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Assignment 1- Probability and Random Variables

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1 Problem 4.9

Let X denote the sum of the numbers obtained when two fair dice are rolled. Find the variance and standard deviation of X.

2 SOLUTION

When two fare dice are rolled. The sum of the numbers obtained can have the values 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12.

Pr(X) = probability of obtaining X as the sum and let us represent the case when first dice shows the number x_1 and the second dice shows the number x_2 as (x_1, x_2) .

Then,

Pr(X=2) = 1/36 : [(1,1)]

Pr(X=3) = 2/36 : [(1,2),(2,1)]

Pr(X=4) = 3/36 : [(1,3),(2,2),(3,1)]

Pr(X=5) = 4/36 : [(1,4),(2,3),(3,2),(4,1)]

Pr(X=6) = 5/36 : [(1,5),(2,4),(3,3),(4,2),(5,1)]

Pr(X=7) = 6/36 : [(1,6),(2,5),(3,4),(4,3),(5,2),(6,1)]

Pr(X=8) = 5/36 : [(2,6),(3,5),(4,4),(5,3),(6,2)]

Pr(X=9) = 4/36 : [(3,6),(4,5),(5,4),(6,3)]

Pr(X=10) = 3/36 : [(4,6),(5,5),(6,4)]

Pr(X=11) = 2/36 : [(5,6),(6,5)]

Pr(X=12) = 1/36 : [(6,6)]

The probability distribution table is

X	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Pr(X)	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{3}{36}$	$\frac{4}{36}$	$\frac{5}{36}$	$\frac{6}{36}$	$\frac{5}{36}$	$\frac{4}{36}$	$\frac{3}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$

For the above problem, we know that

$$p_x(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n < 1\\ \frac{n-1}{36} & \text{if } 2 \le n \le 7\\ \frac{13-n}{36} & \text{if } 7 < n \le 12\\ 0 & \text{if } n > 12 \end{cases}$$

Mean,
$$E(X) = \sum_{k=2}^{12} k p_x(k)$$
 (2.0.1)

$$= \frac{1}{36} [(2 \times 1) + (3 \times 2) + (4 \times 3) + (5 \times 4) + (2.0.2) + (6 \times 5) + (7 \times 6) + (8 \times 5) + (9 \times 4) + (2.0.3) + (10 \times 3) + (11 \times 2) + (12 \times 1)]$$
(2.0.4)

$$= \frac{252}{36} = 7$$
 (2.0.5)

Variance,
$$\sigma^2 = E(X - E(X))^2$$
 (2.0.6)

$$= E(X^{2}) - (E(X))^{2}$$
 (2.0.7)

(2.0.8)

(2.0.5)

Let us consider $E(X^2)$,

$$E(X^2) \tag{2.0.9}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{k=1}^{12} k^2 p_x(k)\right) \tag{2.0.10}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{6} k^2 \times \frac{1}{36} [k-1] + \sum_{k=7}^{12} k^2 \times \frac{1}{36} [13-k]$$
(2.0.11)

by rearrangement we get
$$(2.0.12)$$

$$= \frac{1}{36} \left[\sum_{k=1}^{6} k^2(k-1) + \sum_{k=7-6}^{12-6} (k+6)^2 \times [13 - (k+6)] \right]$$
(2.0.13)

$$= \frac{1}{36} \left[\sum_{k=1}^{6} k^2 (k-1) + \sum_{k=1}^{6} (k+6)^2 (7-k) \right]$$
 (2.0.14)

$$= \frac{1}{36} \sum_{k=1}^{6} \left(k^2(k-1) + (k^2 + 36 + 12k)(7 - k) \right)$$
(2.0.15)

$$= \frac{1}{36} \sum_{k=1}^{6} \left((k^3 - k^2) + (-k^3 - 5k^2 + 48k + 252) \right)$$
(2.0.16)

$$= \frac{1}{36} \sum_{k=1}^{6} (-6k^2 + 48k + 252)$$
 (2.0.17)

$$= \frac{1}{6} \sum_{k=1}^{6} (-k^2 + 8k + 42)$$
 (2.0.18)

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left[-\frac{(6)(7)(13)}{6} + 8 \times \frac{(6)(7)}{2} + (42)(6) \right] (2.0.19)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}[-91 + 168 + 252] \tag{2.0.20}$$

$$=\frac{329}{6}\tag{2.0.21}$$

Variance,
$$\sigma^2 = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2$$
 (2.0.22)

$$=\frac{329}{6}-((7)^2)\tag{2.0.23}$$

$$=\frac{329}{6}-49\tag{2.0.24}$$

$$=\frac{35}{6}$$
 (2.0.25)

(2.0.26)

Therefore,

Standard deviation,
$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{35}{6}}$$