



# Econ 2250: Stats for Econ

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## Announcements

- Homework 5 is due on Sunday

## Resources:

- [https://www.probabilitycourse.com/chapter3/3\\_2\\_2\\_expectation.php](https://www.probabilitycourse.com/chapter3/3_2_2_expectation.php)
- [https://mixtape.scunning.com/02-probability\\_and\\_regression#variance](https://mixtape.scunning.com/02-probability_and_regression#variance)

## What we will do today?

- Deep dive on summary operator
- Deep dive on Expected value
- Revisit Variance
- Revisit Covariance
- Introduce Correlation

## Summary Operator

$$\sum X = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$$

# Summary Operator

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \equiv x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$$

Notice that the summary operator is a representation of a function that tells us put add every element of the input. If  $x$  is  $[1,2,3]$

$$\Sigma x = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1 + 2 + 3$$

But if  $x = ['one', 'two', 'three']$

$$\Sigma x = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 'one' + 'two' + 'three'$$

Which is of course nonsense/undefined output, but the operator is an function format that defines what to do with the input. This will be an important idea with all operators.

# Summary Operation (SIGMA?)

- We often use the greek symbol sigma to represent the summation operator
- It means to sum all of the elements that you pass it
- We often index with the letter  $i$  (meaning an observation) and often use the letter  $n$  to represent how many observations.
- Examples:

$$x = [3, 12, 4]$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \text{sum}(x) = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 3 + 12 + 4 = 19$$

# Summary Operation

- First, some notes on indexing.
- This is a variable we are calling  $x$

$x = [3, 12, 4]$

- It has three elements so we say  $n=3$ , where  $n$  is length. To get pedantic, this is an array of size  $(1 \times 3)$ .
- We can refer to the index of  $x$  that refers to the location in the array

$x_1 = 3, \quad x_2 = 12, \quad x_3 = 4$

- The notation for this is  $x_i$  where the *ith* refers to the location.

# Summary Operation

- The summary operator has properties, all of which preserve the values of a row (it helps me, but might not help you, to think of this as what happens at each iteration of a loop).

$$\mathbf{x} = [3, 12, 4]$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = \text{sum}(\mathbf{x}^2) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 = 9 + 144 + 16 = 169$$

# Summary Operation (SIGMA?)

- We can pass more than one variable into the operator

$$x = [3, 12, 4]$$

$$y = [2, 9, 1]$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i = \text{sum}(x * y) = x_1 * y_1 + x_2 * y_2 + x_3 * y_3 =$$

$$3 * 2 + 12 * 9 + 4 * 1 = 118$$



## Summary Operation (SIGMA?)

- And we can divide

$$x = [3, 12, 4]$$

$$y = [2, 9, 1]$$

$$\text{sum}(x * y) / \text{sum}(x ** 2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\sum x_i y_i}{\sum x_i^2} &= \frac{x_1 * y_1 + x_2 * y_2 + x_3 * y_3}{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2} \\ &= \frac{3 * 2 + 12 * 9 + 4 * 1}{3^2 + 12^2 + 4^2} \\ &= \frac{6 + 108 + 4}{9 + 144 + 16} \\ &= \frac{118}{169} = 0.6982249\end{aligned}$$

SIGMA is a representation of a function

$$f(z) = \sum_i^n z = z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_n$$

Notice that **z** could be a vector (as we've seen with the variables **x** and **y** above), or another function (like we saw with **x**<sup>2</sup> and **x\*y** above) which could be written

$$f(z) = \sum_i^n z = \text{sum}(z)$$

$$g(z) = z^2$$

$$f(g(z)) = \sum_i^n g(z) = \sum_i^n z^2 = \text{sum}(z^2)$$

Or, a concrete example

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = \text{sum}(x^2) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 = 9 + 144 + 16 = 169$$

$$\text{sum}(\text{sq}(z)) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$$

```
sq(z) = z2

def sq(x_in):
    return(x_in**2)

def _sum(old, new):
    return(old + new)

sum_xsq = 0
for i in range(len(x)):
    sum_xsq = _sum(sum_xsq, sq(x[i]))
print(sum_xy)
```

Output:

9 (hint: 0 + sq(3))

153 (hint: 9 from above + sq(12))

169 (hint: 153 from above + sq(4))

$$\text{sq}(x[0]) + \text{sq}(x[1]) + \text{sq}(x[2])$$

$$= x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2$$

$$= 3^2 + 12^2 + 4^2$$

$$= 9 + 144 + 16$$

$$= 169$$

x	sq(x)	cumsum
3	9	9
12	144	156
4	16	169

# $f(g(x))$

Now we will look at a compound function  $(x + 1)$ . Notice that the summary operator says to  $\text{sum}(z) = z_1 + z_2 \dots z_n$ , so if the thing that we are summing is  $(x + 1)$  we just plug that function in

$$\text{sum}((x + 1)) = (x_1 + 1) + (x_2 + 1) + \dots + (x_n + 1)$$

$$x = [3, 7, 2]$$

$$\sum_i^n (x_i + 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (x[0] + 1) + (x[1] + 1) + (x[3] + 1) \\ &= (3 + 1) + (7 + 1) + (2 + 1) = 15 \end{aligned}$$

# Summary

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \equiv x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$$

## Summary Operator Properties

1.)  $\sum_{i=1}^n c = nc$

2.)  $\sum_{i=1}^n cx_i = c \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$

3.) For any constant  $a$  and  $b$ :  $\sum_{i=1}^n (ax_i + by_i) = a \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + b \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$

## Gotchas! Be Careful

$$\sum_i^n \frac{x_i}{y_i} \neq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \neq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2$$

## Summary Operator Property 1:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n c = nc$$

$$\sum_1^3 10 = 10 + 10 + 10 = 30 = 3 * 10$$

```
sum_x = 0
for i in range(3):
    sum_x = sum_x + 10
print( sum_x)
```

10

20

30

x	cumsum
10	10
10	20
10	30

## Summary Operator Property 2:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n cx_i = c \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_i^n x_i * c &= (3 * 10) + (5 * 10) + (2 * 10) \\ &= 10 * (3 + 5 + 2) = c * \sum_i^n x_i\end{aligned}$$

```
x = [3,5,2]
c = 10
sum_x = 0
for i in range(3):
    sum_x = sum_x + x[i] * c
    print( sum_x)

sum_x == sum(x)*c
```

30

80

100

True

## Summary Operator Property 3:

$$\text{For any constant } a \text{ and } b: \sum_{i=1}^n (ax_i + by_i) = a \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + b \sum_{j=1}^n y_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_i^n (a * x_i + b * y_i) &= \\ (a * x_1 + b * y_1) + (a * x_2 + b * y_2) + (a * x_3 + b * y_3) &= \\ a * x_1 + b * y_1 + a * x_2 + b * y_2 + a * x_3 + b * y_3 &= \\ a(x_1 + x_2 + x_3) + b(y_1 + y_2 + y_3) &= \\ a\sum_i^n x_i + b\sum_i^n y_i \end{aligned}$$



## Expected Value Operator

$$E(x) = \sum x_i * Pr(x_i)$$

$$E(X) = x_1 f(x_1) + x_2 f(x_2) + \cdots + x_k f(x_k) \\ = \sum_{j=1}^k x_j f(x_j)$$

Notice that the expected value operator is a representation of a function that tells us put add every element of the input. If  $x$  is  $[1,2,3]$  with probability  $\{1/3, 1/3, 1/3\}$

$$E(x) = x_1 * P(x_1) + x_2 * P(x_2) + x_3 * P(x_3) = 1 * 1/3 + 2 * 1/3 + 3 * 1/3 = 2$$

But if  $x = ['H', 'T']$  with prob  $(.5, .5)$

$$E(x) = x_1 * P(x_1) + x_2 * P(x_2) = 'H' * 0.5 + 'T' * 0.5$$

Which is of course nonsense/undefined output, but the operator is an function format that defines what to do with the input. This will be an important idea with all operators.

# Summary vs Expected Value Operators

$$x = [3, 12, 4]$$

$$P(x) = 1/3$$

$$\Sigma x = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 3 + 12 + 4 = 19$$

$$E(x) = x_1 p(x_1) + x_2 p(x_2) + x_3 p(x_3) = 3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 12 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{3} = 6\frac{1}{3}$$

x	p(x)	x * p(x)
3	1/3	1
12	1/3	4
4	1/3	1.33

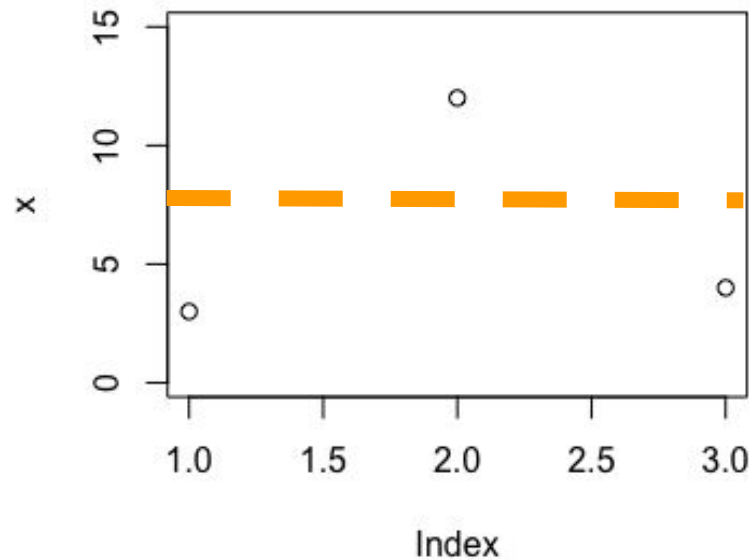
$$\Sigma x = 19$$

$$E(x) = 6\frac{1}{3}$$

Expected value is a measure of central tendency using probability,  $E(x) = \sum x \cdot p(x)$ , it is what we expect given our information.

$$x = [3, 12, 4]$$

$$P(x) = 1/3$$

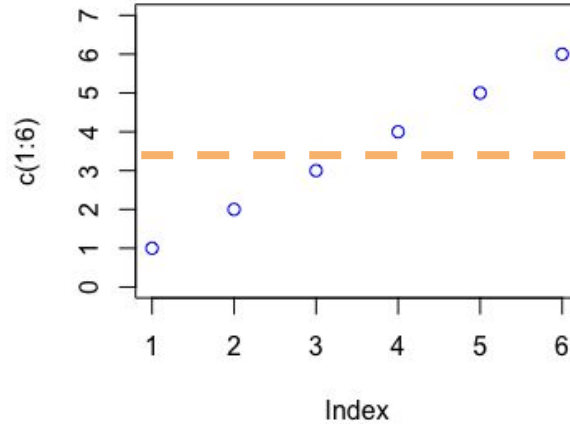


$$E(x) = 6\frac{1}{3}$$

# Expected value

$$x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]$$

$$p(x) = 1/6$$



$\Sigma$

x	p(x)	x * p(x)
1	1/6	0.16666
2	1/6	0.33333
3	1/6	0.5
4	1/6	0.66666
5	1/6	0.83333
6	1/6	1
<b>Σ</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1</b>
		<b>3.5</b>

$$E(x) = x_1p(x_1) + x_2p(x_2) + x_3p(x_3) + x_4p(x_4) + x_5p(x_5) + x_6p(x_6) =$$

$$1 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 5 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 6 \cdot \frac{1}{6} = 3.5$$

When  $p(x)$  is uniform (same for all observations)  $E(x)$  is the average

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= 1 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 5 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 6 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \\ &= 3.5 \\ &= \sum (x) * \frac{1}{6} \\ &= \frac{\sum (x)}{6} \\ &= \frac{\sum (x)}{n} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(X) &= x_1 f(x_1) + x_2 f(x_2) + \cdots + x_k f(x_k) \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^k x_j f(x_j)
 \end{aligned}$$

### Expected Value Operator Properties

$$E(c) = c$$

$$E(aX + b) = E(aX) + E(b) = aE(X) + b$$

$$E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i E(X_i) \longrightarrow E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i)$$

$$E(W + H) = E(W) + E(H) , \qquad E\left(W - E(W)\right) = 0$$

Expected Value Operator Property 1:  $E(c) = c$

$$C = 10$$

$$E(c) = c * p(c) = c * 1 = c$$

While this is kind of obvious, it will come in handy in lots of proofs.



## Expected Value Operator Property 2:

$$E(aX + b) = E(aX) + E(b) = aE(X) + b.$$

$$x = [3, 6, 2]$$

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$a = 5$$

$$b = 4$$

$$E(aX + b) = E(aX) + E(b)$$

$$= ax_1 \cdot p(x_1) + ax_2 \cdot p(x_2) + ax_3 \cdot p(x_3) + b = a(x_1 \cdot p(x_1) + x_2 \cdot p(x_2) + x_3 \cdot p(x_3)) + b$$

$$= a(E(x)) + b = 5(3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 6 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{3}) + 4 = 22\frac{1}{3}$$

An important extension of this linearity is that

$$E(W + H) = E(W) + E(H)$$

## Expected Value Operator Property 3:

$$E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i E(X_i) \longrightarrow E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i)$$

The above left is another way to distribute out the linearity in property 2

$$E(a_1 X_1 + \cdots + a_n X_n) = a_1 E(X_1) + \cdots + a_n E(X_n)$$

And the right is the special case when  $a = 1$ .

## **Variance**

$$V(X) = E((X - E(X))^2)$$

# Variance is a measure of the spread of the data

We get the central tendency using the expected value  $E(X)$ , and to get a measure of the spread of the data we take the expectation of the squared deviations

Expected value of  $X$ :  $E[X] = x_1p_1 + x_2p_2 + \cdots + x_kp_k$

which is the average for equally weighted data  $E(X) = \frac{\sum x}{n} = \mu_x$

To get a deviation we subtract off the mean

$$\text{deviation of } x = X - \mu_x = X - E(X)$$

And square this so that it does sum to zero

$$\text{squared deviation of } x = (X - \mu_x)^2 = (X - E(X))^2$$

## Example: demean squared

$x = [3, 12, 4]$

$$E(x) = \mu = \bar{x} = 3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 12 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{3} = (3+12+4)/3 = 6.3$$

x	mu	demean	demean_sq
3	6.3	-3.3	11.1
12	6.3	5.7	32.1
4	6.3	-2.3	5.4

Expectation is our best guess of what something will equal, so take the expectation of the squared deviation

$$E[(X - \mu_x)^2] = \sum (x_i - \mu_x)^2 * P(x_i)$$

if  $P(x_i)$  is  $\frac{1}{n}$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$$V(X) = \sum (x_i - \mu_x)^2 * \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum (x_i - \mu_x)^2$$

From the example above

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum (x_i - \mu_x)^2$$

Sum of demean\_sq = 11.1 + 32.1 + 5.4 = 48.6

48.6/3 = 16.2

But, notice our deviations (-3.3, 5.7, -2.3), 16.2 is an awful absolute value estimate. That is because we squared the errors, and x is in levels (not squared).

Standard Deviation = square root of  $\sigma^2$  , sqrt(16.2) = 4.02

x	mu	demean	demean_sq
3	6.3	-3.3	11.1
12	6.3	5.7	32.1
4	6.3	-2.3	5.4

# Variance Overview

$$V(X) \equiv \sigma^2 = E[(X - E(X))^2]$$

Population model:

$$\begin{aligned} V(X) &= \sigma^2 = E[(X - E(X))^2] \\ &= E[(X - \mu_x)^2] = \sum (x_i - \mu_x)^2 * P(x_i) \end{aligned}$$

if  $P(x_i)$  is  $\frac{1}{n}$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$$V(X) = \sum (x_i - \mu_x)^2 * \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum (x_i - \mu_x)^2$$

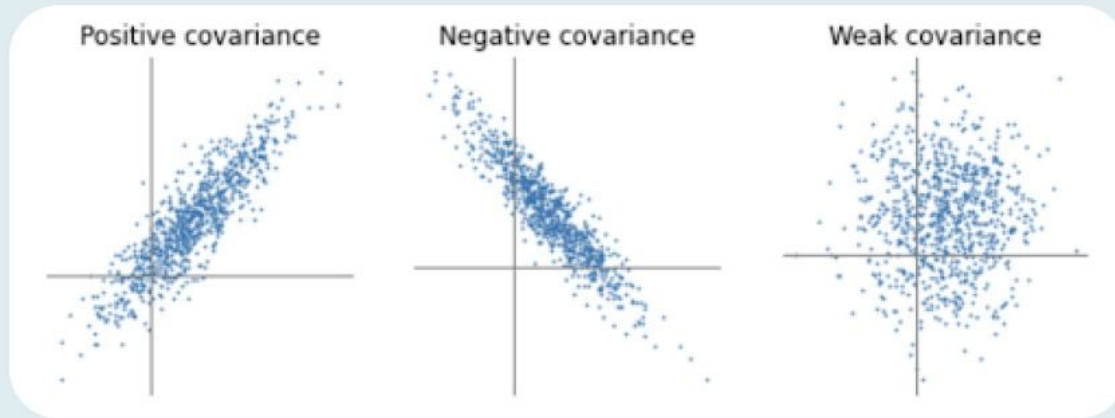
bring squared values back the units of x

$$\sqrt{V(X)} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum (x_i - \mu_x)^2}$$



# Nice correlation app

<https://shiny.rit.albany.edu/stat/rectangles/>



## Covariance

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

# Covariance

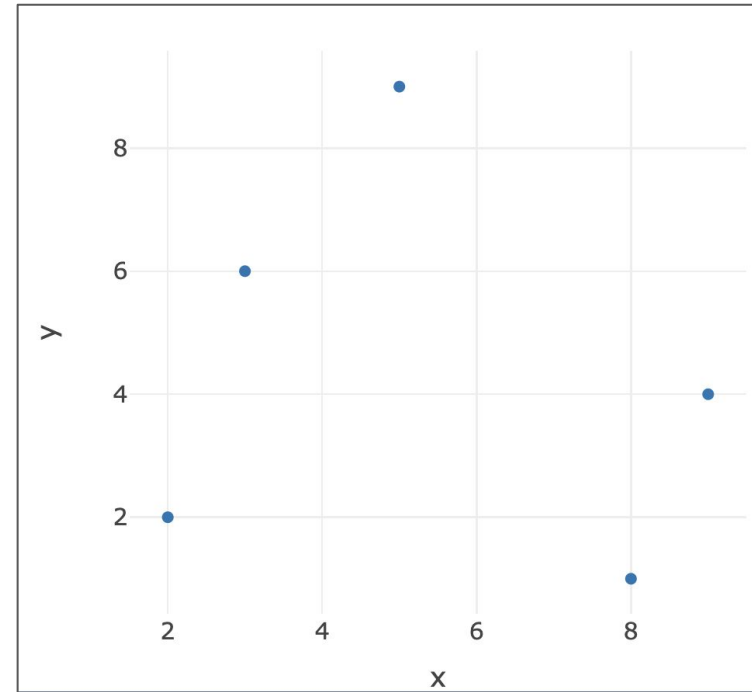
$$\begin{aligned} Cov(x, y) &= E[(X - E(X))(Y - E(Y))] \\ &= \frac{\sum (x_i - \mu_x)(y_i - \mu_y)}{n - 1} \end{aligned}$$

# Example covariance

$$\frac{\sum (x_i - \mu_x)(y_i - \mu_y)}{n - 1}$$

x	y	demean_x	demean_y	demean_x*demean_y
3	6	-2.4	1.6	-3.84
5	9	-0.4	4.6	-1.84
2	2	-3.4	-2.4	8.16
8	1	2.6	-3.4	-8.84
9	4	3.6	-0.4	-1.44
				-7.8
				sum
				-1.95
				sum/(n-1)

mean_y	4.4
mean_x	5.4



# Correlation

$$\rho_{X,Y} = \text{corr}(X, Y) = \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = \frac{\text{E}[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)]}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}, \quad \text{if } \sigma_X \sigma_Y > 0$$

$$r_{xy} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{(n-1)s_x s_y} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}}$$

# Example

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}}$$

x	y	demean_x	demean_x_sq	demean_y	demean_y_sq	demean_x*demean_y	
3	6	-2.4	5.76	1.6	2.56	-3.84	
5	9	-0.4	0.16	4.6	21.16	-1.84	
2	2	-3.4	11.56	-2.4	5.76	8.16	
8	1	2.6	6.76	-3.4	11.56	-8.84	
9	4	3.6	12.96	-0.4	0.16	-1.44	
			<b>37.2</b>		<b>41.2</b>	-7.8	sum
mean_y	4.4					<b>-1.95</b>	sum/(n-1)
mean_x	5.4						

numerator  
denom

<b>-1.95</b>	-1.95	<b>-0.22</b>	<b>correlation</b>
sqrt( <b>37.2 + 41.2</b> )	8.85		

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