

Lecture (8)

- Examples on joint p.d.f.
- Joint c.d.f. with properties
- Marginal distributions with examples

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^y f(u, v) \, dv \, du \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^x \left[\int_{-\infty}^y f(u, v) \, dv \right] du
 \end{aligned}$$

If we take the derivative of $F(x, y)$ with respect to x first have:-

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial F(x, y)}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{-\infty}^x \left[\int_{-\infty}^y f(u, v) \, dv \right] du \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^y f(x, v) \, dv
 \end{aligned}$$

by the fundamental theorem of calculus.

Now, by taking the derivative with respect to the variable y , we get

$$\frac{\partial^2 F(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int_{-\infty}^y f(x, v) \, dv = f(x, y)$$

by the fundamental theorem of calculus.

Similar case holds for discrete r.v. (X, Y) . Let $f(x, y)$ be the joint prob. function of (X, Y) then assuming that $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_j, y_j), \dots$ are the possible values of (X, Y) . The c.d.f of (X, Y) $F(x, y)$ is given by

$$F(x, y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y), \quad (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{x_i \leq x \\ y_j \leq y}} P(X = x_i, Y = y_j)$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_i, y_i) &= F(x_i, y_i) - \lim_{0 < h \rightarrow 0^+} F(x_i + h, y_i) \\ &\quad - \lim_{0 < h \rightarrow 0^+} F(x_i, y_i + h) + \lim_{0 < h \rightarrow 0^+} F(x_i - h, y_i - h) \\ &= F(x_i, y_i) - F(x_i, y_i^+) - F(x_i^-, y_i) + F(x_i^-, y_i^-) \\ &\quad + F(x_i^-, y_i^-) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } (X, Y) \sim f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq x, y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find the following probabilities:-

$$P(X \leq \frac{1}{2}, Y \leq \frac{1}{2}), P(\frac{1}{4} < X < \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{8} < Y < \frac{1}{4})$$

and $P(X+Y < 1)$

Sol:-

$$P(X \leq \frac{1}{2}, Y \leq \frac{1}{2}) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} f(x, y) dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[\int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} dx \right] dy = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} [x]_0^{\frac{1}{2}} dy$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{2} dy = \frac{1}{2} y \Big|_0^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P(\frac{1}{4} < X < \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{8} < Y < \frac{1}{4}) = \int_{\frac{1}{8}}^{\frac{1}{4}} \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} dx dy$$

$$\int_{\frac{1}{8}}^{\frac{1}{4}} x \Big|_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}} dy = \int_{\frac{1}{8}}^{\frac{1}{4}} \frac{1}{4} dy = \frac{1}{4} y \Big|_{\frac{1}{8}}^{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1}{32}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X+Y \leq 1) &= P(X \leq 1-Y) = \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-y} dx dy \\
 &= \int_0^1 x \Big|_0^{1-y} dy = \int_0^1 (1-y) dy \\
 &= \left(y - \frac{y^2}{2} \right) \Big|_0^1 = 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Marginal distributions:-

The marginal distⁿ is the distribution of one r.v. out of the set of jointly distributed r.v's. If (X, Y) has a discrete distⁿ, then its distⁿ can be presented in either values and probabilities or in a tabular form. Now, if we have

$$(X, Y) = (X_1, Y_1), (X_2, Y_2), \dots, (X_j, Y_j), \dots$$

$P_{11} \quad P_{12} \quad \dots \quad P_{1j} \quad \dots$

where $P_{jk} = P(X = X_j, Y = Y_k) \geq 0$ and $\sum_{j,k} P_{jk} = 1$

then the marginal distⁿ of the discrete r.v. X is given by:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 X: & X_1 & X_2 & \dots & X_n & \dots \\
 P: & P_1 & P_2 & \dots & P_n & \dots
 \end{array}$$

$$\text{where } P_j = \sum_k P_{jk} = P_{j1} + P_{j2} + \dots + P_{jn} + \dots$$

$$\text{and } \sum_j P_j = 1$$

Similarly, the marginal distⁿ of the discrete r.v. Y is given by:

$$Y: y_1, y_2, \dots, y_k, \dots$$

$$P_{.1}, P_{.2}, \dots, P_{.k}, \dots$$

where

$$P_{.k} = \sum_j P_{jk} = P_{1k} + P_{2k} + \dots + P_{jk} + \dots$$

$$\text{and } \sum_k P_{.k} = 1$$

Example

The marginal distⁿ is given from the margins of the above table by:-

$X \backslash Y$	1	3	$f(x)$
1	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$
2	0	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
$f(y)$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	1

$$X: 1, 2$$

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}$$

and the marginal distⁿ of Y is

$$Y: 1, 3$$

$$f(y) = \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}$$

Ex:-

Let $(X, Y): (1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5)$

$$\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}$$

Then $X: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$

$$\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}$$

represents the marginal distⁿ of X .

Ex:-

Let $(X, Y): (0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (1, 2)$

$$f(x, y): \frac{1}{4} \quad \frac{1}{4} \quad \frac{1}{4} \quad \frac{1}{4}$$

Then the marginal distⁿ of X and of Y are given by:

$$X: \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 \\ f(x): & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \end{matrix} \quad \text{and} \quad Y: \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ f(y): & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{2}{4} \end{matrix}$$

If we let the continuous r.v. (X, Y) whose p.d.f $f(x, y)$ then

$$F(x, y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y) \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^y \int_{-\infty}^x f(u, v) du dv$$

Then the r.v. X has a c.d.f $F(x)$ which is given by:-

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq \infty)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^x f(u, y) du dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^x f(u, y) dy du$$

Then X has a p.d.f equals to:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} F(x) \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^x f(u, y) dy du \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy \end{aligned}$$

Similarly the marginal p.d.f of the r.v. Y given by :-

$$f(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx$$

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Also the marginal p.d.f of Y is

$$f(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx = \int_0^1 dx = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$