

# Indicators: Now With Pair-wise Flavor!

- Recall  $I_i$  is indicator variable for event  $A_i$  when:

$$I_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } A_i \text{ occurs} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Let  $X = \#$  of events that occur:  $X = \sum_{i=1}^n I_i$

$$E[X] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n I_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^n E[I_i] = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i)$$

- Now consider pair of events  $A_i A_j$  occurring
  - $I_i I_j = 1$  if both events  $A_i$  and  $A_j$  occur, 0 otherwise
  - Number of pairs of events that occur is  $\binom{X}{2} = \sum_{i < j} I_i I_j$

# From Event Pairs to Variance

- Expected number of pairs of events:

$$E\left[\binom{X}{2}\right] = E\left[\sum_{i < j} I_i I_j\right] = \sum_{i < j} E[I_i I_j] = \sum_{i < j} P(A_i A_j)$$

$$E\left[\frac{X(X-1)}{2}\right] = \frac{1}{2}(E[X^2] - E[X]) = \sum_{i < j} P(A_i A_j)$$

$$E[X^2] - E[X] = 2 \sum_{i < j} P(A_i A_j) \Rightarrow E[X^2] = 2 \sum_{i < j} P(A_i A_j) + E[X]$$

- Recall:  $\text{Var}(X) = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$

$$\text{Var}(X) = 2 \sum_{i < j} P(A_i A_j) + E[X] - (E[X])^2$$

$$= 2 \sum_{i < j} P(A_i A_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) \right)^2$$

# Let's Try It With the Binomial

- $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$   $E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) = np$ 
  - Each trial:  $X_i \sim \text{Ber}(p)$   $E[X_i] = p$

- Let event  $A_i = \text{trial } i \text{ is success (i.e., } X_i = 1)$

$$E\left[\binom{X}{2}\right] = \sum_{i < j} E[X_i X_j] = \sum_{i < j} P(A_i A_j) = \sum_{i < j} p^2 = \binom{n}{2} p^2$$

$$E\left[\frac{X(X-1)}{2}\right] = \frac{1}{2} (E[X^2] - E[X]) = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} p^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X) &= E[X^2] - (E[X])^2 = (E[X^2] - E[X]) + E[X] - (E[X])^2 \\ &= n(n-1)p^2 + np - (np)^2 = n^2 p^2 - np^2 + np - n^2 p^2 \\ &= np(1-p) \end{aligned}$$

# Computer Cluster Utilization

- Computer cluster with  $k$  servers
  - Requests independently go to server  $i$  with probability  $p_i$
  - Let event  $A_i$  = server  $i$  receives no requests
  - $X$  = # of events  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k$  that occur
  - $Y$  = # servers that receive  $\geq 1$  request =  $k - X$
  - $E[Y]$  after first  $n$  requests?
  - Since requests independent:  $P(A_i) = (1 - p_i)^n$

$$E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^k P(A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^k (1 - p_i)^n$$

$$E[Y] = k - E[X] = k - \sum_{i=1}^k (1 - p_i)^n$$

$$\text{when } p_i = \frac{1}{k} \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq k, \quad E[Y] = k - \sum_{i=1}^k \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right)^n = k \left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right)^n\right)$$

# Computer Cluster Utilization (cont.)

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  - $X$  = # of events  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k$  that occur
  - $Y$  = # servers that receive  $\geq 1$  request =  $k - X$
  - $\text{Var}(Y)$  after first  $n$  requests? ( $= (-1)^2 \text{Var}(X) = \text{Var}(X)$ )
  - Independent requests:  $P(A_i A_j) = (1 - p_i - p_j)^n, \quad i \neq j$

$$E[X(X-1)] = E[X^2] - E[X] = 2 \sum_{i < j} P(A_i A_j) = 2 \sum_{i < j} (1 - p_i - p_j)^n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X) &= 2 \sum_{i < j} (1 - p_i - p_j)^n + E[X] - (E[X])^2 & E[X] &= \sum_{i=1}^k (1 - p_i)^n \\ &= 2 \sum_{i < j} (1 - p_i - p_j)^n + \sum_{i=1}^k (1 - p_i)^n - \left( \sum_{i=1}^k (1 - p_i)^n \right)^2 = \text{Var}(Y) \end{aligned}$$

# Computer Cluster = Coupon Collecting

- Computer cluster with  $k$  servers
  - Requests independently go to server  $i$  with probability  $p_i$
  - Let event  $A_i$  = server  $i$  receives no requests
  - $X$  = # of events  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k$  that occur
  - $Y$  = # servers that receive  $\geq 1$  request =  $k - X$
- This is really another “Coupon Collector” problem
  - Each server is a “coupon type”
  - Request to server = collecting a coupon of that type
- Hash table version
  - Each server is a bucket in table
  - Request to server = string gets hashed to that bucket

# Product of Expectations

- Say  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent random variables, and  $g(\bullet)$  and  $h(\bullet)$  are real-valued functions

$$E[g(X)h(Y)] = E[g(X)]E[h(Y)]$$

- Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} E[g(X)h(Y)] &= \int_{y=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{x=-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)h(y)f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx dy \\ &= \int_{y=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{x=-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)h(y)f_X(x)f_Y(y) dx dy \\ &= \int_{x=-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)f_X(x) dx \cdot \int_{y=-\infty}^{\infty} h(y)f_Y(y) dy \\ &= E[g(X)]E[h(Y)] \end{aligned}$$

# The Dance of the Covariance

- Say  $X$  and  $Y$  are arbitrary random variables
- Covariance of  $X$  and  $Y$ :

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])]$$

- Equivalently:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}(X, Y) &= E[XY - E[X]Y - XE[Y] + E[Y]E[X]] \\ &= E[XY] - E[X]E[Y] - E[X]E[Y] + E[X]E[Y] \\ &= E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]\end{aligned}$$

- $X$  and  $Y$  independent,  $E[XY] = E[X]E[Y] \rightarrow \text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$
- But  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$  does **not** imply  $X$  and  $Y$  independent!



# Dependence and Covariance

- X and Y are random variables with PMF:

$\begin{array}{c} Y \\ \backslash \\ X \end{array}$	-1	0	1	$p_Y(y)$
0	1/3	0	1/3	2/3
1	0	1/3	0	1/3
$p_X(x)$	1/3	1/3	1/3	1

$$Y = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } X \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- $E[X] = -1(1/3) + 0(1/3) + 1(1/3) = 0$
- $E[Y] = 0(2/3) + 1(1/3) = 1/3$
- Since  $XY = 0$ ,  $E[XY] = 0$
- $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[XY] - E[X]E[Y] = 0 - 0 = 0$
- But, X and Y are clearly dependent!

# Example of Covariance

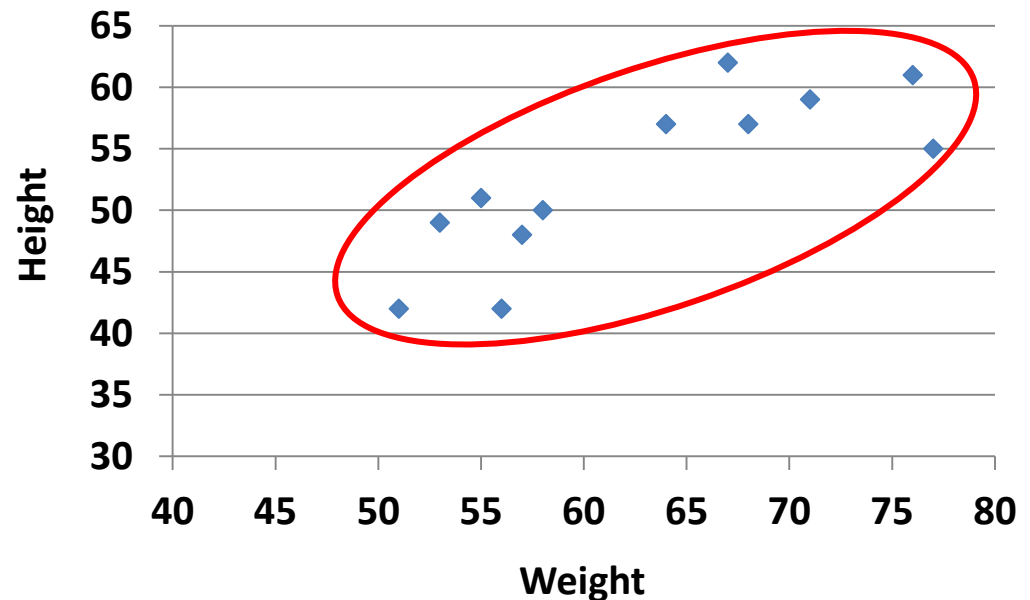
- Consider rolling a 6-sided die
  - Let indicator variable  $X = 1$  if roll is 1, 2, 3, or 4
  - Let indicator variable  $Y = 1$  if roll is 3, 4, 5, or 6
- What is  $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$ ?
  - $E[X] = 2/3$  and  $E[Y] = 2/3$
  - $$E[XY] = \sum_x \sum_y xy p(x, y)$$
$$= (0 * 0) + (0 * 1/3) + (0 * 1/3) + (1 * 1/3) = 1/3$$
  - $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[XY] - E[X]E[Y] = 1/3 - 4/9 = -1/9$
  - Consider:  $P(X = 1) = 2/3$  and  $P(X = 1 \mid Y = 1) = 1/2$ 
    - Observing  $Y = 1$  makes  $X = 1$  less likely

# Another Example of Covariance

- Consider the following data:

Weight	Height	Weight * Height
64	57	3648
71	59	4189
53	49	2597
67	62	4154
55	51	2805
58	50	2900
77	55	4235
57	48	2736
56	42	2352
51	42	2142
76	61	4636
68	57	3876

$$\begin{array}{lll} E[W] & E[H] & E[W*H] \\ = 62.75 & = 52.75 & = 3355.83 \end{array}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(W, H) &= E[W*H] - E[W]E[H] \\ &= 3355.83 - (62.75)(52.75) \\ &= 45.77 \end{aligned}$$

# Properties of Covariance

- Say  $X$  and  $Y$  are arbitrary random variables
  - $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \text{Cov}(Y, X)$
  - $\text{Cov}(X, X) = E[X^2] - E[X]E[X] = \text{Var}(X)$
  - $\text{Cov}(aX + b, Y) = a\text{Cov}(X, Y)$
- Covariance of sums of random variables
  - $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  and  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_m$  are random variables
  - $$\text{Cov}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \sum_{j=1}^m Y_j\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m \text{Cov}(X_i, Y_j)$$

# Variance of Sum of Variables

- $$\text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$$

- **Proof:**

$$\text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \text{Cov}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \sum_{j=1}^n X_j\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$$

Note:  $\text{Cov}(X, X) = \text{Var}(X)$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$$

By symmetry:

$$\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = \text{Cov}(X_j, X_i)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$$

- If all  $X_i$  and  $X_j$  independent ( $i \neq j$ ): 
$$\text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i)$$

# Hola Compadre: La Distribución Binomial

- Let  $Y \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$ 
  - $n$  independent trials
  - Let  $X_i = 1$  if  $i$ -th trial is “success”, 0 otherwise
  - $X_i \sim \text{Ber}(p)$        $E[X_i] = p$
  - $\text{Var}(Y) = \text{Var}(X_1) + \text{Var}(X_2) + \dots + \text{Var}(X_n)$
  - $\text{Var}(X_i) = E[X_i^2] - (E[X_i])^2$   
                   $= E[X_i] - (E[X_i])^2$       since  $X_i^2 = X_i$   
                   $= p - p^2 = p(1 - p)$
  - $\text{Var}(Y) = n\text{Var}(X_i) = np(1 - p)$

# Variance of Sample Mean

- Consider  $n$  I.I.D. random variables  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ 
  - $X_i$  have distribution  $F$  with  $E[X_i] = \mu$  and  $\text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$
  - We call sequence of  $X_i$  a **sample** from distribution  $F$
  - Recall sample mean:  $\bar{X} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{n}$  where  $E[\bar{X}] = \mu$
  - What is  $\text{Var}(\bar{X})$ ?

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(\bar{X}) &= \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2 \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i) = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma^2 = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2 n \sigma^2 \\ &= \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\end{aligned}$$

# Sample Variance

- Consider  $n$  I.I.D. random variables  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ 
  - $X_i$  have distribution  $F$  with  $E[X_i] = \mu$  and  $\text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$
  - We call sequence of  $X_i$  a **sample** from distribution  $F$
  - Recall sample mean:  $\bar{X} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{n}$  where  $E[\bar{X}] = \mu$
  - Sample deviation:  $\bar{X} - X_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$
  - Sample variance:  $S^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n-1}$
  - What is  $E[S^2]$ ?
  - $E[S^2] = \sigma^2$
  - We say  $S^2$  is “unbiased estimate” of  $\sigma^2$



# Proof that $E[S^2] = \sigma^2$ (just for reference)

$$E[S^2] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n-1}\right] \Rightarrow (n-1)E[S^2] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2\right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}(n-1)E[S^2] &= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2\right] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n ((X_i - \mu) + (\mu - \bar{X}))^2\right] \\&= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (\mu - \bar{X})^2 + 2\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)(\mu - \bar{X})\right] \\&= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2 + n(\mu - \bar{X})^2 + 2(\mu - \bar{X})\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)\right] \\&= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2 + n(\mu - \bar{X})^2 + 2(\mu - \bar{X})n(\bar{X} - \mu)\right] \\&= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2 - n(\mu - \bar{X})^2\right] = \sum_{i=1}^n E[(X_i - \mu)^2] - nE[(\mu - \bar{X})^2] \\&= n\sigma^2 - n\text{Var}(\bar{X}) = n\sigma^2 - n\frac{\sigma^2}{n} = n\sigma^2 - \sigma^2 = (n-1)\sigma^2\end{aligned}$$

- So,  $E[S^2] = \sigma^2$