

Topic

Review of Probability and Statistics

IE 630

Discrete Event System Simulation

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Probability Overview

Text books:

J. Banks, J. S. Carson, B. L. Nelson and D. M. Nicol (2012),
“Discrete Event System Simulation”,
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AND SCIENTISTS”

Experiment, Sample Space & Events

- ▶ Experiment is a process whose outcome is not known with certainty
- ▶ Sample space is a set of all possible outcomes of an experiment
- ▶ Event is any subset of the sample space
- ▶ Probabilities are numbers assigned to events that indicate how likely it is that the event will occur when an experiment is performed

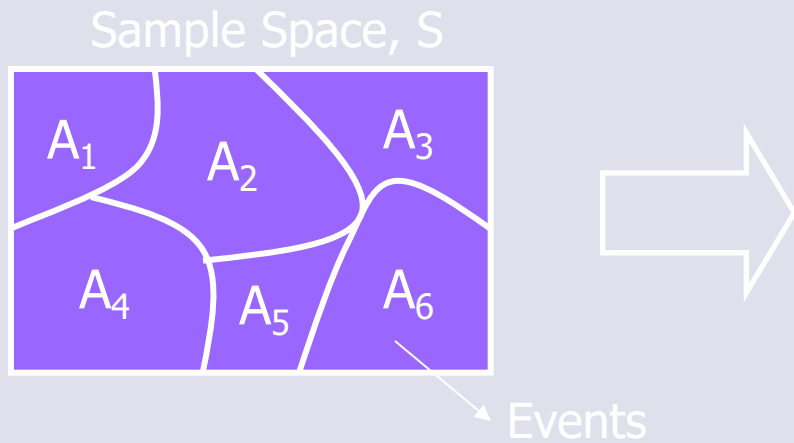
Experiment, Sample Space & Events (2)

▶ Experiment...	→	Example 2a Rolling of a die
▶ Sample space...	→	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
▶ Event...	→	Outcome is 1 Outcome is ≥ 5
▶ Probabilities indicate how likely it is that the event will occur when experiment is performed	}	$Prob\{\text{Outcome is 1}\} = 1/6$ $Prob\{\text{Outcome is } \geq 5\} = 2/6$

Experiment, Sample Space & Events (3)

▶ Experiment...	→	Example 2b Toss two fair coins
▶ Sample space...	→	{H, H} {H,T} {T, H} {T,T}
▶ Event...	→	Outcome is at most one H Outcome is at least one H
▶ Probabilities indicate how likely it is that the event will occur when experiment is performed	}	$Prob\{\text{Outcome is at most one H}\} = \frac{3}{4}$ $Prob\{\text{Outcome is at least one H}\} = \frac{3}{4}$

Axioms of Probability



- ▶ Axiom 1: $0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$
- ▶ Axiom 2: $P(S) = 1$
- ▶ Axiom 3: If $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$, then

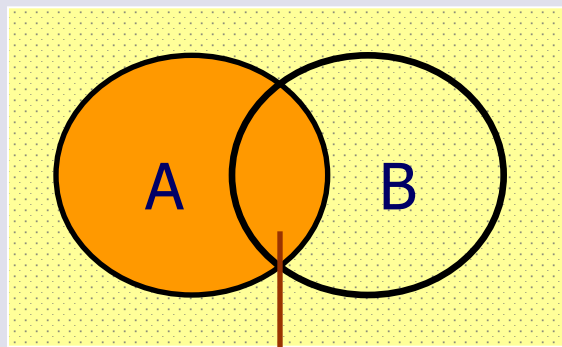
$$P(A_i \cup A_j) = P(A_i) + P(A_j)$$

Conditional Probability

- ▶ Suppose A and B are two events in an experiment.
- ▶ Probability that event A will occur given that B has occurred is given by

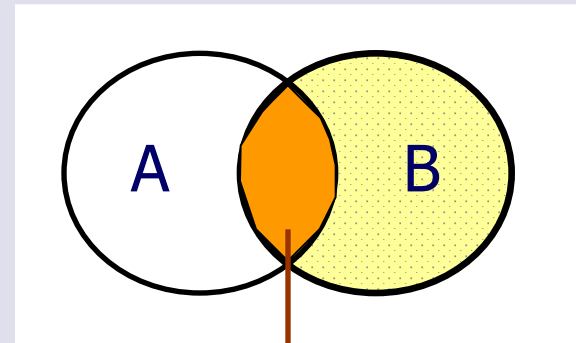
$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \quad \text{for } P(B) > 0$$

Probability
of A given B



$A \cap B$

B has
occurred



$A \cap B$

Random variable & Distribution function

- ▶ Random variable is a function that assigns a real number to each point in sample space
 - Example 2c: Rolling a pair of dice
- ▶ Cumulative distribution function $F(x)$ of a random variable X is defined as probability of event $\{X \leq x\}$
- ▶ Properties of cdf
 1. $0 \leq F(x) \leq 1$ for all x
 2. $F(x)$ is non-decreasing
 - 3.

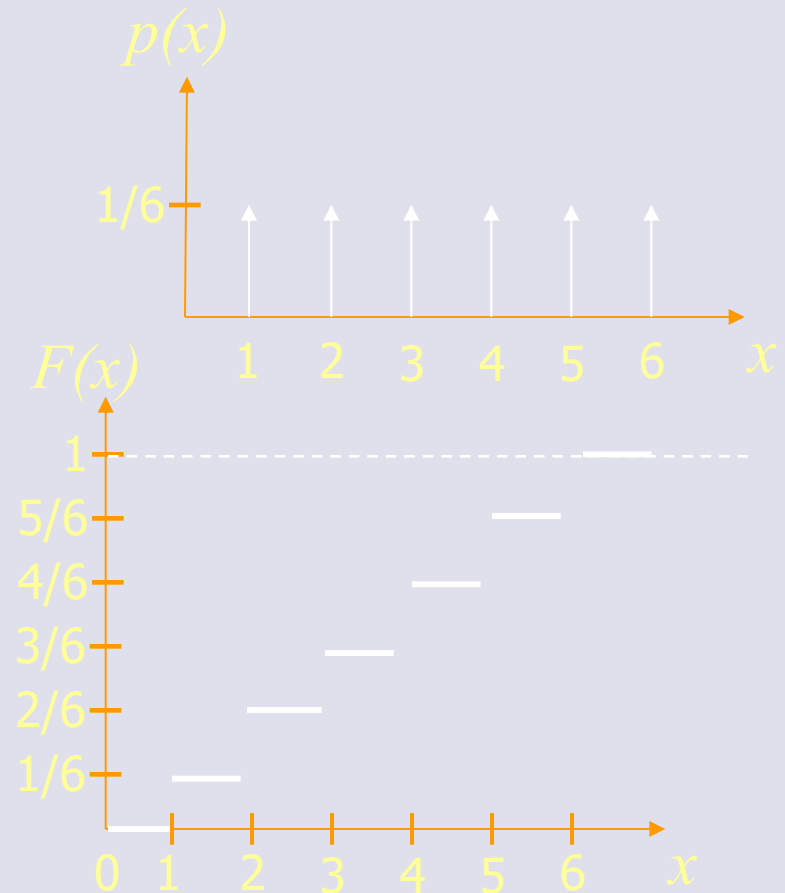
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = 0$$

Discrete random variable

- ▶ X is a discrete random variable if it can take on at most countable number of values
- ▶ Probability mass function
- ▶ Cumulative distribution function

Example 2d

Number appearing on rolling a die



Continuous random variable

- ▶ X is continuous if there exists a nonnegative function $f(x)$ such that for any set of real numbers C :

- ▶ Probability density function $P\{X \in C\} = \int_C f(x)dx$

- ▶ Interpretation of density function

- Probability associated with each value x is zero
- Density: probability that X will be very near x

- ▶ Cumulative Distribution function

$$F_X(x)$$

Percentile and Median

- ▶ α percentile: smallest value of x at which the CDF takes on a value of at least α

$$P\{X \leq x\} \geq \alpha$$

- ▶ Median is the 50-percentile
 - Smallest value of x such that $F(x) \geq 0.5$

Mean or Expectation

- ▶ Expectation of X or Expected value of X or Mean of X is weighted average of the possible values that X can take on
- ▶ When X is discrete random variable
 - Example 2e: Suppose demand is a random variable that takes on the value 1, 2, 3, 4 with respective probabilities $1/8, 1/2, 1/8, 1/4$
- ▶ When X is continuous random variable
 - Example 2f: Suppose pdf of X is given by
$$f(x) = 4x^3 \text{ if } 0 < x < 1, \text{ and } 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

Properties of Mean

► What is $E[g(X)]$?

g is some function

1. $E[aX + b] = aEx + b$

2. $E[X_1 + X_2] =$

3. $E[X_1 - X_2] =$

4. $E[E[X]] =$

5. $E[X - E[X]] = \rightarrow$

6. $E[(aX)^2] =$

$$\sum_{x \in \Omega_X} g(x) \cancel{p_X(x)}$$
$$\int g(x) f_X(x) dx$$

$a \rightarrow$ } deterministic
 $b \rightarrow$ }

$$Y = X - EX$$

$$EY$$

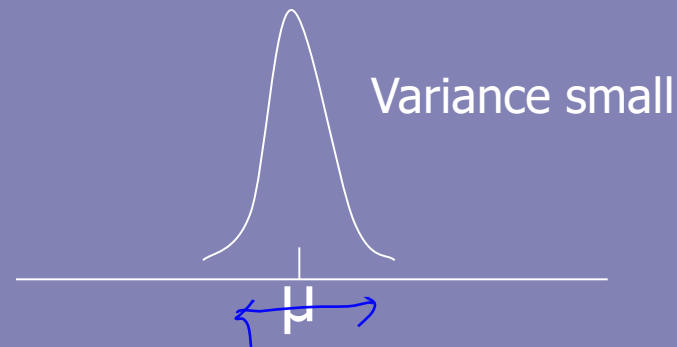
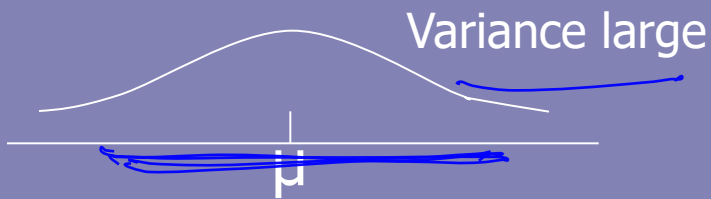
Variance

By defn expected

- ▶ Variance is the average value of the square of the difference between X and $E[X]$

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

- ▶ Variance is the measure of dispersion



- ▶ Standard deviation
- ▶ Coefficient of variation
 - Normalized measure of dispersion

Covariance

$$E[(X - E_X)(Y - E_Y)]$$

- Covariance is the measure of dependence between random variables, say, X and Y

- $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[XY]$
- If X & Y increase or decrease together, $\text{Cov}(X, Y) > 0$
- If X tends to increase when Y decreases (or vice versa), $\text{Cov}(X, Y) < 0$

$$E_X = 0, E_Y = 0$$


- Proposition: If X and Y are independent, then $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$

$$\hookrightarrow E_{XY} = E_X E_Y$$

$$E[(X - E_X)(Y - E_Y)] = \frac{E[(X - E_X)^2] E[(Y - E_Y)^2]}{E[(Y - E_Y)^2]}$$

- Correlation measure

Properties of Variance & Covariance

1. $\text{Var}(X) \geq$  0

2. $\text{Var}(aX + b) =$.

$\text{Var}(b) = 0$

3. $\text{Var}(X + Y) =$

4. $\text{Var}(X - Y) =$

5. If X and Y are independent

1. $\text{Var}(X+Y) =$

2. $E[XY] =$

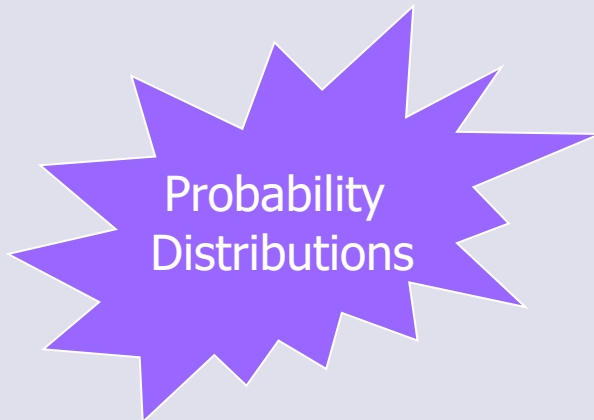
Special Random Variables

DISCRETE RANDOM VARIABLES

- ▶ Discrete
- ▶ Binomial
- ▶ Poisson
- ▶ Geometric

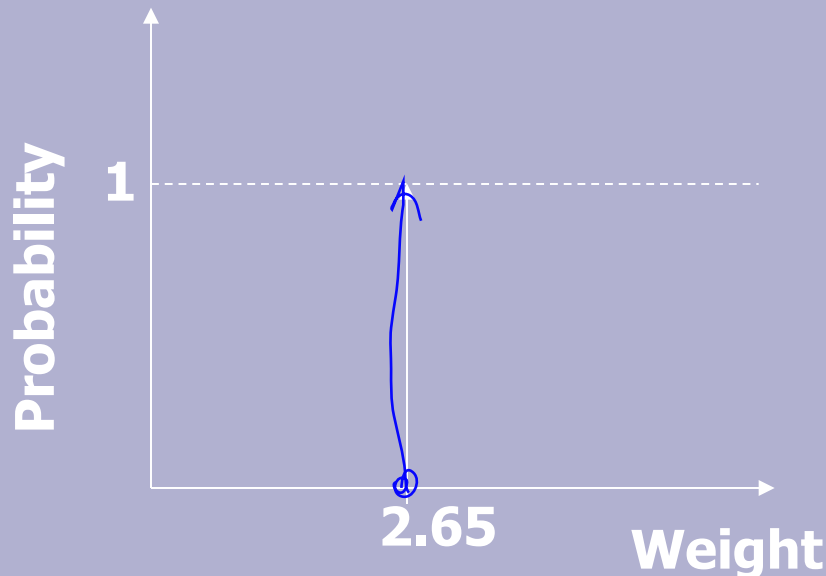
CONTINUOUS RANDOM VARIABLES

Uniform
Exponential
Normal
Triangular
Beta
Gamma
Erlang
LogNormal



Deterministic

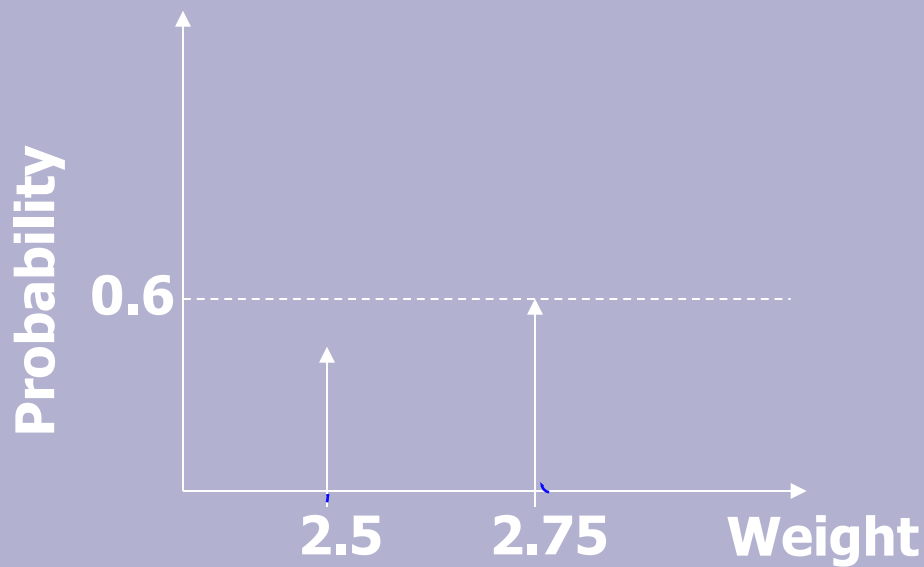
- ▶ No distribution at all!
- ▶ If deterministic value is used then it is assumed NO uncertainty exists
- ▶ Example: Weight = 2.65 Kgs



Discrete Random Variable

► Discrete

- Random variable takes on only certain outcomes, with associated probabilities
- Example: Weight = 2.5 with probability 0.4,
= 2.75 with probability 0.6



Poisson random variable

- ▶ Discrete random variable takes on one of the values $0, 1, 2, \dots$ is said to be Poisson random variable with parameter λ

- Number of events on an interval of time
- Number of items demanded from inventory

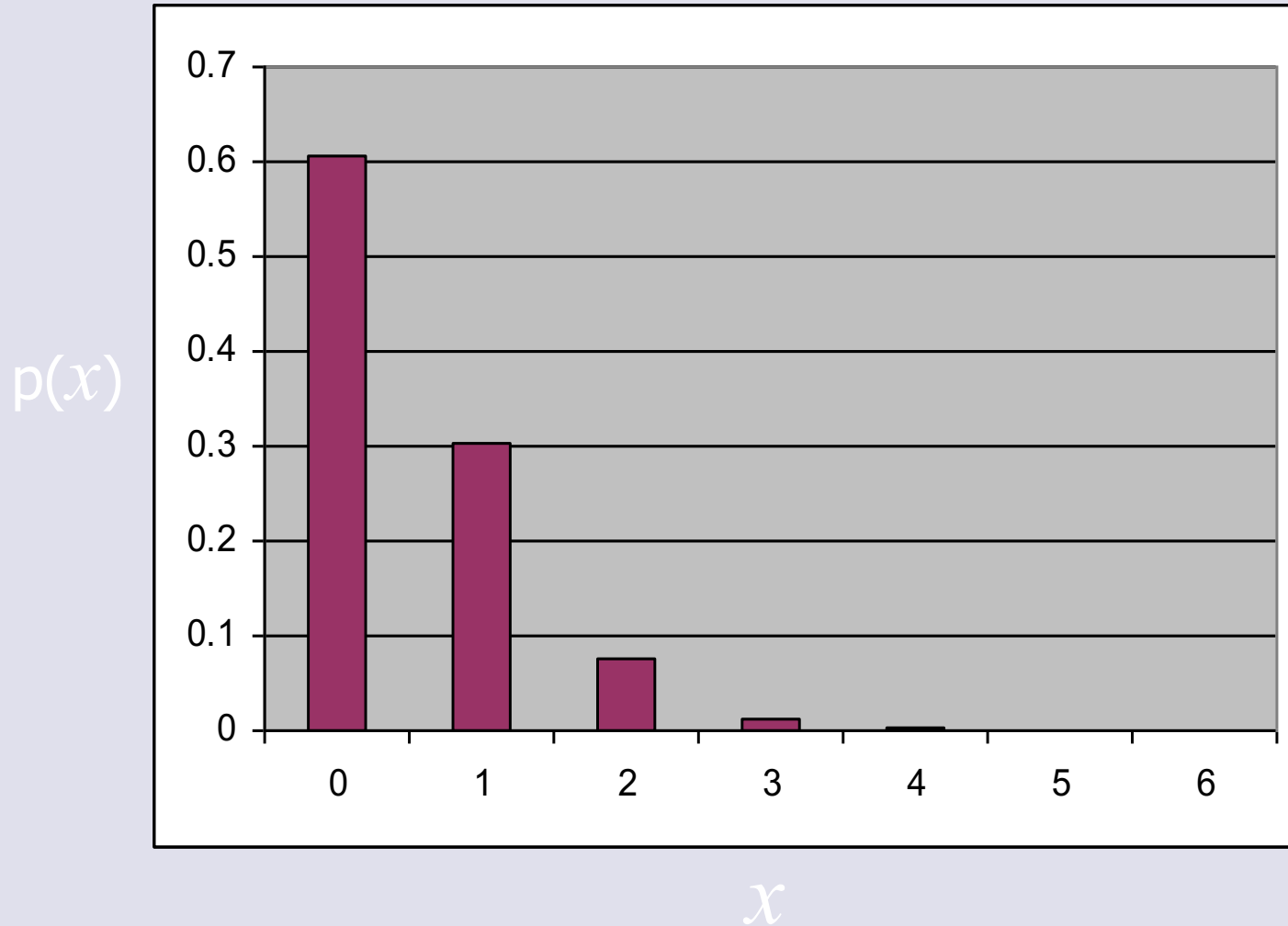
- ▶ Probability mass function \leftrightarrow

- ▶ Mean =

- ▶ Variance =

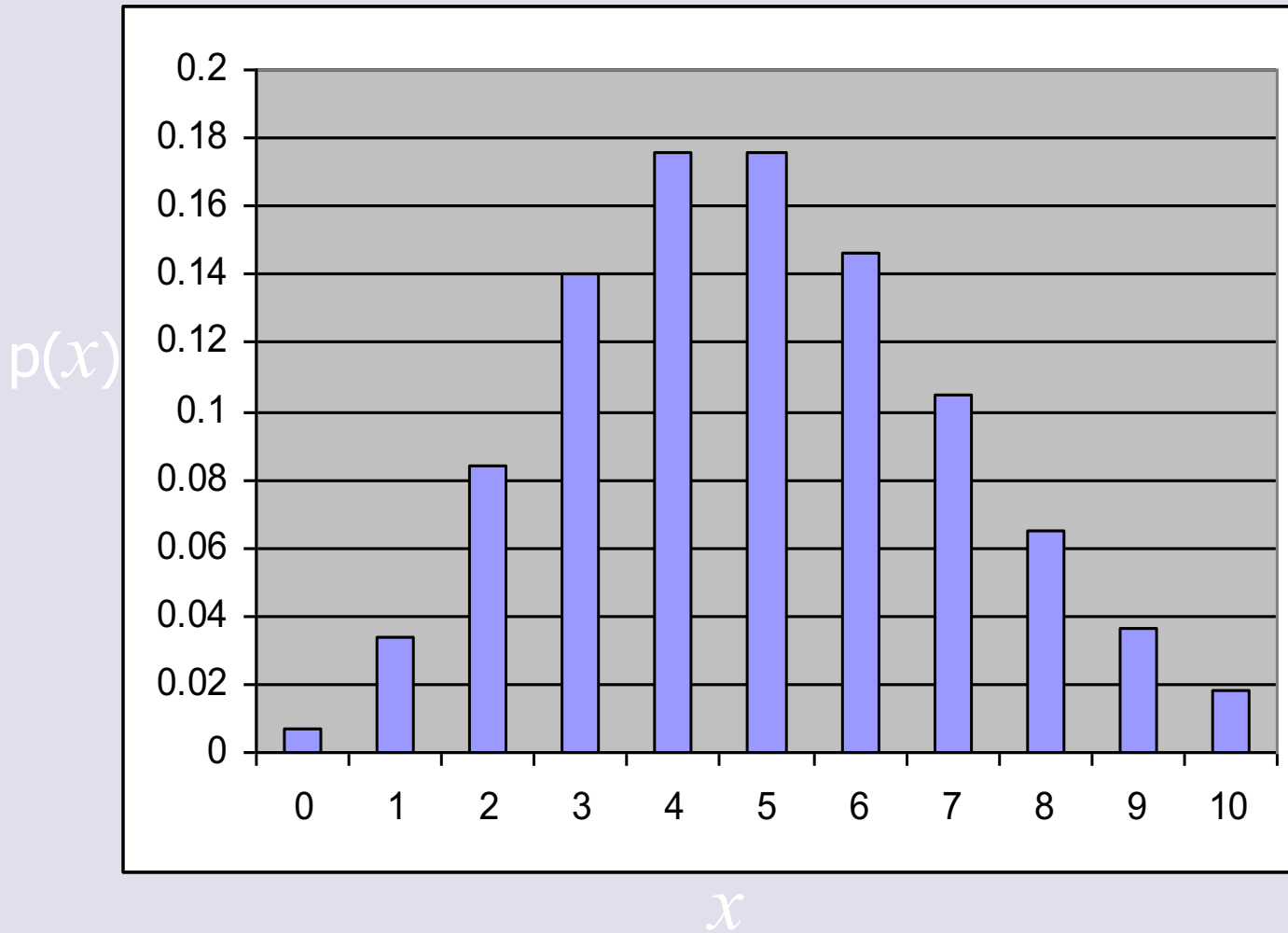
$$\{ \underline{p_x(x)} \}_{x \in \mathbb{N}_+}$$

Poisson random variable (2)



With
 $\lambda=0.5$

Poisson random variable (3)



With
 $\lambda=5$



Normal Distribution

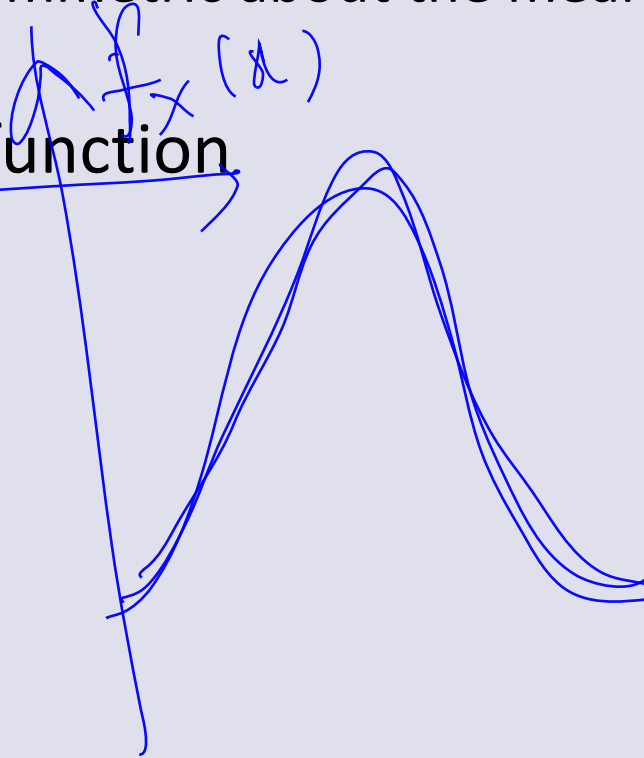
- ▶ Many natural phenomena can be approximated by Normal distribution

- Two parameter distribution
- Bell shaped curve symmetric about the mean

- ▶ Probability density function

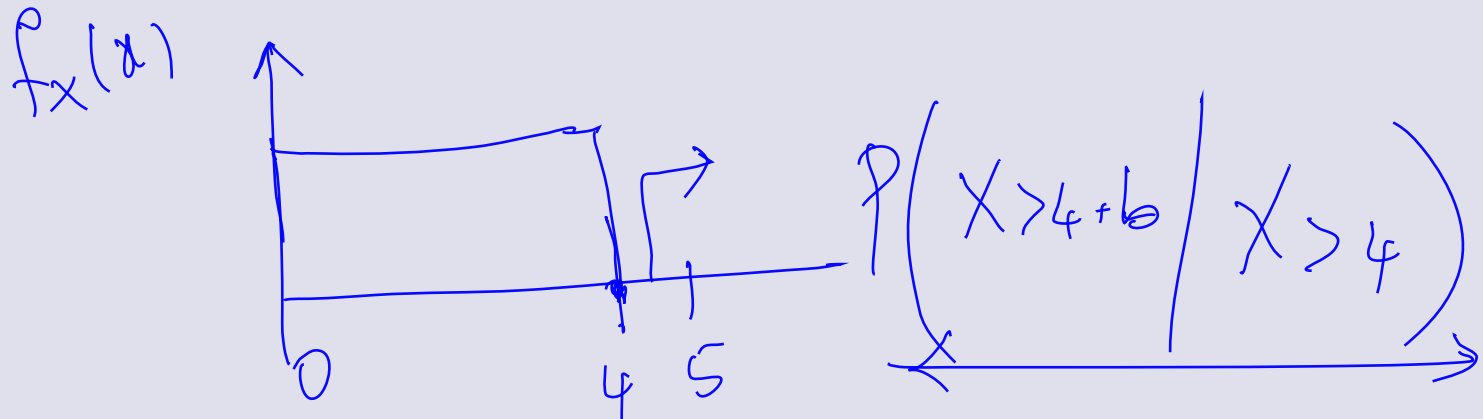
- ▶ Mean =

- ▶ Variance =



Standard Normal Distribution

- ▶ $N(0, 1)$ distribution is called standard normal distribution
- ▶ Distribution function \longleftrightarrow
- ▶ $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ can be mapped to $Z \sim N(0,1)$ as follows:
$$Z = (X - \mu) / \sigma$$
- ▶ Now can evaluate all probabilities concerning X in terms of Φ



Exponential random variable

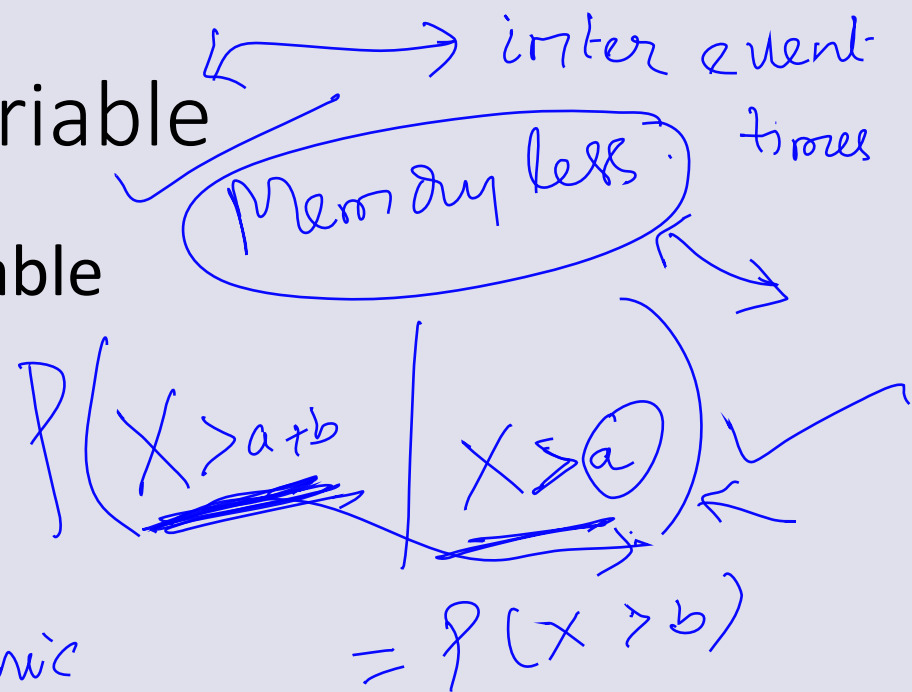
► Continuous random variable

► PDF $\lambda e^{-\lambda x}$

► CDF

► Mean & Variance

► Exponential random variables are the only continuous random variable with the "memoryless" property



~~$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$~~

~~$$f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$$~~

show that $\frac{d}{dx} e^{-\lambda x} = -\lambda e^{-\lambda x}$

$$P(X > x) = e^{-\lambda x}$$

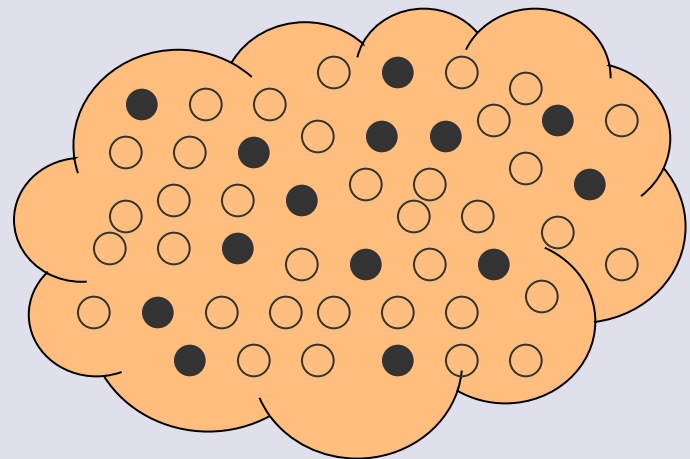
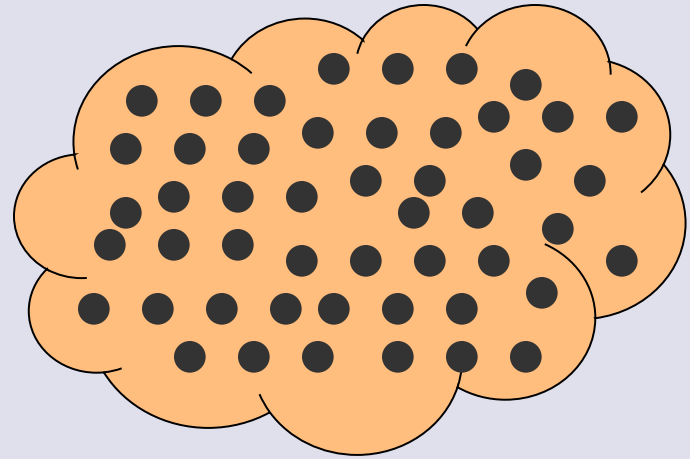
Poisson Process

- Represents arrival process in many systems
- arrivals in banks, call centers, drive in restaurants etc
- If A_n is the inter-arrival between n-th and (n+1)-th arrival, then A_n is exponentially distributed with parameter λ .
- A_1 is actual arrival time of first one.
- λ – arrival rate \sim number of arrivals / unit time
- $N(t)$ = # of arrivals in time t – Poisson distributed with parameter λt .

Statistics Overview

Population vs. Sample

- ▶ **Population** is the universal set of all things under study
 - Example: all students of IITBombay
- ▶ **Sample** is the portion of the population selected for analysis
 - Example: all 2nd year MTech students with CPI > 8.5



Parameter vs. Statistic

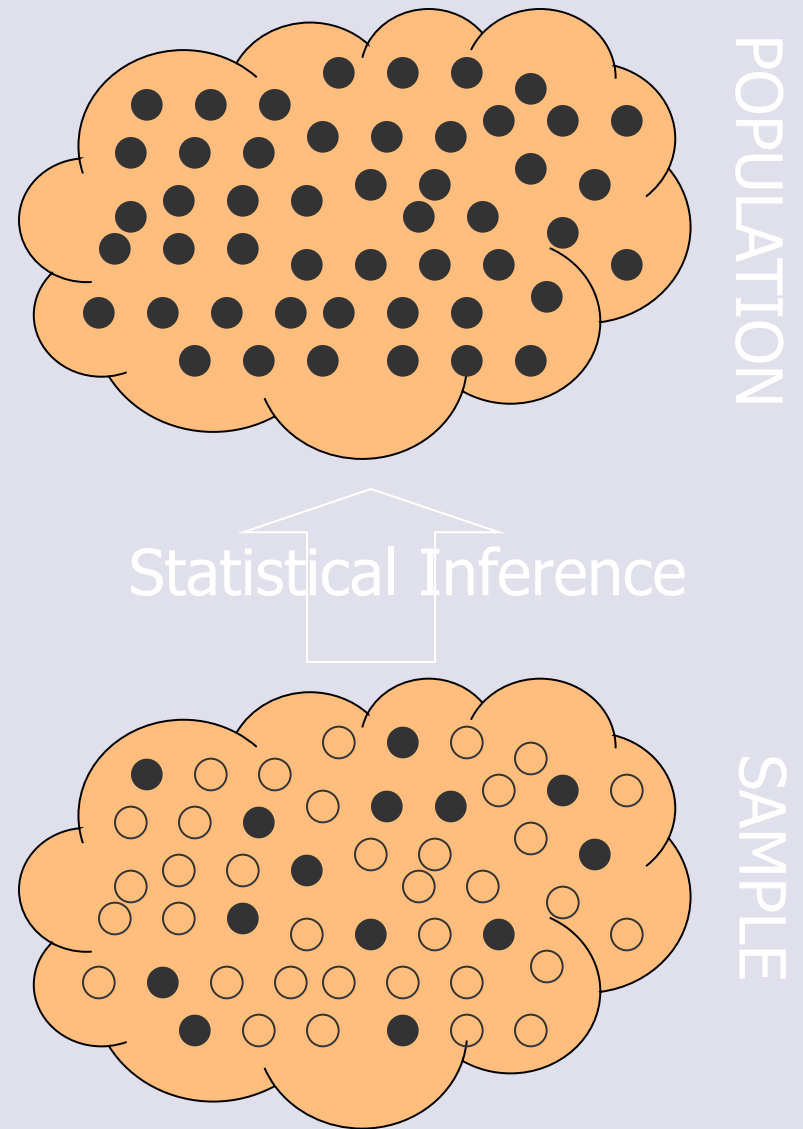
- ▶ Parameter describes a characteristic of full population
 - Example: 65% of all IITBombay students are males
- ▶ Statistic describes a characteristic of the sample
 - Example: 83% of students sampled are males

Generally

- ▶ Greek letters represent population parameter
- ▶ Roman letters represents sample statistic

Descriptive & Inferential Statistics

- ▶ Descriptive statistics are methods used to summarize & interpret collected data
- ▶ Inferential statistics are methods used to estimate unknown population characteristics based on sample results



Independent Identically Distributed (i.i.d)

► Independence

- Two events are independent if occurrence of one does not influence the occurrence of the other
- Two random variables X_1 and X_2 are independent if and only if for any numbers a_1 and a_2 , the events $\{X_1 \leq a_1\}$ and $\{X_2 \leq a_2\}$ are independent

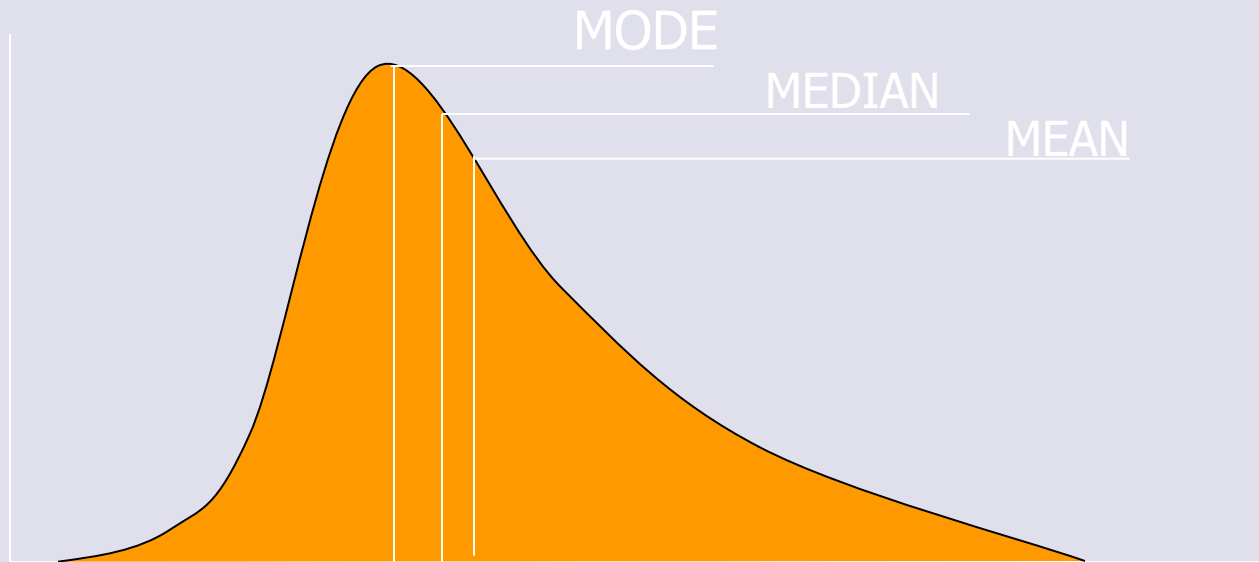
► Identically distributed

- Random variables are said to be identically distributed if all have the same probability distribution

► *i.i.d random variables simplifies statistical inference*

Measures of Central Tendency

- ▶ Central tendency is the measure of “middle” of a data set
- ▶ Mean: Arithmetic average of data set
- ▶ Median: Middle value of ordered data set
- ▶ Mode: Most frequent value(s) in data set



Sample Mean

- ▶ Sample Mean is the arithmetic average of the data set
- ▶ Suppose X_1, \dots, X_n are iid random variables drawn from a population with (unknown) mean μ and (unknown) variance σ^2
- ▶ Sample mean is used to estimate the population mean (μ)
 - Sample mean is centered about population mean but the spread (variance) reduces as sample size increases

Sample Median

- ▶ Median is the middle observation of ordered data set
- ▶ Example 2g
 1. Median of 9, 3, 6, 4, 2 is
 2. Median of 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9 is
- ▶ Median is resistant to outliers (unlike mean)
- ▶ Example 2h
 - Median of 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 840 is

Sample Mode

- ▶ Mode is value of data set the occurs most frequently
 - Example 2i: Mode of 2, 4, 4, 6, 7, 8 is
- ▶ Mode need not be unique
 - Example 2j: Mode of 2, 2, 4, 6, 7, 7, 8, 11 is
- ▶ Data can have no MODE
 - Example: 3, 5, 6, 8, 9

Dispersion Statistics

- ▶ Mean, Median & Mode insufficient to characterize data sets. For example:
 - Example 2k:
 - ▶ Data Set 1: 98, 99, 100, 101, 102
 - ▶ Data Set 2: 20, 50, 100, 130, 200
 - Mean & Median are the same (no mode)
 - But, doesn't the data sets look different?
- ▶ Need to quantify the spread of the data set
 - Range
 - Variance
 - Standard Deviation

Sample Range

- ▶ Range is the difference between the largest and smallest observations made
- ▶ Example
 - Data Set 1: 98, 99, 100, 101, 102 -> Range: 4
 - Data Set 2: 20, 50, 100, 130, 200 -> Range: 180

Sample Variance & Standard Deviation

- ▶ Suppose X_1, \dots, X_n are iid random variables drawn from a population with (unknown) mean μ and (unknown) variance σ^2
- ▶ Sample Variance is defined as:
- ▶ Sample variance is used to estimate the population variance (σ^2)
 - Note: $(n-1)$ is used to compute S^2 to obtain an unbiased estimator of σ^2 since $E[S^2] = \sigma^2$
- ▶ Standard deviation is square root of variance
 - Same units as mean

Central Limit Theorem

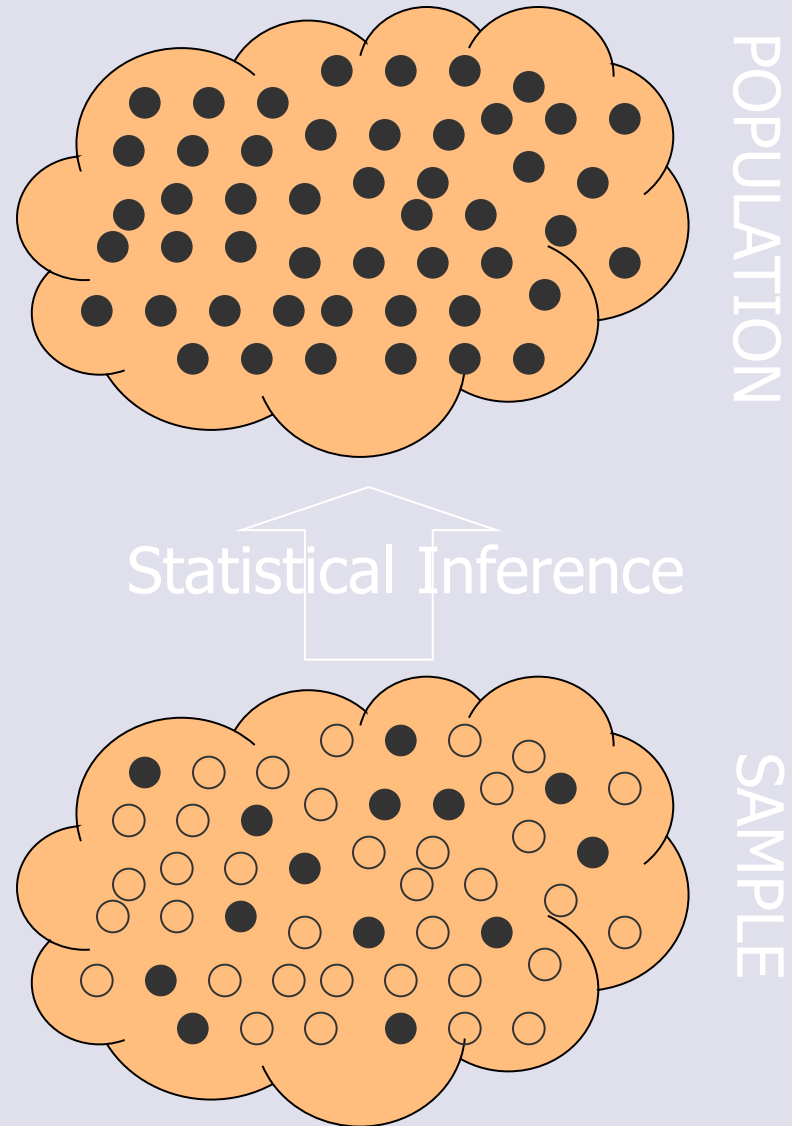
- ▶ Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a sequence of IID random variables each with mean μ and variance σ^2 . Then for large n , the distribution of $(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n)$ is approximately Normal with mean $n\mu$ and variance $n\sigma^2$
- ▶ How large a sample is required for Normal approximation to be valid?

Sampling from Normal Distribution

- Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be IID sample from Normal population having mean μ and variance σ^2
then, \bar{X} and S^2 are independent random variables,
distribution of sample mean is $N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$,
and distribution of $(n-1)S^2/\sigma^2$ is chi-square with $n-1$ degrees of freedom

Statistical Inference

- ▶ How to use observed data (sample) to make inferences about the unknown population parameters?
- ▶ Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be random sample from population distribution F_{ϑ} where ϑ is vector of unknown parameters



Estimators

- ▶ Any statistic (based on sample) used to estimate the value of unknown parameter ϑ (of population) is called an estimator of ϑ
- ▶ Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE)
 - Popular method of parameter estimation
 - *“If I assume that the underlying population distribution is _____ then my best guess for the parameters will be so-and-so”*
- ▶ Point Estimates

Confidence Interval Estimates

- ▶ Interval within which we have certain level of confidence that μ falls.
 - $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ CI
 - CI attempts to bound the error between sample mean and population mean
 - Can construct one-sided CI or two-sided CI
- ▶ X_1, \dots, X_n be samples from Normal population
 1. $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ CI when σ^2 known
 2. $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ CI when σ^2 unknown

Statistical Hypothesis Testing

- ▶ Hypotheses: Are claims about population characteristics
 - It can be about the nature of distribution, or parameters of population distribution
- ▶ Hypothesis testing
 - “Can the difference between observed result and expected result be attributed to chance?”
 - Testing by contradiction
 - Remember: We take a decision about the population characteristics based on samples

Statistical Hypothesis Testing (2)

- ▶ Null hypothesis, H_0
 - Samples are purely by chance
- ▶ Alternate Hypothesis, H_A
 - Typically, Not- H_0
 - Samples are result of some real effect
- ▶ Define a test statistic
 - If test statistic lies in some predefined region C then 'reject' null hypothesis, else 'accept' it.
 - Many types of test statistics

Statistical Hypothesis Testing (3)

► Types of errors

- Type I error: Rejecting H_0 when it is correct
- Type II error: Accepting H_0 when it is false

► Classical way:

- Specify a value α (level of significance of test)
- Now, we require that the probability of type I error $< \alpha$

Statistical Hypothesis Testing (4)

► p -value

- It is the probability of getting a result at least as extreme as the observed result.
- Lower the p -value, more 'significant' the result
- Statistical significant : it is unlikely to have occurred by chance
- H_0 is accepted if $\alpha < p$ -value, else rejected