

## Conditional Variance

Def Conditional variance of  $X$  given that  $Y=y$

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

↗ analogous to the usual definition of variance, but all expectations are conditional on the fact that  $Y$  is known

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

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Var}(X|Y) = E[X^2|Y] - (E[X|Y])^2$$

$$E[\text{Var}(X|Y)] = E[E[X^2|Y]] - E[(E[X|Y])^2] \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Var}(E[X|Y]) = E[(E[X|Y])^2] - \underbrace{(E[E[X|Y]])^2}_{(E[X])^2} \quad (2)$$

$$(1) \ \& \ (2) \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{Var}(X) = E[\text{Var}(X|Y)] + \text{Var}(E[X|Y])} \quad (3)$$

Ex4n

$X_1, X_2, \dots$  : a sequence of iid r.v.

$N$  : nonnegative integer-valued r.v., indept of  $X_i, i \geq 1$ .

$$\text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^N X_i\right) = ?$$

Sol

Condition on  $N$  and use (3)

$$E\left[\sum_{i=1}^N X_i | N\right] = N E[X] \quad \sim \text{just the sum of the individual means}$$

$$\text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^N X_i | N\right) = N \text{Var}[X]$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^N X_i\right) &= E[N \text{Var}[X]] + \text{Var}(NE[X]) \\ &= E[N] \text{Var}[X] + (E[X])^2 \text{Var}(N).\end{aligned}$$

### Conditional Expectation & Prediction

Based on the observed value of a r.v.  $X$ , predict the value of a second r.v.  $Y$ .

Let  $g(x)$  denote the predictor:

If  $X$  is observed to equal  $x$ , then  $g(x)$  is our prediction for the value of  $Y$ .

Want  $g$  so that  $g(x) \approx Y$ .

↳ One possible criterion: minimize  $E[(Y-g(x))^2]$ .

$$\Rightarrow \underline{g(x) = E[Y|X]}.$$

Why? → Prop.

$$\text{Prop} \quad \boxed{E[(Y-g(x))^2] \geq E[(Y-E[Y|X])^2]} \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Pf} \quad E[(Y-g(x))^2|X] &= E[(Y-E[Y|X] + E[Y|X] - g(x))^2|X] \\ &= E[(Y-E[Y|X])^2|X] + E[(E[Y|X] - g(x))^2|X] \\ &\quad + 2 \underbrace{E[(Y-E[Y|X])(E[Y|X] - g(x))|X]}_{\star}\end{aligned}$$

$E[Y|X] - g(x)$ : fn of  $X$ .

↳ given  $X$ , it can be treated as a const.

$$\begin{aligned}\star &= (E[Y|X] - g(x)) E[(Y-E[Y|X])|X] \\ &= \quad \quad \quad (E[Y|X] - E[Y|X]) = 0.\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore E[(Y-g(x))^2|X] \geq E[(Y-E[Y|X])^2|X].$$

↳ take expectations. → (4) //



$\Rightarrow$  The best lin predictor  $Y$  w.r.t  $X$  is  

$$\mu_y + \frac{\rho\sigma_y}{\sigma_x} (x - \mu_x).$$

the mean sq err of this predictor

$$\begin{aligned} &= E\left[(Y - \mu_y - \rho \frac{\sigma_y}{\sigma_x} (X - \mu_x))^2\right] \\ &= E[(Y - \mu_y)^2] + \rho^2 \frac{\sigma_y^2}{\sigma_x^2} E[(X - \mu_x)^2] - 2\rho \frac{\sigma_y}{\sigma_x} E[(Y - \mu_y)(X - \mu_x)] \\ &= \sigma_y^2 + \rho^2 \sigma_y^2 - 2\rho^2 \sigma_y^2 \\ &= \sigma_y^2 (1 - \rho^2) \approx 0 \text{ as } \rho \approx \pm 1. // \end{aligned}$$

### Moment Generating Ftns

Def  $M(t) = E[e^{tx}] = \begin{cases} \sum_x e^{tx} p(x) & : X \text{ discrete} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} f(x) dx & : X \text{ conti} \end{cases}$

$\swarrow$   
moment gen. ftn. of the r.v.  $X$   
 (defined for all real values of  $t$ )

$\swarrow$   
 all the moments of  $X$  can be obtained  
 by  $M'(t), M''(t), \dots$  at  $t=0$ .

Ex  $M'(t) = \frac{d}{dt} E[e^{tx}] \quad \searrow \text{assume diff \& } E \text{ interchangeable.}$

$$= E\left[\frac{d}{dt}(e^{tx})\right]$$

$$= E[xe^{tx}]$$

i.e.  

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \sum_x e^{tx} p(x) \right] = \sum_x \frac{d}{dt} [e^{tx} p(x)]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \int e^{tx} f(x) dx \right] = \int \frac{d}{dt} [e^{tx} f(x)] dx$$

$$M''(t) = \frac{d}{dt} E[xe^{tx}]$$

$$= E\left[\frac{d}{dt}(xe^{tx})\right]$$

$$= E[x^2 e^{tx}]$$

$$\vdots$$

$$M^{(n)}(t) = E[x^n e^{tx}]$$

$$M'(0) = E[X]$$

$$M''(0) = E[X^2]$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\underline{M^{(n)}(0) = E[X^n] \quad n \geq 1}$$

Ex 6d [Normal distribution]  $Z \sim N(0, 1)$

$$M_Z(t) = E[e^{tZ}] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x-t)^2}{2} + \frac{t^2}{2}\right\} dx$$

$$= e^{\frac{t^2}{2}}$$

← moment gen fn of a unit normal r.v.

Arbitrary normal r.v.  $X = \mu + \sigma Z$

$$M_X(t) = E[e^{t(\mu + \sigma Z)}] = e^{t\mu} E[e^{t\sigma Z}] = e^{t\mu} M_Z(t\sigma)$$

$$= e^{t\mu} e^{\frac{(t\sigma)^2}{2}}$$

$$= \exp\left\{\frac{\sigma^2 t^2}{2} + \mu t\right\}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\begin{cases} M_X'(t) = (\mu + t\sigma^2) \exp\{ \} \\ M_X''(t) = (\mu + t\sigma^2)^2 \exp\{ \} + \sigma^2 \exp\{ \} \end{cases}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\begin{cases} E[X] = M_X'(0) = \mu \\ E[X^2] = M_X''(0) = \mu^2 + \sigma^2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{var}(X) = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2 = \sigma^2$$

- moment gen fn of the sum of indept r.v.s = product of the individual moment gen fn.

$$\therefore M_{X+Y}(t) = E[e^{t(X+Y)}] = E[e^{tX} e^{tY}] = E[e^{tX}] E[e^{tY}] = M_X(t) M_Y(t) //$$

## Joint Moment Generating Ftns

Def The joint moment gen ftn for any  $n$  r.v.s  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ :

$$M(t_1, \dots, t_n) = E[e^{t_1 X_1 + \dots + t_n X_n}].$$

↪ individual moment gen ftn

$$M_{X_i}(t) = E[e^{t X_i}] = M(0, \dots, 0, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ i\text{th}}}{t}, 0, \dots, 0)$$

Remark  $M(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  uniquely determines the joint distribution of  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ . (pf too difficult).

Fact  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  indept



$$M(t_1, \dots, t_n) = M_{X_1}(t_1) \dots M_{X_n}(t_n).$$

pf. If  $n$  r.v.s are indept, then

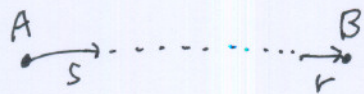
$$\begin{aligned} M(t_1, \dots, t_n) &= E[e^{t_1 X_1} \dots e^{t_n X_n}] \\ &= E[e^{t_1 X_1}] \dots E[e^{t_n X_n}] \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{independence} \\ \end{array} \right\} \\ &= M_{X_1}(t_1) \dots M_{X_n}(t_n) \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

- If (\*) holds, then  $M(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  is the joint moment gen ftn of  $n$  indept r.v.s,  $i$ th of which has the same distribution as  $X_i$ . According to the remark,  $M(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  uniquely determines the joint distribution.  $\rightarrow$  indept.

• Prnk [Intuitive argument for (4)]

- $E[(Y-C)^2]$  is minimized at  $C = E[Y]$ .
- If  $X$  is observed to be  $x$ , then the prediction problem remains the same with the exception that everything is now conditional on  $X=x$ .
- The best prediction in this situation is conditional expected value of  $Y$  given that  $X=x$ .

Ex 5b



$S$ : the value of the signal sent at A.  $\sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$R$ : the value received at B.  $\sim N(s, 1)$

The best estimate of  $S$ , given that  $R=r$ ?

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned} f_{S|R}(s|r) &= \frac{f_{S,R}(s,r)}{f_R(r)} = \frac{f_S(s) f_{R|S}(r|s)}{f_R(r)} \\ &= K e^{-\frac{(s-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(r-s)^2}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

↑  
indep of  $s$ .

$$\frac{(s-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{(r-s)^2}{2} = s^2 \left( \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \left( \frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} + r \right) s + C_1$$

$$= \frac{1+\sigma^2}{2\sigma^2} \left[ s^2 - 2 \left( \frac{\mu+r\sigma^2}{1+\sigma^2} \right) s \right] + C_1$$

$$= \frac{1+\sigma^2}{2\sigma^2} \left( s - \frac{\mu+r\sigma^2}{1+\sigma^2} \right)^2 + C_2$$

$$\therefore f_{S|R}(s|r) = C \exp \left[ - \frac{\left[ s - \frac{\mu+r\sigma^2}{1+\sigma^2} \right]^2}{2 \frac{\sigma^2}{1+\sigma^2}} \right] : \text{normal dist.}$$

$$\begin{cases} E[S|R=r] = \frac{\mu+r\sigma^2}{1+\sigma^2} \\ \text{Var}(S|R=r) = \frac{\sigma^2}{1+\sigma^2} \end{cases}$$

## Multivariate Normal Distribution

$Z_1, \dots, Z_n$ : indept.  $\sim N(0, 1)$

Def If for some constants  $a_{ij}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ ,  
and  $\mu_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ ,

$$X_1 = a_{11}Z_1 + \dots + a_{1n}Z_n + \mu_1$$

$\vdots$

$$X_i = a_{i1}Z_1 + \dots + a_{in}Z_n + \mu_i$$

$\vdots$

$$X_m = a_{m1}Z_1 + \dots + a_{mn}Z_n + \mu_m$$

then  $X_1, \dots, X_m$  are said to have a multivariate normal distribution.

Fact The sum of independent normal r.v.s is itself a normal r.v.

$\Rightarrow$  Each  $X_i$  is a normal r.v. with

$$E[X_i] = \mu_i$$

$$\text{Var}(X_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}^2$$

Note  $\sum_{i=1}^m t_i X_i$  is also normally distributed.

$$E\left[\sum_{i=1}^m t_i X_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^m t_i \mu_i \quad (i)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^m t_i X_i\right) &= \text{Cov}\left(\sum_{i=1}^m t_i X_i, \sum_{j=1}^m t_j X_j\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m t_i t_j \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) \quad (ii) \end{aligned}$$

If  $Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , then

$$E[e^{tY}] = M_Y(t) \Big|_{t=1} = e^{\frac{\sigma^2}{2}t + \mu t} \quad (iii)$$



From (i), (ii), & (iii),

$$M(t_1, \dots, t_m) = E[\exp\{t_1 X_1 + \dots + t_m X_m\}]$$

$$= \exp\left\{\sum_{i=1}^m t_i \mu_i + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m t_i t_j \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)\right\} //$$

↑ Joint distribution of  $X_1, \dots, X_m$  is completely determined by  $E[X_i]$  and  $\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$ . (\*)

### Joint Distribution of the Sample Mean & Sample Variances

$X_1, \dots, X_n$  : independent,  $X_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ .

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \quad : \text{sample mean.}$$

$$\rightarrow \bar{X} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right).$$

Recall •  $\text{Cov}(\bar{X}, X_i - \bar{X}) = 0$

•  $\bar{X}, X_1 - \bar{X}, \dots, X_n - \bar{X}$  are all lin. combinations of the independent standard normals  $\frac{X_i - \mu}{\sigma}$ .

$\Rightarrow \bar{X}, X_i - \bar{X}$  has a joint distribution that is multivariate normal.

Let  $Y$  be a r.v. indept of  $X_i$ ,

$$Y \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right).$$

Then  $Y, X_i - \bar{X}$ , also has a multivariate normal joint distribution. same  $E$  and  $\text{Cov}$  as  $\bar{X}, X_i - \bar{X}$ .

(\*)  $\Rightarrow Y, X_i - \bar{X}$  and  $\bar{X}, X_i - \bar{X}$  have the same joint distribution.

$\Rightarrow \bar{X}$  is indept of  $X_i - \bar{X} \quad i=1, \dots, n.$

$\Rightarrow \bar{X}$  is also indept of the sample variance.

$$S^2 \equiv \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(X_i - \bar{X})^2}{(n-1)}$$

Need distribution of  $S^2$ .

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

$\Downarrow$

$$\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} + \left( \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \right)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{X_i - \mu}{\sigma} \right)^2 \quad (*)$$

independent

sum of the squares  
of  $n$  indept standard  
normal RVs.  
 $\Rightarrow$  chi-squared!

moment gen fn  
 $(1-2t)^{-1/2}$

(Ex 6i, pg 368)

Recall: the moment gen fn

of the sum of indept RVs is  
the product of their individual moment gen fns.

$$(*) \Rightarrow E \left[ e^{t(n-1)S^2/\sigma^2} \right] (1-2t)^{-1/2} = (1-2t)^{-\frac{n}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow E \left[ e^{t(n-1)S^2/\sigma^2} \right] = (1-2t)^{-\frac{1}{2}(n-1)}$$

: moment gen fn  
of a chi-squared  
r.v. with  
 $n-1$  dof.

Recall: the moment gen fn

uniquely determines the distribution of the rv.

Prop  $X_1, \dots, X_n : i.i.d. \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$\Rightarrow$  Then the sample mean  $\bar{X}$  and the sample variance  $S^2$  are indept.

$$\bar{X} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$$

$\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} : \text{chi-squared with } n-1 \text{ dof.}$

General Def of Expectation (skip?)

There exist rvs that are neither discrete nor conti, and they too may possess E.

ex)  $X : \text{Bernoulli with parameter } p = \frac{1}{2}$

$Y : U[0, 1]$

$X, Y : \text{indept.}$

Define  $W = \begin{cases} X & \text{if } X=1 \\ Y & \text{if } X \neq 1. \end{cases}$

• The set of possible values  $[0, 1]$  is uncountable  $\Rightarrow W$  is NOT discrete.

•  $P\{W=1\} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow W$  is NOT conti.

How do we define E for an arbitrary rv?

Recall  $\int_a^b g(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n g(x_i) (x_i - x_{i-1})$  for any ftn  $g$ .

(taken over all  $a=x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n=b$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\max_{i=1, \dots, n} (x_i - x_{i-1}) \rightarrow 0$ )

Def For any distribution ftn  $F$ ,

the Stieltjes integral of the nonnegative ftn  $g$  over  $[a, b]$

$$\int_a^b g(x) dF(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n g(x_i) [F(x_i) - F(x_{i-1})]$$

( ... )

Def The Stieltjes integral over the whole line

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) dF(x) = \lim_{\substack{a \rightarrow -\infty \\ b \rightarrow +\infty}} \int_a^b g(x) dF(x).$$

Def If  $g$  is not a nonnegative fn,

$$g^+(x) = \begin{cases} g(x) & \text{if } g(x) \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } g(x) < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$g^-(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } g(x) \geq 0 \\ -g(x) & \text{if } g(x) < 0 \end{cases}$$

← both nonnegative.

$$g = g^+ - g^-$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) dF(x)}_{(*)} = \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g^+(x) dF(x)}_{\textcircled{1}} - \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g^-(x) dF(x)}_{\textcircled{2}}$$

We say that  $(*)$  exists as long as  $\textcircled{1}$  &  $\textcircled{2}$  are not both equal to  $+\infty$ .

Def If  $X$  is an arbitrary rv with cumulative distribution  $F$ ,

$$E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x dF(x).$$

→ this matches the previous def of  $E$  for conti/discrete rvs.

$$\rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \underbrace{[F(x_i) - F(x_{i-1})]}_{\text{prob that } X \text{ will be in } (x_{i-1}, x_i]}.$$

Rmk Stieltjes integrals are mainly of theoretical interest. → compact way of defining/dealing with  $E$ .