

WEEK 6

NUMERICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Mean value (mathematical hope)

- Let be the random variable X with the distribution $X \begin{pmatrix} x_i \\ p_i \end{pmatrix}, i \in I$. It is called the average value, the numerical characteristic $M(X) = \sum_{i \in I} x_i p_i$.

Observations

- 1) If I is finite, the average value exists.
- 2) If I is infinitely countable, $M(X)$ exists when the series defining it is absolutely convergent.

- Let be random variable X of continuous type $X \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \rho(x) \end{pmatrix}, x \in R$. It is called the mean

value of variable X , the numerical characteristic $M(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x \rho(x) dx$.

- The mean value exists when the improper integral that defines it converges.

Properties of average value The statements take place:

- 1) $M(aX + b) = a M(X) + b, \forall a, b \in R$
- 2) $M(X + Y) = M(X) + M(Y)$
- 3) X, Y independent $\Rightarrow M(XY) = M(X) M(Y)$

Dispersia

- It is called the dispersion (variance) of random variable X , the numerical characteristic $D^2(X) = M[(X - M(X))^2]$ and $\sigma(X) = \sqrt{D^2(X)}$ it is called the mean square deviation.

- Explicitly, the dispersion has the expression $D^2(X) = \sum_{i \in I} (x_i - M(X))^2 \cdot p_i, I \subset N$, if

X is a discrete random variable or $D^2(X) = \int_R (x - M(X))^2 \rho(x) dx$, if X is a continuous

random variable.

- Dispersion is a numerical indicator of how scattered (or dispersed) the values of a random variable are scattered around its mean value.

Dispersion properties

$$\text{a) } D^2(X) = M(X^2) - [M(X)]^2$$

$$\text{b) } D^2(aX + b) = a^2 D^2(X), \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{c) Independent } X, Y \Rightarrow D^2(X + Y) = D^2(X) + D^2(Y)$$

Example 1. If X is a discrete random variable

$$X: \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \frac{1}{12} & \frac{2}{12} & \frac{2}{12} & \frac{5}{12} & \frac{1}{12} & \frac{1}{12} \end{pmatrix}$$

Then we infer that:

$$M(X) = -2 \frac{1}{12} - 1 \frac{2}{12} + 0 \frac{2}{12} + 1 \frac{5}{12} + 2 \frac{1}{12} + 3 \frac{1}{12} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$M(X^2) = 4 \frac{1}{12} + 1 \frac{2}{12} + 0 \frac{2}{12} + 1 \frac{5}{12} + 4 \frac{1}{12} + 9 \frac{1}{12} = 2$$

$$D^2(X) = M(X^2) - [M(X)]^2 = 2 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{7}{4}$$

$$\sigma(X) = \sqrt{D^2(X)} = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{2}$$

Example 2. If X is a continuous random variable

$$X: \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \rho(x) \end{pmatrix}, \rho(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{4}, & x \in [1, 3] \\ 0, & \text{in rest} \end{cases}$$

Then we infer that:

$$M(X) = \int_1^3 x \rho(x) dx = \left. \frac{x^3}{12} \right|_1^3 = \frac{13}{6}, \quad M(X^2) = \int_1^3 x^2 \rho(x) dx = \left. \frac{x^4}{16} \right|_1^3 = 5$$

$$D^2(X) = M(X^2) - [M(X)]^2 = 5 - \frac{169}{36} = \frac{11}{36}$$

Example 3. Consider the random variable $X: \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0,2 & 0,3 & 0,5 \end{pmatrix}$.

Calculate: $E(X)$, $E(3X)$, $E(4X-2)$, $\text{Var}(X)$, σ_X .

Solution

$$E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^3 x_i p_i = -1 \cdot 0,2 + 0 \cdot 0,3 + 2 \cdot 0,5 = 0,8$$

$$E(3X) = 3E(X) = 3 \cdot 0,8 = 2,4; \quad E(4X - 2) = 4E(X) - 2 = 4 \cdot 0,8 - 2 = 1,2$$

$$Var(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 = 2,2 - 0,64 = 1,56; \quad E(X^2) = (-1)^2 \cdot 0,2 + 0^2 \cdot 0,3 + 2^2 \cdot 0,5 = 2,2;$$

$$\sigma_X = \sqrt{Var(X)} = \sqrt{1,56} = 1,24$$

Example 4. Calculate the mean value and dispersion of the random variable that has the probability density

$$\rho(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - |1 - x|, & \text{dacă } x \in (0,2) \\ 0, & \text{altfel} \end{cases}$$

Solution

We note that:
$$\rho(x) = \begin{cases} x, & \text{dacă } 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 2 - x, & \text{dacă } 1 < x < 2 \\ 0, & \text{altfel} \end{cases}$$

Taking into account the definition we have:

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x \rho(x) dx = \int_0^1 x^2 dx + \int_1^2 x(2-x) dx = \left. \frac{x^3}{3} \right|_0^1 + x^2 \left|_1^2 - \frac{x^3}{3} \right|_1^2 = 1$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^2 \rho(x) dx = \int_0^1 x^3 dx + \int_1^2 x^2(2-x) dx = \left. \frac{x^4}{4} \right|_0^1 + 2 \left. \frac{x^3}{3} \right|_1^2 - \left. \frac{x^4}{4} \right|_1^2 = \frac{7}{6}$$

$$Var(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 = \frac{7}{6} - 1 = \frac{1}{6}$$

Theorem 1. If X is a discrete random variable following binomial law, then: $M(X) = np$ and $D^2(X) = npq$.

Demonstration:

From the definition of average value we have:

$$M(X) = \sum_{k=0}^n k P(n, k) = \sum_{k=0}^n k C_n^k p^k q^{n-k}$$

We consider the relationship: $(pt + q)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n C_n^k p^k q^{n-k} t^k$

which we derive with respect to t and get:

$$(*) \quad np(pt + q)^{n-1} = \sum_{k=0}^n k C_n^k p^k q^{n-k} t^{k-1} \quad \text{and for } t=1$$

We
$$np = \sum_{k=0}^n k C_n^k p^{kq} q^{n-1} = M(X)$$

To calculate the dispersion we use the calculation formula: $D^2(X) = M(X^2) - [M(X)]^2$

We derive with respect to t the relation (*) and obtain

$$n(n-1)p^2(pt+q)^{n-2} = \sum_{k=1}^n k(k-1)C_n^k p^k q^{n-k} t^{k-2} = \sum_{k=0}^n k^2 C_n^k p^k q^{n-k} t^{k-2} - \sum_{k=0}^n k C_n^k p^k q^{n-k} t^{k-2} \text{ iar pentru } t = 1,$$

rezultă $n(n-1)p^2 = M(X^2) - M(X)^2$, adică $M(X^2) = n^2p^2 - np^2 + np = n^2p^2 + npq$, iar dispersia este $D^2(X) = n^2p^2 + npq - (np)^2 = npq$.

Theorem 2. If X is a discrete random variable following the hypergeometric law then:

$$M(X) = np \text{ și } D^2(X) = npq \frac{N-n}{N-1}$$

$$\text{unde } N=a+b, p=\frac{a}{a+b}, q=\frac{b}{a+b} \text{ și } p+q=1.$$

Demonstration:

According to the relation of definition of the average value we have:

$$\begin{aligned} M(X) &= \sum_{k=0}^n k P(n, k) = \frac{1}{C_{a+b}^n} \sum_{k=0}^n k C_a^k C_b^{n-k} = \\ &= \frac{a}{C_{a+b}^n} \sum_{k=1}^n C_{a-1}^{k-1} C_b^{n-k} = a \frac{C_{a+b-1}^{n-1}}{C_{a+b}^n} = n \frac{a}{a+b} = np \end{aligned}$$

whether Vandermonde's relationship and the $k C_a^k = a C_{a-1}^{k-1}$

To calculate the dispersion, we use the calculation formula

$$\begin{aligned} D^2(X) &= M(X^2) - [M(X)]^2 \text{ where } M(X^2) = \sum_{k=0}^n k^2 P(n, k) = \frac{1}{C_{a+b}^n} \sum_{k=0}^n k^2 C_a^k C_b^{n-k} = \\ &= \frac{a}{C_{a+b}^n} \sum_{k=0}^n [k(k-1) + k] C_a^k C_b^{n-k} = \frac{1}{C_{a+b}^n} \left(\sum_{k=0}^n k(k-1) C_a^k C_b^{n-k} + \sum_{k=0}^n k C_a^k C_b^{n-k} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{dar } k(k-1) C_a^k = a(a-1) C_{a-2}^{k-2} \text{ iar } k C_a^k = a C_{a-1}^{k-1}$$

$$\text{so } M(X^2) = \frac{a}{C_{a+b}^n} \sum_{k=1}^n C_{a-1}^{k-1} C_b^{n-k} + \frac{a(a-1)}{C_{a+b}^n} \sum_{k=2}^n C_{a-2}^{k-2} C_b^{n-k} =$$

$$= \frac{a}{C_{a+b}^n} C_{a+b-1}^{n-1} + \frac{a(a-1)}{C_{a+b}^n} C_{a+b-2}^{n-2} = \frac{na}{a+b} + n(n-1) \frac{a(a-1)}{(a+b)(a+b-1)}$$

if Vandermonde's relationship was considered. How to get

$$D^2(X) = M(X^2) - [M(X)]^2 = \frac{n(n-1)a(a-1)}{(a+b)(a+b-1)} - \frac{n^2 a^2}{(a+b)^2} =$$

$$\frac{na}{a+b} - \frac{b}{a+b} - \frac{a+b-n}{a+b-1} = npq \frac{N-n}{N-1}$$

Theorem 3. The mean value and dispersion of the random variable X following Poisson's law are equal to λ , i.e. $M(X)=D^2(X)=\lambda$.

Demonstration:

We

$$M(X) = \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} k P_k(\lambda) = e^{-\lambda} \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} k \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} = \lambda e^{-\lambda} \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{\lambda^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} = \lambda e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda} = \lambda$$

Calculate

$$\begin{aligned} M(X^2) &= \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} k^2 P_k(\lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda} \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} k \frac{\lambda^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} = \\ &= \lambda e^{-\lambda} \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} [(k-1) + 1] \frac{\lambda^k}{(k-1)!} = \lambda e^{-\lambda} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} (k-1) \frac{\lambda^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} + \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{\lambda^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \right) = \\ &= \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda} \sum_{k=2}^{+\infty} \frac{\lambda^{k-2}}{(k-2)!} + \lambda e^{-\lambda} \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{\lambda^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} = \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda} + \lambda e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda} = \lambda^2 + \lambda \end{aligned}$$

Get

$$D^2(X) = M(X^2) - [M(X)]^2 = \lambda^2 + \lambda - \lambda^2 = \lambda.$$

Theorem 4. If the random variable X follows the geometric law then $M(X) = 1/p$ and $D^2(X) = q/p^2$.

Demonstration:

We

$$\begin{aligned} M(X) &= \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} k P(k) = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} k p q^{k-1} = p \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} k q^{k-1} = \\ &= p(1 + 2q + 2q^2 + \dots) = p(q + q^2 + q^3 + \dots)' = p\left(\frac{q}{1-q}\right)' = \frac{p}{(1-q)^2} = \frac{1}{p}. \end{aligned}$$

Calculate

$$\begin{aligned} M(X^2) &= \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} k^2 P(k) = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} k^2 p q^{k-1} = p \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} k^2 q^{k-1} \\ &= p(1 + 2^2 q + 3^2 q^2 + \dots) = p(q + 2q^2 + 3q^3 + \dots)' = p[q(1 + 2q + 3q^2 + \dots)]' = \\ &= p\left(q \frac{1}{(1-q)^2}\right)' = \frac{1+q}{(1-q)^3} p = \frac{1+q}{p^2}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Obzinem } D^2(X) = M(X^2) - [M(X)]^2 = \frac{1+q}{p^2} - \frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1+q-1}{p^2} = \frac{q}{p^2}.$$

Theorem 5. If X is a random variable evenly distributed over the interval $[a, b]$

Then: $M(X) = (a+b)/2$ și $D^2(X) = (b-a)^2/12$.

Demonstration:

We $M(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x\rho(x)dx = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} xdx = \frac{1}{b-a} \frac{b^2 - a^2}{2} = \frac{a+b}{2}$

We calculate the dispersion using the calculation formula

$$D^2(X) = M(X^2) - [M(X)]^2$$

We

$$M(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^2 \rho(x) dx = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^2 dx = \frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{3}$$

$$\text{rezultă } D^2(X) = \frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{3} - \left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$$

$M(X) = (a+b)/2$, we have the median value equal to the mean value .

Theorem 6. If random variable X follows the exponential parameter law $\lambda > 0$ then:

$$M(X) = 1/\lambda \quad \text{și} \quad D^2(X) = 1/\lambda^2.$$

Demonstration:

We

$$M(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x\rho(x)dx = \lambda \int_0^{+\infty} x e^{-\lambda x} dx = \frac{1}{\lambda}.$$

Calculate:

$$M(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^2 \rho(x) dx = \int_0^{+\infty} x^2 \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx =$$

$$= \lambda \int_0^{+\infty} x^2 \left(-\frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-\lambda x}\right)' dx = -x^2 e^{-\lambda x} \Big|_0^{+\infty} + 2 \int_0^{+\infty} x e^{-\lambda x} dx = \frac{2}{\lambda} \int_0^{+\infty} x \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = \frac{2}{\lambda} \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{2}{\lambda^2}$$

We get $D^2(X) = M(X^2) - [M(X)]^2 = \frac{2}{\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}.$

Theorem 7. If X is a random variable following the normal law of parameters $m \in R$

and $\sigma > 0$ atunci $M(X) = m$ și $D^2(X) = \sigma^2$.

Demonstration:

We have $M(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x\rho(x)dx = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x e^{-\frac{(x-m)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx.$

The variable change is made $t = \frac{x-m}{\sigma\sqrt{2}}$, $dx = \sigma\sqrt{2}dt$. Results

$$M(X) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \sigma\sqrt{2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (m + \sigma\sqrt{2}t) e^{-t^2} dt = \frac{2m}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-t^2} dt + \frac{\sigma\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} te^{-t^2} dt = m$$

$$D^2(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (x-m)^2 \rho(x) dx = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (x-m)^2 e^{-\frac{(x-m)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx =$$

$$= \frac{4\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{+\infty} t^2 e^{-t^2} dt = -\frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{+\infty} t^2 (e^{-t^2})' dt = -\frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} te^{-t^2} \Big|_0^{+\infty} + \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-t^2} dt = \sigma^2$$