# ST2132 AY23/24 SEM 1

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## 01. PROBABILITY

- probability of an event → the limiting relative frequency of its occurrence as the experiment is repeated many times
- the **realisation** x is a constant, and X is a generator
  - running r experiments gives us r realisations  $x_1, \ldots, x_r$

## expectation

expectation of X

$$\textbf{discrete} \colon \text{mass function} \\ E(X) := \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i p_i$$

continuous: density function

$$E(X) := \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i p_i$$
  $E(X) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$ 

## expectation of a function h(X)

$$E\{h(X)\} = \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^n h(x_i) p_i & X \text{ is discrete} \\ \int_{-\infty}^\infty h(x) f(x) \, dx & X \text{ is continuous} \end{cases}$$

### variance

variance, 
$$\operatorname{var}(X) := E\{(X - \mu)^2\}$$
 standard deviation,  $SD(X) := \sqrt{\operatorname{var}(X)}$ 

## law of large numbers

**LLN:** for a function h, as number of realisations  $r \to \infty$ ,

$$\bar{x} \to E(X), v \to \text{var}(X)$$
  
 $\frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^{r} h(x_i) \to E\{h(X)\}$ 

mean of realisations, 
$$\bar{x} := \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r x_i$$

variance of realisations, 
$$v := \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^{r} (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

# **Monte Carlo approximation**

$$E\{h(X)\} \approx \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^{r} h(x_i)$$

by LLN, as  $r \to \infty$ , the approximation becomes exact

### joint distribution

- · discrete: mass function
- $\Pr(X = x_i, Y = y_i) = p_{ij}$  where  $x_1, \dots, x_i$  and  $y_1, \ldots, y_j$  are all possible values of X and Y
- · continuous: density function

$$\begin{split} f: \mathbb{R}^2 &\to [0,\infty), \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x,y) \, dx \, dy = 1 \\ &\quad \text{for } h: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}, \\ &\quad E\{h(X,Y)\} = \\ &\quad \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^J h(x_i,y_j) p_{ij} & X \text{ is discrete} \\ \int_{-\infty}^\infty \int_{-\infty}^\infty h(x,y) f(x,y) \, dx \, dy & Y \text{ is continuous} \\ \end{split}$$

### algebra of RV's

let X, Y be RVs and a, b, c be constants

- Z = aX + bY + c is also an RV
  - z = ax + by + c is a realisation of Z
- linearity of expectation E(Z) = aE(X) + bE(Y) + c

#### covariance

let 
$$\mu_X = E(X)$$
,  $\mu_Y = E(Y)$ .  
covariance,  $cov(X,Y) = E\{(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)\}$ 

- $cov(X, Y) = E(XY) \mu_X \mu_Y$
- cov(X, Y) = cov(Y, X)
- cov(X, X) = var(X)
- cov(W, aX + bY + c) = a cov(W, X) + b cov(W, Y)
- var(aX + bY + c) = $a^2 \operatorname{var}(X) + b^2 \operatorname{var}(Y) + 2ab \operatorname{cov}(X, Y)$

# joint, marginal & conditional distributions

let f(x, y) be the **joint** density and  $f_X(x)$ ,  $f_Y(y)$  be the marginal densities. then

$$f(x,y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y|x) = f_Y(y)f_X(x|y), \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

 $f_{Y}(\cdot|x)$  is the **conditional** density of Y given X=x $f_X(\cdot|y)$  is the **conditional** density of X given Y=y

## independence

X, Y are independent  $\iff \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

- 1.  $f(x,y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$
- 2.  $f_Y(y|x) = f_Y(y)$
- 3.  $f_X(x|y) = f_Y(x)$

X, Y are independent  $\Rightarrow$ 

- E(XY) = E(X)E(Y)
- $\cdot \operatorname{cov}(X, Y) = 0$

(the converse does not hold)

### **Distributions**

#### binomial

$$E(X) = np$$
,  $var(X) = np(1-p)$ 

#### multinomial

An experiment with k outcomes  $E_1, \ldots, E_k, Pr(E_i) = p_i$ . For some  $1 \le i \le k$ , let  $X_i$  be the number of times  $E_i$  occurs in n runs.

 $(X_1,\ldots,X_k)$  has the multinomial distribution:

$$Pr(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_k = x_k) = \binom{n}{x_1 \dots x_k} \prod_{i=1}^k p_i^{x_i}$$

• combinatorially,  $\binom{n}{x_1...x_k} = \frac{n!}{x_1!x_2!...x_k!}$ 

$$E(X) = \begin{bmatrix} np_1 \\ np_2 \\ \vdots \\ np_k \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{var}(X) = \begin{bmatrix} TODO \end{bmatrix}$$

- $cov(X_i, X_i) < 0$
- $X_i \sim Bin(n, p_i)$
- $E(X_i) = np_i$ ,  $var(X_i) = np_i(1 p_i)$
- $X_i + X_i \sim Bin(n, p_i + p_i)$
- $var(X_i + X_j) = n(p_i + p_j)(1 p_i p_j)$

# **Conditional expectation**

#### discrete case

for r.v.s (X, Y), let  $f_Y(\cdot|x_i)$  be the conditional mass function of Y given  $X = x_i$ .

$$E[Y|x_i] := \sum_{j=1}^J y_j f_Y(y_j|x_i)$$

$$var[Y|x_i] := \sum_{i=1}^{J} (y_j - E[Y|x_i])^2 f_Y(y_j|x_i)$$

 $E[Y|x_i]$  is like E(Y), with conditional distribution replacing marginal distribution  $f_Y(\cdot)$ . likewise  $var[Y|x_i]$  is like var(Y)

#### continuous case

$$E[Y|x] := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_Y(y|x) \, dy$$
$$var[Y|x] := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (y - E[Y|x])^2 f_Y(y|x) \, dy$$

# 02. PROBABILITY (2)

## mean square error (MSE)

mean square error,  $MSE = E\{(Y - c)^2\}$