

Joint distribution function of random variable (X, Y)

$$F(x, y) = P(X \leq x, y \leq y), \text{ for } x, y \in \mathbb{R} \quad (1)$$

Properties

- $F(x, \infty) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y)$
- $F(\infty, y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y)$

Marginal cdf of (X, Y)

$$\begin{aligned} F_X(x) &= F(x, \infty) \\ F_Y(y) &= F(\infty, y) \end{aligned}$$

If X and Y are independent then

$$F(x, y) = F_X(x)F_Y(y) \quad (2)$$

Proposition

Let $X_1 \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda_1)$ and $X_2 \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda_2)$. Then

$$X_1 \text{ and } X_2 \text{ are independent} \Leftrightarrow \{X_1 + X_2 \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) \text{ and } X_1(X_1 + X_2) = n \sim \text{Bin}(n, \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2})\} \quad (3)$$

Continuous stochastic vector

X and Y are continuous random variables with pdf f_x and f_y respectively.

Definition X and Y are jointly continuous if there exists a function f from \mathbb{R}^2 into \mathbb{R} such that

$$P((X, Y) \in B) = \int \int_B f(x, y) dx dy, \text{ for all } B \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \quad (4)$$

- f is called the joint pdf of (X, Y)
- the conditional pdf of Y given $X = x$ is

$$f_y(y/x) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(x, y)}{f_x(x)} & \text{if } f_x(x) > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if else} \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

- the conditional cdf of Y given X is given by

$$F_y(y/x) = \int_{-\infty}^y f_y(t/x) dt \quad (6)$$

- the conditional distribution of Y given $X = x$ is

Proposition Let (X, Y) be jointly continuous

1. If $\text{Area}(B) = 0$. (f_x a line) $\Rightarrow P((X; Y) \in B) = 0$
2. f is positive valued and $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) = 1$
3. For all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. $F(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(s, t) dt ds$
4. $f(x, y) = \frac{d^2}{dx dy} F(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F(x, y)$
5. $f_x(a) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_x(x/y) f_y(y) dy$
6. For $B \subset \mathbb{R}$. $P(Y \in B) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(Y \in B | X = x) f_x(x) dx$
7. For $B \subset \mathbb{R}$. $P((x, y) \in B) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P((x, y) \in B | X = x) f_x(x) dx$
8. X and Y are independent $\Leftrightarrow F(x, y) = F_x(x) F_y(y) \Leftrightarrow f(x, y) = f_x(x) f_y(y) \Leftrightarrow f_y(y/x) = f_y(y)$