

Lecture 19.5 – Agenda & Examples

Agenda

- Review Questions
- 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?
- Linear Combinations ($U_X = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i$ and $U_Y = \sum_{j=1}^m a_j Y_j$)
 - Expectation $\rightarrow E[U_X] = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i E[X_i]$
 - Variance $\rightarrow \text{Var}[U_X] = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \text{Var}[X_i] + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n a_i a_j \text{Cov}[X_i, X_j]$ for $i \neq j$
 - Covariance $\rightarrow \text{Cov}[U_X, U_Y] = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m a_i b_j \text{Cov}[X_i, Y_j]$
- Conditional Expectation
 - Discrete $\rightarrow E[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2] = E_{1|2}[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2] = \sum_{x_1 \in S_1} g(x_1) p_{1|2}(x_1)$
 - Continuous $\rightarrow E[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2] = E_{1|2}[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x_1) f_{1|2}(x_1) dx_1$
 - $E[g(X_1)] = E[E[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2]]$ with proof
 - $V[g(X_1)] = E[V[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2]] + V[E[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2]]$ where $V[E[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2]] = E[g(X_1)^2|X_2 = x_2] - (E[g(X_1)|X_2 = x_2])^2$
- Examples

Review

- Prove that $\text{Cov}[X_1 + X_2, Y] = \text{Cov}[X_1, Y] + \text{Cov}[X_2, Y]$
- Consider the joint pmf $f(x_1, x_2) = (2^{x_1-1} 3^{x_2})^{-1}$ for $x_1, x_2 = 1, 2, \dots$
 - Prove whether or not X_1 and X_2 are independent
 - What is the $\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2)$?
- 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:

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

Lecture

- 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
- Let the discrete RV's Y_1 and Y_2 have the joint probability function $p(y_1, y_2) = \frac{1}{3}$ for $(y_1, y_2) = (-1, 0), (0, 1), (1, 0)$.
 - Find the $\text{Cov}[Y_1, Y_2]$ and ρ_{Y_1, Y_2} .
 - Are Y_1 and Y_2 independent? (what do you notice about what correlation implies about independence? It only goes 1 way!)

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

- 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.
- Textbook Problem 5.142