

## Lecture 19.5 – Agenda & Examples

### Agenda

1. Review Questions
2. Correlation  $\left(\rho = \text{Corr}(X_1, X_2) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[X_1]}\sqrt{\text{Var}[X_2]}}\right)$ . What happens when we have independence?
3. Linear Combinations ( $U_X = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i$  and  $U_Y = \sum_{j=1}^m a_j Y_j$ )
  - a. Expectation  $\rightarrow E[U_X] = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i E[X_i]$
  - b. Variance  $\rightarrow \text{Var}[U_X] = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \text{Var}[X_i] + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_i a_j \text{Cov}[X_i, X_j]$  for  $i \neq j$
  - c. Covariance  $\rightarrow \text{Cov}[U_X, U_Y] = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m a_i b_j \text{Cov}[X_i, Y_j]$
4. Conditional Expectation
  - a. Discrete  $\rightarrow E[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2] = E_{1|2}[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2] = \sum_{x_1 \in S_1} g(x_1) p_{1|2}(x_1)$
  - b. Continuous  $\rightarrow E[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2] = E_{1|2}[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x_1) f_{1|2}(x_1) dx_1$
  - c.  $E[g(X_1)] = E[E[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2]]$  with proof
  - d.  $V[g(X_1)] = E[V[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2]] + V[E[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2]]$  where  $V[E[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2]] = E[g(X_1)^2|X_2 = x_2] - (E[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2])^2$
5. Examples

### Review

1. Prove that  $\text{Cov}[X_1 + X_2, Y] = \text{Cov}[X_1, Y] + \text{Cov}[X_2, Y]$
2. Consider the joint pmf  $f(x_1, x_2) = (2^{x_1-1} 3^{x_2})^{-1}$  for  $x_1, x_2 = 1, 2, \dots$ 
  - a. Prove whether or not  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent
  - b. What is the  $\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2)$ ?
3. Suppose a random variable  $X_1$  has the following probability distribution

$X_1$ Values	-5	-2	0	2	5
Probabilities	.25	.2	.1	.2	.25

Define  $X_2 = X_1^2$ . Show the following:

- a.  $E[X_1] = E[X_1^3] = 0$
- b.  $\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2) = 0$ , implying that the random variables  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are uncorrelated
- c.  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are dependent random variables (showing that the property pertaining to independence and covariance only holds in one direction).

### Lecture

1. Prove that if  $Y_i = c_i + d_i X_i$ , then  $\rho_{Y_1, Y_2} = \rho_{X_1, X_2}$  for constants  $c_i, d_i$
2. Let the discrete RV's  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  have the joint probability function  $p(y_1, y_2) = \frac{1}{3}$  for  $(y_1, y_2) = (-1, 0), (0, 1), (1, 0)$ .
  - a. Find the  $\text{Cov}[Y_1, Y_2]$  and  $\rho_{Y_1, Y_2}$ .
  - b. Are  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  independent? (what do you notice about what correlation implies about independence? It only goes 1 way!)

3. (Text 5.113) A retail grocery merchant figures that her daily gain  $X$  from sales is a normally distributed RV with mean 50 and standard deviation 3 (measurement in dollars).  $X$  can be negative if she is forced to dispose of enough perishable goods. Also, she figures daily overhead costs  $Y$  to have a gamma distribution with alpha of 4 and beta of 2. If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent, find the expected value and variance of her net daily gain. Would you expect her net gain for tomorrow to rise above \$70?
4. Consider the following joint distribution
- $$f(x_1, x_2) = \frac{3}{2\pi\sqrt{8}} \exp\left(-\frac{9}{16}\left((x_1 - 2)^2 - \frac{2}{3}(x_1 - 2)(x_2 - 3) + (x_2 - 3)^2\right)\right) \quad x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

Find  $E[X_2^2 - 3X_2 | X_1 = 2]$ .

5. Suppose that  $(U_1, U_2)$  is distributed as  $N_2(5, 15, 8, 8, \rho)$  for some  $\rho \in (-1, 1)$ . Let  $X_1 = U_1 + U_2$  and  $X_2 = U_1 - U_2$ . Show that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are uncorrelated.
6. Textbook Problem 5.142