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Current Topics in Data Science and AI

Denoising in Scientific Imaging
Background:
Random Variables

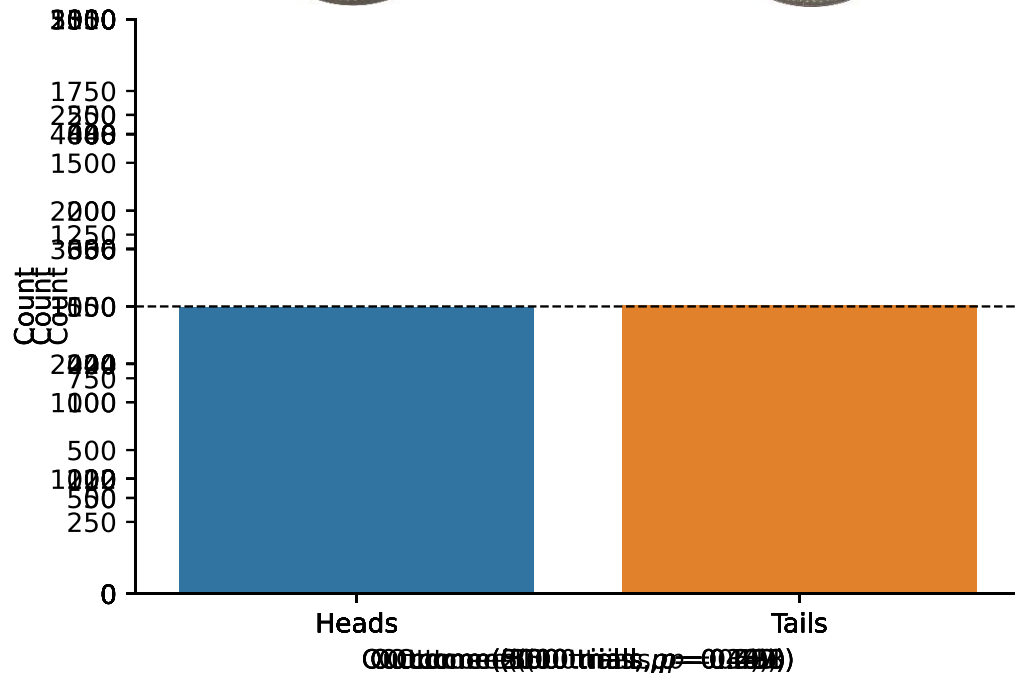
Discrete Probability Distributions

Coin flip experiment:

$X = 1$ (heads)



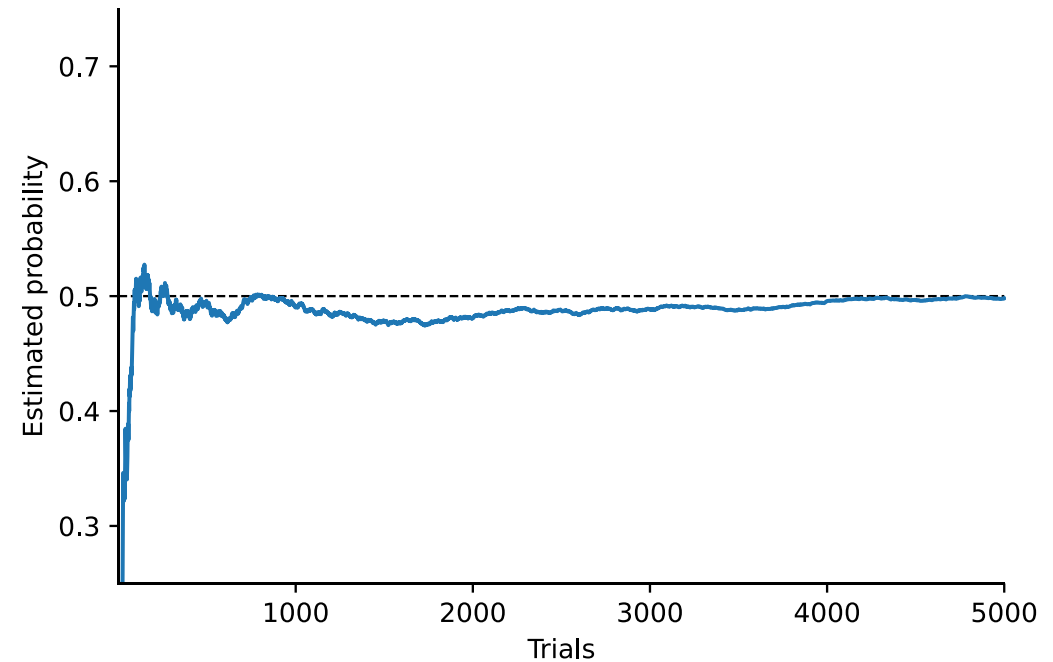
$X = 0$ (tails)



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Probability

Relative frequency



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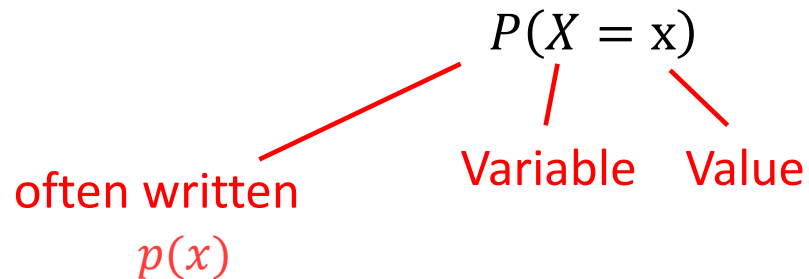


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Notation:



Probability Mass Function (PMF):

$P(X = 1)$	$P(X = 0)$
0.5	0.5

$$\sum_x p(x) = 1$$

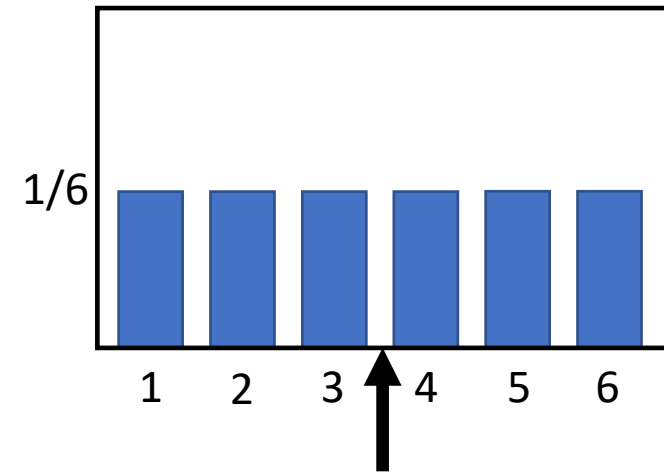
Expected Values

$$\mathbb{E}_{p(x)}[x] = \sum_x p(x)x$$
$$= \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K x_k \quad | x_k \sim p(x)$$

- Center of mass of the distribution
- Expected value minimizes quadratic error

$(s-x)^2$

- Rolling dice:

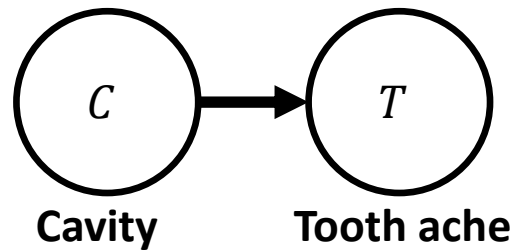


$$\mathbb{E}_{p(x)}[x] = \sum_{x=1}^6 \frac{1}{6} x = 3.5$$

$$(1+2+3+4+5+6)/6=3.5$$

Joint Probability

- Consider two random variables:



Joint probability $p(c, t)$:

$p(c, t)$	$T = 1$	$T = 0$
$C = 1$	0.1	0.02 $p(c=1, t=0)=0.02$
$C = 0$	0.08	0.8



- Joint probabilities sum to 1:

$$\sum_c \sum_t p(c, t) = 1$$

Take Home Message – Probability:

Always true:

- Marginalisation: $p(t) = \sum_c p(t, c)$
Probability of tooth ache
- Cond. prob.: $p(c|t) = \frac{p(c, t)}{p(t)}$
Probability of cavity or tooth ache
- Product rule: $p(c, t) = p(c|t) p(t)$
Probability of cavity and tooth ache
- Bayes rule: $p(c|t) = \frac{p(t|c)p(c)}{p(t)}$
Probability of

Derive everything from

$p(t, c)$:

	$T = 1$	$T = 0$
$C = 1$	0.1	0.02
$C = 0$	0.08	0.8

Joint probability is complete model

Take Home Message – Probability (2):

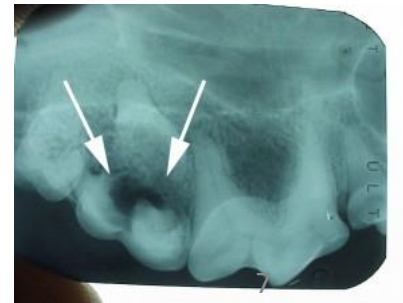
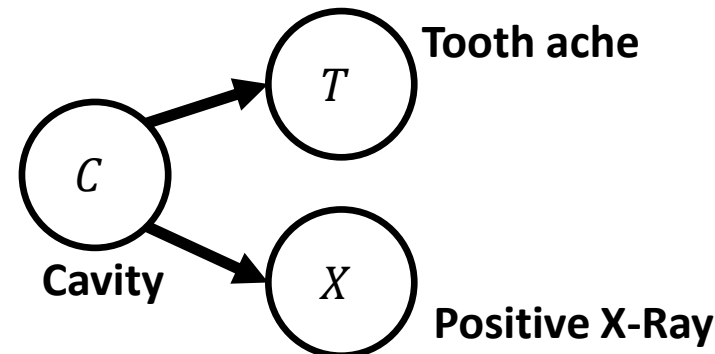
Everything holds when conditioned on additional variable:

- Marginalisation: $p(t|x) = \sum_c p(t, c|x)$
- Cond. Prob.: $p(c|t, x) = \frac{p(c, t|x)}{p(t|x)}$
- Product Rule: $p(c, t|x) = p(c|t, x) p(t|x)$
- Bayes Rule: $p(c|t, x) = \frac{p(t|c, x)p(c|x)}{p(t|x)}$

Derive everything from

$p(t, c|X = 1)$:

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$C = 1$	0.1	0.02
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Independence

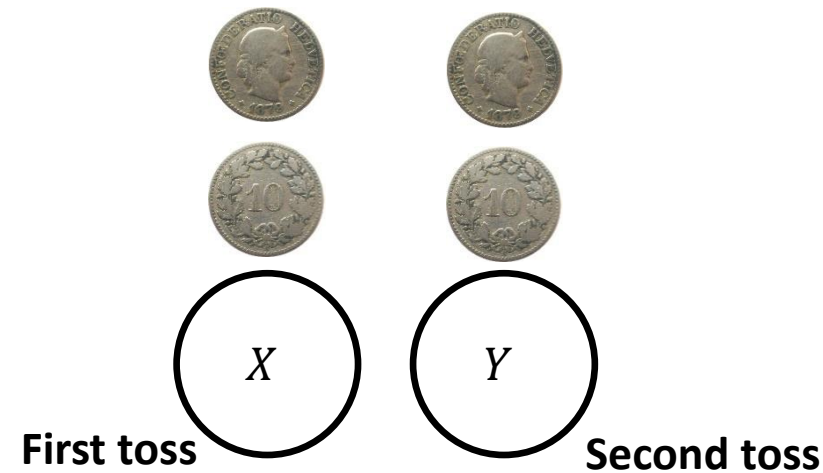
- Example: Toss a coin twice

$p(x)$:

$p(X = 1)$	$p(X = 0)$
0.5	0.5

$p(y)$:

$p(Y = 1)$	$p(Y = 0)$
0.5	0.5



$$p(x, y) = p(x)p(y)$$

Can calculate

	$X = 1$	$X = 0$
$Y = 1$	0.25	0.25
$Y = 0$	0.25	0.25

- Two random variables X and Y are **independent** iff:

$$p(x|y) = p(x), \quad p(y|x) = p(y), \quad p(x, y) = p(x) p(y) \quad \text{for all } x \text{ and } y.$$

- Observing one does not give information about the other

Written:
 $X \perp Y$

Conditional Independence

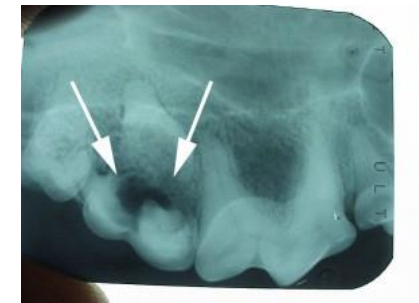
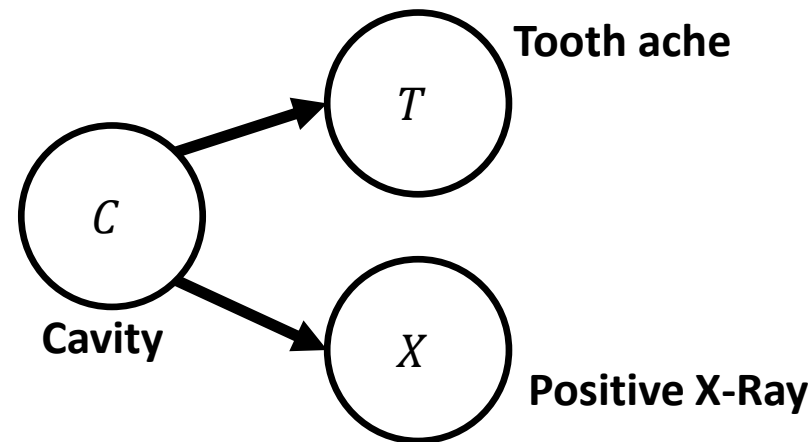
- X and T are **conditionally independent** given C iff:

Written:
 $X \perp\!\!\!\perp T \mid C$

$$p(x|t, c) = p(x|c), \quad p(t|x, c) = p(t|c), \quad p(x, t|c) = p(x|c) p(t|c) \quad \text{for all } x, t \text{ and } c.$$

- Observing one does not give information about the other, provided C is observed.

- Example: Dentist



Continuous Probability Distributions

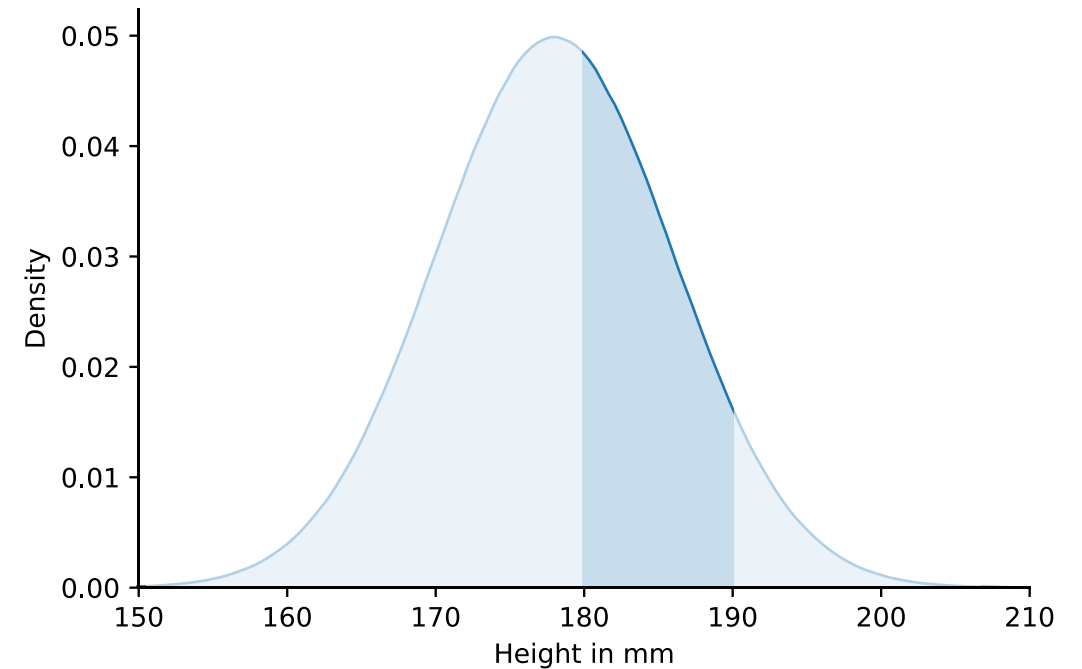
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- $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$

Calculus

- Large values \rightarrow large sample density
- Completely describes distribution

- $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ is probability $a \leq x_i \leq b$



Probability Density Function (PDF)

Take Home Message – Continuous Probability:

Always true:

- Marginalisation:

These are PDFs

$$p(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(t, c) dc$$

- Cond. prob.:

$$p(c|t) = \frac{p(c, t)}{p(t)}$$

- Product rule:

$$p(c, t) = p(c|t) p(t)$$

- Bayes rule:

$$p(c|t) = \frac{p(t|c)p(c)}{p(t)}$$

Derive everything from

$$p(t, c):$$

Expected value:

$$\mathbb{E}_{p(x)}[x] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x)x = \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K x_k \mid x_k \sim p(x)$$

(Cond.) Independence

Like in discrete case