

[5.2] Prop. of Expected Values

Thm 5.2.2

If X_1, X_2 are R.V with joint pdf $f(x_1, x_2)$,

$$\text{then } E(X_1 + X_2) = E(X_1) + E(X_2)$$

proof: (discrete case)

swap x_1 and x_2

$$\begin{aligned} E(X_1 + X_2) &= \sum_{x_1} \sum_{x_2} (x_1 + x_2) f(x_1, x_2) \\ &= \sum_{x_1} \sum_{x_2} x_1 f(x_1, x_2) + \sum_{x_1} \sum_{x_2} x_2 f(x_1, x_2) \\ &= \sum_{x_1} x_1 \underbrace{\sum_{x_2} f(x_1, x_2)}_{f_1(x_1)} + \sum_{x_2} x_2 \underbrace{\sum_{x_1} f(x_1, x_2)}_{f_2(x_2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{x_1} x_1 f_1(x_1) + \sum_{x_2} x_2 f_2(x_2)$$

$$= E(X_1) + E(X_2)$$

Thm. If $X = (X_1, \dots, X_k)$ has joint pdf $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$ and if $Y = U(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k)$ is a function of X , then

$$E(Y) = E_X[U(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k)], \text{ where}$$

$$E_X[U(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k)] =$$

$$\begin{cases} \sum \cdots \sum U(x_1, \dots, x_k) f(x_1, \dots, x_k), \\ \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_k} U(x_1, \dots, x_k) f(x_1, \dots, x_k) dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_k, \end{cases}$$

if x is discrete

if x is continuous

Thm If X & Y are indep R.V.
and $g(x)$ & $h(y)$ are functions, then

$$E[g(X)h(Y)] = E[g(X)]E[h(Y)]$$

proof - cont. case is in the book.

DEF. The covariance of a pair of random variables X & Y is defined by

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)] = \sigma_{XY}$$

Thm If X & Y are RV, and a, b are const
then

- a) $\text{Cov}(aX, bY) = ab \text{Cov}(X, Y)$
- b) $\text{Cov}(X+a, Y+b) = \text{Cov}(X, Y)$
- c) $\text{Cov}(X, aX+b) = a \text{Var}(X)$

Thm 5.2.5 If X & Y are RV's, then

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) \text{ and}$$

If X & Y are independent, then

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0.$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}(X, Y) &= E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)] \\ &= E[XY - X\mu_Y - \mu_X Y + \mu_X \mu_Y] \\ &= E(XY) - \mu_Y E(X) - \mu_X E(Y) + \mu_X \mu_Y \\ &= E(XY) - \mu_X \mu_Y - \mu_X \mu_Y + \mu_X \mu_Y \\ &= E(XY) - \mu_X \mu_Y\end{aligned}$$

If X, Y are indep, then $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E(X)E(Y) - \mu_X \mu_Y = \mu_Y \mu_Y - \mu_X \mu_Y = 0$

Thm 5.26

If X_1, X_2 are RV w/pdf $f(x_1, x_2)$,

$$V(X_1 + X_2) = V(X_1) + V(X_2) + 2\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2)$$

If $X_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp X_2$ ($\perp\!\!\!\perp$ = is independent of), then

$$V(X_1 + X_2) = V(X_1) + V(X_2)$$

proof: DEF: $\mu_1 = E(X_1)$, $\mu_2 = E(X_2)$

$$\begin{aligned} V(X_1 + X_2) &= E(X_1 + X_2)^2 - [E(X_1 + X_2)]^2 \\ &= E(X_1^2 + 2X_1X_2 + X_2^2) - \left[\frac{E(X_1)}{\mu_1} + \frac{E(X_2)}{\mu_2} \right]^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$= E(X_1^2) + 2E(X_1X_2) + E(X_2^2) - \mu_1^2 - 2\mu_1\mu_2 - \mu_2^2$$

$$= [E(X_1^2) - \mu_1^2] + [E(X_2^2) - \mu_2^2] + 2[E(X_1X_2) - \mu_1\mu_2]$$

$$= V(X_1) + V(X_2) + 2\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2)$$

Note: If $X_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp X_2$, then

$$V(X_1 + X_2) = V(X_1) + V(X_2)$$

In general,

$$(a) E\left[\sum_{i=1}^k a_i X_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i E(X_i)$$

$$(b) V\left[\sum_{i=1}^k a_i X_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i^2 V(X_i) + 2 \sum_{i < j} a_i a_j \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$$

(c) If X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k are indep, then

$$V\left[\sum_{i=1}^k a_i X_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i^2 V(X_i)$$

EX: Suppose $Y \sim \text{BIN}(n, p)$

Because binomial R.V.'s result from n independent Bernoulli R.V.'s, then

$$Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \text{ where } X_i \sim \text{BER}(p)$$

$$E[Y] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n p = np$$

$$V[Y] = V\left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^n V(X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n pq = npq$$

application of linearity of $E()$ operator (part a)

application of linearity of $V()$ operator (part c)
(only under independence!)