

STAT 630 Problem Set 6

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Question I.

3.3.25

(a) We know that each $X_i \sim \text{binomial}(n, \theta_i)$, so the first result follows immediately:

$$\text{Var}(X_i) = n\theta_i(1 - \theta_i)$$

We then have

$$\text{Var}(X_i + X_j) = \text{Var}(X_i) + \text{Var}(X_j) + 2\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$$

but we also know

$$\text{Var}(X_i + X_j) = n(\theta_i + \theta_j)(1 - (\theta_i + \theta_j))$$

so

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) &= \frac{1}{2}(\text{Var}(X_i + X_j) - \text{Var}(X_i) - \text{Var}(X_j)) \\ &= n(\theta_i + \theta_j)(1 - (\theta_i + \theta_j)) - n\theta_i(1 - \theta_i) - n\theta_j(1 - \theta_j)\end{aligned}$$

gives the desired

$$\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = -n\theta_i\theta_j$$

(b) The correlation is then

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Corr}(X_i, X_j) &= \frac{\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X_i)}\sqrt{\text{Var}(X_j)}} \\ &= \frac{-n\theta_i\theta_j}{n\sqrt{\theta_i(1 - \theta_i)}\sqrt{\theta_j(1 - \theta_j)}} \\ &= \frac{-\theta_i\theta_j}{\sqrt{\theta_i(1 - \theta_i)}\sqrt{\theta_j(1 - \theta_j)}}\end{aligned}$$

which is independent of n .

Question II.

(a) We know the expectation of the $\text{beta}(a, b)$ distribution is

$$E(X) = \frac{a}{a + b}$$

The variance is

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - E(X)^2$$

so we need

$$\begin{aligned} E(X^2) &= \left(\frac{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a+b)} \right)^{-1} \int_0^1 x^2 x^{a-1} (1-x)^{b-1} dx \\ &= \left(\frac{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a+b)} \right)^{-1} \int_0^1 x^{a+1} (1-x)^{b-1} dx \\ &= \left(\frac{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a+b)} \right)^{-1} \frac{\Gamma(a+2)\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a+2+b)} \\ &= \frac{a(a+1)}{(a+b)(a+b+1)} \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X) &= E(X^2) - E(X)^2 \\ &= \frac{a(a+1)}{(a+b)(a+b+1)} - \left(\frac{a}{a+b} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{ab}{(a+b)^2(a+b+1)} \end{aligned}$$

(b) We know

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X_i + X_j) &= \text{Var}(X_i) + \text{Var}(X_j) + 2\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) \\ &= \frac{(a_1 + a_2)a_3}{((a_1 + a_2) + a_3)^2((a_1 + a_2) + a_3 + 1)} \\ \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) &= \frac{1}{2}(\text{Var}(X_i + X_j) - \text{Var}(X_i) - \text{Var}(X_j)) \\ &= \frac{(a_1 + a_2)a_3}{2((a_1 + a_2) + a_3)^2((a_1 + a_2) + a_3 + 1)} \\ &\quad - \frac{a_1(a_2 + a_3)}{2(a_1 + (a_2 + a_3))^2(a_1 + (a_2 + a_3) + 1)} \\ &\quad - \frac{a_2(a_1 + a_3)}{2(a_2 + (a_1 + a_3))^2(a_2 + (a_1 + a_3) + 1)} \\ &= -\frac{a_1 a_2}{(a_1 + a_2 + a_3)^2(a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + 1)} \end{aligned}$$

Question III.

3.4.5 $Y = 3X + 4$. The moment generating function of Y is

$$\begin{aligned} m_Y(s) &= E(e^{(3X+4)t}) \\ &= e^{4t} E(e^{3Xt}) \\ &= e^{4t} m_X(3t) \end{aligned}$$

3.4.12 $X \sim \text{Geometric}(\theta)$

(a) Finding the mgf

$$\begin{aligned}m_X(s) &= E(e^{sX}) \\&= \sum_{X=0}^{\infty} e^{sx} \theta (1-\theta)^x \\&= \theta \sum_{X=0}^{\infty} (e^s (1-\theta))^x \\&= \frac{\theta}{1 - (1-\theta)e^s}\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}E(X) &= m'_X(0) \\&= \left. \frac{d}{ds} \frac{\theta}{1 - (1-\theta)e^s} \right|_{s=0} \\&= \frac{-\theta(\theta-1)}{(\theta^2)} \\&= \frac{1-\theta}{\theta}\end{aligned}$$

(c) For the variance we need

$$\begin{aligned}E(X^2) &= m''_X(0) \\&= \left. \frac{d^2}{ds^2} \frac{\theta}{1 - (1-\theta)e^s} \right|_{s=0} \\&= \frac{(\theta^2 - \theta)\theta}{\theta^3} \\&= \frac{\theta^2 - 3\theta + 2}{\theta^2}\end{aligned}$$

which gives

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(X) &= E(X^2) - E(X)^2 \\&= \frac{\theta^2 - 3\theta + 2}{\theta^2} - \left(\frac{1-\theta}{\theta} \right)^2 \\&= \frac{1-\theta}{\theta^2}\end{aligned}$$

3.4.16

(a) Finding the mgf

$$\begin{aligned}m_Y(s) &= E(e^{sY}) \\&= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{sy} e^{-|y|} dy \\&= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{sy} e^y dy + \int_0^{\infty} e^{sy} e^{-y} dy \\&= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1-s} + \frac{1}{1+s} \right) \\&= \frac{1}{1-s^2}\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}E(Y) &= m'_Y(0) \\&= \left. \frac{2s}{(1-s^2)^2} \right|_{s=0} \\&= 0\end{aligned}$$

(c) For the variance we need

$$\begin{aligned}E(Y^2) &= m''_Y(0) \\&= \left. \frac{3s^2 + 1}{(1-s^2)^3} \right|_{s=0} \\&= 2\end{aligned}$$

which gives

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(Y) &= E(Y^2) - E(Y)^2 \\&= 2 - 0 = 2\end{aligned}$$

Question IV.

3.4.20

$$m_X(t) = \frac{\lambda^a}{\Gamma(a)} \int_0^{\infty} e^{tx} x^{a-1} e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

Let $u = x(\lambda - t)$

$$\begin{aligned}m_X(t) &= \frac{\lambda^a}{\Gamma(a)} \frac{1}{(\lambda - t)^a} \int_0^{\infty} u^{a-1} e^{-u} du \\&= \frac{\lambda^a}{(\lambda - t)^a}\end{aligned}$$

3.4.23 The mgf of the sum is

$$\begin{aligned} M(s) &= \prod_{i=1}^n M_i(s) \\ &= \frac{\lambda^{an}}{(\lambda - t)^{an}} \end{aligned}$$

So $Y \sim \text{Gamma}(an, \lambda)$

Question V.

3.5.4

$$p_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1/11 & x = -4, y = 2 \\ 2/11 & x = -4, y = 3 \\ 4/11 & x = -4, y = 7 \\ 1/11 & x = 6, y = 2 \\ 1/11 & x = 6, y = 3 \\ 1/11 & x = 6, y = 7 \\ 1/11 & x = 6, y = 13 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(a) The conditional distribution $p_{X|Y=2}$ is then

$$p_{X|Y=2}(x|y = 2) = \begin{cases} 1/2 & x = -4 \\ 1/2 & x = 6 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

so $E(X|Y = 2) = -4(1/2) + 6(1/2) = 1$.

(b)

$$p_{X|Y=3}(x|y = 3) = \begin{cases} 2/3 & x = -4 \\ 1/3 & x = 6 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

so $E(X|Y = 3) = -4(2/3) + 6(1/3) = -2/3$.

(c)

$$p_{X|Y=7}(x|y = 7) = \begin{cases} 4/5 & x = -4 \\ 1/5 & x = 6 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

so $E(X|Y = 7) = -4(4/5) + 6(1/5) = -2$

(d)

$$p_{X|Y=13}(x|y = 13) = \begin{cases} 1 & x = 6 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

so $E(X|Y = 13) = 6$

(e)

$$E(X|Y) = \begin{cases} 1 & y = 2 \\ -2/3 & y = 3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

3.5.11

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \frac{6}{19}(x^2 + y^3) \quad 0 < x < 2, 0 < y < 1$$

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \int_0^1 \frac{6}{19}(x^2 + y^3) \, dy \\ &= \frac{6}{19} \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{3} \right) \\ E(X) &= \frac{6}{19} \int_0^2 x \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{3} \right) \, dx \\ &= \frac{6}{19} \frac{26}{3} \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= \int_0^2 \frac{6}{19}(x^2 + y^3) \, dx \\ &= \frac{6}{19} \left(\frac{4}{3} + y^3 \right) \\ E(Y) &= \frac{6}{19} \int_0^1 y \left(\frac{4}{3} + y^3 \right) \, dy \\ &= \frac{6}{19} \frac{13}{15} \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}f_{X|Y}(x|y) &= \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} \\&= \frac{\frac{6}{19}(x^2 + y^3)}{\frac{6}{19}\left(\frac{4}{3} + y^3\right)} \\E(X|Y) &= \int_0^2 x f_{X|Y}(x|y) \, dx \\&= \left(\frac{1}{y^3 + \frac{4}{3}}\right) \left(2y^3 + \frac{8}{3}\right)\end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned}f_{Y|X}(y|x) &= \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_X(x)} \\&= \frac{\frac{6}{19}(x^2 + y^3)}{\frac{6}{19}\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{3}\right)} \\E(Y|X) &= \int_0^1 y f_{Y|X}(y|x) \, dy \\&= \left(\frac{1}{x^2 + \frac{1}{3}}\right) \left(\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{1}{5}\right)\end{aligned}$$

(e)

$$\begin{aligned}E(E(X|Y)) &= \int_0^2 \frac{6}{19} \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{3}\right) \left(\frac{1}{x^2 + \frac{1}{3}}\right) \left(\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{1}{5}\right) \, dx \\&= \int_0^2 \frac{6}{19} \left(\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{1}{5}\right) \, dx \\&= E(X)\end{aligned}$$

(f)

$$\begin{aligned}E(E(Y|X)) &= \int_0^1 \frac{6}{19} \left(\frac{4}{3} + y^3\right) \left(\frac{1}{y^3 + \frac{4}{3}}\right) \left(2y^3 + \frac{8}{3}\right) \, dy \\&= \int_0^1 \frac{6}{19} \left(2y^3 + \frac{8}{3}\right) \, dy \\&= E(Y)\end{aligned}$$

3.5.16

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(E(X|Y)) &= E(X) \\
 &= E\left(\frac{a}{y}\right) \\
 &= aE\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) \\
 &= \frac{a}{\lambda}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question VI.

Let T have an exponential(λ) distribution, and conditional on T , let U be uniform on $[0, T]$. Find the unconditional mean and variance of U .

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(U) &= E(E(U|T)) \\
 &= E\left(\frac{T}{2}\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\lambda}
 \end{aligned}$$

for the variance

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(U) &= \text{Var}[E(U|T)] + E[\text{Var}(U|T)] \\
 &= \text{Var}\left(\frac{T}{2}\right) + E\left(\frac{T^2}{12}\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\lambda^2} + \frac{1}{6\lambda^2} \\
 &= \frac{5}{12\lambda^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question VII.

3.6.10 $f(w) = 3w^2$, $0 < w < 1$

(a) $E(W)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(W) &= \int w f(w) \, dw \\
 &= \frac{3}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Chebyshev's inequality gives the bound

$$P(|W - E(W)| \geq 1/4) \leq \frac{\sigma_W^2}{1/4^2}$$

The variance is

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(W) &= E(W^2) - E(W)^2 \\ E(W^2) &= \int w^2 f(w) \, dw \\ &= \frac{3}{5} \\ \text{Var}(W) &= \frac{3}{80}\end{aligned}$$

The bound is $\frac{\sigma_W^2}{1/4^2} = \frac{\frac{3}{80}}{\frac{1}{16}} = \frac{3}{5}$

(c) Compare the bound in part (b) to the exact probability

The exact probability is that W is between $1/2$ and 1 is

$$\int_{1/2}^1 3w^2 \, dw = \frac{7}{8}$$

The Chebyshev bound shows the upper limit for the probability outside $1/4$ from the mean is $3/5$.

Question VIII.

4.2.10

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{Z_n}{n} &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2}{n} \\ &\xrightarrow{P} E(X_i^2) \\ &\xrightarrow{P} \frac{91}{6}\end{aligned}$$

4.2.11

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{X_n}{n} &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n 4Y_i + 5Z_i}{n} \\ &\xrightarrow{P} E(4Y_i + 5Z_i) \\ &\xrightarrow{P} \frac{9}{2}\end{aligned}$$