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Lecture 10

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Chapter 4. Bivariate Distribution

Section 4.1 Bivariate Distribution of Discrete Type

Motivation

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Bivariate RV

Definition

Let (X, Y) be a pair of RVs with their range denoted by $\bar{S} \subseteq R^2$. Then (X, Y) or X and Y is said to be a bivariate RV. If \bar{S} is finite or countably infinite, then (X, Y) is said to be a discrete bivariate RV.

Moreover, let $\bar{S}_X \subseteq R$ and $\bar{S}_Y \subseteq R$ denote the range of X and Y , respectively.

离散双变量

$$\bar{S} = \{\text{all possible values of } (X, Y)\}$$

$$\bar{S}_X = \{\text{all possible values of } X\} = \{x | (x, y) \in \bar{S}\}$$

$$\bar{S}_Y = \{\text{all possible values of } Y\} = \{y | (x, y) \in \bar{S}\}$$

Then, it holds that

$$\bar{S} \subseteq \bar{S}_X \times \bar{S}_Y = \{(x, y) | x \in \bar{S}_X, y \in \bar{S}_Y\}$$

Example 1, Page 134

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Sample space $\bar{S} \subseteq \bar{S}_X \times \bar{S}_Y$: \bar{S} 不一定 = $\bar{S}_X \times \bar{S}_Y$ 但一定 $\subseteq \bar{S}_X \times \bar{S}_Y$

$$\bar{S}_X = \bar{S}_Y = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \bar{S} = \left\{ \begin{array}{cccc} (1, 1), & (1, 2), & (1, 3), & (1, 4), \\ & (2, 2), & (2, 3), & (2, 4), \\ & & (3, 3), & (3, 4), \\ & & & (4, 4) \end{array} \right\},$$

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Joint pmf

Joint PMF

Definition

The function $f(x, y) : \bar{S} \rightarrow (0, 1]$ is called the joint probability mass function (joint pmf) of X and Y or (X, Y) , if

1. $f(x, y) > 0$ for $(x, y) \in \bar{S}$, $f(x, y) > 0, (x, y) \in \bar{S}$
2. $\sum_{(x, y) \in \bar{S}} f(x, y) = 1$, $\sum_{(x, y) \in \bar{S}} f(x, y) = 1$
3. For $A \subseteq \bar{S}$,

$$P[(X, Y) \in A] \triangleq P(\{(X, Y) \in A\}) = \sum_{(x, y) \in A} f(x, y)$$

which defines the probability function for a set A . In particular, taking $A = \{(x, y)\}$ yields the probability of $X = x$ and $Y = y$, i.e.,

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

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$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{16}, & 1 \leq x < y \leq 4 \\ \frac{1}{16}, & 1 \leq x = y \leq 4. \end{cases}$$

A Remark on Computation of The Probability

$$\text{For } A \subseteq \bar{S}, P[(X, Y) \in A] \triangleq P(\{(X, Y) \in A\}) = \sum_{(x,y) \in A} f(x, y),$$

where the double summation can be split into 2 single summation.

Let

$$A_X = \{x | (x, y) \in A\}, A_Y(x) = \{y | (x, y) \in A\}, \text{ for } x \in A_X$$

Then

$$P((X, Y) \in A) = \sum_{x \in A_X} \sum_{y \in A_Y(x)} f(x, y)$$

Let

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$$A_Y = \{y | (x, y) \in A\}, A_X(y) = \{x | (x, y) \in A\}, \text{ for } y \in A_Y$$

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Marginal pmf

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For $x \in \bar{S}_X$, *marginal PMF*

$$f_X(x) = P_X(X = x) \triangleq P(\{X = x, Y \in \bar{S}_Y(x)\})$$

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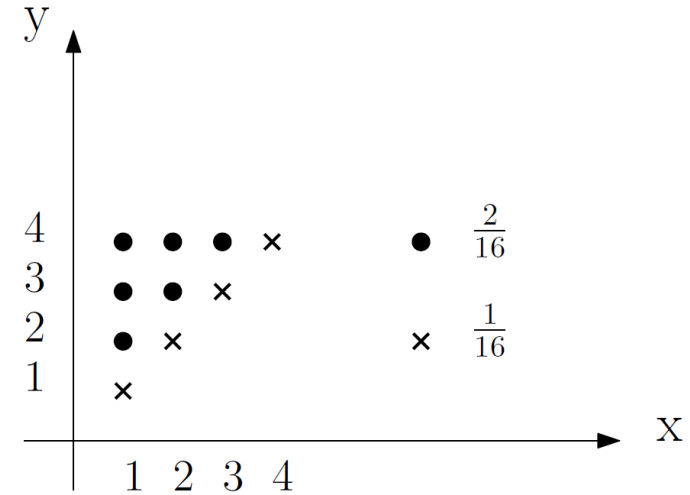
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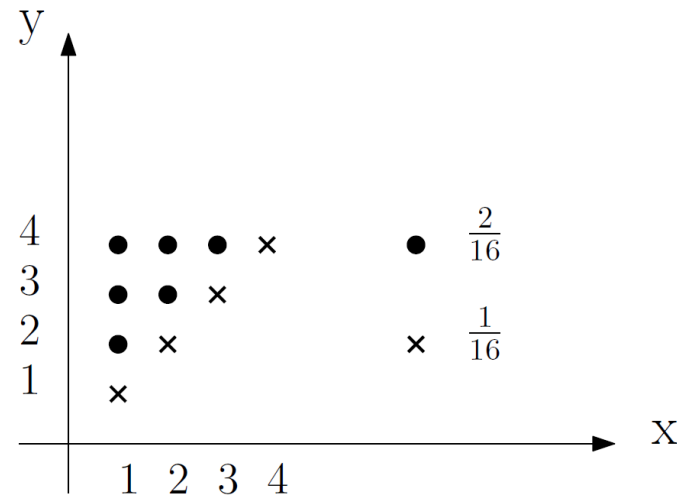


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$$f_X(x) = \sum_{y \in \overline{S_Y}(x)} \underline{f(x, y)}, x \in \overline{S_X} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_X(1) = \frac{7}{16}, \quad f_X(2) = \frac{5}{16}, \quad f_X(3) = \frac{3}{16}, \quad f_X(4) = \frac{1}{16}$$

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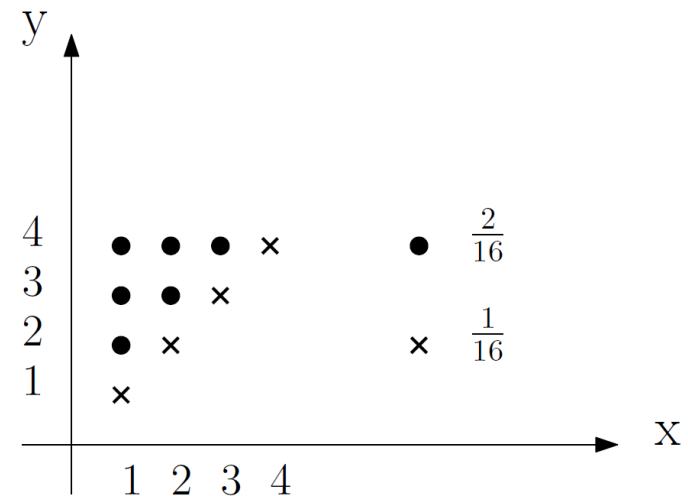
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Handwritten blue notes above the equation: $f_Y(1) = \frac{1}{16}$, $f_Y(2) = \frac{3}{16}$, $f_Y(3) = \frac{5}{16}$, $f_Y(4) = \frac{7}{16}$

Remarks on Marginal pmf

It is crucial to understand the following definitions

$$\overline{S}, \overline{S_X}, \overline{S_Y}, \overline{S_X}(y), \overline{S_Y}(x)$$

$$\overline{S} = \{\text{all possible values of } (X, Y)\}$$

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Trinomial Distribution

Description: The random experiment has three mutually exclusive and exhaustive outcomes:

- ▶ “perfect”,
- ▶ “second”
- ▶ “defective”

3项分布

We repeat the experiment n independent times, and moreover, the probabilities

- ▶ p_X : the probability of “perfect”,
- ▶ p_Y : the probability of “second”
- ▶ p_Z : the probability of “defective”

remain the same for each repetition. Such n repetitions can be called a trinomial experiment.

For the trinomial experiment, we are interested in the number of perfects, the number of seconds and the number of defectives.

Trinomial Distribution

For the n trinomial trials, we let

- ▶ X be number of perfects,
- ▶ Y be number of seconds,
- ▶ $Z = n - X - Y$ be the number of defectives

We are interested in the joint pmf of (X, Y) , $f(x, y) : \bar{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

- ▶ $\bar{S} = \{(x, y) | x + y \leq n, x = 0, 1, \dots, n, y = 0, 1, \dots, n\}$
- ▶ $f(x, y) = P(X = x, Y = y)$ which is the probability of having x perfects, y seconds, and $n - x - y$ defectives

Trinomial Distribution

Joint pmf: to calculate $f(x, y) = P(X = x, Y = y)$,

- ▶ the probability for each way of having x perfects, y seconds, and $n - x - y$ defectives is

$$p_X^x p_Y^y (1 - p_X - p_Y)^{n-x-y}$$

- the total number of ways of having x perfects, y seconds, and $n - x - y$ defectives is

$$\binom{n}{x, y, n-x-y} = \frac{n!}{x!y!(n-x-y)!}$$

Therefore, the joint pmf for trinomial distribution is

$$f(x, y) = \frac{n!}{x!y!(n-x-y)!} p_X^x p_Y^y (1 - p_X - p_Y)^{n-x-y}, (x, y) \in \bar{S}$$

It's called trinomial distribution because of the trinomial expansion.

Trinomial Distribution

$$\begin{aligned}(a + b + c)^n &= \sum_{x=0}^n \binom{n}{x} a^x (b + c)^{n-x} \\&= \sum_{x=0}^n \binom{n}{x} a^x \sum_{y=0}^{n-x} \binom{n-x}{y} b^y c^{n-x-y} \\&= \sum_{x=0}^n \sum_{y=0}^{n-x} \frac{n!}{x!y!(n-x-y)!} a^x b^y c^{n-x-y}\end{aligned}$$

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Marginal pmf: to calculate $f_X(x)$ or $f_Y(y)$

$$f_X(x) = \sum_{y \in \overline{S_Y}(x)} f(x, y) = \sum_{y=0}^{n-x} \binom{n}{x} \binom{n-x}{y} p_X^x p_Y^y (1 - p_X - p_Y)^{n-x-y}$$

$$= \binom{n}{x} p_X^x (1 - p_X)^{n-x}$$

\uparrow 结果 $\binom{n}{x} p_X^x (1 - p_X)^{n-x}$ 2项分布
 $f_X(x) = \sum_{y=0}^{n-x} \binom{n}{x} \binom{n-x}{y} p_X^x p_Y^y [1 - p_X - p_Y]^{n-x-y}$

Without summing, we know $X \sim b(n, p_X)$ and $Y \sim b(n, p_Y)$

Independent Random Variables

Definition

The random variables X and Y are said to be independent if for every $x \in \overline{S}_X$ and $y \in \overline{S}_Y$

$$f(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y) \text{ Inde.}$$

or equivalently,

$$P(X = x, Y = y) = P_X(X = x)P_Y(Y = y).$$

X and Y are said to be dependent if otherwise.

When X and Y are independent,

inde 时 $\overline{S} = \overline{S}_X \times \overline{S}_Y$ 反推不成立.

$\overline{S} = \overline{S}_X \times \overline{S}_Y$, \overline{S} is said to be rectangular

which is a necessary condition for independence of X and Y .

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The definition of independent RVs has root in the definition of independent events.

$$A = \{X = x, Y \in \overline{S_Y}(x)\}, B = \{X \in \overline{S_X}(y), Y = y\}$$

X and Y are independent if and only if A and B are independent.

Example 2, Page 135

Let the joint pmf of X and Y be defined by

$$f(x, y) = \frac{x + y}{21}, \quad x = 1, 2, 3, \quad y = 1, 2.$$

$$\bar{S} = \{(x, y) | x = 1, 2, 3, \quad y = 1, 2.\}$$

$$f : \bar{S} \longrightarrow (0, 1] \text{ with } \bar{S}_X = \{1, 2, 3\}, \quad \bar{S}_Y = \{1, 2\}.$$

Question

Are X and Y independent or dependent?

Example 2, Page 135

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \sum_{y \in \overline{S}_Y(x)} f(x, y) = \sum_{y=1}^2 \frac{x+y}{21} = \frac{2x+3}{21}, \quad x = 1, 2, 3. \\ f_Y(y) &= \sum_{x \in \overline{S}_X(y)} f(x, y) = \sum_{x=1}^3 \frac{x+y}{21} = \frac{3y+6}{21}, \quad y = 1, 2 \\ f(x, y) &= \frac{x+y}{21} \neq \frac{2x+3}{21} \cdot \frac{3y+6}{21} = f_X(x)f_Y(y) \end{aligned} \right.$$

判断 inde $\Rightarrow X$ and Y are dependent

What is the implication of independent RVs?

Implication of Independent RVs

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For any $A \subset \overline{S_X}$ and $B \subset \overline{S_Y}$, the two events $X \in A$ and $Y \in B$ are independent.

$$A \subset \overline{S_X}, B \subset \overline{S_Y}$$

We only need to show $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$:

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \cap B) &= P(X \in A, Y \in B) = \sum_{x \in A, y \in B} f(x, y) \\ &= \sum_{x \in A} \sum_{y \in B} f_X(x) f_Y(y) \\ &= \sum_{x \in A} f_X(x) \sum_{y \in B} f_Y(y) \\ &= P(X \in A) P(Y \in B) = P(A) P(B) \end{aligned}$$

Mathematical Expectation

Let X and Y be discrete RVs with their joint pmf

$$f(x, y) : \bar{S} \rightarrow (0, 1]$$

Consider a function $g(X, Y)$ of X and Y .

Then the expectation of $g(X, Y)$ is

$$E[g(X, Y)] = \sum_{(x, y) \in \bar{S}} g(x, y) f(x, y)$$

Mathematical Expectation

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There are seemingly two ways to calculate $E[X]$:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Marginal pmf} \\ E[X] = \sum_{x \in \bar{S}_X} x f_X(x) \quad \text{Marginal} \\ E[X] = \sum_{(x,y) \in \bar{S}} x f(x,y) \quad \text{Joint} \\ \text{Joint pmf} \end{array} \right. \quad \text{都可以}$$

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Equivalent

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} E(X) = \sum_{x \in \bar{S}_X} x f_X(x) \quad \text{Marginal pmf} \\ E(X) = \sum_{(x,y) \in \bar{S}} x f(x,y) = \sum_{x \in \bar{S}_X} x \underbrace{\sum_{y \in \bar{S}_Y(x)} f(x,y)}_{=f_X(x)} \quad \text{Joint pmf} \end{array} \right.$$

Handwritten notes:

$$E[X] = \sum_{x \in \bar{S}_X} x f_X(x)$$
$$= \sum_{x \in \bar{S}_X} x \sum_{y \in \bar{S}_Y(x)} f(x,y)$$

Example 1, [Page 134] — Revisited

Question

Recall that X and Y are discrete RVs with joint pmf

$f(x, y) : \bar{S} \rightarrow (0, 1]$ with $\bar{S}_X = \bar{S}_Y = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{16} & 1 \leq x < y \leq 4 \\ \frac{1}{16} & 1 \leq x = y \leq 4 \end{cases}$$

What is $E[X + Y]$?

Example 1, [Page 134] — Revisited

$$\sum_{(x,y) \in \bar{S}} (x+y) f(x,y) = \sum_{1 \leq x=y \leq 4} (x+y) \frac{1}{16} + \sum_{1 \leq x < y \leq 4} (x+y) \frac{2}{16}$$

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$E X + E Y$

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$(2x)$

$$= \sum_{x=1}^4 (2x) \frac{1}{16} + \sum_{x=1}^4 \sum_{y \in \bar{S}_Y(x), x < y} (x+y) \frac{2}{16}$$

$$2(1+2+3+4) \cdot \frac{1}{16}$$

Note: the expectation is w.r.t all random variable, i.e. X and Y .

$$\sum_{x=1}^4 \sum_{y=x+1}^4 (x+y) \frac{2}{16}$$

$$x \quad \bar{S}_x \in \mathbb{R} \quad P_x(A) \quad A \subseteq \bar{S}_x$$

$$y \quad \bar{S}_y \in \mathbb{R} \quad P_y(B) \quad B \subseteq \bar{S}_y$$

$$(x, y) \quad \bar{S} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \quad A \subseteq \bar{S}_x$$

$$P(C) \quad C \subseteq \bar{S} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \quad B \subseteq \bar{S}_y$$

$$x \in A, y \in B$$

$$P_x(A) = P(A \times \bar{S}_y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Inde.}$$