

1. State the axioms of probability

Axioms probability [Kolmogorov's axioms]

1.  $P[E] \geq 0$  for any event  $E$
2.  $P[S] = 1$ , where  $S$  is sample space
3. If  $E_1, E_2$  are mutually exclusive events, then  
 $P[E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \dots] = P[E_1] + P[E_2] + \dots$

b) A and B alternately throw a pair of dice.....  
..... A winning the game

When two dices are thrown, we have

$$n(S) = 36$$

The probability of A throwing 6

$$P[A] = \frac{5}{36}$$

The probability of A not throwing 6

$$\begin{aligned} P[\bar{A}] &= 1 - P[A] \\ &= 1 - \frac{5}{36} \Rightarrow \frac{31}{36} \end{aligned}$$

The probability of B throwing 6

$$P[B] = \frac{5}{36} \quad \frac{1}{6}$$

The probability of B not throwing 6

$$\begin{aligned} P[\bar{B}] &= 1 - P[B] \\ &= 1 - \frac{5}{36} \Rightarrow \frac{31}{36} \end{aligned}$$

The probability of A winning each  
 $\Rightarrow P(A) + P(\bar{A})P(\bar{B})P(A) + P(\bar{A})P(\bar{B})P(\bar{A})P(B) + \dots$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{36} + \frac{31}{36} \times \frac{5}{6} \times \frac{5}{36} + \frac{31}{36} \times \frac{5}{6} \times \frac{31}{36} \times \frac{5}{6} \times \frac{5}{36} + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{36} \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{31}{36} \times \frac{5}{6} \right) + \left( \frac{31}{36} \times \frac{5}{6} \right)^2 + \dots \right]$$

$$\therefore 1 + x + x^2 + \dots = \frac{1}{1-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{36} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \left( \frac{31}{36} \times \frac{5}{6} \right)} \Rightarrow \frac{5}{36}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{5}{36}}{\frac{216 - 155}{216}} = \frac{\frac{5}{36}}{\frac{61}{216}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{36} \times \frac{216}{61}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{30}{61}$$

2. What are the different types of random variable. Give two examples for each

Random variables are categorized into two primary types: Discrete and Continuous

Discrete: A discrete random variable has a finite or countable infinite number of possible values

Ex: The number of heads when flipping a coin multiple times

The outcome of rolling a die

Continuous: A continuous random variable can take on an infinite number of value within a specific range or interval

Ex: The height of a person

The average rainfall in a region

] A random variable is distributed at random  
..... Find the expected value and  
variance of  $x$

$$\text{Given } P(X=0) = 1-P$$

$$P(X=1) = P$$

Expected value

$$\begin{aligned} E[x] &= \sum x p(x) \\ &= 0 \times P[X=0] + 1 \times P[X=1] \\ &= 0 \times [1-P] + 1 \times P \\ &= P \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Variance of } X = E[x^2] - [E[x]]^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[x^2] &= \sum x^2 p(x) \\ &= 0^2 \times [1-P] + 1^2 \times P \\ &= P \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}[x] = P - [P]^2$$

$$\text{Var}[x] = P[1-P]$$

3. Let  $X$  denote the minimum of the two numbers
- i] probability Distribution
  - ii] Expectation

When two dice are thrown, total no. of sample space

$$\Rightarrow n(S) = 36$$

$$S = \{ (1,1), (1,2), \dots, (6,6) \}$$

If  $X$  denotes the minimum number of the two dice

The minimum number can be

$$1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$$

For minimum 1

$$(1,1) (1,2) (1,3) (1,4) (1,5) (1,6) \\ (2,1) (3,1) (4,1) (5,1) (6,1)$$

$$P[X=1] = \frac{11}{36}$$

For minimum 2

$$(1,2) (2,2) (2,3) (2,4) (2,5) (2,6) \\ (3,2) (4,2) (5,2) (6,2)$$

$$P[X=2] = \frac{9}{36}$$



Expectation

Similarly

$$P[X=3] = \frac{7}{36}$$

$$P[X=5] = \frac{3}{36}$$

$$P[X=4] = \frac{5}{36}$$

$$P[X=6] = \frac{1}{36}$$

The probability distribution is

X	1	2	3	4	5	6
P[X]	1/36	2/36	7/36	5/36	3/36	1/36

ii] Expectation

$$E[X] = \sum x p_x$$

$$= 2.5278$$

b] Given  $f(x) = \begin{cases} ax^2 & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$

Find constant, mean and variance of x

We know that

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 f(x) dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 ax^2 dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a \int_0^1 x^2 dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a \left[ \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^1 = 1$$

4. A continuous random variable  $X$  has probability density function  $f(x) = a + bx$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  AND 0, otherwise

If the mean of the distribution is  $\frac{1}{3}$ , find the value of  $a$  and  $b$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 f(x) dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 a + bx dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 a dx + \int_0^1 bx dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a \int_0^1 1 dx + b \int_0^1 x dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a [x]_0^1 + b \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^1 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a [1 - 0] + b \left[ \frac{1^2}{2} - \frac{0^2}{2} \right] = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a [1] + b \left[ \frac{1}{2} \right] = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a + \frac{b}{2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2a + b}{2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a + b = 2 \longrightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

∴ For sum = 3

(2,1) (1,2)

$$P[X=3] = \frac{2}{36}$$

For sum = 4

(2,2) (3,1) (1,3)

$$P[X=4] = \frac{3}{36}$$

∴ Similarly

$$P[X=5] = \frac{4}{36}$$

$$P[X=6] = \frac{5}{36}$$

$$P[X=7] = \frac{6}{36}$$

$$P[X=8] = \frac{5}{36}$$

$$P[X=9] = \frac{4}{36}$$

$$P[X=10] = \frac{3}{36}$$

$$P[X=11] = \frac{2}{36}$$

$$P[X=12] = \frac{1}{36}$$

X	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
PX	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{3}{36}$	$\frac{4}{36}$	$\frac{5}{36}$	$\frac{6}{36}$	$\frac{5}{36}$	$\frac{4}{36}$	$\frac{3}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$

Mean

$$\Rightarrow E[X] = \sum x p_x = 7$$

Variance of x

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

$$E[X^2] = \sum x^2 p_x$$

$$= \frac{1974}{36} = 54.83$$



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b) IF  $X$  and  $Y$  are two independent r.v.s...

$$E[2X+Y] = 0$$

$$E[X+2Y] = 33 \text{ find } E[X] + E[Y]$$

$$E[2X+Y] = 0 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$E[X+2Y] = 33 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

From eq  $\textcircled{1}$

$$E[2X+Y] = 0$$

$$2E[X] + E[Y] = 0$$

$$E[Y] = -2E[X] \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

From eq  $\textcircled{2}$

$$E[X+2Y] = 33$$

$$E[X] + 2E[Y] = 33$$

From eq  $\textcircled{3}$

$$E[X] + 2[-2E[X]] = 33$$

$$E[X] - 4E[X] = 33$$

$$-3E[X] = 33$$

$$E[X] = -11$$

Sub in eq  $\textcircled{3}$

$$E[Y] = -2[-11]$$

$$= 22$$

$$\Rightarrow a \left[ \frac{(1)^3}{3} - \frac{(0)^3}{3} \right] = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a \left[ \frac{1}{3} \right] = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 3$$

Mean

$$\Rightarrow \mu = \int_0^1 x f(x) dx$$

$$E[x] = \int_0^1 x a x^2 dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 x 3x^2 dx$$

$$= 3 \int_0^1 x^3 dx$$

$$= 3 \left[ \frac{x^4}{4} \right]_0^1$$

$$= 3 \left[ \frac{(1)^4}{4} - \frac{(0)^4}{4} \right]$$

$$\mu = \frac{3}{4}$$

Variance of  $x$

$$\text{Var}[x] = E[x^2] - [E[x]]^2$$

$$E[x^2] = \int_0^1 x^2 f[x] dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 x^2 a x^2 dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 x^2 \cdot 3x^2 dx$$

$$= 3 \int_0^1 x^4 dx$$

$$= 3 \left[ \frac{x^5}{5} \right]_0^1$$

$$= 3 \left[ \frac{(1)^5}{5} - \frac{(0)^5}{5} \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\text{Var}[X] = \frac{3}{5} - \left[ \frac{3}{4} \right]^2$$

$$= \frac{3}{5} - \frac{9}{16}$$

$$= \frac{48 - 45}{80} = \frac{3}{80}$$

b) If  $X$  and  $Y$  are two independent r.v. ....  
..... Find the variance of  $Z$ , where  
 $Z = X - Y$

$$\text{Given } \text{Var}[X] = 1$$

$$\text{Var}[Y] = 2$$

By property of variance

$$\text{Var}[X+Y] = \text{Var}[X] + \text{Var}[Y]$$

$$\text{Var}[Z] = \text{Var}[X-Y]$$

$$= \text{Var}[X] + \text{Var}[Y]$$

$$= 1 + 2$$

$$= 3$$

5. Two dice are thrown, the random variable  
..... Write the distribution, Find  $P$   
the mean and variance of  $x$

Let  $x$  be the random variable

The sum be = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

$\therefore$  For sum = 2

(1, 1)

$$\therefore P[X=2] = \frac{1}{36}$$