

ECE 302 Quiz 5
(10 points)

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1. Let X and Y be random variables with means μ_X, μ_Y , variances σ_X^2, σ_Y^2 and correlation coefficient ρ_{XY} . **Show all work. Express all answers in terms of the given parameters.**

(a) (3 points) Find $\text{Cov}[X, Y]$.

(b) (4 points) Find $\mathbb{E}[(aX + bY)^2]$, where a and b are constants.

$$(a) \rho_{XY} = \frac{\text{Cov}[X, Y]}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[X] \text{Var}[Y]}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Cov}[X, Y] = \boxed{\rho_{XY} \sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$

$$(b) \mathbb{E}[(aX + bY)^2] = \mathbb{E}[a^2 X^2 + b^2 Y^2 + 2abXY]$$
$$= a^2 \mathbb{E}[X^2] + b^2 \mathbb{E}[Y^2] + 2ab \mathbb{E}[XY]$$

$$= \boxed{a^2(\sigma_X^2 + \mu_X^2) + b^2(\sigma_Y^2 + \mu_Y^2) + 2ab(\rho_{XY} \sigma_X \sigma_Y + \mu_X \mu_Y)}$$