

# SOA and CAS: Exam P, Probability<sup>1</sup>

## Chapter 13 and 28: Joint Moments

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### Chapter 13 Joint Moments

### Chapter 28 Joint Moments for Continuous Random Variables

(1) *Two Cases: Discrete and Continue*

(1.a) *Discrete*

$$E[ g(X, Y) ] = \sum_x \sum_y g(x, y) * P(X = x, Y = y) \tag{1}$$

For example: give the “joint probability” as follows

Joint Probability	
$P(X = 1, Y = 1) = 0.4$	
$P(X = 2, Y = 1) = 0.2$	
$P(X = 3, Y = 1) = 0.1$	
$P(X = 1, Y = 2) = 0.2$	
$P(X = 2, Y = 2) = 0.1$	

Then, we have

Y	Probability
1	$P(Y = 1) = P(X = 1, Y = 1) + P(X = 2, Y = 1) + P(X = 3, Y = 1) = 0.4 + 0.2 + 0.1 = 0.7$
2	$P(Y = 2) = P(X = 1, Y = 2) + P(X = 2, Y = 2) = 0.2 + 0.1 = 0.3$

Thus,  $E(Y^2) = \underbrace{(Y = 1)^2}_{1^2} * P(Y = 1) + \underbrace{(Y = 2)^2}_{2^2} * P(Y = 2) = 1^2 * 0.7 + 2^2 * 0.3$

$E(Y) = \underbrace{(Y = 1)}_1 * P(Y = 1) + \underbrace{(Y = 2)}_2 * P(Y = 2) = 1 * 0.7 + 2 * 0.3$

$Var(Y) = E(Y^2) - [E(Y)]^2$

(1.b) *Continue*

$$E[ g(X, Y) ] = \int_{\text{over } y} [ \int_{\text{over } x} g(x, y) * f(x, y) dx ] dy \tag{2}$$

For Example (2.1): give  $f(x, y) = 1.2(x^2 + y)$  ( $0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1$ )

Question: What is  $E(X + Y)$  = ?

Solve: we know  $g(X, Y) = X + Y$  and  $E[ g(X, Y) ] = \int_{\text{over } y} [ \int_{\text{over } x} g(x, y) * f(x, y) dx ] dy$

Thus,  $E(X + Y) = \int_0^1 [ \int_0^1 \underbrace{(x + y)}_{g(x,y)} * \underbrace{1.2(x^2 + y)}_{f(x,y)} dx ] dy = 1.2$

full range    full range

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For Example (2.2): give  $f(x, y) = 2$  ( $0 \leq x \leq y \leq 1$ )

Question: What is  $E(XY^2) = ?$

Solve: we know that  $g(X, Y) = XY^2$  and  $E[g(X, Y)] = \int_{\text{over } y} \left[ \int_{\text{over } x} g(x, y) * f(x, y) dx \right] dy$

$$\text{Thus, } E(XY^2) = \underbrace{\int_0^1}_{\text{full range}} \left[ \underbrace{\int_0^y}_{\text{line parallel to } x} \underbrace{xy^2}_{g(x,y)} * \underbrace{2}_{f(x,y)} dx \right] dy$$

\*  $X$  range: draw a line parallel to x-axis

\*  $Y$  range: full range, because we have already considered all possible value of  $X$

For Example (2.3): give  $f(x, y) = 1$  ( $0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1$ )

Question: What is  $E(XY^2) = ?$

Solve: we know that  $f(x, y) = 1 \implies X$  and  $Y$  are independent

Thus,  $E(XY^2) = E(X) * E(Y^2)$

$$\text{where } E(X) = \underbrace{\int_0^1}_{\text{full range}} x * f_X(x) dx; \quad (X \text{ range: } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \text{ as given})$$

$$f_X(x) = \int_0^1 f(x, y) dy = \frac{1}{2} \quad (0 \leq x \leq 1) \quad (Y \text{ range: } 0 \leq y \leq 1 \text{ as given})$$

$$\text{where } E(Y^2) = \underbrace{\int_0^1}_{\text{full range}} y^2 * f_Y(y) dy; \quad (Y \text{ range: } 0 \leq y \leq 1 \text{ as given})$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_0^1 f(x, y) dx = \frac{1}{2} \quad (0 \leq y \leq 1) \quad (X \text{ range: } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \text{ as given})$$