

Probability Theory Notes

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Chapter 1

Числові характеристики випадкових величин

1.1 Попередні зауваження

Розглянемо дискретну випадкову величину ξ

$$\xi(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \mathbb{1}_{A_i}(\omega)$$

$\{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$ - повна група подій

Проведено n незалежних випробувань в кожному з яких спостерігається

$$\xi_n(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \cdot \mathbb{1}_{A_i}^n(\omega)$$

Розглянемо

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\xi} &= \frac{\xi_1 + \dots + \xi_n(\omega)}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m x_j \cdot \mathbb{1}_{A_j}^i(\omega) = \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m x_j \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{A_j}^i(\omega) \end{aligned}$$

$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{A_j}^i(\omega)$ - частота появи A_j в n випробуваннях $\rightarrow_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_j)$.

$$\hat{\xi} = \frac{\xi_1 + \dots + \xi_n}{n} \rightarrow_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^m x_j \cdot P(A_j).$$

Припустимо $\Omega[0, 1]$; $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{B}([0, 1])$, P міра Лебега, $P((a, b]) = b - a$ для дискретної ймовірності:

$$S_1 = x_1 \cdot P(A_1) = x_1 \cdot |A_1|$$

$$S_2 = x_2 \cdot P(A_2) = x_2 \cdot |A_2|$$

$$S \sim \sum_{j=1}^m x_j P(A_j) - \text{площа}$$

для неперевного випадку:

$$\hat{\xi} \sim \int_{\Omega} \xi(\omega) P(d\omega).$$

1.2 Definition and examples of expected value

Нехай (ω, \mathcal{F}, P) - ймовірнісний простір. ξ - випадкова величина на цьому просторі.

Definition 1. Математичним сподіванням випадкової величини ξ називається число

$$M\xi = \int_{\Omega} \xi(\omega) P(d\omega).$$

$$(expectation) \quad E\xi = \int_{\Omega} \xi(\omega) P(d\omega).$$

ξ індукує міру P_{ξ} на \mathbb{R} :

$$P_{\xi}((a, b]) = F_{\xi}(b) - F_{\xi}(a).$$

Заміна $\xi(\omega) = x$ приводить до інтеграла Лебега-Стільтєса:

$$M\xi = \int_{\mathbb{R}} x P_{\xi}(dx).$$

Звідси маємо інтеграл Стільтєса:

$$M\xi = \int_{\mathbb{R}} x dF_{\xi}(x).$$

Для дискретної випадкової величини ξ :

$$E\xi = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \cdot P(\xi = x_i) \tag{1.1}$$

Якщо ξ має щільність $f_{\xi}(x)$:

$$E\xi = \int_{\mathbb{R}} x f_{\xi}(x) dx \tag{1.2}$$

Remark. It is considered that expectation exists if series (1.1) or integral (1.2) is absolutely convergent.

Example. If $A \in \mathcal{F}$ then $\xi(\omega) = \mathbb{1}_A(\omega)$

$$E\xi = 0 \cdot P(\xi = 0) + 1 \cdot P(\xi = 1) = P(A).$$

Example.

$$P(\xi = i) = \frac{1}{i(i+1)}, i = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i \cdot P(\xi = i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i+1} = +\infty \Rightarrow E\xi \text{ does not exist.}$$

Example.

$$\xi \sim U(a, b); f_\xi(x) = \frac{1}{b-a} \mathbb{1}(x \in (a, b]).$$

$$E\xi = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b x dx = \frac{b^2 - a^2}{2(b-a)} = \frac{a+b}{2}.$$

For uniform distribution the expectation is the middle of the segment.

Example.

$$\xi \sim C(0, 1); f_\xi(x) = \frac{1}{\pi(a+x^2)}.$$

Whereas $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x dx}{\pi(1+x^2)}$ - divergent then $E\xi$ does not exist.

Let g - Borel function. Then $g(\xi)$ - stochastic variable. For $Mg(\xi)$ have:

$$Eg(\xi) = \int_{\Omega} g(\xi(\omega)) P(d\omega) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) P_\xi(dx) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) dF_\xi(x).$$

For discrete stochastic variable:

$$Eg(\xi) = \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} g(x_i) \cdot P(\xi = x_i).$$

For absolutely continuous:

$$Eg(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) f_\xi(x) dx.$$

If $\xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$ with density $f_\xi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$, $g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ - Borel function.

$$Eg(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) = \int \cdots \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(x_1, \dots, x_n) f_\xi(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \dots dx_n.$$

Theorem 1. Properties of expectation

1. $Ec = c, c = \text{const}$
2. $E(a\xi + b) = a \cdot E\xi + b, a, b = \text{const}$
3. $E(\xi_1 + \xi_2) = E\xi_1 + E\xi_2$
4. $E[\xi_1 \cdot \xi_2] = E\xi_1 \cdot E\xi_2$
 ξ_1, ξ_2 are independent stochastic variables
5. $\xi \geq 0 \Rightarrow M\xi \geq 0$
 $\xi \leq \eta \Rightarrow E\xi \leq E\eta$
6. $|E\xi| \leq E|\xi|$

Proof. 4. Let ξ_1, ξ_2 - absolutely continuous stochastic variables with densities

$$f_{\xi_1}(x), f_{\xi_2}(y).$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[\xi_1, \xi_2] &= \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} x \cdot y \cdot f_{(\xi_1, \xi_2)}(x, y) dx dy = \\ &= \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} x \cdot y \cdot f_{\xi_1}(x) \cdot f_{\xi_2}(y) dx dy = \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} x f_{\xi_1}(x) dx \int_{\mathbb{R}} y f_{\xi_2}(y) dy = E\xi_1 \cdot E\xi_2. \end{aligned}$$

□

Remark. For arbitrary number of stochastic variables:

$$\begin{aligned} E(\xi_1 + \dots + \xi_n) &= \sum_{i=1}^n E\xi_i. \\ E(\xi_1 \cdot \dots \cdot \xi_n) &= \prod_{i=1}^n E\xi_i. \end{aligned}$$

for ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n that are independent together.

Example. let $\xi \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$; $E\xi$ —?

$$P(\xi = k) = C_n^k p^k (1-p)^{n-k}, \quad k = \overline{0, n}.$$

$$M\xi = \sum_{k=0}^n k \cdot C_n^k p^k (1-p)^{n-k}.$$

Using:

$$\xi = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \quad \text{where } \xi_i \sim B(p) : .$$

$$P(\xi_i = 1) = p; P(\xi_i = 0) = 1 - p; M\xi_i = 1 \cdot p + 0 \cdot (1 - p) = p.$$

Then:

$$M\xi = \sum_{i=1}^n M\xi_i = n \cdot p.$$

1.3 Dispersion

Definition 2. Dispersion of stochastic variable is called a number

$$\mathcal{D}\xi = M(\xi - M\xi)^2.$$

Remark.

$$\mathcal{D}\xi = M(\xi^2 - 2M\xi \cdot \xi + (M\xi)^2) = M\xi^2 - 2M\xi \cdot M\xi + (M\xi)^2 = M\xi^2 - (M\xi)^2.$$

$$\mathcal{D}\xi = M\xi^2 - (M\xi)^2 \quad (1.3)$$

Definition 3. Number $M\xi^2$ is called second momentum of stochastic variable ξ .

Example.

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &\sim B(p); \quad M\xi = p; \\ M\xi^2 &= 1 \cdot P(\xi = 1) + 0 \cdot P(\xi = 0) = p\mathcal{D}\xi = p - p^2 = p(1 - p). \end{aligned}$$

Example.

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &\sim U(a, b); \quad M\xi = \frac{a+b}{2} \\ M\xi^2 &= \int_a^b x^2 \frac{1}{b-a} dx = \frac{b^2 - a^2}{3(b-a)} = \frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{3} \\ \mathcal{D}\xi &= \frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{3} - \frac{(a+b)^2}{4} = \frac{4(a^2 + ab + b^2) - 3(a+b)^2}{12} = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2 (properties of dispersion). 1.

$$\mathcal{D}\xi \geq 0$$

$$\mathcal{D}\xi = 0 \iff \xi = c = \text{const}$$

2.

$$\mathcal{D}(a\xi + b) = a^2 \cdot \mathcal{D}\xi$$

3. If ξ_1 and ξ_2 are independent, then

$$\mathcal{D}(\xi_1 + \xi_2) = \mathcal{D}\xi_1 + \mathcal{D}\xi_2$$

Proof. 1.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}\xi &= M(\xi - M\xi)^2 \\ (\xi - M\xi)^2 &\geq 0 \implies M(\xi - M\xi)^2 \geq 0 \\ M(\xi - M\xi)^2 = 0 &\iff (\xi - M\xi)^2 = 0 \iff \xi = M\xi = \text{const} \end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}(a\xi + b) &= M((a\xi + b) - M(a\xi + b))^2 = M(a\xi + b - aM\xi - b)^2 = Ma^2(\xi - M\xi)^2 = \\ &= a^2 \cdot M(\xi - M\xi)^2 = a^2 \cdot \mathcal{D}\xi. \end{aligned}$$

3. Let ξ_1 and ξ_2 independent.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}(\xi_1 + \xi_2) &= M(\xi_1 + \xi_2 - M(\xi_1 + \xi_2))^2 = M((\xi_1 - M\xi_1) + (\xi_2 - M\xi_2))^2 = \\ &= M((\xi_1 - M\xi_1)^2 + 2(\xi_1 - M\xi_1)(\xi_2 - M\xi_2) + (\xi_2 - M\xi_2)^2) = \\ &= \mathcal{D}\xi_1 + 2 \cdot M[(\xi_1 - M\xi_1)(\xi_2 - M\xi_2)] + \mathcal{D}\xi_2. \\ \xi_1, \xi_2 \text{ independent} &\implies \mathcal{D}\xi_1 + \mathcal{D}\xi_2 + 2M(\xi_1 - M\xi_1) \cdot M(\xi_2 - M\xi_2) = \mathcal{D}\xi_1 + \mathcal{D}\xi_2. \end{aligned}$$

□

Example.

$$\xi \sim \text{Bin}(n, p); M\xi = n \cdot p; \mathcal{D}\xi = ?$$

$$M\xi^2 = \sum_{k=0}^n k^2 \cdot C_n^k \cdot p^k \cdot (1-p)^{n-k}$$

$$\xi = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i, \quad \xi_i \sim B(p), \quad \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n - \text{independent}$$

$$\mathcal{D}\xi = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{D}\xi_i = \sum_{i=1}^n p \cdot (1-p) = np(1-p).$$

Remark.

$$M\xi = \underset{a}{\operatorname{argmin}} M(\xi - a)^2.$$

$$\begin{aligned} M(\xi - a)^2 &= M((\xi - M\xi) + (M\xi - a))^2 = \\ M(\xi - M\xi)^2 + 2(M\xi - a)M(\xi - M\xi) + (M\xi - a)^2 &= \\ \mathcal{D}\xi + (M\xi - a)^2 &\geq \mathcal{D}\xi \\ \text{moreover } M(\xi - a)^2 = \mathcal{D}\xi &\iff (M\xi - a)^2 = 0 \\ \implies a &= M\xi. \end{aligned}$$

Example. Numerical characteristics of the main probability distributions

1. $\xi \sim B(p), M\xi = p, \mathcal{D}\xi = p(1-p)$
2. $\xi \sim \text{Bin}(n, p), M\xi = np, \mathcal{D}\xi = np(1-p)$
3. $\xi \sim \text{Poiss}(\lambda)$

$$\begin{aligned} M\xi &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \cdot \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda} = e^{-\lambda} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^k}{(k-1)!} = \lambda e^{-\lambda} \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} = \lambda e^{-\lambda} \cdot e^{\lambda} = \lambda \\ M\xi^2 &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^2 \cdot \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda} = e^{-\lambda} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k \frac{\lambda^k}{(k-1)!} = \\ e^{-\lambda} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ((k-1) + 1) \cdot \frac{\lambda^k}{(k-1)!} &= e^{-\lambda} \left(\lambda^2 \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{k-2}}{(k-2)!} + \lambda \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \right) = \\ &= \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda} + \lambda \cdot e^{-\lambda} \cdot e^{\lambda} = \lambda^2 + \lambda \\ \mathcal{D}\xi &= \lambda^2 + \lambda - \lambda^2 = \lambda \end{aligned}$$

4. $\xi \sim \text{Geom}(p) : p(\xi = k) = (1 - p)^k, k = 0, 1, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned}
M\xi &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \cdot (1 - p)^k \cdot p \\
\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (1 - p)^k &= \frac{1}{p} \\
\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k(1 - p)^{k-1} &= \frac{1}{p^2} \quad | \quad p \cdot (1 - p) \\
\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k(1 - p)^k \cdot p &= \frac{1 - p}{p} \\
M\xi^2 &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^2(1 - p)^k \cdot p \\
\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k(1 - p)^k &= \frac{1 - p}{p^2} = \frac{1}{p^2} - \frac{1}{p} \\
\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^2(1 - p)^{k-1} &= \frac{2}{p^3} - \frac{1}{p^2} \quad | \quad (1 - p) \cdot p \\
\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^2(1 - p)^k \cdot p &= \frac{2(1 - p)}{p^2} - \frac{1 - p}{p} \\
\mathcal{D} &= \frac{2(1 - p)}{p^2} - \frac{1 - p}{p} - \left(\frac{1 - p}{p} \right)^2 = \frac{2(1 - p)}{p^2} - \frac{1 - p}{p} \left(1 + \frac{1 - p}{p} \right) = \\
&= \frac{2(1 - p)}{p^2} - \frac{1 - p}{p^2} = \frac{1 - p}{p^2}; \\
\mathcal{D}\xi &= \frac{1 - p}{p^2}; \quad M\xi = \frac{1 - p}{p}
\end{aligned}$$

5. $\xi \sim U(a, b); \quad M\xi = \frac{a+b}{2}; \quad \mathcal{D}\xi = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$

6. $\xi \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda) : f_{\xi}(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \cdot \mathbb{1}(x \geq 0)$

$$\begin{aligned}
M\xi &= \int_0^{\infty} x \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = - \int_0^{\infty} x de^{-\lambda x} = -x \cdot e^{-\lambda x} \Big|_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda x} dx = \frac{1}{\lambda}. \\
M\xi^2 &= \int_0^{\infty} x^2 \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = \int_0^{\infty} x^2 de^{-\lambda x} = \int_0^{\infty} 2x e^{-\lambda x} dx = \frac{2}{\lambda} \int_0^{\infty} x \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = \frac{2}{\lambda^2} \\
\mathcal{D}\xi &= \frac{2}{\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \quad M\xi = \frac{1}{\lambda}
\end{aligned}$$

7. $\xi \sim N(a, \sigma^2);$

$$f_{\xi}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-a)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$M\xi = a; \quad \mathcal{D}\xi = \sigma^2$$

$$M\xi = \int_{\mathbb{R}} x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-a)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx =$$

$$\frac{x-a}{\sigma} = z$$

$$dx = \sigma dz$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (\sigma z + a) e^{-z^2/2} dz = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \int_{\mathbb{R}} z e^{-z^2/2} dz + \frac{a}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-z^2/2} dz = a$$

$$\mathcal{D}\xi = M(\xi - M\xi)^2 = M(\xi - a)^2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} (x-a)^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-a)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx =$$

$$\frac{x-a}{\sigma} = z$$

$$dx = \sigma dz$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \sigma^2 z^2 \cdot e^{-z^2/2} dz = \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} z^2 e^{-z^2/2} dz = -\frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} z de^{-z^2/2} =$$

$$= -\frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} z \cdot e^{-z^2/2} \Big|_0^{\infty} + \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-z^2/2} dz = \sigma^2 \cdot \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-z^2/2} dz =$$

$$= \sigma^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-z^2/2} dz = \sigma^2$$

Chapter 2

Covariance of random variables. Correlation coefficient.

Consider $\xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2)$ - random vector.

Definition 4. Covariation of stochastic variables ξ_1, ξ_2 is a number:

$$\text{cov}(\xi_1, \xi_2) = M[(\xi_1 - M\xi_1) \cdot (\xi_2 - M\xi_2)] \quad (2.1)$$

(assuming that $M\xi_i$ exist)

If ξ_1, ξ_2 are discrete random variables, then

$$\text{cov}(\xi_1, \xi_2) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (x_i - M\xi_1) \cdot (y_j - M\xi_2) \cdot P(\xi_1 = x_i, \xi_2 = y_j). \quad (2.2)$$

If ξ_1, ξ_2 have common distribution density $f_\xi(x, y)$, then

$$\text{cov}(\xi_1, \xi_2) = \int \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} (x - M\xi_1)(y - M\xi_2) f_\xi(x, y) dx dy \quad (2.3)$$

From definition implies:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cov}(\xi_1, \xi_2) &= M[\xi_1 \cdot \xi_2 - \xi_1 \cdot M\xi_2 - \xi_2 \cdot M\xi_1 + M\xi_1 \cdot M\xi_2] = \\ &= M[\xi_1 \cdot \xi_2] - M\xi_2 \cdot M\xi_1 - M\xi_1 \cdot M\xi_2 + M\xi_1 \cdot M\xi_2 = M[\xi_1 \cdot \xi_2] - M\xi_1 \cdot M\xi_2. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

Proposition 3. If ξ_1, ξ_2 are independent, then

$$\text{cov}(\xi_1, \xi_2) = 0.$$

It is said, that ξ_1, ξ_2 are uncorrelated.

Indeed, if ξ_1, ξ_2 are independent, then from the properties of expectation:

$$M[\xi_1 \cdot \xi_2] = M\xi_1 \cdot M\xi_2.$$

then

$$\text{cov}(\xi_1, \xi_2) = M\xi_1 \cdot M\xi_2 - M\xi_1 \cdot M\xi_2 = 0.$$

Inverse statement is not true: from uncorrelated does not implies independency.

Chapter 3

**Inequalities. The law of large numbers
in the form of Chebyshev.**

Borel-Cantelli lemma