

## LECTURE - 12 and 13

### CHEPTER-4

#### 4.3 Means and Variances of Linear Combinations of Random Variables

##### Theorem-4.5

If  $a$  and  $b$  are constants, then  $E(aX + b) = aE(X) + b$ .

Substituting  $a=0$ , we get  $E(b)=b$  and  $b=0$  we get  $E(aX)=aE(X)$

##### Example-4.17

Suppose that the number of cars  $X$  that pass through a car wash between 4:00 P.M. and 5:00 P.M. on any sunny Friday has the following probability distribution:

$X$	4	5	6	7	8	9
$P(X=x)$	$\frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$

Let  $g(X)=2X-1$  represent the amount of money, in dollars, paid to the attendant by the manager. Find the attendant's expected earnings for this particular time period.

**Solution :**

we can write  $E(2X-1) = 2E(X)-1$ .

Now

$$\mu = E(X) = \sum_{x=4}^9 xf(x)$$

$$=(4)(\frac{1}{12}) + (5)(\frac{1}{12}) + (6)(\frac{1}{4}) + (7)(\frac{1}{4}) + (8)(\frac{1}{6}) + (9)(\frac{1}{6}) = \frac{41}{6}.$$

Therefore,

$$\mu_{2X-1} = (2)(\frac{41}{6}) - 1 = \$12.67$$

##### Theorem-4.6

The expected value of the sum or difference of two or more functions of a random variable  $X$  is the sum or difference of the expected values of the functions. That is,

$$E[g(X) \pm h(X)] = E[g(X)] \pm E[h(X)].$$

##### Exercise-4.57

Let  $X$  be a random variable with the following probability distribution:

$x$	-3	6	9
$f(x)$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{3}$

Find  $E(X)$  and  $E(X^2)$  and then, using these values, evaluate  $E[(2X + 1)^2]$ .

**Solution :**

$$E(X) = (-3)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + (6)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + (9)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 5.5$$

$$E(X^2) = (9)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + (36)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + (81)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 46.5$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[(2X + 1)^2] &= E(4(X^2) + 4(X) + 1) = 4E(X^2) + 4E(X) + 1 \\ &= 4(46.5) + 4(5.5) + 1 = 209 \end{aligned}$$

#### **Theorem-4.7**

The expected value of the sum or difference of two or more functions of the random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  is the sum or difference of the expected values of the functions. That is,

$$E[g(X, Y) \pm h(X, Y)] = E[g(X, Y)] \pm E[h(X, Y)].$$

#### **Theorem-4.8**

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two independent random variables. Then  $E(XY) = E(X)E(Y)$ .

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two independent random variables. Then  $\sigma_{XY} = 0$ .

#### **Theorem-4.9**

If  $X$  and  $Y$  are random variables with joint probability distribution  $f(x, y)$

and  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are constants, then  $\sigma_{aX+bY+c}^2 = a^2\sigma_X^2 + b^2\sigma_Y^2 + 2ab\sigma_{XY}$

Setting  $b = 0$ , we see that  $\sigma_{aX+c}^2 = a^2\sigma_X^2 = a^2\sigma^2$

Setting  $a = 1$  and  $b = 0$ , we see that  $\sigma_{X+c}^2 = \sigma_X^2 = \sigma^2$ .

Setting  $b = 0$  and  $c = 0$ , we see that  $\sigma_{aX}^2 = a^2\sigma_X^2 = a^2\sigma^2$ .

If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent random variables, then  $\sigma_{aX+bY}^2 = a^2\sigma_X^2 + b^2\sigma_Y^2$  and  $\sigma_{aX-bY}^2 = a^2\sigma_X^2 + b^2\sigma_Y^2$

#### **Example-4.22**

If  $X$  and  $Y$  are random variables with variances  $\sigma_X^2 = 2$  and  $\sigma_Y^2 = 4$  and covariance  $\sigma_{XY} = -2$ , find the variance of the random variable  $Z = 3X - 4Y + 8$ .

**Solution :**

$$\sigma_Z^2 = \sigma_{3X-4Y+8}^2 = \sigma_{3X-4Y}^2$$

$$= 9\sigma_X^2 + 16\sigma_Y^2 - 24\sigma_{XY} = (9)(2) + (16)(4) - (24)(-2) = 130$$

#### **Example-4.23**

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  denote the amounts of two different types of impurities in a batch of a certain chemical product. Suppose that  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent random variables with variances  $\sigma_X^2 = 2$  and  $\sigma_Y^2 = 3$ . Find the variance of the random variable  $Z = 3X - 2Y + 5$ .

**Solution :**

$$\sigma_Z^2 = \sigma_{3X-2Y+5}^2 = \sigma_{3X-2Y}^2 = 9\sigma_X^2 + 4\sigma_Y^2 = (9)(2) + (4)(3) = 30$$

**Exercise-4.58**

The total time, measured in units of 100 hours, that a teenager runs her hair dryer over a period of one year is a continuous random variable X that has the density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & 0 < x < 1 \\ 2 - x & 1 < x < 2 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Evaluate the mean of the random variable  $Y = 60X^2 + 39X$ , where Y is equal to the number of kilowatt hours expended annually.

**Solution:**

$$E(Y) = E(60X^2 + 39X) = 60E(X^2) + 39E(X)$$

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xf(x)dx = \int_0^1 (x)(x)dx + \int_1^2 (x)(2-x)dx$$

$$= \left. \frac{x^3}{3} \right|_0^1 + \left. \left( 2\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} \right) \right|_1^2 = 1$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x)dx = \int_0^1 (x^2)(x)dx + \int_1^2 (x^2)(2-x)dx$$

$$= \left. \frac{x^4}{4} \right|_0^1 + \left. \left( 2\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} \right) \right|_1^2 = \frac{7}{6}$$

$$E(Y) = (60)\left(\frac{7}{6}\right) + (39)(1) = 109$$

$$\text{Total time} = (109)(100) = 10900 \text{ hours.}$$

**Exercise-4.60**

Suppose that X and Y are independent random variables having the joint probability distribution

		x	
		2	4
y	1	0.10	0.15
	3	0.20	0.30
	5	0.10	0.15

Find (a)  $E(2X-3Y)$ ; (b)  $E(XY)$ .

**Solution:**

f(x,y)		x		Row total h(y)
		2	4	
y	1	0.10	0.15	0.25
	3	0.20	0.30	0.50
	5	0.10	0.15	0.25
Column total g(x)		0.40	0.60	1

$$E(2X-3Y)=2E(X)-3E(Y)=2 \sum_x xg(x) - 3 \sum_y yh(y)$$

$$=2((2)(0.40) + (4)(0.60)) - 3((1)(0.25) + (3)(0.5) + (5)(0.25))$$

$$= 6.40 + 9 = 6.40 - 9 = -2.60$$

$$E(XY) = E(X)E(Y) = (\sum_x xg(x))(\sum_y yh(y)) = (3.20)(3) = 9.60$$

#### 4.4 Chebyshev's Theorem

The probability that any random variable X will assume a value within k standard deviations of the mean is at least  $1 - 1/k^2$ . That is,

$$P(\mu - k\sigma < X < \mu + k\sigma) \geq 1 - 1/k^2.$$

#### Example-4.23

A random variable X has a mean  $\mu = 8$ , a variance  $\sigma^2 = 9$ , and an unknown probability distribution. Find (a)  $P(-4 < X < 20)$  (b)  $P(|(X - 8)| \geq 6)$ .

**Solution:**

$$(a) P(-4 < X < 20)$$

$$= P[8 - (4)(3) < X < 8 + (4)(3)] \geq \frac{15}{16}.$$

$$(b) P(|(X - 8)| \geq 6)$$

$$= 1 - P(|(X - 8)| < 6) = 1 - P(-6 < X - 8 < 6)$$

$$= 1 - P[8 - (2)(3) < X < 8 + (2)(3)] \leq \frac{1}{4}$$

#### Exercise-4.75

An electrical firm manufactures a 100-watt light bulb, which, according to specifications written on the package, has a mean life of 900 hours with a standard deviation of 50 hours. At most, what percentage of the bulbs fail to last even 700 hours? Assume that the distribution is symmetric about the mean.

**Solution:**

X is the random variable define life of the 100-watt bulb

Here  $\mu=900$  hours and  $\sigma = 50$

To find the probability of  $P(X \leq 700)$ .

Given that the distribution is symmetric about the mean. According to Chebyshev's theorem

$$P(\mu - k\sigma < X < \mu + k\sigma) \geq 1 - 1/k^2.$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \leq 700) &= (0.5)(P(|X - 900| \geq 200)) = (0.5)(1 - P(|X - 900| \leq 200)) \\ &= (0.5)(1 - P(900 - (4)(50) < X < 900 + (4)(50))) \leq (0.5)(\frac{1}{4^2}) = 0.03215 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the percentage of the bulbs fail to last even 700 hours is 3.215%.

#### Exercise-4.77

A random variable X has a mean  $\mu = 10$  and a variance  $\sigma^2 = 4$ . Using Chebyshev's theorem, find

(a)  $P(|X - 10| \geq 3)$ ;

(b)  $P(|X - 10| < 3)$ ;

(c)  $P(5 < X < 15)$ ;

(d) the value of the constant c such that  $P(|X - 10| \geq c) \leq 0.04$ .

**Solution:**

(a)  $P(|X - 10| \geq 3)$

$$= 1 - P(|X - 10| < 3) = 1 - P(-3 < X - 10 < 3)$$

$$= 1 - P[10 - (2)(\frac{3}{2}) < X < 10 + (2)(\frac{3}{2})] \leq \frac{4}{9}$$

(b)  $P(|X - 10| < 3)$

$$= P(-3 < X - 10 < 3) = P[10 - (2)(\frac{3}{2}) < X < 10 + (2)(\frac{3}{2})] \geq 1 - \frac{1}{(\frac{3}{2})^2} = \frac{5}{9}$$

(c)  $P(5 < X < 15)$

$$= P[10 - (2)(\frac{5}{2}) < X < 10 + (2)(\frac{5}{2})] \geq 1 - \frac{1}{(\frac{5}{2})^2} = \frac{21}{25}$$

(d)  $P(|X - 10| \geq c)$

$$= 1 - P(|X - 10| \leq c) = 1 - P(10 - c < X < 10 + c)$$

$$= 1 - P(10 - 2(\frac{c}{2}) < X < 10 + 2(\frac{c}{2})) \leq \frac{1}{(\frac{c}{2})^2} = \frac{4}{c^2}$$

Given that  $P(|X - 10| \geq c) \leq 0.04$ .

Therefore  $\frac{4}{c^2} = 0.04 \implies c^2 = 100 \implies c = 10$

**Example-4.78**

Compute  $P(\mu - 2\sigma < X < \mu + 2\sigma)$ , where  $X$  has the density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 6x(1-x) & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

**Solution:**

$$E(X) = \int_0^1 x(6x(1-x))dx = \int_0^1 (6x^2 - 6x^3)dx = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_0^1 x^2(6x(1-x))dx = \int_0^1 (6x^3 - 6x^4)dx = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\sigma^2 = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = \frac{3}{10} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{20} \implies \sigma = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{20}\right)} = 0.223$$

$$P(\mu - 2\sigma < X < \mu + 2\sigma) = P(0.053 < X < 0.9472) = \int_{0.053}^{0.947} 6x(1-x)dx = \int_{0.053}^{0.947} (6x - 6x^2)dx = 6\left(\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3}\right)\Big|_{0.053}^{0.9472} = 0.9838$$

By Chebyshev's theorem,

$$P(\mu - 2\sigma < X < \mu + 2\sigma) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{2^2} = 0.75$$

$$P(\mu - 2\sigma < X < \mu + 2\sigma) = 0.9838 \geq 0.75$$

Hence Chebyshev's theorem is verified.

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