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Covariance: Given 2 r.v. X, Y the covariance between X and Y is defined as $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)$

Properties:

① $\text{Cov}(X, X) = V(X) \leftarrow$ variance of X

② If C is a constant, then $\text{Cov}(X+C, Y) = \text{Cov}(X, Y)$

③ X, Y, Z are random variables

$$\text{Cov}(X+Y, Z) = \text{Cov}(X, Z) + \text{Cov}(Y, Z)$$

④ X, Y are r.v. and $d \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\text{Cov}(dX, Y) = d \text{Cov}(X, Y)$

⑤ $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \text{Cov}(Y, X)$

Remark (about independence):

① If $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$, then we say that X and Y are **uncorrelated**

② Independent r.v. are **uncorrelated**; However uncorrelated r.v. are not necessarily independent.

Ex:

$y \backslash x$	-1	0	1	$p_Y(y)$
-1	1/4	0	1/4	1/2
0	0	0	0	0
1	1/4	0	1/4	1/2
$p_X(x)$	1/2	0	1/2	

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

$$E(XY) = 0 = E(X) = E(Y)$$

X and Y are uncorrelated, but X and Y are not independent

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$$E(X) = E(Y) = 0$$

$$E(XY) = 0$$

$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$, but X and Y are not independent.

$$\textcircled{3} f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 6x & \text{if } 0 < x < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$X \sim \text{Beta}(2, 2) \longrightarrow E(X) = \frac{2}{2+2} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad E(Y) = \frac{3}{1+3} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$Y \sim \text{Beta}(3, 4)$$

$$E(XY) = \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^y xy \cdot 6x \, dx \right) dy = \int_0^1 2y^4 \, dy = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \frac{2}{5} - \frac{3}{8} = \frac{1}{40}$$

strength of linear association btw X & Y

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

correlation coefficient

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \cos(\theta)$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \sqrt{V(X)} \sqrt{V(Y)} \cdot \rho(X, Y)$$

Proposition:

$$\textcircled{1} |\text{Cov}(X, Y)| \leq \sqrt{V(X)} \sqrt{V(Y)} \quad (\text{Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality})$$

$$|\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}| \leq \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|$$

② The correlation coefficient defined as:

$$\rho(X, Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{V(X)} \sqrt{V(Y)}} \text{ is such that } -1 \leq \rho(X, Y) \leq 1$$

③ $\rho(X, Y) = 1 \rightarrow Y = \alpha X + \beta$ where $\alpha > 0$ (Linear perfect positive assoc. btw. X & Y)

$$\rho(X, Y) = -1 \rightarrow Y = \alpha X + \beta \text{ where } \alpha < 0$$

Ex: Given that $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = -2$, $E(X) = 1$, $V(X) = 4$ and $E(Y) = -3$.

Find the relationship between X and Y .

$$\rightarrow \rho(X, Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{V(X)} \sqrt{V(Y)}} = \frac{-2}{1 \times 2} = -1 \rightarrow Y = \alpha X + \beta \Rightarrow -2 = \text{Cov}(X, X)$$

$$= \text{Cov}(X, \alpha X + \beta) = \text{Cov}(X, \alpha X) \quad \text{insensitive to constant} = \alpha \text{Cov}(X, X) = \alpha V(X).$$

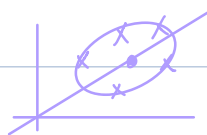
$$\alpha = \frac{-2}{V(X)} = -2. \quad Y = -2X + \beta$$

$$-3 = E(Y) = E(-2X + \beta) = -2E(X) + \beta \rightarrow \beta = -3 + 2E(X) = -1$$

relationship: $Y = -2X + 1$ (perfectly linear assoc.)

$(X, Y) \rightarrow (x_i, y_i)$

↳ collect data points plot scatter plot



Application: Variance of linear combination of r.v.: let X_1, \dots, X_n be n r.v. and $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_n$ be scalars.

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

In particular

$$\textcircled{2} V\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i X_i\right) = V\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i X_i, \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_j X_j\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2 V(X_i) + 2 \sum_{i < j} \alpha_i \alpha_j \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$$

$$\text{Ex: } V(X) = 2, \quad V(Y) = 3, \quad \text{Cov}(X, Y) = 1,$$

$$\text{then } V(3X + 2Y) = 9V(X) + 4V(Y) + 2 \times 6 \text{Cov}(X, Y)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Cov}(3X + 2Y, 3X + 2Y) = \text{Cov}(3X, 3X + 2Y) + \text{Cov}(2Y, 3X + 2Y)$$

$$= \text{Cov}(3X, 3X) + \text{Cov}(3X, 2Y) + \text{Cov}(2Y, 3X) + \text{Cov}(2Y, 2Y)$$

$$= 18 + 12 + 12 = 42$$

$\textcircled{\text{Bi}}$ Multinomial Distributions

Discovery Ex: An urn contains 3 red balls, 2 blue ball, and 1 green ball. Draw successively with replacement 5 balls from the urn.

$X_1 = \# \text{ of red} \quad X_2 = \# \text{ of blue} \quad X_3 = \# \text{ of green}$

$\rightarrow X_1 \sim \text{Binomial}(n=5, p_1 = \frac{1}{2}) \quad X_2 \sim \text{Bin}(n=5, p_2 = \frac{1}{3}) \quad X_3 \sim \text{Bin}(n=5, p = \frac{1}{6})$

$$X_1 + X_2 + X_3 = 5$$

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What is the joint probability function of x_1, x_2, x_3 :

$$p(x_1 = k_1, x_2 = k_2, x_3 = k_3)$$

$$\boxed{\# k_1 + k_2 + k_3 = 5}$$

$$p(x_1 = k_1, x_2 = k_2, x_3 = k_3) = C_{k_1}^n \times C_{k_2}^{n-k_1} \times C_{k_3}^{n-k_1-k_2} p_1^{k_1} p_2^{k_2} p_3^{k_3}$$

$$C_{k_1}^n C_{k_2}^{n-k_1} C_{k_3}^{n-k_1-k_2} = \frac{n!}{k_1! (n-k_1)!} \frac{(n-k_1)!}{k_2! (n-k_1-k_2)!}$$