

## Mod 3 Probability

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Random Experiment: An experiment whose outcome cannot be predicted with certainty.

Although all possible outcomes of an experiment may be known in advance, the exact outcome of the experiment cannot be predicted.

e.g.: Tossing a coin.

# Random Variable :-

For every random experiment a fun  $X$  assigns one & only one real number  $x_s (= X(s))$  to every element  $s$  of sample space  $S$ . such fun  $X$  is called as a random variable.

The random variable  $X$  can be discrete or continuous depending upon the nature of its domain.

a) Discrete Random Variable :-

Let  $X$  be a random variable : If  $X$  takes finite or countably infinite values  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n, \dots$  then  $X$  is called a discrete random variable.

\* Probability Distribution of discrete random variable :

Let  $X$  be a discrete random variable. Let  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n, \dots$  be the possible values of  $X$ .  $p(x_i)$  is the probability of  $x_i$ .  $p(x_i), [i = 1, 2, 3, \dots]$  must satisfy the following condition

i)  $p(x_i) \geq 0$  for all  $i$

ii)  $\sum p(x_i) = 1$

The func  $p$  is called the probability func or probability mass func or probability distribution func of the random variable  $X$  if the set of points  $(x_i, p_i)$  is called the probability distribution of  $X$  (here  $p_i = p(x_i)$ ).

### b) continuous Random Variable :-

Let  $X$  be a random variable. If  $X$  takes uncountably infinite values in a given interval then  $X$  is called a continuous random variable.

e.g. temperature of place, heights of students in a class.

### \* Probability density func of a continuous random variable :-

Let  $X$  be a continuous random variable such that -

i)  $f(x)$  is integrable function over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

ii)  $f(x) \geq 0$  holds for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

iii)  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = 1$ , if  $X$  lies in  $[a, b]$

iv)  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = P(a \leq X \leq b)$  where  $a < x < b < b$

is called probability density func of a continuous random variable  $X$ .

Note :- In discrete random variable  $P(X=c) \neq 0$

For a discrete random variable the probability at  $X=c$  may not be zero but in a continuous random variable  $P(X=c) = 0$  always because,

$$P(X=c) = \int_c^c f(x)dx = 0$$

It is because

Properties of probability density fun<sup>n</sup> of continuous random variable:

1)  $f(x) \geq 0, -\infty < x < \infty$

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

3) Probability that  $\alpha < X < \beta$  is given by  $P(\alpha < X < \beta) = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f(x) dx$

Q.1 A discrete random variable A has following prop. distn. fun.

$x$	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
$p(X=x)$	0.1	$k$	0.2	$2k$	0.3	$3k$

Find  $k$

1)  $P(X > 2)$

2)  $P(-2 < X < 2)$

3)  $P(X < 2)$

$$\Rightarrow 1) \sum p_i = 1 \Rightarrow 0.1 + k + 0.2 + 2k + 0.3 + 3k = 1 \\ 6k = 0.4$$

$$k = 0.0667$$

2)  $P(X > 2) = p(X=2) + p(X=3)$

$$= 0.3 + 3(0.0667)$$

$$= 0.57$$

3)  $P(-2 < X < 2) = p(X=-1) + p(X=0) + p(X=1)$

$$= 0.0667 + 0.2 + 2(0.0667)$$

$$= 0.4$$

4)  $p(X < 2) = p(X=-2) + p(X=-1) + p(X=0) + p(X=1)$

$$= 0.1 + 0.0667 + 0.2 + 0.0667(2)$$

$$= 0.5$$

Q.2) A continuous random variable has prob. dens. fun<sup>n</sup> as below.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} kx, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ k, & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 3k - kx, & 2 \leq x \leq 3 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

ii) Find  $k$   $\Rightarrow$  Find  $P(1 \leq X \leq 2.5)$   $\Rightarrow P(X \leq 2)$

$\Rightarrow$

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

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^3 f(x) dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 kx dx + \int_1^2 k dx + \int_2^3 (3k - kx) dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \frac{kx^2}{2} \right]_0^1 + \left[ kx \right]_1^2 + \left[ 3kx - \frac{kx^2}{2} \right]_2^3 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k(1-0)}{2} + k((2-1)) + 3k(3-2) - \frac{k(9-4)}{2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k}{2} + k + 3k - \frac{5k}{2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (1+2+3)k - 2k = 1 \quad (\because k \neq 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2k = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 0.5$$

$$(i) P(1 \leq X \leq 2.5) = \int_1^{2.5} f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_1^2 k dx + \int_2^{2.5} (3k - kx) dx$$

$$= \left[ kx \right]_1^2 + \left[ 3(kx - \frac{kx^2}{2}) \right]_2^{2.5}$$

$$P(X \leq 4) = 0.5(2+1) + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)[2.5+2] - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)[6.25-4]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} - \frac{2.25}{4}$$

$$P(X \leq 4) = \frac{2.75}{4} = 0.6875$$

$$3) P(X \leq 2) = \int_0^2 f(x)dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 kx dx + \int_1^2 k dx$$

$$= kx^2 \Big|_0^1 + kx \Big|_1^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [1-0] + \frac{1}{2} [2-1]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = 0.25 + 0.5 = 0.75$$

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

$$= 0.75$$

Mathematical expectation or Expected value :-

Let  $X$  be discrete random variable with  $P_i = P(X = x_i)$  as probability distribution then the mathematical expectation or expected value is denoted by  $E(X)$  and is given by -

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\* Properties of expectation :

①  $E(cX) = cE(X)$  is also called as mean (or average).

$$\text{i.e., } E(X) = \sum x_i p_i = \bar{x} = \mu.$$

②  $E(k) = k$ , where  $k$  is a constant.

$$③ E(aX+b) = aE(X) + b$$

④  $E(aX+bY) = aE(X) + bE(Y)$ , where  $X$  &  $Y$  are random variab

⑤ In general  $E(C^n) = \sum x_i^n p_i$ , if  $x$  is discrete random var

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^n f(x) dx, \text{ if } x \text{ is continuous var}$$

$$⑥ E(C) = \sum x_i^1 p_i = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^1 f(x) dx \text{ is more frequently used.}$$

↓      ↓  
here  $x$  is      here  $x$  is  
dis. ran. var.      contin. ran. var.

⑦ Expectations are also considered as moments about origin.

⑧ If  $X$  &  $Y$  are two independent random variables then,

$$E(XY) = E(X) \cdot E(Y)$$

\* Variance :-  $E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2$

The mathematical expectation is also treated as mean of the distribution.

There is one more parameter related to distribution, the variability of distribution reflects the fluctuations of random variable around some constants (mostly about mean or origin). The most common expression of variability is variance (which is also called as dispersion) and it is denoted by  $\sigma_x^2$ .

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

Standard deviation of variable  $X$  is defined as positive square root of variance of  $X$ . And it is denoted by  $\sigma_x$ .

Standard deviation of  $X = \sigma_x$

$$= \sqrt{E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{E(X^2) - E(X)^2}$$

Properties of variance :-

1) Let  $K$  be any constant then  $\text{Var}(K) = 0$  i.e. the variance of constant is zero.

2) Let  $X$  be a random variable then we have  $\text{Var}(ax + b) = a^2 \text{Var}(x)$  where  $a$  &  $b$  are constants.

3) Similarly,  $\text{Var}(ax + by) = a^2 \text{Var}(x) + b^2 \text{Var}(y)$ , where  $x$  &  $y$  are independent random variables &  $a, b$  are constants.

4) If  $x$  &  $y$  are independent random variables,

then  $\text{Var}(x+y) = \text{Var}(x) + \text{Var}(y)$  since  $\text{Var}(-y) = \text{Var}(y)$

Q. A discrete random variable has the probability density function

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} x & -2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ f(x) & 0.2 & k & 0.1 & 2k & 0.1 & 2k \end{array}$$

Find k, mean, variance.

$\Rightarrow 0.2 + k + 0.1 + 2k + 0.1 + 2k = 1$

$$5k = 1$$

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$$5k = 0.6$$

$$k = 0.12$$

$$\text{Mean} = E(X) = \sum x_i p_i \quad \dots \text{①}$$

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

$$E(X^2) = \sum x_i^2 p_i - [E(X)]^2 \quad \dots \text{②}$$

$x_i$	$f(x_i)$	$x_i p_i$	$x_i^2 p_i$	$x_i^2 p_i - x_i p_i^2$
-2	0.2	-0.24	-0.48	-0.36
-1	0.12	-0.12	0.12	-0.12
0	0.1	0.08	0	0.08
1	0.24	0.24	0.24	0.24
2	0.1	0.12	0.4	0.4
3	0.24	0.22	0.72	2.16
		$\sum x_i p_i = 0.6$	$\sum x_i^2 p_i = 3.24$	

$$\therefore E(X) = \sum x_i p_i = 0.64$$

$$\therefore \text{Var}(X) = \sum x_i^2 p_i - [E(X)]^2$$

$$= 3.24 - 0.4096$$

$$= 2.8304$$

X	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
P(X)	0.1	$3k$	0.2	$2k$	0.3	$5k$

Find standard deviation.

$$\sum p_i = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.1 + 3k + 0.2 + 2k + 0.3 + 5k = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$\therefore 0.6 + 10k = 1$$

$$\therefore 10k = 0.4 \quad (2)$$

$$\therefore k = 0.04 \quad (3)$$

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)}$$

$$= \sqrt{E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\sum x_i^2 p_i - [\sum x_i p_i]^2}$$

$x_i$	$p(x_i)$	$x_i p_i$	$x_i^2 p_i$
-2	0.1	-0.2	0.4
-1	0.12	-0.12	0.12
0	0.2	0	0
1	0.08	0.08	0.08
2	0.3	0.6	1.2
3	0.2	0.6	1.8

$$\sum x_i p_i = 0.96 \quad \sum x_i^2 p_i = 3.6$$

standard deviation  $\sigma_x = \sqrt{3.6 - (0.96)^2}$

$$\therefore \sigma_x = \sqrt{3.6 - (0.96)^2} = 1.6365$$

- Q. 6 men & 5 women apply for a position in a company. 2 of the applicants are selected for an interview. How many women do you expect in the interview?

Let  $X$  be the no. of women selected for interview.

$X$	0	1	2
$P(X)$	$\frac{3}{11}$	$\frac{6}{11}$	$\frac{2}{11}$

$$P(0) = \frac{^5C_0 \cdot ^6C_2}{^{11}C_2} = \frac{1 \times \frac{6 \times 5}{2}}{\frac{11 \times 10}{2}} = \frac{3}{11}$$

$$P(1) = \frac{^5C_1 \cdot ^6C_1}{^{11}C_2} = \frac{5 \times 6}{\frac{11 \times 10}{2}} = \frac{6}{11}$$

$$P(2) = \frac{^5C_2 \cdot ^6C_0}{^{11}C_2} = \frac{\frac{5 \times 4}{2} \times 1}{\frac{11 \times 10}{2}} = \frac{2}{11}$$

$$E(X) = \sum x_i p_i$$

$$= 0 \times \frac{3}{11} + 1 \times \frac{6}{11} + 2 \times \frac{2}{11}$$

$$= \frac{10}{11}$$

$$= 0.90909$$

\* Probability :-

Let  $E$  be a random experiment and  $S$  be the sample space and  $A$  be an event associated with  $E$ .

Let  $n(S)$  denote the no. of elements in  $S$  and  $n(A)$  denotes the no. of elements in  $A$ . Then probability of occurrence of event  $A$  is -

$$P(A) = \frac{n(A)}{n(S)} = \frac{\text{No. of favourable events}}{\text{Total no. of events}}$$

Note :- If  $P(A) > 0$  then  $A$  is called an event.

$$\approx P(S) = 1$$

(3)  $P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup \dots \cup A_n) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) + P(A_3) + \dots + P(A_n)$   
where  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n$  are mutually exclusive events.

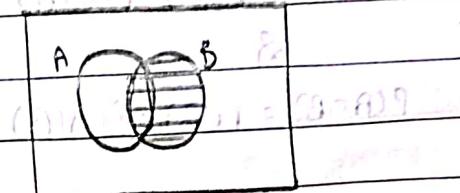
Properties of probability :-

3) If  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n$  are mutually exclusive exhaustive events,  
then,  $P(A_1) + P(A_2) + \dots + P(A_n) = 1$   
( $A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup \dots \cup A_n = S$ )

4) Let  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n$  be mutually exclusive exhaustive events  
and let  $B$  be any event then,

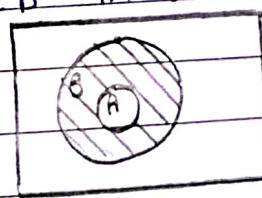
$$P(B) = P(A_1 \cap B) + P(A_2 \cap B) + \dots + P(A_n \cap B)$$

5) For any two events  $A \otimes B$ ,  $P(B) = P(A \cap B) + P(B \cap \bar{A})$



$$P(\bar{A}) = 1 - P(A) \quad \text{and} \quad P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B|A)$$

6) let  $A \otimes B$  be any two events  $\otimes A \subseteq B$  then,



7) If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $P(A) \leq P(B)$ .

8) let  $A \otimes B$  be any  $\geq$  two events, then probability that atleast one of the events  $A \otimes B$  will occur is

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

9)  $P(A \cup B \cup C) = P(A) + P(B) + P(C) - P(A \cap B) - P(B \cap C) - P(C \cap A)$   
 $+ P(A \cap B \cap C)$

Note:- If A, B, C are mutually exclusive events then,

$$P(A \cup B \cup C) = P(A) + P(B) + P(C).$$

### \* conditional Probability :-

Let A & B be any two events then the conditional probability of an event B assuming that A has already occurred is denoted by  $P(B|A)$ .

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}, P(A) \neq 0$$

$$P(A)$$

### \* Multiplication Theorem :- $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B|A) = P(B) \cdot P(A|B)$

If A & B are two given events then probability that both of them will be occurs is given by -

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B|A)$$

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$$P(A \cap B) = P(B) \cdot P(A|B)$$

Note : i) If A  $\subset$  B then,  $P(B|A) = 1$

$$A \cap B = A \Rightarrow P(A \cap B) = P(A) \quad \text{if } A \neq \emptyset$$

Proof : By definition,  $P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$

$$\frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(A) \cdot P(B|A)}{P(A)} \because A \subset B$$

ii) If A  $\subset$  B, then  $P(A) \leq P(A|B)$

iii) If A & B are mutually exclusive events, then  $P(B|A) = 0$ .

$$P(A) > P(B) \Rightarrow P(A|B) > P(B|A)$$

If two events A & B are independent then,  
 $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$

Q.1 A bag contains 4 yellow, 5 green and 6 orange marbles.  
 If 2 marbles are drawn at random. Find the probability  
 that both marbles are green.

$$n(S) = 4 \text{ yellow} + 5 \text{ green} + 6 \text{ orange}$$

$$= 15 \text{ marbles.}$$

Let A be event of drawing first marble as green marble.

$$\therefore P(A) = \frac{5}{15} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Let B be event of drawing second marble also as green.

$$\therefore P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$

$$\text{Now to solve } \therefore P(B|A) = \frac{4}{14} = \frac{2}{7}$$

In this situation after first drawing there are 14 marbles left.

$$(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap B^c) = \text{Total sample space}$$

$\therefore$  The probability that both marbles are green is,

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B|A)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{7}$$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{2}{21}$$

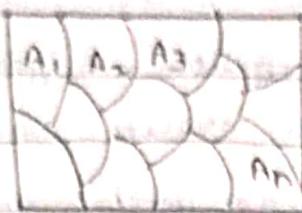
$$= 0.09524$$

\* Definition of a sample space :-

if  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$  are  $n$  events of  $\Omega$  such that

$A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n = \Omega$  &

then, the set  $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$  is called partition of sample space.



\* Total Probability Theorem :-

Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$  be mutually exclusive and exhaustive events and  $B$  is another event associated with  $S$  then,

$$P(B) = P(A_1) \cdot P(B|A_1) + P(A_2) \cdot P(B|A_2) + \dots + P(A_n) \cdot P(B|A_n)$$

i.e.  $P(B) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) \cdot P(B|A_i)$

\* Bayes Theorem :-

Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$  be mutually exclusive & exhaustive events and  $B$  is another event associated with  $A_i$  then,

$$P(A_i|B) = \frac{P(A_i)P(B|A_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) \cdot P(B|A_i)}$$

$$\text{Total } P(B) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) \cdot P(B|A_i)$$

Q: If two cards are drawn at random from a well shuffled pack of 52 cards. What is probability that second card is ace.  
⇒

Let  $A_1$  be event that first card drawn is ace.

Let  $A_2$  be event that first card drawn is not ace.

$$P(A_1) = \frac{4}{52} = \frac{1}{13}$$

$$P(A_2) = \frac{48}{52} = \frac{12}{13}$$

Let  $B$  be event that second card drawn is ace.

$$P(B|A_1) = \frac{3}{51} \quad P(B|A_2) = \frac{4}{51}$$

By Total Probability Theorem,

$$P(B) = \sum_{i=1}^2 P(A_i) P(B|A_i)$$

$$= P(A_1) P(B|A_1) + P(A_2) P(B|A_2)$$

$$= \frac{4}{52} \times \frac{3}{51} + \frac{12}{13} \times \frac{4}{51}$$

$$= 0.07692 \dots$$

$$= 0.07692 \dots = P(B)$$

Q. A certain test for a particular cancer is known to be 95% accurate. A person submits to a test & result is positive. Suppose that person comes from population of 1,00,000 where 2000 people suffer from the disease. What is probability that person under test has that particular cancer?

$\Rightarrow$

Let  $A_1$  be the event that the person has cancer.

$A_2$  be event that the person doesn't have cancer.

$$P(A_1) = \frac{2000}{100000} = 0.02$$

$$P(A_2) = \frac{98000}{100000} = 0.98$$

Let  $B$  be the event that test is positive when a person has cancer.

$$P(B|A_1) = 0.95$$

$$P(B|A_2) = 0.05$$

By Bayes Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} P(A_1 \cap B) &= \frac{P(A_1)P(B|A_1)}{P(A_1)P(B|A_1) + P(A_2)P(B|A_2)} \\ &= \frac{0.02 \times 0.95}{0.02 \times 0.95 + 0.98 \times 0.05} \\ &= 0.279 \end{aligned}$$

Q.3 A football team wins its game when they have their first goal or if the opposite team scores the first goal. If the team misses the first goal about 30% of times, what is the probability the team wins the game?



Let  $A_1$  be the event first team scores the first goal.

$$P(A_1) = \frac{60}{100} = 0.3$$

Let  $A_2$  be the event second team scores the first goal.

$$P(A_2) = 1 - 0.3 = 0.7$$

Let  $B$  be the event that team wins.

$$P(B|A_1) = \frac{60}{100} = 0.6$$

and hence  $P(B|A_2) = 1 - 0.6 = 0.4$

$$= \frac{100 - 60}{100} = 0.4$$

By Total Probability Theorem,

$$P(B) = P(A_1)P(B|A_1) + P(A_2)P(B|A_2)$$

$$= 0.3 \times 0.6 + 0.7 \times 0.4$$

$$= 0.18 + 0.28 = 0.46$$

$$= 0.25$$

$$= \frac{25}{100} = 25\%$$

$$= 25\% = (25\%)$$

Q. Among 4 coins there is one false coin with head on both sides. A coin is chosen at random & tossed four times. If head appears all four times, what is the probability that the false coin has been chosen?

Let  $A_1$  be the event that true coin is chosen.

$$P(A_1) = \frac{3}{4}$$

Let  $A_2$  be the event that false coin is chosen.

$$P(A_2) = \frac{1}{4}$$

Let  $B$  be the event all 4 times head occurs.

$$P(B|A_1) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{16}$$

$$P(B|A_2) = 1$$

By Bayes' Theorem, we find the probability of

$$P(A_2|B) = \frac{P(A_2) \cdot P(B|A_2)}{P(A_1) \cdot P(B|A_1) + P(A_2) \cdot P(B|A_2)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{4} \times 1}{\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{4} \times 1}$$

$$= \frac{16}{19}$$

$$= 0.8421$$

$$\therefore P(A_2|B) = 0.8421$$

- \* Moments :-
- Moment generating fun<sup>n</sup>
- Raw moments upto 4<sup>th</sup> order
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To understand the symmetry of the probability distribution we have to calculate the skewness of distribution and if we want to understand the flatness of the distribution then we have to calculate the kurtosis of the distribution.

These parameters skewness & kurtosis both depends on the moments of the distribution.

These are two types of moments :-

1) Moments about any arbitrary point.

2) Moments about central tendency (mean, median, mode)

### 1) Raw moments :-

The moments about any arbitrary points are called raw moments.

Notation : If  $M_r$  is the  $r$ th raw moment is denoted by  $M_r$

### 2) Moments about arbitrary point 'a' :-

Let  $X$  be a random variable then the  $r$ th raw moment about an arbitrary point 'a' is given as -

$$M_r' = E[(X-a)^r] = \sum p_i(x_i-a)^r$$

... for discrete random variable  $X$

$$M_r' = E[(X-a)^r] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x-a)^r f(x) dx$$

... for continuous random variable  $X$ .