

# Chapter 1. Preliminaries.

## 1.1 probability.

$S \triangleq$  sample space

$E \triangleq$  event

$P(E)$ . the probability of event  $E$ . which needs to satisfy.

\* A<sub>1</sub>  $0 \leq P(E) \leq 1$

\* A<sub>2</sub>  $P(S) = 1$

\* A<sub>3</sub>  $E_1, E_2, \dots$  mutually exclusive ,  $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_i)$

Some consequences:

\* 1.1.1. If  $E \subset F$ , then  $P(E) \leq P(F)$ .

proof.  $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \phi) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(\phi) \Rightarrow P(\phi) = 0$

$$P(F) = P(E \cup F / E \cup \phi \dots) = P(E) + P(F/E) \geq P(E)$$

\* 1.1.2.  $P(E^c) = 1 - P(E)$ .

proof.  $1 = P(S) = P(E \cup E^c) = P(E) + P(E^c)$ .

\* 1.1.3  $E_i$  mutually exclusive ,  $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_i)$ .

Obviously obtained from A3.

\* 1.1.4.  $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_i)$ . (Boole's inequality).

proof. we define  $F_i = E_i$  .  $F_n = E_n - (\bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} E_i)$

$F_i$  mutually exclusive ,  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i$  ,  $F_n \subseteq E_n$

$$P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i) = P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(F_i) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_i)$$

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Continuity.

increasing sequence:  $E_n \subset E_{n+1}$  ,  $n \geq 1$ .

decreasing sequence :  $E_n \supset E_{n+1}$  ,  $n \geq 1$ .

The limits : - increasing seq:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$ .

- decreasing seq:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$ .

\* Prop 1.1.1  $\bar{E}_n$  increasing / decreasing seq. , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(E_n) = P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n).$$

proof. ① increasing seq.

We define  $F_i = E_i$ ,  $\bar{E}_n = \bar{E}_n - (\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i) = E_n - E_{n-1}$ .

$E_i$  mutually exclusive,  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^n F_i = E_n$

$$P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n) = P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i) = P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(F_i)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n P(F_i) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\bigcup_{i=1}^n F_i) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(E_n)$$

② decreasing seq.

$E_n^c$  increasing seq.

$$1 - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(E_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(E_n^c) = P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n^c) = P(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n^c)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(E_n) = P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n).$$

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\* Prop 1.1.2 (Borel-Cantelli). If  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_i) < \infty$ , then

$$P(\text{an infinite number of } E_i \text{ occur}) = 0$$

proof.  $\{\text{an infinite number of } E_i \text{ occur}\} = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=n}^{\infty} E_i$

$\{\bigcup_{i=n}^{\infty} E_i\}$  is a decreasing seq. for  $n$ .

thus,  $P(\text{an infinite number of } E_i \text{ occur})$

$$= P\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=n}^{\infty} E_i\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcup_{i=n}^{\infty} E_i\right)$$

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=n}^{\infty} E_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} P(E_i) = 0$$

\* Prop 1.1.3 (converse to B-C). If  $E_1, E_2, \dots$  independent,

$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_i) = \infty$ , then  $P(\text{an infinite number of } E_i \text{ occur}) = 1$ .

proof.  $P(\text{an infinite number of } E_i \text{ occur})$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcup_{i=n}^{\infty} E_i\right) = 1 - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcap_{i=n}^{\infty} E_i^c\right).$$

$$= 1 - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{i=n}^{\infty} P(E_i^c)$$

$$\prod_{i=n}^{\infty} P(E_i^c) = \prod_{i=n}^{\infty} (1 - P(E_i)) \leq \prod_{i=n}^{\infty} e^{-P(E_i)} = e^{-\sum_{i=n}^{\infty} P(E_i)} \rightarrow 0$$

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Random Variable.

\* distribution Function  $F$  for r.v.  $X$ .

$$F(x) = P(\bar{X} \leq x), \quad \bar{F}(x) = 1 - F(x).$$

if  $\bar{X}$  discrete  $F(x) = \sum_{y \leq x} P(\bar{X} = y).$   
 continuous.  $\exists$  density function  $f(x).$

$$P(x \in B) = \int_B f(x) dx.$$

\* Joint distribution  $F(x, y) = P(\bar{X} \leq x, \bar{Y} \leq y).$

$$\text{and } F_{\bar{X}}(x) = P(\bar{X} \leq x) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y).$$

$$F_{\bar{Y}}(y) = P(\bar{Y} \leq y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y).$$

if  $\bar{X}, \bar{Y}$  independent.  $F(x, y) = F_{\bar{X}}(x) \cdot F_{\bar{Y}}(y).$

## Expected Value

\* Expectation  $E(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x d F(x).$   
 $= \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x f(x) dx & \text{continuous} \\ \sum x p(x) & \text{discrete} \end{cases}$

If  $h(x)$  is a r.v.

$$E h(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(x) d F(x).$$

\* Variance  $\text{Var } X = E(X - EX)^2 = E(X^2 - 2X \cdot EX + (EX)^2)$   
 $= EX^2 - (EX)^2$

\* Covariance  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E(X - EX)(Y - EY) \quad (\text{linear relations}).$   
 $= E XY - EX \cdot EY.$

\* Uncorrelated  $\Leftrightarrow \text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$

\* Independent  $F_{\bar{X}}(x) F_{\bar{Y}}(y) = F(x, y) \Rightarrow \text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$

$\bar{X} \sim N(0, 1) . \bar{Y} = \bar{X}^2 . \bar{X}, \bar{Y}$  is not independent

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E XY - EX \cdot EY = E X^2 = 0 \quad (\text{y-axis symmetric}).$$

\* Some properties.  $E \left( \sum_i x_i \right) = \sum_i E x_i$

$$\text{Var} \left( \sum_i x_i \right) = \sum_i \text{Var} x_i + 2 \sum_{i < j} \text{Cov}(x_i, x_j)$$

\* Example 1.3(a).

**EXAMPLE 1.3(A) The Matching Problem.** At a party  $n$  people put their hats in the center of a room where the hats are mixed together. Each person then randomly selects one. We are interested in the mean and variance of  $X$ —the number that select their own hat. To solve, we use the representation

$$X = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n.$$

$$X_i = \begin{cases} 1 & i \text{ got his hat} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$E X_i = \frac{1}{n}, \quad \text{Var } X_i = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$E X = E \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \sum_{i=1}^n E X_i = 1.$$

$$\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = E X_i X_j - E X_i E X_j.$$

$$X_i X_j = \begin{cases} 1 & i \text{ and } j \text{ got their hats} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E X_i X_j &= P(X_i = 1, X_j = 1) \\ &= P(X_i = 1 | X_j = 1) P(X_j = 1) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \times \frac{1}{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = \frac{1}{n} \frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var } X &= \text{Var} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var } X_i + 2 \sum_{i < j} \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{n} + 2 \binom{n}{2} \left( \frac{1}{n} \frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n^2} \right) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{n} + 1 - \frac{n-1}{n} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

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\*Example 1.3(b)  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$  some events.

$$I_j = \begin{cases} 1 & A_j \text{ occur} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$N = \sum_{j=1}^n I_j.$$

$$(1-1)^N = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } N=0 \\ 0 & \text{if } N>0 \end{cases}$$

By the binomial theorem,

$$(1-1)^N = \sum_{i=0}^N \binom{N}{i} (-1)^i = \sum_{i=0}^N \binom{N}{i} (-1)^i$$

$$\text{Denote } I = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } N>0 \\ 0 & \text{if } N=0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{then } 1-I = \sum_{i=0}^N \binom{N}{i} (-1)^i \Rightarrow I = \sum_{i=1}^N \binom{N}{i} (-1)^{i+1}$$

Take Expectation  $E I = P(N>0)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(\text{at least one of the } A_i \text{ occur}) \\ &= P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$E N = E \sum_{j=1}^n I_j = \sum_{j=1}^n P(A_j)$$

$$E \binom{N}{2} = E [\text{the number of pairs of } A_j \text{ occur}]$$

$$= E \sum_{i < j} I_i I_j$$

$$= \sum_{i < j} P(A_i A_j)$$

$$E\left(\sum_{j=1}^n A_j\right) = \sum_{j=1}^n P(A_j) = \sum_{j=1}^n P(A_j | A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{j-1}) + \dots + (-1)^{n+j} P(A_j | A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n)$$

Denote  $I_r = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } r=r \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned} I_r &= \binom{n}{r} (-1)^{n-r} = \binom{n}{r} \sum_{i=0}^{n-r} \binom{n-r}{i} (-1)^i \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{n-r} \frac{n!}{(n-r)! r!} \frac{(n-r)!}{i!(n-r-i)!} (-1)^i = \sum_{i=0}^{n-r} \binom{n}{r+i} \binom{r+i}{r} (-1)^i \end{aligned}$$

Take Expectation :

$$E[I_r] = \sum_{i=0}^{n-r} \binom{r+i}{r} (-1)^i E\left(\binom{n}{r+i}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{n-r} \binom{n+r}{r} (-1)^i \sum_{j_i < \dots < j_{r+i}} P(A_{j_1}, \dots, A_{j_{r+i}})$$

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1.4 Moment Generating Function, Characteristic Function and Laplace Transforms.

\* MGF :  $\psi(t) = E(e^{t\bar{X}}) = \int e^{tx} dF(x).$

$$\psi'(t) = E[\bar{X}] e^{t\bar{X}}, \quad \psi^{(n)}(0) = E[\bar{X}^n]$$

$X \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2), \quad Y \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$ . independent

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{X+Y}(t) &= E(e^{t(X+Y)}) \\ &= E e^{tx} E e^{tY} = \psi_X(t) \psi_Y(t) = e^{(\mu_1+\mu_2)t + (\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2) \frac{t^2}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow X+Y \sim N(\mu_1+\mu_2, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2).$

\* CF :  $\phi(t) = E(e^{it\bar{X}})$

$$\psi(t_1, \dots, t_n) = E[e^{\sum_{j=1}^n t_j X_j}]$$

$$\phi(t_1, \dots, t_n) = E[e^{\sum_{j=1}^n t_j X_j}]$$

\* Example  $Z_1, \dots, Z_n$  independent  $\sim N(0,1)$

$a_{ij}, \mu_i$  constants.

$$X_1 = a_{11}Z_1 + \dots + a_{1n}Z_n + \mu_1$$

$\vdots$

$$X_m = a_{m1}Z_1 + \dots + a_{mn}Z_n + \mu_m$$

$\sum_{i=1}^m t_i X_i$  is a linear combination of the independent normal random variables,

$$E\left[\sum_{i=1}^m t_i X_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^m t_i \mu_i$$

$$\text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^m t_i X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m t_i t_j \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j).$$

$$E[e^Y] = \psi_{Y(t)}(t=1) = e^{\mu + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}} \quad (Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2))$$

$$\psi(t_1, \dots, t_m) = \exp \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m t_i \mu_i + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m t_i t_j \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) \right]$$

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\* Laplace transform

$$\tilde{F}(s) = \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-sx} dF(x).$$

$s$ : real / complex number  $a+bi$  with  $a \geq 0$  (integral exist).

Laplace Transform uniquely determine the distribution

for any function  $g(x)$ . LT:  $\tilde{g}(s) = \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-sx} dg(x)$

## 1.5 Conditional Expectation

If  $X, Y$  r.v. discrete, the conditional probability mass function of  $X$  given  $Y=y$  is defined for all  $y$  such that  $P(Y=y) > 0$

$$P(X=x | Y=y) = \frac{P(X=x, Y=y)}{P_Y(y)}$$

Conditional distribution function of  $X$  given  $Y=y$

$$F(x|y) = P(X \leq x | Y=y).$$

Conditional expectation of  $X$  given  $Y=y$

$$E(X | Y=y) = \int x dF(x|y) = \sum_x x P(X=x | Y=y).$$

If  $X, Y$  have joint probability density function  $f(x, y)$ .

conditional probability density function of  $X$  given  $Y=y$  is defined for all  $y$  s.t.  $f_{Y(y)} > 0$  by

$$f(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_{Y(y)}}$$

conditional probability distribution function of  $X$  given  $Y=y$

$$F(x|y) = P(X \leq x | Y=y) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(x|y) dx.$$

conditional expectation of  $X$  given  $\bar{Y}=y$

$$E(X|Y=y) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x f(x|y) dx$$

Define  $E(x|Y)$  is a function  $Y$ .

$f_Y(y) = E[X|Y=y]$ . then  $F(Y) = E[X|Y]$  is a r.v.

$$E[E[X|Y]] = EX = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} E[X|Y] d F_Y(y).$$

$$Y \text{ continuous}, \quad EX = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} E[X|Y=y] f_Y(y) dy$$

$$X, Y \text{ discrete}. \quad EX = \sum_x E[x|Y=y] P(Y=y).$$

$$= \sum_x \sum_y x P(X=x|Y=y) P(Y=y).$$

$$= \sum_x x P(X=x) = EX.$$

$EX$  is weighted sum of  $E[X|Y=y]$ , weight  $P(Y=y)$ .

\* Example 1.5 (A).  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  iid r.v.

$N$  is r.v. independent of  $X_1, X_2, \dots$

Compute moment generating function of  $Y = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$  conditional on  $N$ .

$$E[e^{t \sum_{i=1}^N X_i} | N=n] = E[e^{t \sum_{i=1}^N X_i}] = \prod_{i=1}^n E[e^{t X_i}] = (\psi_X(t))^n$$

$\psi_X(t)$  is  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  moment generating function

$$\psi_X(t) = E[e^{t X}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_Y &= E[e^{t \sum_{i=1}^N X_i}] = E[E(e^{t \sum_{i=1}^N X_i} | N=n)] \\ &= E(\psi_X(t)^N) \end{aligned}$$

$$EY = \psi'_Y(t)|_{t=0} = E[N \psi_X(t)^{N-1} \cdot \psi'_X(t)]|_{t=0}$$

$$\psi'_X(t)|_{t=0} = 1. \quad \psi'_X(t)|_{t=0} = EX.$$

$$EY = E[N EX] = EN EX$$

$$EY^2 = \psi_Y''(t)|_{t=0} = E[N(N-1)\psi_X(t)^{N-2}(\psi_X'(t))^2 + N\psi_X(t)^{N-1}\psi_X''(t)]|_{t=0}$$

$$= E[N(N-1)(EX)^2] + E[NEX^2]$$

$$= EN^2(EX)^2 - EN(EX)^2 + ENEX^2$$

$$= EN^2(EX)^2 + EN \text{Var } X.$$

$$\text{Var } Y = EY^2 - (EY)^2 = EN^2(EX)^2 + EN \text{Var } X - (EN)^2(EX)^2 \\ = EN \text{Var } X + (EX)^2 \text{Var } N.$$

\* Example 1.5 (B).

If choose door 1: travel 2 hours to safety  
 door 2: travel 3 hours and come back  
 door 3: travel 5 hours and come back

$X$ : # of hours take to reach safety

Let  $Y$ : miner first time choose door  $Y$

$$P(Y=1) = P(Y=2) = P(Y=3) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$Ee^{tx} = E[E[e^{tx}|Y]] = \frac{1}{3}(E[e^{tx}|Y=1] + E[e^{tx}|Y=2] + E[e^{tx}|Y=3]) \\ E[e^{tx}|Y=1] = e^{2t}$$

when  $Y=2$ ,  $x=3+x'$ ,  $x'$ : # of additional hours to safety after returning to the mine.

$x'$  and  $x$  have the same distribution

$$E[e^{tx}|Y=2] = E[e^{3t+tx'}] = e^{3t}Ee^{tx}$$

$$E[e^{tx}|Y=3] = E[e^{5t+tx'}] = e^{5t}Ee^{tx}$$

$$\Rightarrow Ee^{tx} = \frac{1}{3}(e^{2t} + e^{3t}Ee^{tx} + e^{5t}Ee^{tx})$$

$$Ee^{tx} = \frac{e^{2t}}{3-e^{3t}-e^{5t}}$$

$E$  is an event,  $x = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } E \text{ occurs} \\ 0 & \text{if } E \text{ does not occur} \end{cases}$

$$P(E) = EX = E[E[x|Y]]$$

$$E[x|Y=y] = P(E|Y=y)$$

$$EX = \int P(E|Y=y) dF_Y(y).$$

\* Example 1.5 (C).  $n$  people  $n$  hat

pick a hat. if got the right hat go home. if not then pick again.

$R_n$ : number of rounds for  $n$  people to get their hats

prove  $E[R_n] = n$

Induction:

If  $n=1$ ,  $E[R_1] = 1$ , obviously.

If  $E[R_k] = k$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$

we denote  $M$ : # of matches in the first round.

$$E[R_n] = \sum_{i=0}^n E[R_n | M=i] P(M=i)$$

$$\text{If } M=i, E[R_n | M=i] = 1 + E[R_{n-i}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[R_n] &= \sum_{i=0}^n [1 + E[R_{n-i}]] P(M=i) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n P(M=i) + E[R_n] P(M=0) + \sum_{i=1}^n E[R_{n-i}] P(M=i) \end{aligned}$$

$$= 1 + E[R_n] P(M=0) + \sum_{i=1}^n (n-i) P(M=i)$$

$$= 1 + E[R_n] P(M=0) + n \sum_{i=1}^n P(M=i) - \sum_{i=1}^n i P(M=i)$$

$$= 1 + E[R_n] P(M=0) + n(1 - P(M=0)) - EP$$

$$E[R_n] = E[R_n] P(M=0) + n(1 - P(M=0))$$

$$\Rightarrow E[R_n] = n$$

\* Example 1.5 (d).  $X, Y$  i.i.d.  $\sim F, G$ .

$$X+Y \triangleq F * G.$$

$$\begin{aligned} F * G(a) &= P(X+Y \leq a) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} P(X+Y \leq a | Y=y) dG(y) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} P(X \leq a-y) dG(y)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} F(a-y) dG(y).$$

We denote  $F * F \triangleq F_2$ ,  $F * F_{n-1} = F_n$  —  $n$  fold convolution.  $F_n$  is the distribution of the sum of  $n$  i.i.d random variable with distribution  $F$ .

\* Example 1.5 (E) A, B candidates. A —  $n$  votes  
B —  $m$  votes  $n > m$ .

$$P(A \text{ always ahead}) = \frac{n-m}{n+m}$$

We denote  $P_{n,m} \triangleq A \text{ always ahead.}$

$$P_{n,m} = P(A \text{ ahead} \mid A \text{ receive last vote}) \cdot \frac{n}{n+m} + P(A \text{ ahead} \mid B \text{ receive last vote}) \cdot \frac{m}{n+m}$$

A receive last vote A always ahead:

$A - n-1$  vote  $B - m$  vote. , A always ahead :  $P_{n-1,m}$ .

B receive last vote. A always ahead:

$A - n$  vote  $B - m-1$  vote , A always ahead :  $P_{n,m-1}$

$$\Rightarrow P_{n,m} = \frac{n}{n+m} P_{n-1,m} + \frac{m}{n+m} P_{n,m-1}$$

Induction on  $n+m$ . if  $n+m=1$ .  $P_{1,0}=1 = \frac{1}{1+0}$

assume  $n+m=k$  is true

consider  $n+m=k+1$ . we have.

$$P_{n,m} = \frac{n}{n+m} P_{n-1,m} + \frac{m}{m+n} P_{n,m-1}$$

$$= \frac{n}{n+m} \times \frac{n-m-1}{n+m-1} + \frac{m}{m+n} \times \frac{n-m+1}{n+m-1}$$

$$= \frac{n^2-nm-n+mn-m^2+m}{(n+m)(n+m-1)} = \frac{(n-m)(n+m-1)}{(n+m)(n+m-1)} = \frac{n-m}{n+m}$$

## 1.6. Exponential distribution, memoryless, hazard rate function

\* Exponential distribution.

continuous r.v.  $X \sim \text{exponential distribution with parameter } \lambda$ ,

$\lambda > 0$ , then its probability density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

cumulative distribute function:

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-\lambda x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

moment generating function

$$\psi_x(t) = E[e^{tx}] = \int_0^{+\infty} e^{tx} \cdot \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

$$= \lambda \int_0^{+\infty} e^{(t-\lambda)x} dx$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{t-\lambda} e^{(t-\lambda)x} \Big|_0^{+\infty} = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda-t} \quad (t < \lambda)$$

Expectation and Variance.

$$E X = \psi'_X(0) = \frac{\lambda}{(\lambda-t)^2} \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

$$E X^2 = \psi''_X(0) = \frac{2\lambda}{(\lambda-t)^3} \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{2}{\lambda^2}$$

$$\text{Var } X = E X^2 - (EX)^2 = \frac{2}{\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$$

\* Memoryless.

$$P(X > s+t \mid X > t) = P(X > s). \quad (s, t \geq 0).$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{P(X > s+t, X > t)}{P(X > t)} = P(X > s)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P(X > s+t) = P(X > s) P(X > t)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{F}(s+t) = \bar{F}(s) \bar{F}(t) \quad \Leftrightarrow \bar{F}(x) = e^{\lambda x} \quad (x > 0)$$

Example 1.6 (A).

service time  $\sim \exp(\lambda)$ .

We suppose B complete his service and A start being serviced.

Because of memoryless, A and C have the same distribution at the time when A starts his service.

Hence,  $P(A \text{ leave after } C) = \frac{1}{2}$  by symmetry.

Prob A is the last one who leaves the office  $= \frac{1}{2}$

Example 1.6 (B).

$X_1, X_2, \dots$  i.i.d continuous c.d.f  $F$

A record happens at  $n$  has value  $x_n$  if  $x_n > \max[x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}]$   
 $\tau_i$  denote the time between  $i$  and  $i$ th record

Question  $\tau_i \sim ?$

$x_1, \dots, x_n$  record time is identical to  $F(x_1), \dots, F(x_n)$ .

$F(x_1), \dots, F(x_n) \sim U(0, 1) \Rightarrow \tau_i$ 's distribution is independent of actual distribution  $F$ . Now we let  $F$  be  $\exp(1)$

$R_i \triangleq$   $i$ th record value.

$R_1 = x_1 \sim \exp(1).$   $R_2 \sim \exp(1) \mid x_2 > x_1$

Because of Memoryless  $R_2$  has the same distribution  
as  $X_1 + \text{ind exp}(1)$ .

$R_2 \sim X_1 + X_2$ ,  $X_1, X_2 \sim \text{ind exp}(1)$ .

$R_i \sim X_1 + \dots + X_i$ ,  $X_1, \dots, X_i \sim \text{ind exp}(1)$

the density  $f_{R_i}(t) = \frac{e^{-t} t^{i-1}}{(i-1)!}$  (Gamma distribution)

$$P(\tau_i > k) = \int_0^{+\infty} P(\tau_i > k | R_i = t) \frac{e^{-t} t^{i-1}}{(i-1)!} dt$$

$$= \int_0^{+\infty} (1 - e^{-t})^k e^{-t} \frac{t^{i-1}}{(i-1)!} dt$$

$\exp(\lambda) \Leftrightarrow F(stt) = F(s) F(t) \Leftrightarrow F \text{ is 满足 } g(stt) = g(s)g(t) \text{ 的 Function}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow g(x) = e^{\lambda x}$

proof. We suppose  $g(x)$  right continuous.

$$g\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = [g\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)]^2$$

$$g\left(\frac{m}{n}\right) = [g\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)]^m$$

$$g(1) = g\left(\frac{1}{n} \times n\right) = [g\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)]^n$$

$$\Rightarrow g\left(\frac{m}{n}\right) = [g(1)]^{\frac{m}{n}}. \text{ for all } n, m.$$

$$\text{由于右连续性: } \Rightarrow g(x) = [g(1)]^x$$

$$\text{而 } g(1) = [g\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)]^2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow g(x) = e^{-\lambda x}, \text{ 其中 } \lambda = -\log[g(1)]$$

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\* failure rate / hazard rate.

$X$  continuous, distribute function  $F$   
density function  $f$ .

$$\lambda(t) = \frac{f(t)}{F(t)} \text{ — hazard rate.}$$

$$P(X \in (t, t+dt) | X > t) = \frac{P(X \in (t, t+dt), X > t)}{P(X > t)}$$

$$= \frac{P(X \in (t, t+dt))}{P(X > t)} \xrightarrow{dt \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t)}{F(t)} = \lambda(t).$$

$\lambda(t)$  是在  $t$  时刻坏掉的速率.

For exponential distribution:

$$\lambda(t) = \frac{\lambda e^{-\lambda t}}{e^{-\lambda t}} = \lambda \text{ independent of } t$$

$\Rightarrow$  exp memoryless

$$\lambda(t) \text{ uniquely determine r.v.}$$

$$\lambda(t) = \frac{f(t)}{F(t)} = -\frac{\frac{d}{dt} F(t)}{F(t)}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\int_0^t \lambda(t) dt + K = \int_0^t \frac{\frac{d}{dt} \bar{F}(t)}{\bar{F}(t)} dt = \int_0^t \frac{1}{\bar{F}(t)} d\bar{F}(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{F}(t) = C e^{-\int_0^t \lambda(t) dt}$$

when  $t=0 \Rightarrow C=1$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{F}(t) = e^{-\int_0^t \lambda(t) dt}$$

## 1.7 Probability Inequality

\* Markov inequality.

Lem 1.7.1.  $x \geq 0, \forall \alpha > 0$

$$P(X \geq \alpha) \leq \frac{EX}{\alpha}$$

proof. let  $I_{(x \geq \alpha)} = 1 \text{ if } x \geq \alpha$   
 $I_{(x \geq \alpha)} = 0 \text{ if } x < \alpha$ .

Since  $x > 0$ , we have

$$\alpha I_{(x \geq \alpha)} \leq x$$

$$\text{then } EX \geq E\alpha I_{(x \geq \alpha)} = \alpha \cdot P(X \geq \alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X \geq \alpha) \leq \frac{EX}{\alpha}.$$

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Prop 1.7.2 Chernoff bounds.

let  $X$  r.v. moment generating function  $M(t) = E e^{tx}$

Then  $\alpha > 0$

$$P(X \geq \alpha) \leq e^{-at} M(t) \quad \forall t > 0$$

$$P(X \leq \alpha) \leq e^{at} M(t) \quad \forall t < 0$$

proof.  $t > 0$

$$P(X \geq \alpha) = P(e^{tx} \geq e^{ta})$$

$$\leq \frac{E[e^{tx}]}{e^{ta}} = e^{-at} M(t).$$

$t < 0$

$$P(X \leq \alpha) = P(e^{tx} \geq e^{ta}) \leq e^{-at} M(t).$$

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Example 1.7(A) (Chernoff bounds for Poisson r.v.)  
 $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda) \quad M(t) = e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}$

Chernoff Bounds for

$P(X \geq j)$  is

$$P(X \geq j) \leq e^{-jt} e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}$$

minimize the bound, since  $\lambda(e^t - 1) - jt$  convex.

take derivate:  $\lambda e^t - j = 0 \Rightarrow e^t = \frac{j}{\lambda}$  provided  $\frac{j}{\lambda} > 1$ .

$$P(X \geq j) \leq e^{\lambda(\frac{j}{\lambda} - 1)} \cdot (\frac{j}{\lambda})^j$$

$$= e^{\lambda} \frac{(e^{\lambda})^j}{j!}$$

Prop 1.7.3 Jensen's Inequality.

$f$  convex  $E f(z) \geq f(Ez)$  provided that the expectation exists.

proof.  $f$  has the Taylor's expansion.

Expand  $f$  at  $\mu = Ex$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f(\mu) + f'(\mu)(x-\mu) + \frac{1}{2} f''(\zeta)(x-\zeta)^2 \\ &\geq f(\mu) + f'(\mu)(x-\mu) \end{aligned}$$

$$E f(x) \geq f(E(x)).$$

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### 1.8 Limit theorem.

\* Strong Law of Large Numbers

$x_1, x_2, \dots$  i.i.d mean  $\mu$ . then

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n} = \mu\right) &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n} &= \mu \text{ a.s. 1.} \end{aligned}$$

\* Central Limit Theorem.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\frac{\sum x_i - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \leq a\right) = \int_{-\infty}^a \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx.$$

### 1.9. Stochastic Process.

$X : \{X(t), t \in T\}$  collection of r.v.  $\forall t \in T$ ,  $X(t)$  is r.v.

if  $T$ : countable  $\underline{X}$  - discrete-time S.P.

if  $T$ : continuous  $\underline{X}$  - continuous-time S.P.

Realization of  $\underline{X}$  : sample path

$\underline{X}$  has independent increments : if

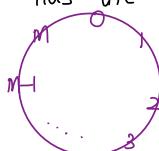
for  $t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n$

$X(t_1) - X(t_0), X(t_2) - X(t_1), \dots, X(t_n) - X(t_{n-1})$  independent

$\underline{X}$  is stationary : if

$X(t+s) - X(t)$  has the same distribution for all  $t$

Example 1.9(A)



$X_n$  is the position of the particle after its  $n$ th step.

$$P(X_{n+1} = i+1 \mid X_n = i) = P(X_{n+1} = i-1 \mid X_n = i) = \frac{1}{2}$$

where  $i+1=0$  when  $i=m$ , and  $i-1=m$  where  $i=0$

Suppose that the particle starts at 0 and continuous to move around according to the above rule until all the nodes have been visited.

prob of  $i$  is the last visited?