

Lecture 14Probability & StatisticsJoint probability mass function.

↳ at least two random variables are involved

$$p(x=x_i, y=y_j) = \text{given}$$

$$p(x=x_i) = \sum_j p(x_i, y_j)$$

We say that X & Y are jointly continuous if \exists a f.d. $f(x, y)$ defined for all real x and y having the property that for every subset $C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$

$$P\{(X, Y) \in C\} = \iint_C f(x, y) dx dy.$$

$$P(X \in A, Y \in B) = \int_B \int_A f(x, y) dx dy$$

$$F(a, b) = P(X \leq a, Y \leq b) \\ = P\{X \in [-\infty, a], Y \in (-\infty, b]\}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^b \int_{-\infty}^a f(x, y) dx dy$$

Then $f(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F(x, y)$

where partial derivatives are defined.

, density.

more interpretation.

$$P(a < x < a+da, b < y < b+db)$$

$$= \int_b^{b+db} \int_a^{a+da} f(x,y) dx dy$$

$$\approx f(a,b) da db$$

Hence $f(a,b)$ is a measure
how likely it is that the
random ~~var~~ vector (x,y) will be
near (a,b) .

If x & y are jointly continuous, they
are individually continuous and their

PDF can be written.

$$P(X \in A) = P(X \in A, -\infty < Y < \infty)$$

$$= \int_A \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy \right) dx$$

$$\text{where } f_x(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy = \int_A f_x(x) dx$$

$$f_Y(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx$$

Prb. The joint pdf of x & y is given by $2e^{-x}e^{-2y}$, $0 < x < \infty$, $0 < y < \infty$
 $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2e^{-x}e^{-2y} & 0 < x < \infty, 0 < y < \infty \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Compute:
 a) $P(X > 1, Y < 1)$
 b) $P(X < Y)$
 c) $P(X < a)$

Ans. a) $e^{-1}(1 - e^{-2})$

b) $\frac{1}{3} \iint 2e^{-x}e^{-2y} dx dy$

$$P(X < Y) = \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^y 2e^{-x}e^{-2y} dx dy$$

c) $1 - e^{-a}$

Independent random variables.

The r.v.s X & Y are said to be independent if for any two sets of real numbers A & B ,

$$P(X \in A, Y \in B) = P(X \in A) P(Y \in B)$$

otherwise. The events $E_A = \{X \in A\}$ & $E_B = \{Y \in B\}$ are independent.

Hence $\boxed{f(a, b) = f_X(a) f_Y(b)}$

Let X & Y be ~~two independent~~ discrete random variables. Then X & Y are independent iff

$$f(x, y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$$

where $f_X(x)$ & $f_Y(y)$ are the individual PMFs.

\Rightarrow part.

Set $A = \{x\}$, $B = \{y\}$.

\Leftarrow part.

$$P(X \in A, Y \in B)$$

$$= \sum_{y \in B} \sum_{x \in A} f(x, y) \quad \text{by assumption}$$

$$= \sum_{y \in B} \sum_{x \in A} f_x(x) f_y(y)$$

$$= \sum_{x \in A} f_x(x) \sum_{y \in B} f_y(y)$$

$$= P(X \in A) P(Y \in B)$$

Note: loosely speaking, X & Y are independent if knowledge of the value of one does not change the distribution of the other.

ap. Suppose X & Y are independent random variables having the common density function (CDF)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x}, & x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find the density fn. of the r.v. X/Y .

$$F_{X/Y}(a) = P(X/Y \leq a) = \iint_{x/y \leq a} f(x, y) dx dy$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{a+1}$$

Now differentiate $F_{X/Y}(a)$ to get the density fn. of X/Y which is

$$f_{X/Y}(a) = \frac{d}{da} F_{X/Y}(a) = \frac{1}{(a+1)^2},$$

$$0 < a < \infty.$$

We can extend the 'idea' for any 'n' number of random variables.

$$P(X \in A, Y \in B) = P(X \in A) P(Y \in B)$$

$$E(X+Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$$

$$\text{var}(X+X) \neq 2 \text{var}(X)$$

$$\text{var}(aX+b) = a^2 \text{var} X$$

Let us introduce the concept of covariance of two random variables.

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

\downarrow \downarrow
mean of X mean of Y

$$= E[XY] - E[X] E[Y]$$

Properties of Covariance as a fn.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \text{Cov}(Y, Y) = \text{Cov}(Y, X)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \text{Cov}(X, X) = \text{Var}(X)$$

↑
storing
but
important.

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \text{Cov}(aX, Y) = a \text{Cov}(X, Y)$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \text{Cov}(X_1 + X_2, Y) = \text{Cov}(X_1, Y) + \text{Cov}(X_2, Y)$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \text{Cov}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i, Y\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Cov}(X_i, Y)$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad \text{Cov}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \sum_{j=1}^m Y_j\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m \text{Cov}(X_i, Y_j)$$

$$\textcircled{7} \quad \text{Var} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ i \neq j}}^n \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$$

$$\text{For } n=2 \\ \text{Var}(X+Y) = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y) + \text{Cov}(X,Y) + \text{Cov}(Y,X) \\ = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y) + 2\text{Cov}(X,Y)$$

Im: If X & Y are independent
i.e. then $\text{Cov}(X,Y) = 0$.

and so for independent X_1, \dots, X_n
 $\text{Var} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i)$.

Exp. Compute the variance of the sum obtained when 10 independent rolls of a fair die are made.

Sol. Let X_i denote the outcome of the i th roll.

Then we have

$$\text{var} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^{10} \text{var}(X_i)$$

$$\text{var}(X_i) = E[X_i^2] - (E[X_i])^2$$

$$E[X_i^2] = \sum_{i=1}^6 i^2 P(X=i) = \frac{91}{6}$$

$$E[X] = \sum i P(X=i) = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$\text{var}(X_i) = \frac{91}{6} - \frac{49}{4} = \frac{35}{12}$$

$$\therefore \text{var} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i \right) = \frac{35}{2}$$