

Homework 6

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1 Problem 1

Two discrete random variables $(X, Y) \sim p(x, y) = P(X = x, Y = y), x \in \{1, 2\}, y \in \{1, 2, 3\}, p(1, 1) = .1, p(1, 2) = .1, p(1, 3) = .2, p(2, 1) = .1, p(2, 2) = .2, p(2, 3) = .3$.

1. Calculate $p(x) = P(X = x)$ and $p(y) = P(Y = y)$ for all possible x and y .

$$p(x) = \sum_y p(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0.1 + 0.1 + 0.2 = 0.4 & x = 1 \\ 0.1 + 0.2 + 0.3 = 0.6 & x = 2 \end{cases}.$$

$$p(y) = \sum_x p(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0.1 + 0.1 = 0.2 & y = 1 \\ 0.1 + 0.2 = 0.3 & y = 2 \\ 0.2 + 0.3 = 0.5 & y = 3 \end{cases}.$$

2. Calculate $p(x|y) = P(X = x|Y = y)$ and $p(y|x) = P(Y = y|X = x)$ for all possible x and y .

$$p(x|y) = \frac{p(x, y)}{p_y(y)} = \begin{cases} \frac{0.1}{0.2} = 0.5 & x = 1, y = 1 \\ \frac{0.1}{0.2} = 0.5 & x = 2, y = 1 \\ \frac{0.1}{0.3} = \bar{0.3} & x = 1, y = 2 \\ \frac{0.2}{0.3} = \bar{0.6} & x = 2, y = 2 \\ \frac{0.2}{0.5} = 0.4 & x = 1, y = 3 \\ \frac{0.3}{0.5} = 0.6 & x = 2, y = 3 \end{cases}.$$

$$p(y|x) = \frac{p(x, y)}{p_x(x)} = \begin{cases} \frac{0.1}{0.4} = 0.25 & y = 1, x = 1 \\ \frac{0.1}{0.4} = 0.25 & y = 2, x = 1 \\ \frac{0.2}{0.4} = 0.50 & y = 3, x = 1 \\ \frac{0.1}{0.6} = 0.1\bar{6} & y = 1, x = 2 \\ \frac{0.2}{0.6} = 0.3\bar{3} & y = 2, x = 2 \\ \frac{0.3}{0.6} = 0.50 & y = 3, x = 2 \end{cases}.$$

3. Calculate $E(X, Y)$, $E(X)$, $E(Y)$, and $Cov(X, Y)$.

$$E(XY) = \sum_x \sum_y xyp(x, y) = 1*0.1+2*0.1+3*0.2+2*0.1+4*0.2+6*0.3 = 3.7.$$

$$E(X) = \sum_x xp_x(x) = 1 * 0.4 + 2 * 0.6 = 1.6.$$

$$E(Y) = \sum_y yp_y(y) = 1 * 0.2 + 2 * 0.3 + 3 * 0.5 = 2.3.$$

$$Cov(X, Y) = E((X-E(X))(Y-E(Y))) = \sum_x \sum_y (X-E(X))(Y-E(Y))p(x, y).$$

$$= (1-1.6)(1-2.3)(0.1) + (1-1.6)(2-2.3)(0.1) + (1-1.6)(3-2.3)(0.2) + (2-1.6)(1-2.3)(0.1) + (2-1.6)(2-2.3)(0.2) + (2-1.6)(3-2.3)(0.3) = 0.02$$

2 Problem 2

Suppose we observe $(X_i, Y_i) \sim f(x, y)$ independently for $i = 1, \dots, n$. Let $\bar{X} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{n}$, and $\bar{Y} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{Y_i}{n}$. Let $\bar{X}_i = X_i - \bar{X}$, and $\bar{Y}_i = Y_i - \bar{Y}$. Let \mathbf{X} be the vector formed by $(\bar{X}_i, i = 1, \dots, n)$, and \mathbf{Y} be the vector formed by $(\bar{Y}_i, i = 1, \dots, n)$. For the following scatterplots of $(X_i, Y_i), i = 1, \dots, n$, where each (X_i, Y_i) is a point,

1. Write down the possible value of correlation for each scatterplot. You do not need to be precise.
going left to right, 1, 0.8, 0.5, -0.5, -0.8, -1
2. Plot the vectors of \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} for each scatterplot.

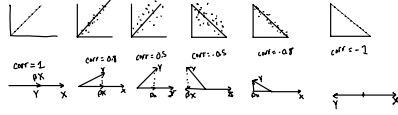


Figure 1: problem 2

3 Problem 3

Assume $X \sim N(0, 1)$, and $[X|X = x] \sim N(\rho x, 1 - \rho^2)$.

1. What are $f_X(x)$, $f(y|x)$, and $f(x, y)$?

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}.$$

$$f(y|x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(1-\rho^2)}} e^{-\frac{(y-\rho x)^2}{2(1-\rho^2)}}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= f_X(x)f(y|x) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{(y-\rho x)^2}{2(1-\rho^2)}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2(1-\rho^2) + (y-\rho x)^2}{2(1-\rho^2)}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2 - x^2\rho^2 - 2\rho xy + \rho^2 x^2}{2(1-\rho^2)}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2 - 2\rho xy}{2(1-\rho^2)}\right) \end{aligned}$$

2. What are $E[Y|X = x]$ and $Var[Y|X = x]$?

$$\begin{aligned} E[Y|X = x] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(Y|x) dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi(1-\rho^2)} e^{-\frac{(y-\rho x)^2}{2(1-\rho^2)}} dy \\ &= E(\sqrt{(1-\rho^2)}z + \rho x) \\ &= \rho x \\ Var[Y|X = x] &= Var(\sqrt{(1-\rho^2)}z + \rho x) \\ &= (1-\rho^2) \end{aligned}$$

3. Explain that we can express the model as $Y = \rho X + \epsilon$, where $\epsilon \sim N(0, 1 - \rho^2)$, and ϵ is independent of X .

We can express the model as this way because it is a reversion towards 0 of ρX and then an added variance to keep the overall variation of the population within the normal range of $[0,1]$ and keeping the Y in the same distribution as the X because otherwise Y would converge to smaller and smaller variances.

4. Based on (3), show that $E(Y) = 0$, $Var(Y) = 1$, $Cov(X, Y) = \rho$

$$E(Y) = E(\rho X + \epsilon) = \rho E(X) + E(\epsilon) = 0.$$

$$Var(Y) = Var(\rho X + \epsilon) = \rho^2 Var(X) + Var(\epsilon) = \rho^2 + 1 - \rho^2 = 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
Cov(X, Y) &= E((X - E(X))(Y - E(Y))) \\
&= E(XY) \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xy \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2 - 2\rho xy}{2(1-\rho^2)}\right) dx dy \\
&= E(X(\rho X + \epsilon)) \\
&= \rho E(X^2) + E(X\epsilon) \\
&= \rho * 1 + E(X)E(\epsilon) \\
&= \rho
\end{aligned}$$

4 Problem 4

If two continuous random variables X and Y are independent, prove

1. $Cov(X, Y) = 0$. Please explain the reverse may not be true, i.e it is possible $Cov(X, Y) = 0$ even if X and Y are not independent.

$$\begin{aligned}
Cov(X, Y) &= E[(X - E(X))(Y - E(Y))] \\
&= \int \int (X - E(X))(Y - E(Y))f(x, y) dx dy \\
&= \int \int (X - E(X))(Y - E(Y))f(x)f(y) dx dy \\
&= \int (X - E(X))f(x) dx \int (Y - E(Y))f(y) dy \\
&= E(X - E(X))E(Y - E(Y)) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

The inverse is not true because of non-linear relationships. If Y is related to X by a polynomial of degree greater than one, for example, the covariance may still be 0 even when a true relationship exists.

2. $Var(X + Y) = Var(X) + Var(Y)$

$$\begin{aligned}
Var(X + Y) &= E[((X + Y) - E(X + Y))^2] \\
&\quad - E[((X - E(X)) + (Y - E(Y)))^2] \\
&= E[(X - E(X))^2 + (Y - E(Y))^2 + 2(X - E(X))(Y - E(Y))] \\
&= Var(X) + Var(Y) + 2Cov(X, Y) \\
&= Var(X) + Var(Y)
\end{aligned}$$

3. If $X_1, \dots, X_i, \dots, X_n$ are independent and identically distributed, with $E(X_i) = \mu$ and $Var(X_i) = \sigma^2$. Let \bar{X} be the average of $X_i, i = 1, \dots, n$. Calculate

$E(\bar{X})$ and $Var(\bar{X})$

$$E(\bar{X}) = E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum X_i\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum E(X_i)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} n\mu$$

$$= \mu$$

$$Var(\bar{X}) = Var\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum X_i\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum Var(X_i)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} n\sigma^2$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$