\_\_\_ linear dependence



⇒ Not useful to measure/compare the strength of the linear dependence.  
Why?

##### ② Correlation Coefficient

(a) Dimensionless measure of linear dependence

$$\rho_{XY} \equiv \text{_____}$$

(b) \_\_\_\_\_  $\leq \rho_{XY} \leq$  \_\_\_\_\_

**Proof:** Consider

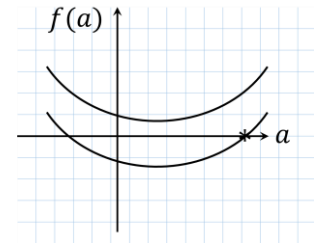
$$f(a) = \iint [a(x - \mu_X) - (y - \mu_Y)]^2 f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy$$

$$= a^2 \text{Var}[X] - 2a \cdot \text{Cov}[X, Y] + \text{Var}[Y] \quad 0$$

$$\therefore D/4 = (\text{Cov}[X, Y])^2 - \text{Var}[X] \cdot \text{Var}[Y] \quad 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{[\text{Cov}(X, Y)]^2}{\text{Var}[X] \cdot \text{Var}[Y]} \leq$$

$$\leq \rho_{XY} \leq$$



**(c) What does  $\rho_{XY} =$  &  $\rho_{YX} =$  mean?**

**Consider the case D=**

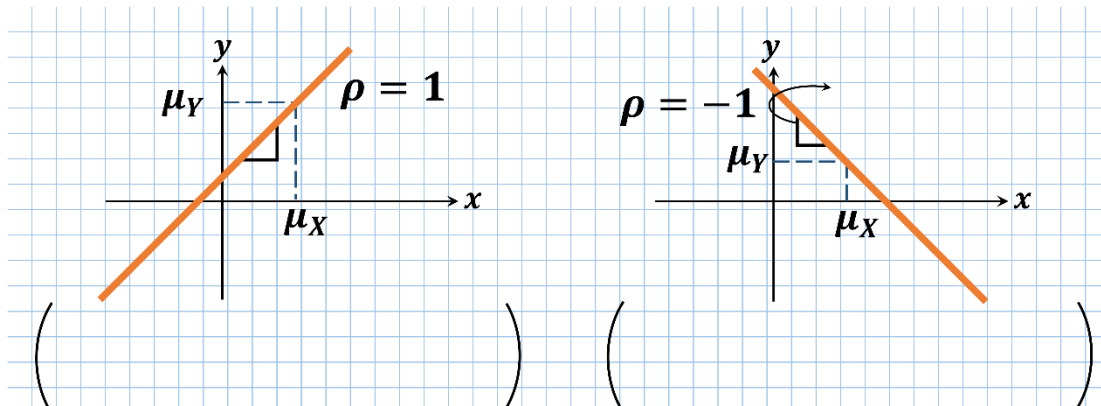
$$f(a) = \text{Var}[X] \left( a - \frac{\text{Cov}[X, Y]}{\text{Var}[X]} \right)^2 + \dots$$

$$f(a) = 0 \text{ at } a = \frac{\text{Cov}[X, Y]}{\text{Var}[X]} = a^*$$

Substituting this into  $f(a)$ ,

$$f(a^*) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [(x - \mu_X) - (y - \mu_Y)]^2 f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy = 0$$

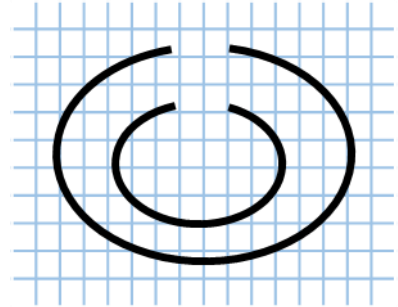
$\therefore$  for  $\forall(x, y)$ , the following (deterministic/probabilistic) and (linear/nonlinear) relationship between X and Y holds:



(d)  $\rho_{XY} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{Cov}[X, Y] = 0$   
 “No linear dependence”  
 “Un”

(e) “Uncorrelated” vs “Statistical Independence”

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{XY} = 0 & \rightarrow \\ (E[XY] = & ) \leftarrow f_{XY}(x, y) = \end{aligned}$$



→ ?

Suppose  $Y = X^2$  and  $X$  has a symmetric distribution in  $[-a, a]$

$$E[XY] =$$

$$E[X] =$$

$$\text{Cov}[X, Y] =$$

← ?

### ※ Vector/matrix formulation for multiple RVs

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{Bmatrix} X_1 \\ \vdots \\ X_n \end{Bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{\mu}_X = \begin{Bmatrix} \mu_{X_1} \\ \vdots \\ \mu_{X_n} \end{Bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{XX} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & \\ & \sigma_2^2 & \\ & & \ddots \\ sym & \dots & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

( ) vector ( ) vector =  $E[\mathbf{X}]$  ( ) matrix

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{XX} &= E[(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{M}_X)(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{M}_X)^T] = E[\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T] - \mathbf{M}_X\mathbf{M}_X^T \\ &= \mathbf{D}\mathbf{R}\mathbf{D} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} & \end{bmatrix} \text{ diagonal matrix of } \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \rho_{12} & \rho_{13} \\ & 1 & \\ & & \ddots \\ sym & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} & \end{bmatrix} \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ matrix}$$

※  $\Sigma_{xx}$  and  $R_{xx}$  are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

- $\mathbf{a}^T \Sigma_{xx} \mathbf{a} > 0$  ( $\forall \mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{0}$ ) If no perfect linear dependence  
(a simple proof:  $Y = \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X}$ ,  $\sigma_y^2 = \mathbf{a}^T \Sigma_{xx} \mathbf{a} > 0$ )
- $\mathbf{a}^T \Sigma_{xx} \mathbf{a} = 0$  for  $\exists \mathbf{a}$  if there exist linear dependence among  $\mathbf{X}$

e.g.  $X_1 = 2X_2$ ,  $Y = 1 \cdot X_1 - 2X_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$

$$\sigma_Y^2 = \mathbf{a}^T \Sigma_{xx} \mathbf{a} = 0$$

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### In-Class Material: Class 06

#### II-6. Functions of Random Variables (See Supp. 03)

Consider  $Y = g(\mathbf{X})$

- (1) For input  $\mathbf{X}$ : distribution model  $f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x})$  or expectations ( $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{X}}$ ,  $\Sigma_{\mathbf{XX}}$ ) available  
 (2) For output  $\mathbf{Y}$ : distribution model ( ) or expectations ( , ) ?

Examples:

- (1) Regional/inventory loss:  $L = \sum_{i=1}^n V_i D_i \rightarrow$  linear function  
 (2) Wind-induced pressure:  $P = \frac{1}{2} C_p \rho V^2$

#### ◎ Mathematical expectation of linear functions

$$Y_k = a_{k,0} + \sum_{i=1}^n a_{k,i} X_i, \quad k = 1, \dots, m$$

- ① Algebraic formula ( $n \leq 3$ ) : See Supp.3  
 ② Matrix formula:

For  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{A}_0 + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}$

where

$$\mathbf{Y} = \begin{Bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ \vdots \\ Y_m \end{Bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}_0 = \begin{Bmatrix} a_{1,0} \\ a_{2,0} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m,0} \end{Bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \cdots & a_{m,n} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{X} = \begin{Bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ \vdots \\ X_n \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{Y}} =$$

$$\Sigma_{\mathbf{YY}} =$$

#### ❖ Proof of Positive-definiteness of $\Sigma_{\mathbf{XX}}$

Consider  $Y = \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X}$  ( $\mathbf{A}_0 =$  ,  $\mathbf{A} =$  )

Using the formula above,

$$\Sigma_{\mathbf{YY}} = \sigma_Y^2 =$$

❖ **Linear transformation for standardization, i.e.,** &

Suppose  $\mathbf{X}$  has                      and

Find  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{A}_0 + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}$

such that  $\mathbf{M}_Y =$                       and  $\mathbf{\Sigma}_{YY} =$

$$\mathbf{M}_Y = \mathbf{A}_0 + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{M}_X = \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{\Sigma}_{YY} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{\Sigma}_{XX}\mathbf{A}^T = \quad (2)$$

Since  $\mathbf{\Sigma}_{XX}$  is positive semi-definite,  $\mathbf{\Sigma}_{XX} = \mathbf{L}_\Sigma \mathbf{L}_\Sigma^T$  (e.g. by \_\_\_\_\_ decomposition)

Therefore,                       $= \mathbf{I}$  and

$\mathbf{A} =$                        $\rightarrow$  Substitute to ( )

$\mathbf{A}_0 =$

In summary,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Y} &= \\ &= \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{XX} &= \mathbf{D}_X \mathbf{R}_{XX} \mathbf{D}_X \\ &= \\ &= \mathbf{L}_\Sigma \mathbf{L}_\Sigma^T \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\mathbf{L}_\Sigma =$                       and  $\mathbf{L}_\Sigma^{-1} =$

$$\mathbf{Y} =$$

$\rightarrow$  This version is preferred because of numerical stability in decomposition ( $|\rho| \leq 1$ ).

© **Mathematical expectation of nonlinear functions**

$$Y_k = g_k(x), \quad k = 1, \dots, m$$

Taylor series expansion around the mean point,  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{M}_X$

$$Y_k \cong g_k(\mathbf{M}_X) + \left. \frac{\partial g_k}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|_{\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{M}_X} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{M}_X) + \dots$$

Matrix form

$$\mathbf{Y} \cong \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{M}_X) + \mathbf{J}_{Y,X} \Big|_{\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{M}_X} (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{M}_X)$$

① First-order approximation

(Scalar: See supp.)

$$\mathbf{M}_Y^{FO} = \mathbf{g}(\quad)$$

$$\Sigma_{YY}^{FO} =$$

② Second-order approximation

⇒ Can use 2<sup>nd</sup> order approximation from Taylor series expansion

⇒ Not useful because higher-order moments are needed ( $\gamma, \kappa, \dots$ )

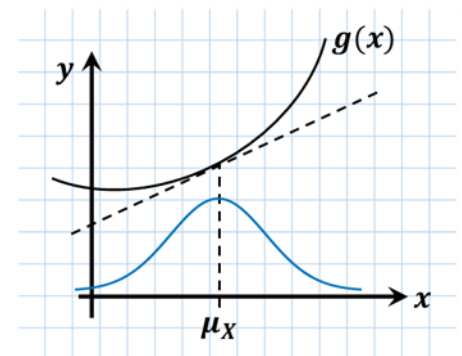
③ Accuracy of FO/SO approximation

Sources of large errors in approx.

-  $\sigma_x$

- Nonlinearity in  $g(x)$

Example :  $\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{P}$  (Frame structure)



◎ Derived Distribution of Functions

Consider  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{X})$  where  $\mathbf{Y} = \{Y_1, \dots, Y_m\}$  and  $\mathbf{X} = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$

Given:  $f_X(\mathbf{x}) \rightarrow f_Y(\mathbf{y})$ ?

①  $m = n$ , one-to-one mapping

a) Discrete

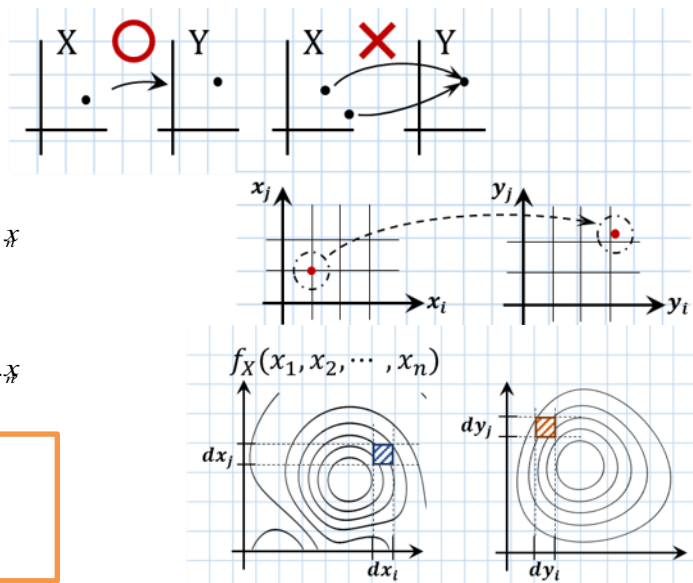
$$P_Y(y_1, \dots, y_n) = P_X(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

b) Continuous

$$f_Y(y_1, \dots, y_n) = f_X(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$f_Y(\mathbf{y}) = f_X(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \left| \det \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{y}} \right|$$

$$= f_X(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \left| \det \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|^{-1}$$



$$\text{"Jacobian"} \mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y_n}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \dots & \frac{\partial y_n}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x})$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{y})$

$$\ast f_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y}) = f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{y})) \left| \det \mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{y})) \right|^{-1}$$

$$\ast m = n = 1$$

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(x) \left| \frac{dh(y)}{dy} \right|$$

Example:  $X \sim N(0,1^2)$

a)  $Y = g(X) = aX + b$

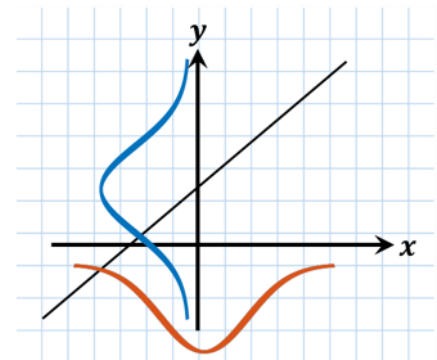
One-to-one mapping?

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= f_X(x) \cdot \\ &= \\ &= \end{aligned}$$

\_\_\_\_\_ Distribution

$$\mu_Y =$$

$$\sigma_Y =$$



b)  $T_1, T_2 \sim$  exponential r.v.'s (See supplement on "Other Distribution Models")

$$f_{T_1}(t_1) = \alpha \cdot \exp(-\alpha t_1), t_1 > 0$$

$$f_{T_2}(t_2) = \beta \cdot \exp(-\beta t_2), t_2 > 0$$

$T_1, T_2$  : statistically independent

Joint PDF of  $\begin{cases} Y_1 = T_1 + T_2 \\ Y_2 = T_1 - T_2 \end{cases}$  ?

$$f_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y}) = f_{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{t}) \left| \det \mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{t}} \right|^{-1}$$



$$\mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{t}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial t_1} & \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial t_2} \\ \frac{\partial y_2}{\partial t_1} & \frac{\partial y_2}{\partial t_2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} & \\ & \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|\det \mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{t}}|^{-1} =$$

$$\therefore f_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y}) =$$

Inverse relationship

$$\begin{cases} T_1 = \frac{1}{2}(Y_1 + Y_2) \\ T_2 = \frac{1}{2}(Y_1 - Y_2) \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore f_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{\alpha\beta}{2} \exp\left[-\frac{\alpha+\beta}{2} y_1 - \frac{\alpha-\beta}{2} y_2\right], \quad y_1 > 0, -y_1 < y_2 < y_1$$

- Range of  $\mathbf{Y}$  derived from the condition  $t_1, t_2 > 0$  &  $\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{y})$