

Remark: $L^2 \subseteq L^1$

pf Let $X \in L^2$. Let $A = \{|X| < 1\}$, $B = \{|X| \geq 1\}$.

$$\text{Then } |X| = |X|1_A + |X|1_B$$

$$\leq 1_A + |X|^2 1_B$$

$$\leq 1 + |X|^2$$

So $E(|X|) = 1 + E(|X|^2) < \infty$,
 depends on the fact that $\int 1 dP = 1 < \infty$.

meaning $X \in L^1$. □

The analogue for an infinite measure space is false.

Remark: Let $X \in L^1$. Then

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

because, if we let $\xi = E(X)$, Then

$$E[(X - \xi)^2] = E(X^2 - 2\xi X + \xi^2)$$

↑
≥ 0

↑
integrable

↑
constant

$$= E(X^2) - 2\xi E(X) + \xi^2$$

$$= E(X^2) - \xi^2.$$
□

Remark Let $X \in L^1$ and let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

Then $(aX + b)^0 = aX^0$, and so

$$\text{Var}(aX + b) = a^2 \text{Var}(X).$$

$$\text{Hence } \sigma_{aX+b} = |a| \sigma_X$$

Note Let $u, v \in \mathbb{R}$. Since $(u-v)^2 \geq 0$, $2uv \leq u^2 + v^2$.

$$\text{Hence } (u+v)^2 = u^2 + 2uv + v^2 \leq 2(u^2 + v^2)$$

Hence, for instance, if $X, Y \in L^2$, $X+Y \in L^2$

Remark Let $X \in L^0$. For all $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (X-b)^2 &= (X-a + a-b)^2 \\ &\leq 2(X-a)^2 + \underbrace{2(a-b)^2}_{\text{constant}} \end{aligned}$$

Thus if $E((X-a)^2) < \infty$, so is $E((X-b)^2)$.

This holds $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. So $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$,

$E((X-a)^2) < \infty$ iff $X \in L^2$. In particular,

$\text{Var}(X) < \infty$ iff $X \in L^2$.

Remark: Let $X \in L^2$. $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$, $E((X-a)^2) \geq \text{Var}(X)$,

with equality iff $a = E(X)$.

Pf: As we know, $L^2 \subseteq L^1$ so $X \in L^1$. Let $\xi = E(X)$.

$$E[(X-a)^2] = E[(X-\xi + \xi - a)^2] = E[(X-\xi)^2 + 2(X-\xi)(\xi-a) + (\xi-a)^2]$$

Parallel axis theorem

$$\begin{aligned} &= E[(X-\xi)^2] + 2(\xi-a) \underbrace{E(X-\xi)}_0 + (\xi-a)^2 \\ &= \text{Var}(X) + (\xi-a)^2. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Remark: Let $X, Y \in L^1$. Let $\xi = E(X)$ and $\eta = E(Y)$.

$$\text{Then } X^\circ Y^\circ = (X-\xi)(Y-\eta) = XY - \eta X - \xi Y + \xi\eta.$$

Thus $XY \in L^1$ iff $X^\circ Y^\circ \in L^1$.

Remark if $X, Y \in L^1$ and X and Y are independent,
Then $XY \in L^1$.

Remark if $X, Y \in L^2$, Then $XY \in L^1$ because

$$|XY| \leq |X|^2 + |Y|^2 \quad (\text{since } (|X| - |Y|)^2 \geq 0)$$

Defn Suppose $X, Y \in L^1$ and $XY \in L^1$. The covariance of X & Y is

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = E(X^\circ Y^\circ).$$

Remark: Let $X, Y \in L^1$ such that $XY \in L^1$. Then

$$(a) \quad \text{cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y).$$

$$(b) \quad \text{Var}(X+Y) = \text{Var}(X) + 2\text{cov}(X, Y) + \text{Var}(Y).$$

(c) for all $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$, $\text{Cov}(aX+b, cY+d) = ac \text{Cov}(X, Y)$.

Remark: Let $X, Y \in L^2$. We seek $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ which minimize

$$E[(Y - (aX + b))^2].$$

Let's assume that $\text{Var}(X) \neq 0$ (we already handled that case).

Recall that for each $Z \in L^2$, $\text{var}(Z) = E(Z^2) - E(Z)^2$

$$\text{So } E(Z^2) = \text{Var}(Z) + E(Z)^2.$$

Hence for all $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\begin{aligned} E[(Y - (aX + b))^2] &= E[(Y - aX - b)^2] \\ &= \text{Var}(Y - aX) + (E(Y - aX - b))^2 \\ &= \text{Var}(Y) - 2a \text{Cov}(X, Y) + a^2 \text{Var}(X) \\ &\quad + (E(Y - aX - b))^2 \\ &= \left[a \sigma_X - \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X} \right]^2 + \left[\text{Var}(Y) - \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)^2}{\text{Var}(X)} \right] \\ &\quad + (E(Y - aX - b))^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $E[(Y - (aX + b))^2]$ is minimized exactly when

$$a = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)} \quad \text{and} \quad b = E(Y - aX). \quad (1)$$

And its minimum value is $\text{Var}(Y) - \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)^2}{\text{Var}(X)}$.

Since $E[(Y - (aX + b))^2] \geq 0$, it follows that

$$|\text{cov}(X, Y)| \leq \sigma_X \sigma_Y. \quad (2)$$

equality holds in (2) iff $Y = aX + b$ a.s. for some $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

Defn Let $X \in L^2$ with $\text{Var}(X) \neq 0$.

Then $X^* = \frac{X - E(X)}{\sigma_X}$ is called "X standardized".

Note: $E(X^*) = 0$, $\sigma_{X^*} = 1$.

$$X = \sigma_X X^* + E(X).$$

Defn let $X, Y \in L^2$ with $\text{Var}(X) \neq 0$ and $\text{Var}(Y) \neq 0$.

The correlation coefficient of X and Y is

$$\rho(X, Y) = \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}.$$

Note: $\rho(X, Y) = \text{cov}(X^*, Y^*)$ so

$$-1 \leq \rho(X, Y) \leq 1.$$

$\rho(X, Y) = 1$ iff $Y = aX + b$ a.s. for some $a > 0, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

$\rho(X, Y) = -1$ iff " " "a < 0" "
iff $\rho(X, -Y) = 1$.

Remark: Let $X, Y \in L^2$ with $\text{var}(X) \neq 0$ and $\text{var}(Y) \neq 0$.

Then $E[(Y^* - (aX^* + b))^2]$ is minimized when

$$a = \rho(X, Y) \text{ and } b = 0.$$

Defn Let $X, Y \in L^1$. To say X and Y are uncorrelated means $XY \in L^1$ and $E(XY) = E(X)E(Y)$.

Remark: Let $X, Y \in L^1$. Then X & Y are uncorrelated iff $XY \in L^1$ and $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$.

Remark: Let $X, Y \in L^2$. Then X & Y are uncorrelated iff X° and Y° are orthogonal as elements of the inner product space L^2 .

Remark: Let $X, Y \in L^1$. Suppose X & Y are independent. Then X and Y are uncorrelated.