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Subject: Re: Generation of another Gaussian random variable from a given one...  
Posted by [Jim Pendleton](#) on Sat, 28 Jan 2017 04:54:49 GMT  
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On Friday, January 27, 2017 at 9:29:50 PM UTC-7, dave poreh wrote:

> On Saturday, January 28, 2017 at 7:45:38 AM UTC+3:30, dave poreh wrote:

>> Folks,

>> I have a Gaussian random variable with zero mean, and variance ( $f_x$ ). I need to generate another Gaussian random variable with zero mean, and another variance, that would be correlated with the first one ( $f_x$ ) with the correlation coefficient of say  $*r*$ .

>> I need some suggestions...

>> Thanks for any kind of helps in advances,

>> Cheers,

>> Dave

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> ... I mean at the end we should have:

>  $\text{corr}(f_x, f_y) = r$

> The correlation between two Gaussian random variable with zero mean, and variance should be  $= r$

If no IDL solution is quickly forthcoming, there's a similar discussion on [stackexchange.com](http://stats.stackexchange.com/questions/15011), with an algorithmic description. <http://stats.stackexchange.com/questions/15011>

An implementation is provided in R. I'm no expert on R syntax, but it looks like the code could be translated from R to IDL.

For validation of an IDL implementation against this reference, you could call R directly via python and the rpy2 bridge.

<http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/Company/PressRoom/Blogs/IDLD ataPointDetail/TabId/902/ArtMID/2926/ArticleID/14718/Calling-the-R-Statistical-Package-from-IDL-via-Python.aspx>

Jim P.

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