

# Probability and Statistics

## Lecture 10.1: Multiple random variables

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# Notice

## Some feedbacks

- No further assignments on exam period
- Fully annotated pdf after classes

## Further feedbacks

- Please provide any feedbacks you would like
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# Agenda

1. Intro
2. Cartesian Products of Sets
3. Joint PMFs
4. Marginal PMFs
5. Independence

# So far

- We've handled both discrete and continuous random variables

Discrete Distributions		
Distribution	Parameters	Possible Description
Uniform (disc)	$X \sim \text{Unif}(a, b)$ for $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $a \leq b$	Equally likely to be any <i>integer</i> in $[a, b]$
Bernoulli	$X \sim \text{Ber}(p)$ for $p \in [0, 1]$	Takes value 1 with prob $p$ and 0 with prob $1 - p$
Binomial	$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and $p \in [0, 1]$	Sum of $n$ iid $\text{Ber}(p)$ rvs. # of heads in $n$ independent coin flips with $P(\text{head}) = p$ .
Poisson	$X \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda)$ for $\lambda > 0$	# of events that occur in <b>one</b> unit of time independently with rate $\lambda$ per unit time
Geometric	$X \sim \text{Geo}(p)$ for $p \in [0, 1]$	# of independent Bernoulli trials with parameter $p$ <i>up to</i> and <b>including</b> first success

Continuous Distributions		
Distribution	Parameters	Possible Description
Uniform	$X \sim \text{Unif}(a, b)$ for $a < b$	Equally likely to be any real number in $[a, b]$
Exponential	$X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$ for $\lambda > 0$	Time until first event in Poisson process
Normal	$X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ for $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ , and $\sigma^2 > 0$	Standard bell curve

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플래티넘 2 단계	2050
플래티넘 3 단계	2000
플래티넘 4 단계	1950
플래티넘 5 단계	1850
골드 1 단계	1750
골드 2 단계	1700
골드 3 단계	1650
골드 4 단계	1600
골드 5 단계	1500

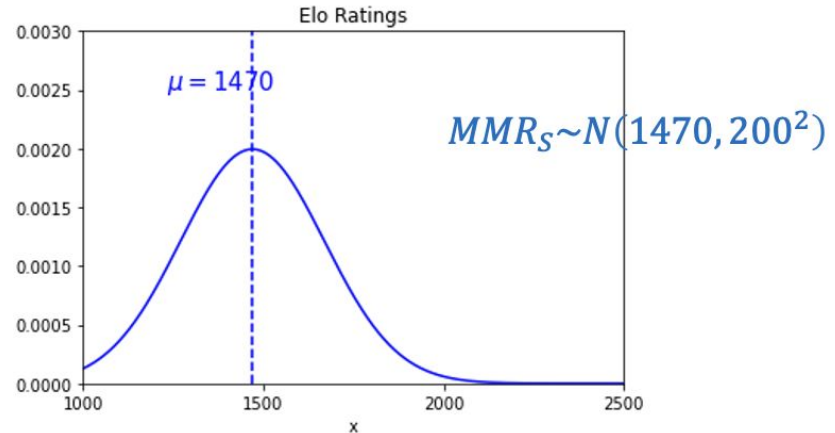
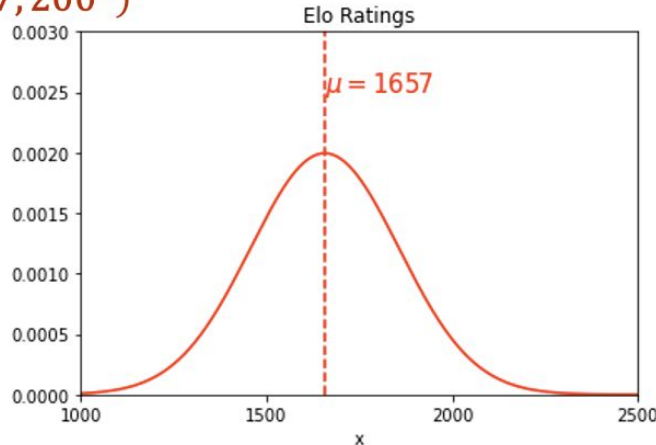
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실버 5 단계	1150
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브론즈 2 단계	1000
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브론즈 4 단계	900
브론즈 5 단계	800

# Multiple random variables

- What happens if we want to model more than one at a time?
- How do we model and work with several RV simultaneously?
- Let's say we have two normal distributions of MMR score
- What is the probability gold tier gamer win the match?

$$MMR_G \sim N(1657, 200^2)$$



# Multiple random variables

$$P(\text{Gold tier win}) = P(MMR_G > MMR_T)$$

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import scipy.stats as st

Gold_MMR = 1657
Silver_MMR = 1470

STDEV = 200
NTRIALS = 10000
nSuccess = 0

for i in range(NTRIALS):
    g = st.norm.rvs(Gold_MMR, STDEV)
    t = st.norm.rvs(Silver_MMR, STDEV)
    if g > t:
        nSuccess += 1

print("Win fraction", float(nSuccess) / NTRIALS)
```

≈0.7468 calculated by sampling



# Cartesian product of sets

## Definition: Cartesian Product of Sets

Let  $A, B$  be sets. The Cartesian product of  $A$  and  $B$  is denoted as

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}$$

If  $A, B$  are finite sets, then  $|A \times B| = |A| \cdot |B|$  by the product rule of counting

Example

- $\{1, 2, 3\} \times \{4, 5\}$ ?

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-  $\{1, 2, 3\} \times \{4, 5\} = \{(1, 4), (1, 5), (2, 4), (2, 5), (3, 4), (3, 5)\}$

## Joint PMFs

Suppose we roll two fair 4-sided die independently, one blue and one red. Let  $X$  be the value of the blue die and  $Y$  be the value of the red die.

$$\Omega_X = \{1,2,3,4\} \quad \Omega_Y = \{1,2,3,4\}$$

What would be joint range of  $X$  &  $Y$  and corresponding pmfs?

$$\Omega_{X \times Y} = \Omega_X \times \Omega_Y$$

# Joint PMFs

Suppose we roll two fair 4-sided die independently, one blue and one red. Let  $X$  be the value of the blue die and  $Y$  be the value of the red die.

If we want to write it as a formula

$$p_{X,Y}(x,y) = P(X = x, Y = y)$$

for  $x, y \in \Omega_{X,Y}$

$$p_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{16}, & x, y \in \Omega_{X,Y} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$X \backslash Y$	1	2	3	4
1	1/16	1/16	1/16	1/16
2	1/16	1/16	1/16	1/16
3	1/16	1/16	1/16	1/16
4	1/16	1/16	1/16	1/16

## Joint PMFs

### Definition: Joint PMF (결합확률질량함수)

Let  $X, Y$  be discrete random variable. The joint PMF of  $X$  and  $Y$  is

$$p_{X,Y}(x, y) = P(X = x, Y = y)$$

The joint range is

$$\Omega_{X \times Y} = \{(c, d) : p_{X,Y}(c, d) > 0\} \subseteq \Omega_X \times \Omega_Y$$

- Note that the probabilities in the table must sum to 1
- If  $g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a function, then

$$\sum_{(s,t) \in \Omega_{X \times Y}} p_{X,Y}(s, t) = 1$$

$$E[g(X, Y)] = \sum_x \sum_y g(x, y) \cdot p_{X,Y}(x, y)$$

## Joint PMFs

The joint range  $\Omega_{X,Y}$  was always a subset of  $\Omega_X \times \Omega_Y$ , but they are not necessarily equal.

$$\Omega_{U \times V} = \{(u, v) \in \Omega_U \times \Omega_V\} \neq \Omega_U \times \Omega_V$$

## Joint PMFs

Suppose I roll two 4-sided die independently. Let  $U=\min\{X,Y\}$  (the smaller of the two die rolls) and  $V=\max\{X,Y\}$  (the larger of the two die rolls).

$$\Omega_U = \{1,2,3,4\} \qquad \Omega_V = \{1,2,3,4\}$$

What would be joint range of  $X$  &  $Y$  and corresponding pmfs?

→ **Any pair  $(u,v)$  with  $u > v$  has zero probability**

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$$p_{U,V}(u,v) = P(U = u, V = v)$$

for  $u, v \in \Omega_{U,V}$

$$p_{U,V}(u,v) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{16}, & u, v \in \Omega_U \times \Omega_V, \quad v > u \\ \frac{1}{16}, & u, v \in \Omega_U \times \Omega_V, \quad v = u \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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1	1/16	2/16	2/16	2/16
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## Marginal PMFs

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What if we didn't care about both  $U$  and  $V$ , just  $U$  (the minimum value)?

→ What is the PMF  $p_U(u) = \mathbb{P}(U = u)$  for  $u \in \Omega_U$  ?

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(U = 1) &= \mathbb{P}(U = 1, V = 1) + \mathbb{P}(U = 1, V = 2) \\ &\quad + \mathbb{P}(U = 1, V = 3) + \mathbb{P}(U = 1, V = 4) \\ &= \frac{1}{16} + \frac{2}{16} + \frac{2}{16} + \frac{2}{16} = \frac{7}{16}\end{aligned}$$

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$$p_U(u) = \begin{cases} \frac{7}{16}, & u = 1 \\ \frac{5}{16}, & u = 2 \\ \frac{3}{16}, & u = 3 \\ \frac{1}{16}, & u = 4 \end{cases}$$

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# Marginal PMFs

## Definition: Marginal PMF (주변확률질량함수)

Let  $X, Y$  be discrete random variable. The marginal PMF of  $X$  is

$$p_X(a) = \sum_{b \in \Omega_Y} p_{X,Y}(a, b)$$

Similarly, the marginal PMF of  $Y$  is

$$p_Y(d) = \sum_{c \in \Omega_X} p_{X,Y}(c, d)$$

- Use marginal distributions to get a 1-D RV from a joint PMF.

## Example

Suppose  $X, Y$  are jointly distributed with joint PMF:

$X \setminus Y$	6	9	Row Total
0	$3/12$	$5/12$	?
2	$1/12$	$2/12$	?
3	0	$1/12$	?
Col Total	?	?	1

1. Find the marginal probability mass functions  $p_X(x)$  and  $p_Y(y)$ .
2. Find  $\mathbb{E}[Y]$ .
3. Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent?
4. Find  $\mathbb{E}[X^Y]$ .

# Example

$X \setminus Y$	6	9	Row Total $p_X(x)$
0	3/12	5/12	8/12
2	1/12	2/12	3/12
3	0	1/12	1/12
Col Total $p_Y(y)$	4/12	8/12	1

## 1. Marginal probability

$$p_X(x) = \begin{cases} 8/12 & x = 0 \\ 3/12 & x = 2 \\ 1/12 & x = 3 \end{cases} \quad p_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 4/12 & y = 6 \\ 8/12 & y = 9 \end{cases}$$

# Example

2. Expectation of  $Y$

$$\mathbb{E}[Y] = \sum_y y p_Y(y) = 6 \cdot \frac{4}{12} + 9 \cdot \frac{8}{12} = 8$$

3. Independence  $\rightarrow$  Check whether we have  $p_{X,Y}(x, y) = p_X(x)p_Y(y)$

$$p_{X,Y}(3, 6) = 0 \text{ but } p_X(3) > 0 \text{ and } p_Y(6) > 0$$

4.

$$\mathbb{E}[X^Y] = \sum_x \sum_y x^y p_{X,Y}(x, y) = 0^6 \cdot \frac{3}{12} + 0^9 \cdot \frac{5}{12} + 2^6 \cdot \frac{1}{12} + 2^9 \cdot \frac{2}{12} + 3^6 \cdot 0 + 3^9 \cdot \frac{1}{12}$$

# Independence

- Redefine independence of RVs in terms of the joint PMF, which is completely the same as the earlier definition but with new notation

## Definition: Independence

Discrete random variables  $X, Y$  are independent,  $X \perp Y$ , if for all  $x \in \Omega_X$  and  $y \in \Omega_Y$

$$p_{X,Y}(x, y) = p_X(x)p_Y(y)$$



# Independence

Let's prove that if  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent random variables, we have

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

Which leads to

$$\text{Var}(aX + bY + c) = a^2\text{Var}(X) + b^2\text{Var}(Y)$$

# Independence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X + Y) &= E[(X + Y)^2] - (E[X + Y])^2 \\ &= E[X^2 + 2XY + Y^2] - (E[X] + E[Y])^2 \\ &= E[X^2] + 2E[XY] + E[Y^2] - (E[X])^2 - 2E[X]E[Y] - (E[Y])^2 \\ &= E[X^2] - (E[X])^2 + E[Y^2] - (E[Y])^2 + 2E[XY] - 2E[X]E[Y] \end{aligned}$$

# Independence

$$\begin{aligned} E[XY] &= \sum_x \sum_y xyp_{X,Y}(x,y) \\ &= \sum_x \sum_y xyp_X(x)p_Y(y) \\ &= \sum_x xp_X(x) \sum_y yp_Y(y) \\ &= E[X]E[Y] \end{aligned}$$

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The diagram illustrates the simplification of the variance formula for the sum of two independent random variables,  $X$  and  $Y$ . The steps are as follows:

- The first line shows the definition of variance:  $\text{Var}(X + Y) = E[(X + Y)^2] - (E[X + Y])^2$ .
- The second line expands the square:  $= E[X^2 + 2XY + Y^2] - (E[X] + E[Y])^2$ .
- The third line further expands the expectation and the square:  $= E[X^2] + 2E[XY] + E[Y^2] - (E[X])^2 - 2E[X]E[Y] - (E[Y])^2$ .
- The fourth line groups the terms:  $= E[X^2] - (E[X])^2 + E[Y^2] - (E[Y])^2 + 2E[XY] - 2E[X]E[Y]$ .
  - A red arrow points from  $E[X^2]$  to  $E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$ .
  - A blue arrow points from  $E[Y^2]$  to  $E[Y^2] - (E[Y])^2$ .
  - A green arrow points from  $2E[XY]$  to  $2E[XY] - 2E[X]E[Y]$ .
  - A red arrow points from  $2E[XY]$  to  $2E[X]E[Y]$ .
  - A blue arrow points from  $2E[X]E[Y]$  to  $2E[XY] - 2E[X]E[Y]$ .
- The fifth line shows the final result:  $= \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y) + 0 \text{ since } X \perp Y$ .
  - Gray arrows point from  $E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$  and  $E[Y^2] - (E[Y])^2$  to  $\text{Var}(X)$  and  $\text{Var}(Y)$  respectively.
  - Gray arrows point from  $2E[XY] - 2E[X]E[Y]$  to  $0$ .