

Stat 134: Section 24

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Conceptual Review

Please discuss these short questions with those around you in section. These problems are intended to highlight concepts from lecture that will be relevant for today's problems.

- a. Suppose $X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_k$ is a constant, where X_i 's are identically distributed. What is $\text{Corr}(X_i, X_j)$, $0 < i < j < k$?
- b. Suppose (X, Y) follows a standard bivariate normal distribution with correlation ρ . What is the conditional distribution of Y given X ?

Problem 1

Let X and Y be the minimum and maximum of 8 independent uniform $(0, 1)$ random variables respectively. Find $\text{Corr}(X, Y)$.

Hint: Look at the spacing between two consecutive R.V.'s.

Problem 2

Here is a summary of Pre-SAT and SAT scores of a large group of students.

PSAT scores:	average: 1200	SD: 100
SAT scores:	average: 1300	SD: 90
correlation: 0.6		

Assume the data are approximately bivariate normal in distribution.

- Of the students who scored 1000 on the PSAT, about what percentage scored above average on the SAT?
- Of the students who scored below average on the PSAT, about what percentage scored above average on the SAT?
- About what percentage of students got at least 50 points more on the SAT than on the PSAT?

Ex 6.5.1 in Pitman's Probability