

Solution 8

1. Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Cov}(x+y, x-y) &= \text{Cov}(x, x) + \text{Cov}(x, -y) + \text{Cov}(y, x) \\
 &\quad + \text{Cov}(y, -y) \\
 &= \text{Var}(x) - \text{Cov}(x, y) + \text{Cov}(y, x) - \text{Var}(y) \\
 &= \text{Var}(x) - \text{Var}(y) \\
 &= 0 \quad \because x \text{ and } y \text{ are identically distributed.}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Cov}(x, y|z) &= E\{x|z - E[x|z]y - xE[y|z] + E[x|z]E[y|z]\} \\
 &= E[x|z] - E[x|z]E[y|z] - E[x|z]E[y|z] \\
 &\quad + E[x|z] \cdot E[y|z] \quad \because E[\cdot] \text{ is a constant} \\
 &= E[x|z] - E[x|z]E[y|z]
 \end{aligned}$$

Take the expectation on both sides of result in part i:

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[\text{Cov}(x, y|z)] &= E\{E[x|z] - E[x|z]E[y|z]\} \\
 E[\text{Cov}(x, y|z)] &= E[x|z] - E[E[x|z]E[y|z]] \quad \text{--- (1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Consider $\text{Cov}(E[x|z], E[y|z])$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Cov}(E[x|z], E[y|z]) &= E\{E[x|z]E[y|z]\} \\
 &\quad - E\{E[x|z]\} \cdot E\{E[y|z]\} \\
 \text{Cov}(E[x|z], E[y|z]) &= E\{E[x|z]E[y|z]\} - E[x]E[y] \quad \text{--- (2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Combine (1) and (2) :

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[\text{Cov}(x, y|z)] + \text{Cov}(E[x|z], E[y|z]) &= E[x|z] - E(x)E(y) \\
 &= \text{Cov}(x, y) \quad \text{Q.E.D.}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{iii) } \text{Cov}(x, y|z) = \text{Var}(x|z) \text{ when } y=x.$$

The LHS of result in part ii:

$$\text{Cov}(x, y) = \text{Var}(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{The RHS: } E[\text{Cov}(x, x|z)] + \text{Cov}(E(x|z), E(x|z)) &= E[\text{Var}(x|z)] + \text{Var}(E[x|z]) \\
 \Rightarrow \text{Var}(x) &= E[\text{Var}(x|z)] + \text{Var}(E[x|z])
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Solution:

$$r_y(0) = \frac{1}{1-b^2}$$

$$r_y(1) = \frac{-a}{1+b} \cdot \frac{1}{1-b^2}$$

$$r_y(2) = \left(-b + \frac{a^2}{1+b} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{1-b^2}$$