

Relationship Between Joint R.V's

Scatter Diagrams:

$f_{X, Y}(x, y)$ tells us everything about relation between X and Y . But to have a useful parameter to describe relationship concisely, we define:

Covariance:
$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - \bar{X})(Y - \bar{Y})] = \bar{XY} - \bar{X}\bar{Y}$$

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - \bar{X})(Y - \bar{Y})] = E[XY] - \bar{Y}E[X] - \bar{X}E[Y] + \bar{X}\bar{Y} = \bar{XY} - \bar{X}\bar{Y}$$

Def: X and Y are said to be **uncorrelated** if $\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0$ or equivalently $\bar{XY} = \bar{X}\bar{Y}$.

Observe:

1- Independent R.V's are always uncorrelated. If X and Y are independent, then $f_{X, Y}(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$

$$E[XY] = \int dx \int dy f_{X, Y}(x, y)xy = \int dx \int dy f_X(x)f_Y(y)xy = (\int dx f_X(x)x)(\int dy f_Y(y)y) = \bar{X}\bar{Y}$$

2- Uncorrelated R.V's are not necessarily independent: independent \Rightarrow uncorrelated, but uncorrelated might or might not be independent.

3- An exception of 2- above is for X and Y jointly Gaussian. Then independent \Leftrightarrow uncorrelated.

Theorem: If X and Y are uncorrelated, and $Z = X + Y$, then $\sigma_Z^2 = \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2$.

Proof: Since $E[XY] = E[X]E[Y]$, and $\sigma_X^2 = E[(X - \bar{X})^2] = E[X^2] - \bar{X}^2 = X^2 - \bar{X}^2$... then...

Central Moments:

$$\bar{X} = E[X], \text{kth central moment} \equiv E[(X - \bar{X})^k] = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx (x - \bar{X})^k f_X(x) \\ \sum_i (x_i - \bar{X})^k p_X(x_i) \end{cases} . \text{ 1st central moment} = 0, \text{ 2nd central moment} = \sigma_X^2$$

$$\sigma_X^2 = E[(X - \bar{X})^2] = E[X^2] - 2\bar{X}E[X] + \bar{X}^2 = E[X^2] - \bar{X}^2 = \bar{X}^2 - \bar{X}^2$$

Examples:

I. Binomial R.V.

$$p_X(n) = \frac{N!}{(N-n)!n!} p^n (1-p)^{N-n} \quad \boxed{\bar{K} = Np}, \quad \boxed{\bar{K}^2 = N(N-1)p^2 + Np},$$

$$\sigma_K^2 = \bar{K}^2 - \bar{K}^2 = N(N-1)p^2 + Np - N^2p^2 = Np - Np^2 = Np(1-p)$$

II. Poisson R.V.

$$p_N(n) = \sum \frac{1}{n!} (\lambda T)^n e^{-\lambda T}, \quad \boxed{\bar{N} = \lambda T}, \quad \boxed{\bar{N}^2 = (\lambda T)^2 + \lambda T}, \quad \boxed{\sigma_N^2 = \bar{N}^2 - \bar{N}^2 = \lambda T}$$

III. Exponential R.V.

$$f_X(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} u(x) \quad \boxed{\bar{X} = \frac{1}{\lambda}}, \quad \boxed{\bar{X}^2 = 2/\lambda^2}, \quad \boxed{\sigma_X^2 = \frac{2}{\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}}$$

IV. Uniform**V. Gaussian**

$$\boxed{\bar{X} = m}, \quad \boxed{\bar{X}^2 = \sigma^2 + m^2}, \quad \boxed{\sigma_X^2 = \sigma^2}$$

$$Np + N(N-1)p^2 \sum_{n=0}^{N-2} \frac{(N-2)!}{(N-2-n)!n!} p^n (1-p)^{N-2-n} = Np + N(N-1)p^2 \text{ (binomial theorem again)}$$

$$E[K^2] = N(N-1)p^2 + Np$$

II. Poisson R.V.

$$p_N(n) = \sum \frac{1}{n!} (\lambda T)^n e^{-\lambda T}$$

$$E[N] = \lambda T$$

$$E[N^2] = (\lambda T)^2 + \lambda T$$

Excercise (optional)

Continuous Examples:**I. Uniform R.V.**

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0, \text{ else} & \end{cases} \quad E[X^k] = \frac{1}{k+1}.$$

$$\text{For } f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & a \leq x \leq b \\ 0, \text{ else} & \end{cases},$$

$$E[X^k] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^k f_X(x) dx = \int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{b-a} \right) x^k dx = \left(\frac{1}{b-a} \right) \frac{x^{k+1}}{k+1} \Big|_a^b = \frac{b^{k+1} - a^{k+1}}{(b-a)(k+1)}$$

$$\text{II. Exponential R.V.} \quad E[X^2] = 2/\lambda^2$$

III. Gaussian R.V.

$$E[X^2] = \sigma^2 + m^2$$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-(x-m)^2/2\sigma^2}, \quad E[X] = m. \quad E[X^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-(x-m)^2/2\sigma^2}. \quad \text{Let } \zeta = x - m \Rightarrow d\zeta = dx$$

$$\text{Then } E[X^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \frac{m^2 + 2\zeta m + \zeta^2}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\zeta^2/2\sigma^2} = m^2 + 0 + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \frac{\zeta^2}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\zeta^2/2\sigma^2} = m^2 + \sigma^2$$

Moments:

The k^{th} moment of R.V. $X \equiv E[X^k] = \overline{X^k} = \langle X^k \rangle$.

For **discrete R.V.** $\overline{X^k} = \sum_i x_i^k p_X(x_i)$, and for **continuous R.V.** $\overline{X^k} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx x^k f_X(x)$

\bar{X} = first moment or mean, \bar{X}^2 = second moment. Sometimes such a quantity is called “a statistic.”

Discrete Examples:

I. Binomial R.V.

$p_K(k) = \frac{N!}{(N-k)!k!} p^k (1-p)^{N-k}$ = probability of k successes in N independent trials, where p = probability of success in one trial.

$$E[K] = Np$$

$$E[K^2] = \sum_{k=0}^N k^2 p_K(k) = \sum_{k=0}^N \frac{k^2 N!}{(N-k)!k!} p^k (1-p)^{N-k}. \text{ Let } k^2 = k(k-1) + k, \text{ then}$$

$$E[K^2] = \sum_{k=0}^N \frac{k(k-1)N!}{(N-k)!k!} p^k (1-p)^{N-k} + \sum_{k=0}^N \frac{kN!}{(N-k)!k!} p^k (1-p)^{N-k} = \sum_{k=2} + \sum_{k=1}$$

$$E[K^2] = \sum_{k=2}^N \frac{N!}{(N-k)!(k-2)!} p^k (1-p)^{N-k} + \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{N!}{(N-k)!(k-1)!} p^k (1-p)^{N-k} = \sum_{k=2}^N + E[K]]$$

Let $n = k - 2$, then

$$E[K^2] = Np + \sum_{n=0}^{N-2} \frac{N!}{(N-n-2)!n!} p^{n+2} (1-p)^{N-n-2} =$$

Continuous Examples:

For continuous R.V. $E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx x f_X(x)$

I. Exponential R.V.

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & ; x < 0 \\ \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & ; x \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx x f_X(x) = \int_0^{\infty} dx x \lambda e^{-\lambda x} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \text{ i.e. } \boxed{\bar{X} = \frac{1}{\lambda}}, \text{ which occurs at}$$

$$x = \frac{\lambda}{e}.$$

In obtaining above result, we used integration by parts: $\int_0^{\infty} u dv = uv \Big|_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} v du$. Let $u = \lambda x$, and $v = -\frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-\lambda x}$

II. Gaussian R.V.

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-(x-m)^2/2\sigma^2}. E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx x f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \frac{x}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-(x-m)^2/2\sigma^2}. \text{ Let } \zeta = x - m \Rightarrow d\zeta = dx$$

$$\text{Then } E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \frac{m + \zeta}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\zeta^2/2\sigma^2} = m \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\zeta^2/2\sigma^2} + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\zeta^2/2\sigma^2} = m$$

$$E[X] = \sum_{n=0}^N np_X(n) = \sum_{n=0}^N \frac{n(N!)}{(N-n)!n!} p^n (1-p)^{N-n} = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{n(N!)}{(N-n)!n!} p^n (1-p)^{N-n} =$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^N \frac{N!}{(N-n)!(n-1)!} p^n (1-p)^{N-n}. \text{ substitute } k = n-1, \text{ then}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \frac{N!}{(N-k-1)!k!} p^{k+1} (1-p)^{N-k-1} &= Np \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \frac{(N-1)!}{((N-1)-k)!k!} p^k (1-p)^{(N-1)-k} \\ &= Np(p+1-p)^{N-1} = Np \end{aligned}$$

Recall: *Binomial Theorem*: $(a+b)^N = \sum_{n=0}^N \binom{N}{n} a^n b^{N-n}$

IV. Poisson R.V.

Experiment: observe the times of emissions of photoelectrons from a photocathode. $S = \{(t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots) : 0 \leq t_1 < t_2 < t_3 < \dots\}$.

Define R.V. $N = \text{number of electrons emitted in time interval } (0, T)$.

$$\text{Poisson pmf: (physical model)} \quad p_N(n) = \frac{1}{n!} (\lambda T)^n e^{-\lambda T}.$$

In this case, λ is a parameter dependent on light intensity. Suppose $\lambda T = 5$, then:

n	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$p_N(n)$	0.0067	0.0337	0.084	0.14	0.175	0.175	0.146	0.104	0.0652	0.036	0.018

$$E[N] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n!} (\lambda T)^n e^{-\lambda T} = e^{-\lambda T} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n!} (\lambda T)^n = \lambda T e^{-\lambda T} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n-1)!} (\lambda T)^{n-1} = \lambda T e^{-\lambda T} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} (\lambda T)^k$$

$$\text{Then, } E[N] = \lambda T e^{-\lambda T} e^{\lambda T} = \lambda T$$

Recall: $e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k / k!$, near $x = 0$. (Taylor series)

Statistical Averages: Examples

Discrete Examples:

For discrete R.V. with pmf $p_X(x_i) = P\{X = x_i\}$, $E[X] = \sum_i x_i p_X(x_i)$, a weighted average of sample values.

I. Bernoulli R.V.

Experiment: “Bernoulli Trial” $S = \{\text{Success, Failure}\} = \{s, f\}$. $P(\{s\}) = p$, $P(\{f\}) = 1 - p$.

Bernoulli R.V. $X(\{\text{Success}\}) = 1$, $X(\{\text{Failure}\}) = 0$. $p_X(1) = p$, $p_X(0) = 1 - p$.

$$E[X] = \sum_i x_i p_X(x_i) = 1p_X(1) + 0p_X(0) = p$$

II. Dice

Toss two dice: $S = \{(n, m) : 1 \leq n, m \leq 6\}$, define $X((n, m)) = n + m$.

$$E[X] = \sum_i x_i p_X(x_i) = 2p_X(2) + 3p_X(3) + \dots + 12p_X(12) = 2\left(\frac{1}{36}\right) + 3\left(\frac{2}{36}\right) + \dots + 12\left(\frac{1}{36}\right) = 7$$

III. Binomial R.V.

Experiment: N independent Bernoulli trials. $S = \{(s, s, \dots, s), (s, s, \dots, s, f), \dots, (f, f, \dots, f)\}$. 2^N sample points.

Define the **Binomial R. V.** by mapping each sample point into an integer (subset of reals) equal to the

number of successes. How many points are there with n successes and $N-n$ failures? $N!/n!(N-n)!$ Therefore $p_X(n) = \frac{N!}{(N-n)!n!} p^n (1-p)^{N-n} = \binom{N}{n} p^n (1-p)^{N-n}$, where $\binom{N}{n} \equiv C(N, n) = \frac{N!}{(N-n)!n!}$.

Statistical Averages (Mathematical Expectation)

First moment, $E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx x f_X(x)$, kth moment $E[X^k] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx x^k f_X(x)$; $E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx g(x) f_X(x)$.

Given $Z = g(X, Y)$ and $f_{X, Y}(x, y)$, find $E[Z]$:

Method 1: $E[Z] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) f_{X, Y}(x, y) dx dy$

Method 2: Find $f_Z(z)$, and then $E[Z] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz z f_Z(z)$

Linearity Property of Statistical Average:

$$E[g_1(X) + g_2(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx (g_1(x) + g_2(x)) f_X(x) = E[g_1(X)] + E[g_2(X)],$$

$$E[g_1(X, Y) + g_2(X, Y)] = E[g_1(X, Y)] + E[g_2(X, Y)].$$

To specify deviation from mean, consider $X - \bar{X}$, where $\bar{X} = E[X]$:

$E[X - \bar{X}] = 0$, not very useful.

$E[|X - \bar{X}|]$, works but awkward.

$\sigma_X^2 = E[(X - \bar{X})^2]$, Variance of X . Generally used to measure deviation from mean.

$\sigma_X = \sqrt{E[(X - \bar{X})^2]}$, Standard Deviation.

Central Moments: $\bar{X} = E[X]$, kth central moment $\equiv E[(X - \bar{X})^k] = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx (x - \bar{X})^k f_X(x) \\ \sum_i (x_i - \bar{X})^k p_X(x_i) \end{cases}$.
1st central moment = 0, 2nd central moment = σ_X^2

$$\sigma_X^2 = E[(X - \bar{X})^2] = E[X^2] - 2\bar{X}E[X] + \bar{X}^2 = E[X^2] - \bar{X}^2 = \overline{X^2} - \bar{X}^2$$