







TW0-DIMENSIONAL RANDOM VARIABLES



2.1. JOINT, MARGINAL AND CONDITIONAL DISTRIBUTIONS

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JOINT PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION:

If X and Y are two random variables, the probability distribution for their simultaneous occurrences can be represented by a function f(x, y), for any pair of values (x, y) within the range of the random variables X and Y. This function is known as Joint Probability distribution of X and Y.

$$f(x,y) = P(X = x, Y = y)$$

JOINT PROBABILITY MASS FUNCTION OF (X, Y):

The function P(x, y) is the joint probability mass function of the discrete random variable (X, Y) if

$$(i) \ P(X=x_i,Y=y_j) \geq 0$$

$$(ii)\sum_{i}\sum_{j}P(X=x_{i},Y=y_{j})=1$$
 , where $i=1,2,\ldots,n$ and $j=1,2,\ldots,m$





JOINT PROBABILITY DENSITY FUNCTION:

If (X,Y) is a two-dimensional continuous random variable such that

$$P\left\{x - \frac{dx}{2} \le X \le x + \frac{dx}{2} \quad and \quad y - \frac{dy}{2} \le Y \le y + \frac{dy}{2}\right\} = f(x, y)dx dy,$$

Then f(x, y) is called the joint probability density function of (X, Y), provided f(x, y) satisfies the following conditions:

(i)
$$f(x,y) \ge 0$$
, $\forall (x,y) \in R$
(ii) $\iint f(x,y) dx dy = 1$

JOINT CUMULATIVE DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION:

For the random variable (X,Y) the cumulative distribution function is

$$F(x,y) = P[X \le x, Y \le y]$$

(i) Discrete case:

$$F(x,y) = \sum_{\substack{j \\ y_i \le y}} \sum_{\substack{i \\ x_i \le x}} p_{ij}$$





(i) Continuous case:

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

MARGINAL DISTRIBUTIONS:

Let (X,Y) be a two-dimensional random variable

Discrete Case:

The marginal distribution for X alone is given by

$$P[X = x_i] = \sum_{i} P[X = x_i, Y = y_j] = p_i$$

The marginal distribution for Y alone is given by

$$P[Y = y_j] = \sum_{i} P[X = x_i, Y = y_j] = p_j$$





Continuous Case:

The marginal distribution for X alone is given by

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

The marginal distribution for Y alone is given by

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

CONDITIONAL PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION:

Discrete Case:

Let $P[X = x_i, Y = y_j]$ be the joint probability function of a two dimensional random variable (X,Y). Then the conditional probability function of X given $Y = y_j$ is

$$P[X = x_i/Y = y_j] = \frac{P[X = x_i \cap Y = y_j]}{P[Y = y_i]} = \frac{p_{ij}}{p_j}$$





Similarly, the conditional probability function of Y given $X = x_i$ is defined by

$$P[Y = y_j/X = x_i] = \frac{P[X = x_i \cap Y = y_j]}{P[X = x_i]} = \frac{p_{ij}}{p_i}$$

Continuous Case:

Let (X,Y) be the two-dimensional continuous random variables with joint probability density function f(x, y). Then the conditional probability density function of X given Y is

$$f(x/y) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

Where $f_Y(y)$ is the marginal probability density function of Y. Similarly, the conditional probability density function of Y given X is

$$f(y/x) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_X(x)}$$

Where $f_X(x)$ is the marginal probability density function of X.







INDEPENDENCE OF TWO RANDOM VARIABLES:

Discrete Case:

If (X, Y) is a two-dimensional discrete random variable such that $P[X = x_i/Y = y_j] = P[X = x_i]$

i.e., $p_{ij} = p_i \times p_j$ for all i, j the X and Y are said to be independent random variables.

Continuous Case:

If (X, Y) is a two- dimensional continuous random variable with joint probability density function f(x, y) such that $f(x, y) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y)$, then X and Y are said to be independent random variable.

PROBLEMS:

- 1. From the following table for bivariate distribution of (X,Y). Find
- (i) $P(X \leq 1)$
- (*ii*) $P(Y \le 3)$





(iii)
$$P(X \le 1, Y \le 3)$$

(iv)
$$P(X \le 1/Y \le 3)$$

(v)
$$P(Y \le 3/X \le 1)$$

$$(vi)P(X+Y \leq 4)$$

(vii) The marginal distribution of X and Y

(viii) The conditional distribution of X given Y = 2

(ix) Examine X and Y are independent.

(x)
$$E[Y-2X]$$

X Y	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	0	1 32	2 32	2 32	3 32
1	1 16	$\frac{1}{16}$	1 8	1 8	1 8	1 8
2	1 32	32	1 64	1 64	0	2 64





Solution:

X	1	2	3	4	5	6	$P_X(x) = f(x)$
0	0	0	1 32	2 32	2 32	3 32	$P(X=0) = \frac{8}{32}$
1	$\frac{1}{16}$	1 16	1 8	1 8	1 8	18	$P(X=1) = \frac{20}{32}$
2	1 32	1 32	1 64	1 64	0	2 64	$P(X=2) = \frac{4}{32}$
$P_{\gamma}(y) = f(y)$	$P(Y=1) = \frac{3}{32}$	$P(Y=2) = \frac{3}{32}$	$P(Y=3) = \frac{11}{64}$	$P(Y=4) = \frac{13}{64}$	$P(Y=5) = \frac{6}{32}$	$P(Y=6) = \frac{16}{64}$	1







(i)
$$P(X \le 1) = P(X = 0) + P(X = 1) = \frac{8}{32} + \frac{20}{32} = \frac{7}{8}$$

(i)
$$P(Y \le 3) = P(Y = 1) + P(Y = 2) + P(Y = 3)$$

= $\frac{3}{32} + \frac{3}{32} + \frac{11}{64} = \frac{23}{64}$

(iii)
$$P(X \le 1, Y \le 3) = P(0,1) + P(0,2) + P(0,3) + P(1,1) + P(1,2) + P(1,3)$$

$$= 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{32} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{9}{32}$$

(iv)
$$P(X \le 1/Y \le 3) = \frac{P(X \le 1, Y \le 3)}{P(Y \le 3)} = \frac{\frac{9}{32}}{\frac{23}{64}} = \frac{18}{23}$$

(v)
$$P\left(Y \le \frac{3}{X} \le 1\right) = \frac{P(X \le 1, Y \le 3)}{P(X \le 1)} = \frac{\frac{9}{32}}{\frac{7}{8}} = \frac{9}{28}$$

$$(vi) P(X + Y \le 4) = P(0,1) + P(0,2) + P(0,3) + P(0,4) + P(1,1) + P(1,2) + P(1,3) +$$

$$P(2,1) + P(2,2) = 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{32} + \frac{2}{32} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{32} + \frac{1}{32} = \frac{13}{32}$$







(vii) The marginal distribution of X is:

$$P(X = 0) = \frac{8}{32},$$
 $P(X = 1) = \frac{20}{32},$ $P(X = 2) = \frac{4}{32}$

The marginal distribution of Y is:

$$P(Y = 1) = \frac{3}{32},$$
 $P(Y = 2) = \frac{3}{32},$ $P(Y = 3) = \frac{11}{64}$
 $P(Y = 4) = \frac{13}{64},$ $P(Y = 5) = \frac{6}{32},$ $P(Y = 6) = \frac{16}{64}$

(viii) The conditional distribution of X given Y = 2 is

$$P\left(X = \frac{x_i}{Y} = 2\right), x_i \to 0, 1, 2$$

$$P[X = 0/Y = 2] = \frac{P[X = 0, Y = 2]}{P[Y = 2]} = \frac{P[0, 2]}{P[Y = 2]} = \frac{0}{\left(\frac{3}{32}\right)} = 0$$

$$P[X = 1/Y = 2] = \frac{P[X = 1, Y = 2]}{P[Y = 2]} = \frac{P[1,2]}{P[Y = 2]} = \frac{\frac{1}{16}}{\left(\frac{3}{32}\right)} = \frac{2}{3}$$







$$P[X = 2/Y = 2] = \frac{P[X = 2, Y = 2]}{P[Y = 2]} = \frac{P[2,2]}{P[Y = 2]} = \frac{\frac{1}{32}}{\left(\frac{3}{32}\right)} = \frac{1}{3}$$

(ix) Formula for X and Y are independent.

$$[P(X=i)] \times P[Y=j] = P[i,j], \quad \forall i \text{ and } j$$

Here, X and Y are not independent.

Since,
$$P[X = 0] \times P[Y = 1] \neq P[0,1]$$

i.e.,
$$\left(\frac{8}{32}\right) \times \left(\frac{3}{32}\right) \neq 0$$

(xi)
$$E[X] = \sum x_i p(x_i) = x_0 p(x_0) + x_1 p(x_1) + x_2 p(x_2)$$

$$= (0)\left(\frac{8}{32}\right) + (1)\left(\frac{20}{32}\right) + (2)\left(\frac{4}{32}\right) = \frac{20}{32} + \frac{8}{32} = \frac{28}{32}$$

$$(x) E[Y] = \sum y_j p(y_j) = y_1 p(y_1) + y_2 p(y_2) + y_3 p(y_3) + y_4 p(y_4) + y_5 p(y_5) + y_6 p(y_6)$$

$$= (1) \left(\frac{3}{32}\right) + (2) \left(\frac{3}{32}\right) + (3) \left(\frac{11}{64}\right) + (4) \left(\frac{13}{64}\right) + (5) \left(\frac{6}{32}\right) + (6) \left(\frac{16}{64}\right)$$

$$= \frac{3}{32} + \frac{6}{32} + \frac{33}{64} + \frac{52}{64} + \frac{30}{32} + \frac{96}{64} = \frac{259}{64}$$



$$E[Y - 2X] = E[Y] - 2E[X] = \frac{259}{64} - 2\left(\frac{28}{32}\right) = \frac{147}{64} = 2.297$$

2. The joint probability function (X, Y) is given by P(x, y) = k(2x + 3y);

$$x = 0.1.2$$
; $y = 1.2.3$

- (i) Find the marginal distributions.
- (ii) Find the probability distribution of (X + Y).
- (iii) Find all conditional probability distributions.

Solution:

x	1	2	3	
0	3k	6k	9k	18k
1	5k	8k	11k	24k
2	7k	10k	13k	30k
	15k	24k	33k	72k





We know that, $\sum p_{ij} = 1 \implies 72k = 1$

$$\therefore \mathbf{k} = \frac{1}{72}$$

Hence the joint probability function is given by

x Y	1	2	3	Total $p_X(x)$
0	3	6	9	18
	72	72	72	72
1	5	8	11	24
	72	72	72	72
2	7	10	13	30
	72	72	72	72
Total p _γ (y)	15 72	2 <u>4</u> 72	33 72	1





(i) The marginal distribution of X and Y is:

X = x	0	1	2
P(X = x)	18	24	30
	72	72	72

Y = y	0	1	2
P(Y = y)	15	24	33
	72	72	72

(ii) To find the probability distribution of X + Y is:

X + Y	р
1 (0,1)	3 72
2 (0,2) , (1,1)	$\frac{5}{72} + \frac{6}{72} = \frac{11}{72}$
3 (0,3),(1,2),(2,1)	$\frac{7}{72} + \frac{8}{72} + \frac{9}{72} = \frac{24}{72}$
4 (1,3),(2,2)	$\frac{11}{72} + \frac{10}{72} = \frac{21}{72}$
5 (2,3)	13 72







(iii) The conditional distribution of X given Y is

$$P(X = 0/Y = 1) = \frac{P(X = 0, Y = 1)}{P(Y = 1)} = \frac{\frac{3}{72}}{\frac{15}{72}} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$P(X = 1/Y = 1) = \frac{P(X = 1, Y = 1)}{P(Y = 1)} = \frac{\frac{5}{72}}{\frac{15}{72}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P(X = 2/Y = 1) = \frac{P(X = 2, Y = 1)}{P(Y = 1)} = \frac{\frac{7}{72}}{\frac{15}{72}} = \frac{7}{15}$$

$$P(X = 0/Y = 2) = \frac{P(X = 0, Y = 2)}{P(Y = 2)} = \frac{\frac{6}{72}}{\frac{24}{72}} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P(X = 1/Y = 2) = \frac{P(X = 1, Y = 2)}{P(Y = 2)} = \frac{\frac{8}{72}}{\frac{24}{24}} = \frac{1}{3}$$







$$P(X = 2/Y = 2) = \frac{P(X = 2, Y = 2)}{P(Y = 2)} = \frac{\frac{10}{72}}{\frac{24}{72}} = \frac{5}{12}$$

$$P(X = 0/Y = 3) = \frac{P(X = 0, Y = 3)}{P(Y = 3)} = \frac{\frac{9}{72}}{\frac{33}{72}} = \frac{9}{33}$$

$$P(X = 1/Y = 3) = \frac{P(X = 1, Y = 3)}{P(Y = 3)} = \frac{\frac{11}{72}}{\frac{33}{72}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P(X = 2/Y = 3) = \frac{P(X = 2, Y = 3)}{P(Y = 3)} = \frac{\frac{13}{72}}{\frac{33}{72}} = \frac{13}{33}$$

The conditional distribution of Y given X is:

$$P(Y = 1/X = 0) = \frac{P(Y = 1, X = 0)}{P(X = 0)} = \frac{\frac{3}{72}}{\frac{18}{72}} = \frac{1}{6}$$







$$P(Y = 2/X = 0) = \frac{P(Y = 2, X = 0)}{P(X = 0)} = \frac{\frac{6}{72}}{\frac{18}{72}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P(Y = 3/X = 0) = \frac{P(Y = 3, X = 0)}{P(X = 0)} = \frac{\frac{9}{72}}{\frac{18}{72}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(Y = 1/X = 1) = \frac{P(Y = 1, X = 1)}{P(X = 1)} = \frac{\frac{5}{72}}{\frac{24}{72}} = \frac{5}{24}$$

$$P(Y = 2/X = 1) = \frac{P(Y = 2, X = 1)}{P(X = 1)} = \frac{\frac{8}{72}}{\frac{24}{72}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P(Y = 3/X = 1) = \frac{P(Y = 3, X = 1)}{P(X = 1)} = \frac{\frac{11}{72}}{\frac{24}{72}} = \frac{11}{24}$$







$$P(Y = 1/X = 2) = \frac{P(Y = 1, X = 2)}{P(X = 2)} = \frac{\frac{7}{72}}{\frac{30}{72}} = \frac{7}{30}$$

$$P(Y = 2/X = 2) = \frac{P(Y = 2, X = 2)}{P(X = 2)} = \frac{\frac{10}{72}}{\frac{30}{72}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P(Y = 3/X = 2) = \frac{P(Y = 3, X = 2)}{P(X = 2)} = \frac{\frac{13}{72}}{\frac{30}{72}} = \frac{13}{30}$$

3. The joint distribution of X and Y is given by $f(x,y) = \frac{x+y}{21}$, x = 1,2,3; y = 1,2. Find the marginal distribution. Also find E[XY].

Solution: Given
$$f(x,y) = \frac{x+y}{21}$$
, $x = 1,2,3$; $y = 1,2$



X Y	1	2	3	$P_{Y}(y)$
1	$\frac{2}{21}$	3 21	$\frac{4}{21}$	$P(Y=1) = \frac{9}{21}$
2	$\frac{3}{21}$	$\frac{4}{21}$	5 21	$P(Y=2) = \frac{12}{21}$
$P_X(x)$	$P(X=1) = \frac{5}{21}$	$P(X=2) = \frac{7}{21}$	$P(X=3) = \frac{9}{21}$	1

The marginal distribution of X:

$$P(X = 1) = \frac{5}{21}$$
; $P(X = 2) = \frac{7}{21}$; $P(X = 3) = \frac{9}{21}$

The marginal distribution of Y:

$$P(Y = 1) = \frac{9}{21}$$
; $P(Y = 2) = \frac{12}{21}$







$$E[XY] = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i y_j P_X(x_i) P_Y(y_j)$$

$$= x_1 y_1 P(x_1) P(y_1) + x_1 y_2 P(x_1) P(y_2) + x_2 y_1 P(x_2) P(y_1) + x_2 y_2 P(x_2) P(y_2)$$

$$+ x_3 y_1 P(x_3) P(y_1) + x_3 y_2 P(x_3) P(y_2)$$

$$= (1)(1) \left(\frac{5}{21}\right) \left(\frac{9}{21}\right) + (1)(2) \left(\frac{5}{21}\right) \left(\frac{12}{21}\right) + (2)(1) \left(\frac{7}{21}\right) \left(\frac{9}{21}\right)$$

$$+ (2)(2) \left(\frac{7}{21}\right) \left(\frac{12}{21}\right) + (3)(1) \left(\frac{9}{21}\right) \left(\frac{9}{21}\right) + (3)(2) \left(\frac{9}{21}\right) \left(\frac{12}{21}\right)$$

$$= \frac{5}{49} + \frac{40}{147} + \frac{2}{7} + \frac{16}{21} + \frac{27}{49} + \frac{72}{49} = \frac{506}{147}$$

