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**Lecture – 55**  
**Correlation and Regression – I**

Hello friends welcome to my lecture on correlation and regression, this is my first lecture on correlation and regression. Very often our relationship is found to exist between 2 or more variables, for example blood pressure of a person and his age, rainfall and crop yield, conjunction of rood and weight gain.

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**Introduction**

Very often a relationship is found to exist between two (or more) variables. For example: blood pressure of a person, rainfall and crop yield, consumption of food and weight gain, height and weight, and the pressure of a given mass of gas depending on its temperature and volume. For practical applications, we are often interested in obtaining a linear relationship between the variables. Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  are two dependent random variables. We wish to approximate  $Y$  by a linear relationship of the form  $g(X) = a + bX$ , where the constants  $a$  and  $b$  are to be determined so that the error defined by

$$S = E(Y - g(X))^2 = E(Y - a - bX)^2 \quad (1)$$

is minimum. We may write (1) as

$$S = E(Y^2) + a^2 + b^2 E(X^2) - 2bE(XY) - 2aE(Y) + 2abE(X)$$

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Height and weight of a person, the pressure of a given mass of gas depending on it is temperature and volume. For practical applications we often are interested in obtaining a linear relationship between the variables. Suppose  $x$  and  $y$  are 2 dependent variables, we wish to approximate  $Y$  by a linear relationship of the form  $gX = a + bX$ , where the constants  $a$  and  $b$  are to be determined.

So that the error define by  $S = \text{expectation of } Y - gx \text{ whole square}$  which is  $= \text{expectation of } Y - a - bx \text{ whole square}$  is minimum, that is the error is minimum in the least square sense. So we may write this equation 1 as  $S = E Y \text{ square} + a \text{ square} + b \text{ square} * EX \text{ square} - 2bEXY - 2aEY + 2 abEX$ .

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A necessary condition for a and b to minimize S, is given by

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial a} = 0 \text{ and } \frac{\partial S}{\partial b} = 0$$

which are known as normal equations. Thus, the normal equations are

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial a} = 2a - 2E(Y) + 2bE(X) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial b} = 2bE(X^2) - 2E(XY) + 2aE(X) = 0$$

or

$$a + bE(X) = E(Y), \quad aE(X) + bE(X^2) = E(XY) \quad (2)$$

Now a necessary condition for a function of 2 variables say here they are a and b okay, you can see we want to minimize S, S is the function of 2 parameters a and b, so in order for S to be a minimum we must have the partial derivative of S with respect to a = 0 and partial derivative of S with respect to b = 0. These 2 equations are known as normal equations. Thus the normal equations are if you differentiate S with respect to a partially okay.

Then you get partial derivative of S with respect to a = 2a - 2EY + 2bEX okay. So we get partial derivative of S with respect to a, 2a - 2EY + 2bEX and we put it = 0. Similarly, when we differentiate S partially with respect to b we get 2bEX square - 2EXY + 2aEX okay. So we get 2bEX square - 2EXY + 2aEX = 0. Now this equation okay, this equation gives us a - bEX + bEX = 0.

Or I can say EY = this equation gives you EY = a + b times EX okay, and from this equation what we get, we get aEX + bEX square = EXY okay. So we have 2 equations, this one and this one okay, which are given by number 2 okay. So there are 2 equations, connecting the 2 unknown values a and b, they are linear equations in a and b, so we can solve them for the values of a and b and when we solve them we get b = EXY - EX \* EY upon EX square - EX whole square.

Now EXY - EX EY gives us the covariance of the random variables X and Y, so covariance of XY/EX square - EX whole square is variance of X. So b = covariance of XY/variance of X and when we put the value of b, in one of the 2 equations, say for example EY = a + bEX, we get the value of a okay.

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Solving the equations (2), we get

$$b = \frac{E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)}{E(X^2) - (E(X))^2} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)}$$

and

$$a = E(Y) - \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)} E(X)$$

Hence the best fitting linear curve in the least squares sense is obtained as

$$y = a + bx = E(Y) - \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)} E(X) + \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)} x$$

The value of a comes out to be  $EY - \text{covariance of } XY / \text{variance of } X * EX$  hence the best fitting linear curve in the least square sense is given by  $y = a + bx$  where a is  $EY - \text{covariance of } XY / \text{variance of } X * EX + b$ , b is covariance of  $XY / \text{variance of } X * X$ .

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or

$$y - E(Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)} (x - E(X)) \quad (3)$$

which is called the regression line of Y on X.

Similarly, the regression line of X on Y is obtained. It is given by

$$x - E(X) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(Y)} (y - E(Y)) \quad (4)$$

Since the point  $(E(X), E(Y))$  satisfies both the equations (3) and (4), it follows that the two regression lines intersect at the point  $(E(X), E(Y))$  or  $(\mu_X, \mu_Y)$ .

We can rewrite this equation as  $Y - EY = \text{covariance of } XY / \text{variance of } X * X - EX$  okay. So we have this equation,  $\text{variance of } Y - EY = \text{covariance } XY / \text{variance of } X * X - EX$ , this equation is known as the regression line of Y on X okay, for a given value of X you can get the approximate value of Y, using this equation, so it is called as the regression line of Y on X. Similarly, the regression line of X on Y.

If you are given the value of Y and you want to get an estimate of the value of X, then we need the regression line of X on Y. So in a similar manner we can find the regression line of X on Y, it is given by  $X - E(X) = \text{covariance of } XY / \text{variance of } Y * Y - E(Y)$ . Now since the point  $E(X), E(Y)$  okay satisfies both the equation 3 and 4 okay. Now you can see if you put here, the point  $E(X), E(Y)$  in this equation then you see  $E(Y) - E(Y) = 0, E(X) - E(X) = 0$ , so  $0 = 0$ .

So  $E(X), E(Y)$  satisfies this equation, similarly here  $E(X), E(Y)$  satisfies this equation and therefore it follows that the 2 regression lines intersect at the point  $E(X), E(Y)$ ,  $E(X), E(Y)$  be also denoted by  $\mu_x, \mu_y$ . So they meet at the point  $\mu_x, \mu_y$ .

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**Regression coefficient**

If  $E(X^2)$  and  $E(Y^2)$  exist then the regression coefficients of Y on X is denoted by  $\beta_{YX}$  and is defined as

$$\beta_{YX} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)}$$

and the regression coefficient of X on Y is denoted by  $\beta_{XY}$  and is defined as

$$\beta_{XY} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(Y)}.$$

Thus the regression lines of Y on X and X on Y are given by

$$y - \mu_y = \beta_{YX}(x - \mu_x)$$

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Okay now if  $E(X^2)$  and  $E(Y^2)$  exist okay, then the regression coefficient of Y on X is denoted by  $\beta_{YX}$  and is defined as  $\beta_{YX} = \text{covariance of } XY / \text{variance of } X$  and the regression coefficient of X on Y is defined as  $\beta_{XY}$ , denoted by  $\beta_{XY}$  and is defined as  $\beta_{XY} = \text{covariance of } XY / \text{variance of } Y$ . Now using these regression coefficient, the regression line of Y on X okay.

The regression line of Y on X which is  $Y - \mu_y = \text{covariance of } xy / \text{variance of } X * X - E(X)$ , I can write it as  $Y - \mu_y = \text{covariance of } xy / \text{variance of } x * x - \mu_x$ . I can write it as  $\beta_{YX} \text{ covariance of } X / \text{covariance of } X$  is the regression coefficient of Y on X. So  $\beta_{YX} x - \mu_x$  and this equation which is the regression line of X on Y can be written as  $X - \mu_x = \beta_{XY} * y - \mu_y$  okay.

So using the notations for regression coefficient of Y on X and X on Y we can write the regression lines of Y on X and X on Y in this manner okay. So this is your regression line of Y on X okay and the other one is the regression line of X on Y this one.

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Regression coefficient cont...

and

$$x - \mu_X = \beta_{XY}(y - \mu_Y)$$

respectively.

Correlation coefficient

The Pearson correlation coefficient is a measure of the linear correlation between the two variables X and Y. It was developed by Karl Pearson. If  $E(X^2)$  and  $E(Y^2)$  exist, then the correlation coefficient between X and Y is denoted as

$$\rho = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = \frac{E(XY) - \mu_X \mu_Y}{\sqrt{E(X^2) - \mu_X^2} \sqrt{E(Y^2) - \mu_Y^2}}$$

The regression line of X on Y, now correlation coefficient, the Pearson correlation coefficient is a measure of the linear correlation between the 2 variables X and Y. It was developed by Karl Pearson. If  $E(X^2)$  and  $E(Y^2)$  exist then the correlation coefficient between X and Y is denoted as rho or we also write it as rho XY and it is = covariance of XY/sigma x, sigma y.

Now covariance of XY by definition is  $E(XY) - \mu_X \mu_Y$  and sigma X square root variance of X that is  $E(X^2) - \mu_X^2$  and sigma/square root of variance of Y which is square root of  $E(Y^2) - \mu_Y^2$ .

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### Correlation coefficient cont...

Hence, the regression line of Y on X can be expressed as

$$y - \mu_Y = \frac{\rho \sigma_Y}{\sigma_X} (x - \mu_X) \quad \checkmark$$

$$y - \mu_Y = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)} (x - \mu_X)$$

$$= \frac{\rho \sigma_X \sigma_Y}{\sigma_X^2} (x - \mu_X)$$

and the regression line of X on Y can be expressed as

$$x - \mu_X = \frac{\rho \sigma_X}{\sigma_Y} (y - \mu_Y) \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{\rho \sigma_Y}{\sigma_X} (x - \mu_X)$$

$$x - \mu_X = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(Y)} (y - \mu_Y)$$

Thus we note that

$$\beta_{YX} \beta_{XY} = \frac{\rho \sigma_Y}{\sigma_X} \frac{\rho \sigma_X}{\sigma_Y} = \rho^2 \quad \checkmark$$

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

Two random variables X and Y are said to be uncorrelated if  $\rho = 0$ .

Now the regression line of Y on X okay, using the definition of rho, we can write the regression line of Y on X in this form, you see we had  $y - \mu_Y = \text{covariance of } xy / \text{variance of } x * x - \mu_X$  okay and  $\rho = \text{rho is covariance of } xy / \sigma_X \sigma_Y$ . So covariance of xy is rho times sigma x sigma y. So I can write it as rho times sigma x, sigma y / variance of x is sigma x square.

So we have sigma x square and then  $x - \mu_X$  okay, this cancels with this and we get rho times sigma y / sigma x,  $x - \mu_X$ . So  $y - \mu_Y = \rho \sigma_Y / \sigma_X * x - \mu_X$ . In a similar manner we can express the regression line of X on Y in terms of rho okay. We have  $x - \mu_X = \text{covariance of } xy / \text{variance of } y * y - \mu_Y$  okay. So when you put for covariance of xy you put rho times sigma x sigma y and then divide by rho y square what you get is rho \* sigma x / sigma y.

So we get  $x - \mu_X = \rho * \sigma_X / \sigma_Y * y - \mu_Y$  okay. Thus we note that this is beta/x okay. This is beta/x and by our definition, this is beta xy. So when you multiply beta yx and beta xy what we get rho sigma y / sigma x okay \* rho sigma x / sigma y and this is = this cancels with this, this cancels with this, you get rho square. So beta/x \* beta xy = rho square. the 2 random variables are x and y are called uncorrelated if the coefficient of correlation coefficient rho = 0.

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### Correlation coefficient cont...

If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent variables then

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

hence,  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0 \Rightarrow \rho = 0$

so that  $X$  and  $Y$  are uncorrelated. However, the converse need not be true.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(X, Y) &= E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) \\ &= E(X)E(Y) - E(X)E(Y) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\rho = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = 0$   
If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent then they are uncorrelated.

If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent variables okay, if  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent variables then we know that expected value of  $X * Y$  is = expected value of  $X * \text{expected value of } Y$  okay, hence covariance of  $X Y$ , covariance of  $X Y$  is expected value of  $XY$  – expected value of  $X * \text{expected value of } Y$  okay. This we know, so when  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent random variables then  $E(XY) = E(X) * E(Y)$  gives us  $E(X) * E(Y) - E(X) * E(Y)$  gives us covariance of  $xy = 0$ .

That is now covariance of  $xy = 0$  means  $\rho$ ,  $\rho$  is given by covariance of  $xy / \sigma_X \sigma_Y$ ,  $\sigma_X \sigma_Y$  okay. So when covariance of  $xy$  is 0,  $\rho = 0$ , so if  $x$  and  $y$  are 2 independent random variables then  $x$  and  $y$  are uncorrelated okay, so  $x$  and  $y$ , if  $x$  and  $y$  are independent then they are uncorrelated, but we shall see that the converse is not true okay. The converse is not true okay. So let us show it by means of an example.

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### Example 1

Let the random variable  $X$  be uniformly distributed over  $(-1, 1)$  and  $Y = X^2$ . Then  $X$  and  $Y$  are uncorrelated.

The density function of  $X$  is given by

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}, & -1 < x < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 x \cdot \frac{1}{2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x dx = 0$$

$$E(Y) = E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f_X(x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x^2 dx = \left( \frac{x^3}{3} \right)_{-1}^1 = \frac{1}{3}$$

Let us show that  $\rho = 0$  okay but  $x$  and  $y$  are dependent random variables okay. So let us take this example, let us say the random variable  $x$  is uniformly distributed over the interval  $-1$  to  $1$  okay and  $Y = X^2$ , then  $X$  and  $Y$  are uncorrelated. Now we know that if  $X$  is uniformly distributed over  $-1$  to  $1$  then the density function of  $X$  is given by the density function of  $f_{xx} = 1/b-a$  okay.

If it is uniformly distributed over the interval  $ab$  then  $f_{xx}$  is  $1/b-a$ , so this is  $1 + 1$ , that is  $1/2$  when  $x$  lies in the interval  $-1$  to  $1$  and  $0$  otherwise. Okay, now we need to find the value of  $\rho$  and show that  $\rho = 0$  okay. So we have found  $f_{xx}$ , now we need to find expected value of  $x$ . So expected value of  $x$  is integral over  $x \cdot$  expected value of  $x$  is integral over  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$   $x \cdot f_{xx} dx$ . Now it is half over the interval  $-1$  to  $1$ .

So this is integral over  $-1$  to  $1$   $x \cdot 1/2 dx$  okay. So this is  $1/2 \cdot x$  is in odd function of  $x$ . So integral over  $-1$  to  $1$   $x dx$  will be  $= 0$  is expected value of  $x = 0$ . Now expected value of  $y =$  expected value of  $x^2$  okay. So expected value of  $x^2$  means integral over  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$   $x^2 f_{xx} dx$ , which will be  $=$  integral over  $-1$  to  $1$   $x^2 \cdot 1/2 dx$  which is  $= 1/2 \cdot x^3$  is an even function of  $x$ .

So  $2$  times  $0$  to  $1$   $x^2 dx$ , so what we get is  $x^3/3$ , integral of  $x^2$  is  $x^3/3$  over the interval  $0$  to  $1$  and this gives me value  $1/3$ . So we have got the value expectation of  $x$ , expectation of  $y$ . Now let us find the value of  $\rho$ , because we want the value of  $\rho$ . So we need to find expected value of  $xy$ .

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$$E(xy) = E(x^3) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^3 f_{xx}(x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 x^3 \cdot \frac{1}{2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \times 0 = 0$$

Thus,

$$\text{Cov}(x, y) = E(xy) - E(x)E(y) = 0 - 0 = 0$$

Hence  $\rho = \frac{\text{Cov}(x, y)}{\sigma_x \sigma_y} = 0$



So let me find expected value of  $xy$ , this is expected value of  $xy$  is  $y = x$  square. So we get expected value of  $x$  cube. So integral over  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$   $x$  cube  $f(x) dx$ . This is = integral over  $-1$  to  $1$   $x$  cube  $\cdot \frac{1}{2} dx$  and we get  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $x$  cube is an odd function of  $x$  so the value of the integral is  $0$  and we get  $E(xy) = 0$ , thus covariance of  $xy = E(xy) - E(x) \cdot E(y) = E(xy)$  is  $0$ , okay, we have found  $E(x) = 0$  okay.

So this is  $0 - 0$  okay, so  $0$  and hence  $\rho = \text{covariance of } x, y / \sigma_x \sigma_y = 0$ . So coefficient of correlation is  $= 0$  but we are given that  $y = x$  square. So coefficient of correlation is  $0$  but the random variables  $x$  and  $y$  are dependent, so this is a problem which shows that the converse is not true.

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**Cauchy-Schwarz inequality**

**Theorem 1.** If  $X$  and  $Y$  are random variables of the same type, then

$$\{E(XY)\}^2 \leq E(X^2)E(Y^2).$$

**Proof:** Let  $\psi$  be real valued function of  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$\psi(t) = E[(X + tY)^2], \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Since  $(X + tY)^2 \geq 0, \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ , it follows that

$$\psi(t) = E[(X + tY)^2] \geq 0, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Now let us prove the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we shall need this Cauchy-Schwarz inequality to show that the value of the coefficient of correlation that is  $\rho$  lies between  $-1$  and  $+1$ . So if  $x$  and  $y$  are random variables of the same type that means either both of them are discrete random variables or they are both continuous random variables. So then expected value of  $x^2$  is  $\leq$  expected value of  $x$  square  $\cdot$  expected value of  $y$  square.

Let us take  $\psi$  to be a real valued function okay, of the real number  $t$  okay, so let  $\psi$  be a real valued function of a real variable  $t$  defined by  $\psi(t) = \text{expectation of } (x + ty)^2$ , where  $t$  belongs to  $\mathbb{R}$ . Now  $(x + ty)^2 \geq 0$  for every value of  $t$  belonging to  $\mathbb{R}$ , therefore it follows that  $\psi(t)$  is also a nonnegative function of  $t$  okay,  $\psi(t) = \text{expectation of } (x + ty)^2$  is also  $\geq 0$  for every value of  $t$  belonging to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

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### Cauchy-Schwarz inequality cont...

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\psi(t) &= E(X^2 + 2tXY + t^2Y^2) \\ &= E(X^2) + 2tE(XY) + t^2E(Y^2) \geq 0.\end{aligned}$$

Let us define

$$A = E(Y^2), B = 2E(XY) \text{ and } C = E(X^2)$$

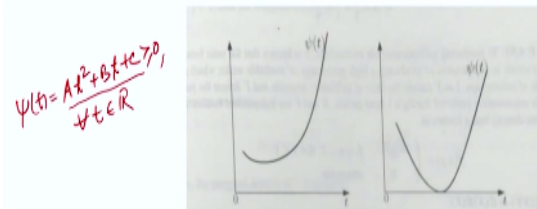
then we have

$$\psi(t) = At^2 + Bt + C \geq 0, \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

And therefore we can write  $\psi(t)$  as, we can write  $\psi(t) = \text{expectation of } x^2 + 2tXY + t^2 \text{ square } Y^2$ , okay and this is  $= \text{expectation of } X^2 + 2t \text{ times expectation of } XY + t^2 \text{ times expectation of } Y^2$  which is  $\geq 0$ . Now let us denote expectation of  $Y^2$  as  $A$ , expectation of  $XY$  as  $B/2$  and expectation of  $X^2$  as  $C$ . Then  $\psi(t) = At^2 + Bt + C$  which is  $\geq 0$  for every value of  $t$  belonging to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

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### Cauchy-Schwarz inequality cont...



From the graph of  $\psi(t)$  it follows that either  $\psi$  has no real root (in which case  $B^2 - 4AC < 0$ ) or  $\psi$  has a unique real root (in which case  $B^2 - 4AC = 0$ ), thus combining the two cases, we have

$$B^2 - 4AC \leq 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\{E(XY)\}^2 \leq 4E(Y^2)E(X^2)$$

Okay so  $\psi(t) = At^2 + Bt + C$  which is  $\geq 0$  for every value of  $t$  belonging to  $\mathbb{R}$ . Now we have to see 2 graphs okay. This graph and this graph, they are both see  $At^2 + Bt + C$  okay is a parabola okay it is a parabola, so this is parabolic curve okay and from the graph of  $\psi(t)$  it follows that either, now since the  $\psi(t)$  is always  $\geq 0$  either it has no real root okay in which case  $B^2 - 4AC$  will be  $< 0$  because it is quadratic equation in  $t$ .

Or psi has a unique real root, in which case  $B^2 - 4AC = 0$  in this graph, you can see it has a unique real root. So in that case  $B^2 - 4AC$  will be  $= 0$  and therefore combining this case and this case okay, we have  $B^2 - 4AC \leq 0$  okay. So  $B = 2 \text{ times } E(XY)$ , so  $B^2$  is 4 times  $E(XY)^2$  and  $\leq 4 \text{ times } A$  that is  $E(Y^2) \cdot C$  which is  $E(X^2) \cdot E(Y^2)$ .

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Cauchy-Schwarz inequality cont...

or

$$\{E(XY)\}^2 \leq E(Y^2)E(X^2)$$

Theorem 2

The correlation coefficient  $\rho$  is bounded by 1, i.e.  $|\rho| \leq 1$ .

**Proof:** By Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

$$\{E(UV)\}^2 \leq E(U^2)E(V^2)$$

for any two random variables  $U$  and  $V$  of the same type.  
Taking  $U = X - \mu_X$  and  $V = Y - \mu_Y$ , we have

$$\{E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)]\}^2 \leq E[(X - \mu_X)^2]E[(Y - \mu_Y)^2]$$

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So we get  $E(XY)^2 \leq E(Y^2) \cdot E(X^2)$  which proves the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality for the random variables  $X$  and  $Y$ . Now let us show that the correlation coefficient  $\rho$  is bounded by 1, that is  $|\rho| \leq 1$ . So by Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, if you take any 2 random variables  $U$  and  $V$ , then expectation of  $UV$  whole square is  $\leq$  expectation of  $U$  square  $\cdot$  expectation of  $V$  square.

Now let us define  $U$  to be  $X - \mu_X$  and  $V = Y - \mu_Y$ . Then from this equation okay, we have expectation of  $(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)$  whole square  $\leq$  expectation of  $(X - \mu_X)^2$  whole square  $\cdot$  expectation of  $(Y - \mu_Y)^2$  whole square. Now this is what you can see. This is nothing but covariance of  $XY$  okay. So covariance of  $XY$  whole square, this is  $\sigma_X^2 \cdot \sigma_Y^2$ , that is their variances of  $X$  and  $Y$ .

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Proof cont...

i.e.

$$[\text{Cov}(X, Y)]^2 \leq \sigma_X^2 \sigma_Y^2$$

or

$$\rho^2 \leq 1$$

i.e.

$$|\rho| \leq 1$$

So we get covariance of X Y whole square  $\leq$  sigma x square \* sigma y square dividing by sigma x square, sigma y square we get covariance of xy whole square/sigma x square, sigma y square  $\leq$  1 or rho square is  $\leq$  1, which implies that mod of rho is  $\leq$  1. So this proves the result that the coefficient of correlation is bounded by 1. Now let us take an example.

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$\sigma_X = \sqrt{E(X^2) - (E(X))^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{2}$

$\rho = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = \frac{E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = \frac{0 - \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{\sqrt{15}}{4}} = \frac{-\frac{1}{8}}{\frac{\sqrt{15}}{8}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{15}}$

**Example 2**

The joint probability mass function of X and Y is given below:

$E(XY) = 0 \times 1 \times \frac{1}{8} + 0 \times 1 \times \frac{3}{8} + 1 \times (-1) \times \frac{2}{8} + 1 \times 1 \times \frac{2}{8} = 0$

X/Y	-1	1	$f_X(x)$
0	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
1	$\frac{2}{8}$	$\frac{2}{8}$	$\frac{1}{2}$

$f_X(x) = P(X=x)$   
 $= P(X=0) = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $= P(X=1) = \frac{2}{8} + \frac{2}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$

$f_Y(y) = P(Y=y)$   
 $= P(Y=-1) = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{2}{8} = \frac{3}{8}$   
 $= P(Y=1) = \frac{3}{8} + \frac{2}{8} = \frac{5}{8}$

Find the correlation coefficient.

**Ans:**  $\rho = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{15}} = -0.2582$

Marginal density function of  $Y = f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{8}, & y = -1 \\ \frac{5}{8}, & y = 1 \end{cases}$

$E(X) = 0 \times \frac{1}{2} + 1 \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $E(Y) = -1 \times \frac{3}{8} + 1 \times \frac{5}{8} = \frac{2}{8} = \frac{1}{4}$

$E(X^2) = 0 \times \frac{1}{2} + 1 \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $E(Y^2) = (-1)^2 \times \frac{3}{8} + (1)^2 \times \frac{5}{8} = 1$

The joint probability mass function of x and y is given in this table okay, these are the values of x and these are the values of y okay. So when x takes the value 0, y takes the value -1 okay, fxy the joint probability mass function of x and y that is fxy, this is the joint probability mass function. I am denoting the joint probability mass function of x and y by fxy, this is joint probability mass function of x and y.

Okay so this is the probability that  $x$  takes the value 0,  $y$  takes the value -1, this is the probability that  $x$  takes the value 0,  $y$  takes the value 1 and this is the probability that  $x$  takes the value 1,  $y$  takes the value -1, this is the probability that  $x$  takes the value 1,  $y$  takes the value 1. So if the marginal density function okay,  $f_{xx}$ , this is marginal density function of  $x$ . So  $f_{xx}$  = probability that  $x$  takes the value  $x$ .

So  $x$  takes the value 0 okay, probability that  $x$  takes the value 0 will be  $= 1/8 + 3/8$  okay, which is  $= 1/2$  and then the probability that  $x$  takes the value 1, okay  $= 2/8 + 2/8$  which is  $= 1/2$ . So  $f_{xx}$  for  $x = 0$  okay, this is the case when  $x = 0$ , this is the case when  $x = 1$ , so  $f_{xx} = 1/2$  when  $x$  takes the value 0 and  $1/2$  again when  $x = 1$ . Now let us find  $f_{yy}$  okay,  $f_{yy}$  is probability that  $y$  takes the value  $y$  okay.

So let us first find the probability that  $y$  takes the value -1, so  $y$  takes the value -1. So this will be  $= 1/8 + 2/8$  which is  $= 3/8$  and probability that  $y$  takes the value 1, which is  $= 3/8 + 2/8$  this is  $= 5/8$  okay. So the marginal density function of  $y = f_{yy} = 3/8$  for  $y = -1$  and  $5/8$ ,  $3/8$  for  $y = -1$  and for  $y = 1$  it is  $5/8$ , we have to find the correlation coefficient. So we need to find the expected value of  $x$  and expectation value of  $y$  okay. So expectation of  $x$ .

So let us first find the expectation of  $x$ , it is the values of  $x$  multiplied by the corresponding probabilities okay. So  $x$  takes the 2 values, okay,  $x$  takes the value 0, 0 multiplied by the probability  $f_x$  okay. So  $x = 0$  multiplied by  $1/2$  okay  $+ 1$  multiplied by  $1/2$ . So we get expectation of  $x = 1/2$ . Expectation of  $y$  we can get similarly okay values of  $y$  multiplied by their corresponding probabilities.

So value of  $y$  is -1, okay multiplied by  $3/8$  and then value of  $y$  is 1 multiplied by  $5/8$ . So  $5/8 - 3/8$  is  $2/8$  which is  $= 1/4$ . So expectation of  $x$  is  $1/2$ , expectation of  $y$  is  $1/4$ . Now let us find expectation of  $x$  square. So expectation of  $x$  square,  $x$  is taking value 0 and 1 okay. So 0 square means 0 multiplied by  $1/2$  + expected value of, sorry 1 we are getting values of  $x$  as 0 and 1.

So 1 square that is 1 multiplied by the corresponding probability that is  $1/2$  okay. So expected value of  $x$  square is  $1/2$ , expected value of  $y$  square we can find, now  $y$  is taking value -1 and  $+ 1$ , so -1 square is 1,  $1 * \text{the probability is } 3/8 + 1 \text{ square means } 1 \text{ multiplied by } 5/8$ . So we

get it as  $8/8$  that is  $= 1$  okay. So we have got the values of expectation of  $x$  square, expectation of  $y$  square.

Now let us find the expectation of  $xy$ , so expectation of  $xy$  okay. So values of  $x$  are,  $x$  and  $y$  take values,  $x = 0, y = -1$ , so  $0 - 1$  okay, then  $0$  and  $1$  then  $x = 1, y = -1$  so  $1 - 1$ ,  $x = 1, y = 1$  so  $1 1$  okay. So expected value of  $xy$  is multiply the values of  $x$  and  $y$  with the joint probability that is joint probability mass function of  $xy$ . So  $x$  is  $0$ , so  $0 * -1$  okay,  $x * y$  multiplied by  $1/8$  okay. Then  $0 * 1$  multiplied by the joint probability  $3/8$  then  $1 * -1$  multiplied by  $2/8$  and then  $1 * 1$  multiplied by  $2/8$  okay.

So how much is this, this is  $0$ , this is  $0$  and here what we get  $-2/8$ , here we get  $2/8$  okay. So expectation of  $xy = 0$  okay and thus what we get, thus we have  $\rho = \text{covariance of } xy / \sigma_x \sigma_y$ . Covariance of  $xy$  is expected value of  $xy - E_x E_y / \sigma_x \sigma_y$ . Now this is expected value of  $xy = 0$ . So  $0 - \text{expectation of } x, \text{ expectation of } x \text{ is } 1/2, \text{ expectation of } y \text{ is } 1/4$  okay divided by  $\sigma_x$ .

$\sigma_x = \text{square root } E_x \text{ square} - E_x \text{ whole square}$  okay.  $E_x$  of  $x$  square we found  $= 1/2 - \text{expectation of } x = 1/2$ . So  $1/2$  square means  $1/4$ , so this is  $1/4$ , square root of  $1/4$  is  $1/2$ . So we get  $1/2$  here okay. Now let us find  $\sigma_y$  okay. So  $\sigma_y = \text{square root expectation of } y \text{ square}$  it is  $= 1, \text{ expectation of } y = 1/4$ , so  $1/4$  whole square. So this is  $= \text{square } 15/4$  okay. So we get here square  $15/4$  okay.

This cancels with this, this cancels with this and we get it as  $-1/\text{root } 15$  okay. So  $\rho = -1/\text{root } 15$  which is  $= -0.2582$ .

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### Example 3

Let  $(X, Y)$  be a two dimensional random variable uniformly distributed over the region  $R$  bounded by  $y = 0, x = 3$  and  $y = \frac{4}{3}x$ . Find the correlation coefficient  $\rho(X, Y)$ .

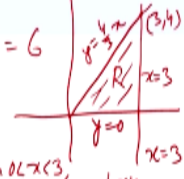
Area of the region  $R = \frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times 4 = 6$

$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6}, & (x, y) \in R \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

The marginal density function of  $X$ : we have

$f_X(x) = \int_{y=0}^{y=\frac{4x}{3}} f(x, y) dy = \int_0^{\frac{4x}{3}} \frac{1}{6} dy = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{4x}{3} = \frac{2x}{9}$

When  $0 < x < 3$ , we have



Now let us consider another problem, let  $xy$  be a 2 dimensional random variable uniformly distributed over the region  $R$  bounded by  $y = 0, x = 3, y = 4/3x$  okay. So this point of intersection is 3, 4. Okay now this is the region  $R$  okay, region  $R$  is bounded by  $y = 0, x = 3$  and  $y = 4/3 * x$ . Now area of the region  $R = 1/2 * \text{base}$  because it is a triangle. So base = 3 \* height.

Height is 4, so we get 6 okay. Now since the random variable is, since  $xy$  is 2 dimensional random variable which is uniformly distributed over the region  $R$  okay. So we have  $f_{xy} = 1/R$  means  $1/6$ , when  $xy$  belong to  $R$ , okay and 0 otherwise okay. We need to first find the marginal density functions okay. The marginal density function of  $x$  let us find first okay. So we have  $f_{xx} = y$  varies from 0 to  $4x/3$   $f_{xy} * dy$  okay.

This is the probability that  $x$  takes the value  $x$ . So this is  $y$  varies from 0 to  $4x/3, 1/6 dy$ . So this is = and here when  $0 < x, < 3$  okay. We have  $f_{xx} = \text{this}$ , so this is  $= 1/6 * 4x/3$ , and this is  $= 2x/9$ . So  $f_{xx} = 2x/9$  when  $0 < x, < 3$  and otherwise it is 0. So we write it like this.

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$$f_x(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2x}{9}, & 0 < x < 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Marginal density function of y:
 
$$f_y(y) = \int_{x=\frac{3y}{4}}^3 f(x,y) dx = \int_{\frac{3y}{4}}^3 \frac{1}{6} dx = \frac{1}{6} \left( 3 - \frac{3y}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{8}y$$

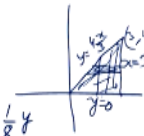
$$f_y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{8}y, & 0 < y < 4 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$E(x) = \int_0^3 x f_x(x) dx = \int_0^3 x \left( \frac{2x}{9} \right) dx = \frac{2}{9} \left( \frac{x^3}{3} \right)_0^3 = \frac{2}{9} \times \frac{27}{3} = 2$$

$$E(y) = \int_0^4 y f_y(y) dy = \int_0^4 y \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{8}y \right) dy = \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{y^2}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{y^3}{3} \right) \right]_0^4 = 4 - \frac{1}{8} \times \frac{64}{3} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$E(xy) = \int_{x=0}^3 \int_{y=0}^{4x/3} xy f(x,y) dy dx = \frac{1}{6} \int_0^3 \int_0^{4x/3} xy dy dx = \frac{1}{6} \int_0^3 x \left( \frac{y^2}{2} \right)_0^{4x/3} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \int_0^3 x \frac{16x^2}{9} dx = \frac{8}{6 \times 9} \left( \frac{x^4}{4} \right)_0^3 = \frac{8}{6 \times 9} \times \frac{81}{4} = 3$$



$f_{xx} = 2x/9$  when  $0 < x < 3$  and 0 otherwise. Let us now find the marginal density function of y,  $f_{yy}$ . So  $f_{yy}$  = now this is the probability that y takes the value y. So x varies, we have this region, okay, this is  $y = 4x/3$ , this is  $x = 3$  and this is  $y = 0$ . So x varies from  $3y/4$  to 3, so  $3y/4$  to 3 okay, and  $f_{xy} dx$ . So this is  $3y/4$  to 3  $1/6 dx$  okay. So  $1/6$  times  $3 - 3y/4$  okay, so this is  $1/2 - 1/8y$ . Okay so  $f_{yy}$  is given by  $1/2 - 1/8y$  when  $0 < y < 4$  okay y lies between 0 and 4, this is 3, 4 point and 0 otherwise.

Okay now let us find expected value of x, so expected value of x is x multiplied by it is probability density function and x varies from 0 to 3 okay, x varies from 0 to 3, so 0 to 3 x times  $f_{xx}$ ,  $f_{xx}$  is  $2x/9 dx$ . So this is  $2x^2/9$  okay, so  $2/9$  integral of  $x^2$  is  $x^3/3$ , so we put the limits and we get  $2/9 \times 3^3$ ,  $3^3$  means  $27/3$ . So we cancel this and get expected value of  $xx^2$ .

Now expected value of y, so integral over y  $f_{yy} dy$  y varies from 0 to 4 and what we get is integral over 0 to 4 y times  $f_{yy}$  is  $1/2 - 1/8y dy$ . So this is  $= 1/2 y^2/2 - 1/8 y^3/3$ . Let us put the limit and we get this is 4,  $4^2/4$ . So we get 1/so we get 4 okay,  $-1/8$ , y cube is  $4^3$ , so  $4 \times 4 \times 4/3$  okay. So this will be  $4 - 8/3$ . So this is  $3$  4s are 12,  $12 - 8$  so  $4/3$ . So this is expected value of y.

Now expected value of xy, okay, so we take the joint probability mass function here. So for now let us see, we have to integrate over this area okay for the joint probability mass function, so y varies from 0 to  $4x/3$  x varies from 0 to 3 and we have  $x \times y$ ,  $f_{xy} dx dy$ ,  $dy dx$ .



$f_{xy} =$  we are given  $f_{xy} = 1/6$ . So this is  $1/6$  times integral over 0 to 3, integral over 0 to  $4x/3$  and we have  $x * y$ ,  $dy dx$ .

This  $f_{xy} = 1/6$  okay over region R. So we have  $1/6$  integral over 0 to 3  $x$  and then we get  $y$  square/2 and we have the limits 0,  $4x/3$   $dx$ . So what we get is  $1/6$  0 to 3,  $x$  times  $y$  square means  $16, x$  square/9. So  $16, x$  square/9 \* 2 that is 18 okay.  $y$  square/2 means  $16, x$  square/9 \* 2 that is  $x^2/18$  so we get here 2 8s are 16 and here we get 9 okay. This is  $dx$  okay. So we have  $8/6 * 9 x$  cube, integral of  $x$  cube is  $x^4/4$  0 to 3.

So we get  $8/6 * 9$  and then we have here 3 to the power 4 that is  $81/4$  okay. So 4 2s are 8 okay and 2 3s are 6 and then we can cancel 3 9s are 27, 27 will cancel okay. 3 27 here and 9 cancels 27/3 so we get expected value of  $xy$  as 3 okay. Now we need to find the expected value of  $x$  square, expected value of  $y$  square okay.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 E(X^2) &= \int_0^3 x^2 f_X(x) dx = \int_0^3 x^2 \left( \frac{2x}{9} \right) dx = \frac{2}{9} \left( \frac{x^4}{4} \right)_0^3 = \frac{2}{9} \times \frac{81}{4} = \frac{9}{2} \\
 E(Y^2) &= \int_0^4 y^2 f_Y(y) dy = \int_0^4 y^2 \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{8} y \right) dy = \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{y^3}{3} \right) - \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{y^4}{4} \right) \right]_0^4 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{64}{3} \right) - \frac{1}{8} \times \frac{256}{4} \\
 &= \frac{32}{3} - 8 = \frac{8}{3} \\
 \therefore \rho(X, Y) &= \frac{E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} \\
 &= \frac{3 - 2 \times \frac{4}{3}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{2}{3}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \\
 \sigma_X &= \sqrt{E(X^2) - (E(X))^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{9}{2} - 4} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 \sigma_Y &= \sqrt{E(Y^2) - (E(Y))^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{8}{3} - \left( \frac{4}{3} \right)^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{8}{3} - \frac{16}{9}} = \sqrt{\frac{24-16}{9}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

So expected value of  $x$  square is integral 0 to 3  $x$  square \*  $f_{xx}$   $dx$  okay and  $f_{xx}$  we have found to be  $= 2x/9$  over the integral 0 to 3. So this is 0 to 3,  $x$  square \*  $2x/9$   $dx$ . It comes out to be  $2/9$  integral of  $x$  cube is  $x^4/4$  0 to 3, we get  $2/9 * 81/4$  okay. So 9 9s are 81 and we get it  $9/2$ . Similarly, we can find expected value of  $y$  square integral 0 to 4  $y$  square  $f_{yy}$   $dy$  and it comes out to be integral 0 to 4,  $f_{yy}$  is  $1/2 - 1/8 y$ .

So  $1/2 - 1/8 y$   $dy$  and this is  $1/2 y$  cube/3  $- 1/8 y^4/4$  and we get the value as  $1/2, 4$  to the power 3, so  $64/3 - 1/8, 4$  to the power 4, so  $4 * 4 * 4 * 4/4$  okay, so this cancels and we get this cancels with this we get 2 this cancels with this we get 2 okay. So this is 8 and here we get

32. So  $32/3 - 8$  okay. So we get  $8/3$  okay and so  $\rho_{xy} = E_{xy}$  which is  $E_{xy} - E_x * E_y$ , this is covariance of  $xy$  okay.

$\sigma_x \sigma_y$  okay, so we found  $E_{xy} = 3$  okay and  $E_x = 2$ ,  $E_y = 4/3$  okay, so  $3/2 * 4/3 / \sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_x = \sqrt{E_x^2 - E_x^2}$ .  $E_x^2$  we found is  $9/2$  and  $E_x$  we found to be  $2$ , so  $2^2$  is  $4$ , so we get, this is  $1/2$ , so  $1/2$  square root and  $\sigma_y = \sqrt{E_y^2 - E_y^2}$ ,  $E_y^2$  we found to be  $8/3$ , so  $8/3 - E_y$ ,  $E_y$  we found to be  $4/3$ .

So  $4/3$  whole square. So this is how much?  $8/3 - 16/9$  okay, and this is lcm is  $9$ ,  $24 - 16$  so we get  $8/9$  that is  $2 \sqrt{2/3}$  okay. So we get here  $1 / \sqrt{2} * 2 \sqrt{2/3}$  okay. So how much is that?  $3 \times 3$  are  $9$ ,  $9 - 8$ ,  $1/3$  so  $1/3$  /this cancels with this  $2/3$  and we get the value as  $1/2$  okay. So  $\rho_{xy} = 1/2$  okay. So  $\rho$  is = correlation coefficient =  $1/2$ . So this is how we solve this problem. With that I would like to end my lecture. Thank you very much for your attention.