

Chapter 5

Correlation and Regression Study

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Double Statistical Series

Definition 1: When two statistical variables are studied on a given population, the resulting data is called a **double statistical series**.

Scatter Plot

Definition 2: The set of points M_i with coordinates (x_i, y_i) .

5.1 Case 1: Two-line Table

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} x_i & x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_n \\ y_i & y_1 & y_2 & \dots & y_n \end{array}$$

Definition 3: Marginal Means

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \quad \bar{Y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$$

Marginal Variances

$$V(X) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right) - \bar{X}^2, \quad V(Y) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \right) - \bar{Y}^2$$

Standard Deviations

$$\delta_X = \sqrt{V(X)}, \quad \delta_Y = \sqrt{V(Y)}$$

Covariance

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \right) - \bar{X} \bar{Y}$$

5.1.1 Regression Line (Least Squares Method)

Theorem 5.1.1. The regression line of Y in terms of X , denoted $D_Y(X)$, is:

$$Y = aX + b \quad \text{where} \quad a = \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)}{V(X)}, \quad b = \bar{Y} - a\bar{X}$$

Properties:

- It is a unique line.
- It always passes through the point $(\bar{X}, \bar{Y})$.

5.1.2 5.1.2 Linear Correlation Coefficient

Definition 4:

$$r = \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)}{\delta_X \delta_Y}$$

Remark 5.1.1. • $-1 \leq r \leq 1$

- If $r = 0$: no correlation (independent variables)
- If $0 < r < 1$: weak to strong positive correlation
- If $-1 < r < 0$: weak to strong negative correlation

Example 5.1

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc} x_i & 2 & 5 & 6 & 10 & 12 \\ y_i & 83 & 70 & 70 & 54 & 49 \end{array}$$

$$\bar{X} = 7, \quad \bar{Y} = 65.2, \quad V(X) = 12.8, \quad V(Y) = 150.16$$

$$\delta_X = 3.578, \quad \delta_Y = 12.25, \quad \text{cov}(X, Y) = -43.6$$

$$a = \frac{-43.6}{12.8} = -3.4, \quad b = 65.2 + 23.8 = 89 \Rightarrow Y = -3.4X + 89$$

$$r = \frac{-43.6}{3.578 \cdot 12.25} = -0.99$$

Conclusion: There is a strong negative linear correlation between X and Y .

5.2 5.2 Case 2: Three-line Table

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} x_i & x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_k \\ y_i & y_1 & y_2 & \dots & y_k \\ n_i & n_1 & n_2 & \dots & n_k \end{array}$$

Marginal Means

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i x_i, \quad \bar{Y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i y_i$$

Marginal Variances

$$V(X) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i x_i^2 \right) - \bar{X}^2, \quad V(Y) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i y_i^2 \right) - \bar{Y}^2$$

Standard Deviations

$$\delta_X = \sqrt{V(X)}, \quad \delta_Y = \sqrt{V(Y)}$$

Covariance

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i x_i y_i \right) - \bar{X} \bar{Y}$$

5.3 Case 3: Contingency Table

XY	y_1	y_2	$\dots$	y_l
x_1	n_{11}	n_{12}	$\dots$	n_{1l}
x_2	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\ddots$	$\vdots$
x_k	n_{k1}	n_{k2}	$\dots$	n_{kl}

Marginal Means

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i x_i, \quad \bar{Y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^l n_j y_j$$

Marginal Variances

$$V(X) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i x_i^2 \right) - \bar{X}^2, \quad V(Y) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^l n_j y_j^2 \right) - \bar{Y}^2$$

Covariance

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^l n_{ij} x_i y_j \right) - \bar{X} \bar{Y}$$

Example 5.2. We consider the following double-entry table:

XY	1	2	4	n_i
3	2	0	3	5
5	4	6	1	11
6	5	1	7	13
n_j	11	7	11	$N = 29$

Marginal distributions

$$x_i = 3, 5, 6 \quad \text{with} \quad n_i = 5, 11, 13$$

$$y_j = 1, 2, 4 \quad \text{with} \quad n_j = 11, 7, 11$$

Marginal means

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i x_i = \frac{5 \cdot 3 + 11 \cdot 5 + 13 \cdot 6}{29} = 5.10$$

$$\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^l n_j y_j = \frac{11 \cdot 1 + 7 \cdot 2 + 11 \cdot 4}{29} = 2.38$$

Marginal variances

$$V(X) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i x_i^2 \right) - \bar{X}^2 = \left(\frac{5 \cdot 9 + 11 \cdot 25 + 13 \cdot 36}{29} \right) - (5.10)^2 = 1.13$$

$$V(Y) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^l n_j y_j^2 \right) - \bar{Y}^2 = \left(\frac{11 \cdot 1^2 + 7 \cdot 4 + 11 \cdot 16}{29} \right) - (2.38)^2 = 1.75$$

Marginal standard deviations

$$\delta_X = \sqrt{V(X)} = \sqrt{1.13} = 1.06, \quad \delta_Y = \sqrt{V(Y)} = \sqrt{1.75} = 1.32$$

Covariance of X and Y

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^l n_{ij} x_i y_j \right) - \bar{X} \bar{Y} = 0$$