

Measure and Random Variable

Definition A *sigma algebra* \mathcal{F} of subsets of Ω :

- $\Omega \in \mathcal{F}$
- close under union and intersection
- close under complement

Definition A set function μ on \mathcal{F} is a *measure* if (Probability measure if $\mu(\Omega) = 1$):

- $\mu(A) \in [0, \infty]$ for all $A \subset \Omega$
- $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$
- close under complement
- $\mu(\bigcup_k^\infty A_k) = \sum_k^\infty \mu(A_k)$ where $\{A_k\}$ is disjoint sequence in \mathcal{F} and $\bigcup_k^\infty A_k \in \mathcal{F}$

Definition *Outer measure* μ^* is function defined on all subsets of Ω :

- $\mu^*(A) \in [0, \infty]$ for all $A \subset \Omega$
- $\mu^*(\emptyset) = 0$
- μ^* is monotone: $\mu^*(A) \leq \mu^*(B)$ if $A \subset B$
- μ^* is countably subadditive: $\mu^*(\bigcup_n A_n) \leq \sum_n \mu^*(A_n)$

Definition *Lebesgue measure* λ_k on \mathcal{R}^k (Note: \mathcal{R} denote euclidean space. \mathcal{R} denotes sigma field on euclidean space.)

- $\lambda_k(\{(x_1, \dots, x_k) | a_i < x_i < b_i\}) = \prod_{i=1}^k (b_i - a_i)$
- $\lambda_k(A) = \lambda_k(A + x)$ (translation invariance)
- $\lambda_k(TA) = |\det T| \lambda_k(A)$, T is linear and nonsingular.
- λ_k is regular (finite measure to bounded set)

Definition Function T between two measure spaces (Ω, \mathcal{F}) and (Ω', \mathcal{F}') is *measurable* \mathcal{F}/\mathcal{F}' if $\forall A \in \mathcal{F}', T^{-1}A \in \mathcal{F}$. We say T is *measurable* \mathcal{F} if it is measurable $\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{R}^1$.

Definition *Probability Space* is denoted as (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P)

Definition A *random variable* on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) is a real-valued function $X = X(\omega)$ measurable \mathcal{F} . A *random vector* is mapping from Ω to \mathcal{R}^k that is measurable \mathcal{F} . e.g. $X(\omega) = (X_1(\omega), \dots, X_k(\omega))$.

Definition The *distribution (law) of random variable* X is the probability measure $\mu = PX^{-1}$ on $(\mathcal{R}^1, \mathcal{R}^1)$ defined by

$$\mu(A) = P[X \in A], \quad A \in \mathcal{R}^1$$

($P[X \in A]$ means $P[\omega : X(\omega) \in A]$).

Definition The *distribution function of random variable* X is

$$F(x) = \mu(-\infty, x] = P[X \leq x]$$

. If F is right-continuous, and non-decreasing, there is a random variable X on some (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) corresponding to F .

Definition If $X = (X_1, \dots, X_k)$,

$$\mu(A) = P[(X_1, \dots, X_k) \in A], \quad A \in \mathcal{R}^k$$

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_k) = P[X_1 \leq x_1, \dots, X_k \leq x_k]$$

μ, F are called *joint distribution* and *join distribution function* of X .

Integration

Let f, g be real measurable function on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P)

Definition The *definite integral* is denoted:

$$\int f d\mu = \int_\Omega f(\omega) d\mu(\omega) = \int_\Omega f(\omega) \mu(d\omega)$$

is defined by

$$\int f d\mu = \int f^+ d\mu - \int f^- d\mu$$

and

$$\int f^\pm d\mu = \sup \sum_i \left[\inf_{\omega \in A_i} f^\pm(\omega) \right] \mu(A_i)$$

Where $\{A_i\}$ is a finite decomposition of Ω into \mathcal{F} -sets.

Properties General integral:

- Monotonicity
- Linearity
- (Monotone Convergence)
 - if $0 \leq f_n \uparrow f$ almost everywhere then $\int f_n d\mu \uparrow \int f d\mu$
- (Fatou's lemma)
 - $\int \liminf_n f_n d\mu \leq \liminf_n \int f_n d\mu, f_n \geq 0$.
- (Dominated Convergence THM)
 - $|f_n| \leq g$ almost everywhere (g integrable), $f_n \rightarrow f$ almost everywhere, then f, f_n integrable and $\int f_n d\mu \rightarrow \int f d\mu$
- f, g integrable and $\int_A f d\mu = \int_A g d\mu$ for all $A \in \mathcal{F}$, then $f = g$ almost everywhere.

Definition If δ is nonnegative measurable function, define measure v

$$v(A) = \int_A \delta d\mu, A \in \mathcal{F}$$

. Then v is said to have *density* δ wrt to μ .

Properties $\int f dv = \int f \delta d\mu$

Definition *Transform of Measure*: Given measurable mapping T between (Ω, \mathcal{F}) and (Ω', \mathcal{F}') . For a measure μ on \mathcal{F} , define set function μT^{-1} on \mathcal{F}' by

$$\mu T^{-1}(A') = \mu(T^{-1}A'), \forall A' \in \mathcal{F}'$$

Definition *Change of variable*: Suppose f is real function on Ω' measurable \mathcal{F}' , so fT is real function on Ω measurable \mathcal{F} . f is nonnegative or (integrable wrt $\mu T^{-1} \Leftrightarrow fT$ integrable wrt μ). The following hold:

$$\int_\Omega f(T\omega) \mu(d\omega) = \int_{\Omega'} f(\omega') \mu T^{-1}(d\omega')$$

$$\int_{T^{-1}A'} f(T\omega) \mu(d\omega) = \int_{A'} f(\omega') \mu T^{-1}(d\omega')$$

Definition Let $X \sim \mu$ and $Y \sim v$ be independent, *Convolution* of μ and v is defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mu * v)(H) &= P[X + Y \in H] \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} v(H - x) \mu(dx), \quad H \in \mathcal{R}^1 \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P[Y \in H - x] \mu(dx) \end{aligned}$$

If μ and ν are distribution functions F, G . And f, g are densities
Then

$$\begin{aligned}(F * G)(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(y-x)dF(x) \\ &= (f * g)(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(y-x)f(x)dx\end{aligned}$$

Definition *Expected value* of X on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) is defined as:

$$E[X] = \int_{\Omega} X dP = \int_{\Omega} X(\omega)P(d\omega)$$

e.g. If $X \sim \mu$ and g is real measurable \mathcal{R} , then

$$\begin{aligned}E[g(X)] &= \int_{\Omega} g(X)dP \\ &= \int_{\Omega} g(X(\omega))P(d\omega) \\ &= \int_R g(x)PX^{-1}(dx) \quad (\text{change of variable, } X(\omega) = x) \\ &= \int_R g(x)\mu(dx) \quad (PX^{-1} = \mu)\end{aligned}$$

Differentiaion

Definition Given two measures μ, ν , ν is said to be ***absolutely continuous*** with respect to μ , denoted $\nu \ll \mu$, if $\mu(A) = 0 \Rightarrow \nu(A) = 0 \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{F}$

Definition *Radon-Nikodym theorem*: Given a measurable space (Ω, \mathcal{F}) , if two σ -finite measures ν, μ and $\nu \ll \mu$, then there is a measurable function $f : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that:

$$\nu(A) = \int_A f d\mu \quad (\forall A \subset X, \quad f = \frac{d\nu}{d\mu})$$

Probability Basics

Properties (Probability measure)

- $p(A \vee B) = p(A) + p(B) - p(A \wedge B)$
- $p(A, B) = p(A \wedge B) = p(A|B)p(B)$
- $p(A) = \sum_b p(A, B) = \sum_b p(A|B=b)p(B=b)$
- $p(X_{1:D}) = p(X_1)p(X_2|X_1)p(X_3|X_2, X_1)...p(X_D|X_{1:D-1})$
- $p(A|B) = \frac{p(A,B)}{p(B)}$ if $p(B) > 0$
- $p(X=x|Y=y) = \frac{p(X=x, Y=y)}{p(Y=y)} = \frac{p(X=x)p(Y=y|X=x)}{\sum_{x'} p(X=x')p(Y=y|X=x')}$
- $X \perp Y \iff p(X, Y) = p(X)p(Y)$
- $X \perp Y|Z \iff p(X, Y|Z) = p(X|Z)p(Y|Z)$
- $X \perp Y|Z \iff p(x, y|z) = g(x, z)h(y, z) \quad \forall x, y, z \text{ s.t } p(z) > 0$
- $F(q) = p(X \leq q)$
- $f(x) = \frac{d}{dx}F(x)$
- $P(a < X \leq b) = F(b) - F(a) = \int_a^b f(x)dx$
- $Unif(x|a, b) = \frac{1}{b-a}I(a \leq x \leq b)$
- $cov[X, Y] = E[(X - EX)(Y - EY)] = E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]$