

Def $\text{Var}(X|Y) = E[(X - E(X|Y))^2|Y] = E(X^2|Y) - [E(X|Y)]^2$

1. Consider two continuous random variables X and Y with joint p.d.f.

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \frac{4}{3} x^3 y, \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad 0 < y < 3x, \quad \text{zero otherwise.}$$

Recall: $f_X(x) = 6x^5, \quad 0 < x < 1.$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{3} y - \frac{1}{243} y^5, \quad 0 < y < 3.$$

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_X(x)} = \frac{2y}{9x^2}, \quad 0 < y < 3x, \quad 0 < x < 1.$$

$$E(Y|X=x) = \int_0^{3x} y \cdot \frac{2y}{9x^2} dy = \frac{2}{9x^2} \cdot \frac{(3x)^3}{3} = 2x, \quad 0 < x < 1.$$

$$E(Y|X) = 2X.$$

$$E(Y^2|X=x) = \int_0^{3x} y^2 \cdot \frac{2y}{9x^2} dy = \frac{2}{9x^2} \cdot \frac{(3x)^4}{4} = \frac{9}{2} x^2, \quad 0 < x < 1.$$

$$E(Y^2|X) = \frac{9}{2} X.$$

$$\text{Var}(Y|X=x) = \frac{9}{2} x^2 - (2x)^2 = \frac{1}{2} x^2, \quad 0 < x < 1.$$

$$\text{Var}(Y|X) = \frac{1}{2} X^2.$$

$$E(X) = \int_0^1 x \cdot 6x^5 dx = \frac{6}{7}.$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_0^1 x^2 \cdot 6x^5 dx = \frac{6}{8} = \frac{3}{4}.$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{3}{4} - \left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{196}.$$

$$E[\text{Var}(Y|X)] = E\left[\frac{1}{2} X^2\right] = \frac{1}{2} E(X^2) = \frac{3}{8}.$$

$$\text{Var}[E(Y|X)] = \text{Var}[2X] = 4 \text{Var}(X) = \frac{3}{49}.$$

$$E(Y) = \int_0^3 y \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}y - \frac{1}{243}y^5\right) dy = \left(\frac{1}{3 \cdot 3}y^3 - \frac{1}{7 \cdot 243}y^7\right) \Big|_0^3 = \frac{12}{7}.$$

$$E(Y^2) = \int_0^3 y^2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}y - \frac{1}{243}y^5\right) dy = \left(\frac{1}{4 \cdot 3}y^4 - \frac{1}{8 \cdot 243}y^8\right) \Big|_0^3 = \frac{27}{8}.$$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \frac{27}{8} - \left(\frac{12}{7}\right)^2 = \frac{171}{392}.$$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \text{Var}[E(Y|X)] + E[\text{Var}(X|Y)]$$

$$\frac{171}{392} = \frac{3}{49} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{24+147}{392}. \quad \text{😊}$$

2. Consider the following joint probability distribution $p(x, y)$ of two discrete random variables X and Y:

		x		
		1	2	$p_Y(y)$
y	1	0.14	0.06	0.20
	2	0.12	0.18	0.30
	3	0.14	0.36	0.50
$p_X(x)$		0.40	0.60	1.00

Y given $X = 1$	
y	$p_{Y X}(y 1)$
1	$0.14 / 0.40 = 0.35$
2	$0.12 / 0.40 = 0.30$
3	$0.14 / 0.40 = 0.35$
1.00	

Y given $X = 2$	
y	$p_{Y X}(y 2)$
1	$0.06 / 0.60 = 0.10$
2	$0.18 / 0.60 = 0.30$
3	$0.36 / 0.60 = 0.60$
1.00	

$$E(Y|X=1) = 1 \cdot 0.35 + 2 \cdot 0.30 + 3 \cdot 0.35 = 2.00.$$

$$E(Y|X=2) = 1 \cdot 0.10 + 2 \cdot 0.30 + 3 \cdot 0.60 = 2.50.$$

$$E(Y^2|X=1) = 1 \cdot 0.35 + 4 \cdot 0.30 + 9 \cdot 0.35 = 4.70.$$

$$E(Y^2|X=2) = 1 \cdot 0.10 + 4 \cdot 0.30 + 9 \cdot 0.60 = 6.70.$$

$$\text{Var}(Y|X=1) = 4.70 - 2.00^2 = 0.70.$$

$$\text{Var}(Y|X=2) = 6.70 - 2.50^2 = 0.45.$$

$\text{Var}(Y|X)$:

x	values $\text{Var}(Y X=x)$	probabilities $p_X(x)$
1	0.70	0.40
2	0.45	0.60
1.00		

$$E[\text{Var}(Y|X)] = 0.70 \cdot 0.40 + 0.45 \cdot 0.60 = 0.55.$$

Recall:

$E(Y|X)$:

x	values $E(Y X=x)$	probabilities $p_X(x)$
1	2.00	0.40
2	2.50	0.60
		1.00

$$E[E(Y|X)] = 2.00 \cdot 0.40 + 2.50 \cdot 0.60 = 2.30.$$

$$E[E(Y|X)^2] = 2.00^2 \cdot 0.40 + 2.50^2 \cdot 0.60 = 5.35.$$

$$\text{Var}[E(Y|X)] = 5.35 - 2.30^2 = 0.06.$$

$$E(Y) = 1 \cdot 0.20 + 2 \cdot 0.30 + 3 \cdot 0.50 = 2.30.$$

$$E(Y^2) = 1^2 \cdot 0.20 + 2^2 \cdot 0.30 + 3^2 \cdot 0.50 = 5.90.$$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = 5.90 - 2.30^2 = 0.61.$$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \text{Var}[E(Y|X)] + E[\text{Var}(Y|X)]$$

$$0.61 = 0.06 + 0.55. \quad \text{☺}$$

X given Y = 1	
x	$p_{X Y}(x 1)$
1	$\frac{0.14}{0.20} = 0.70$
2	$\frac{0.06}{0.20} = 0.30$
1.00	

$$E(X|Y=1) = 1.30$$

$$\text{Var}(X|Y=1) = 0.21$$

X given Y = 2	
x	$p_{X Y}(x 2)$
1	$\frac{0.12}{0.30} = 0.40$
2	$\frac{0.18}{0.30} = 0.60$
1.00	

$$E(X|Y=2) = 1.60$$

$$\text{Var}(X|Y=2) = 0.24$$

X given Y = 3	
x	$p_{X Y}(x 3)$
1	$\frac{0.14}{0.50} = 0.28$
2	$\frac{0.36}{0.50} = 0.72$
1.00	

$$E(X|Y=3) = 1.72$$

$$\text{Var}(X|Y=3) = 0.2016$$

$\text{Var}(X|Y)$:

y	values $E(X Y=y)$	probabilities $p_Y(y)$
1	0.21	0.20
2	0.24	0.30
3	0.2016	0.50
1.00		

$$E[\text{Var}(X|Y)] = 0.21 \cdot 0.20 + 0.24 \cdot 0.30 + 0.2016 \cdot 0.50 = 0.2148.$$

Recall:

$E(X|Y)$:

y	values $E(X Y=y)$	probabilities $p_Y(y)$
1	1.30	0.20
2	1.60	0.30
3	1.72	0.50
1.00		

$$E[E(X|Y)] = 1.30 \cdot 0.20 + 1.60 \cdot 0.30 + 1.72 \cdot 0.50 = 1.60.$$

$$E[E(X|Y)^2] = 1.30^2 \cdot 0.20 + 1.60^2 \cdot 0.30 + 1.72^2 \cdot 0.50 = 2.5852.$$

$$\text{Var}[E(X|Y)] = 2.5852 - 1.60^2 = 0.0252.$$

$$E(X) = 1 \cdot 0.40 + 2 \cdot 0.60 = 1.60.$$

$$E(X^2) = 1^2 \cdot 0.40 + 2^2 \cdot 0.60 = 2.80.$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = 2.80 - 1.60^2 = 0.24.$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \text{Var}[E(X|Y)] + E[\text{Var}(X|Y)]$$

$$0.24 = 0.0252 + 0.2148. \quad \text{😊}$$