

# Counting

	Order	order doesn't matter
with replacement	$n^k$	$\binom{n+k-1}{k}$
without replacement	$\frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$	$\binom{n}{k}$

**Birth Day Problem**  
 In ppl in room, 1 pair has same bday.  
 $1 - 365 \cdot 364 \dots (365 - k + 1)$   
 Logic: find complement est. no 2 ppl share the same birthday.

**Base-Einstein**  
 $\binom{n+k-1}{k}$  ways to arrange  $n$  balls to  $k$  boxes (box divisions w/  $k-1$  lines, permute  $n+k-1$  balls + box divisions)

# Math

**Vandermonde's Identity**  
 $\sum_{j=0}^k \binom{m}{j} \binom{n}{k-j} = \binom{m+n}{k}$

Story:  $n$  girls,  $m$  guys, form  $k$  teams of students.  
 Left: choose  $m$  guys  $\binom{m}{j}$ , then  $k-j$  girls  $\binom{n}{k-j}$ , so we sum those cases. Right: choose  $k$  out of total  $(m+n)$

# Bayes' Rule

Discrete:  $P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$

Continuous:  $f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{XY}(x,y)f_X(x)}{f_X(x)}$

# Disjointness + Independence

**Disjoint** - cannot happen simultaneously  
 $P(A \cap B) = 0$ ;  $A \cap B = \emptyset$   
**Independent** - knowing I gives you no info about the other  
 $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$ ;  $P(A|B) = P(A)$   
**Conditional Independence** - AIC and BIC  
 $P(A \cap B | C) = P(A|C)P(B|C)$

# Monty Hall (Bayes + LOTP)

if we chose door 1 and Monty opens door 2  
 Placing if we switch:  $\frac{1}{3}$  use Bayes + LOTP  
 $P(C_2|M_2) = \frac{P(M_2|C_2)P(C_2)}{P(M_2)}$   
 $P(M_2) = P(M_2|C_1)P(C_1) + P(M_2|C_2)P(C_2) + P(M_2|C_3)P(C_3)$   
 $= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 0 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{3}$   
 $P(C_2|M_2) = \frac{\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{1}{2}$

# Probability

**Principle of Inclusion-Exclusion (PIE)**

$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$   
 $P(A \cup B \cup C) = P(A) + P(B) + P(C) - P(A \cap B) - P(A \cap C) - P(B \cap C) + P(A \cap B \cap C)$   
 This stays with conditioning:  
 $P(A \cup B | C) = P(A|C) + P(B|C) - P(A \cap B | C)$

# De Morgan's

$(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$   
 $(A \cap B)^c = A^c \cup B^c$

# Properties

$P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$   
 $A \subseteq C \implies P(A) \leq P(C)$   
 $P(A \cap B) \leq P(A)$

# Defn. Conditional



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

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

ex: like  $P(P(A|B), C) | D$   
 $P(A, B, C, D) = P(A)P(B|A)P(C|A, B)P(D|A, B, C)$   
 note:  $P(A|A) = 1$  is always true  
 here, A is "prior" prob. w/o updating based on evs.

**Geometric:**  
 $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \frac{1}{1-x} \quad |x| < 1$

# Variance

**Discrete:**  
 $Var(X) = E(X - E(X))^2 = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2$   
**Continuous:**  
 $f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{XY}(x,y)f_X(x)}{f_X(x)}$

**Properties:**  
 $Var(X) \geq 0$   
 $Var(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2$   
 $Var(X + c) = Var(X)$   
 if  $X, Y$  indep.,  $Var(X + Y) = Var(X) + Var(Y)$

# LOT (Law of Total Prob.)

remember to use for **useful thinking**  
**Discrete:**  
 $P(A) = \sum_i P(A|B_i)P(B_i)$   
**Continuous:**  
 $P(A) = \int P(A|B(x))f_B(x)dx$

# Granter's Ruin (1st-step analysis)

Typically used for recursive.  
**Steps:**  
 apply LOTP → Rewrite in terms of itself  
 → solve resulting equation  
 ex:  $P = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{p}{2} & p \neq 1/2 \\ 1 - \frac{p}{2} & p = 1/2 \end{cases}$

Granter A has  $i$  dollars, wins prob.  $p$   
 B has  $N-i$  dollars, loses prob.  $p$   
 $P_i = P(\text{win } i \text{ dollars})$   
 $P_i = pP_{i+1} + (1-p)P_{i-1}$   
 A wins A loses

# Random Variables

**CDF**  $F_X(x) = P(X \leq x)$

**3 properties:**  
 1)  $F$  is increasing  $x_1 < x_2, F(x_1) \leq F(x_2)$   
 2) Right-continuous  $F(x) = \lim_{y \rightarrow x^+} F(y)$   
 3) Convergence to 0 and 1 in limits  
 $F(x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow -\infty$   
 $F(x) \rightarrow 1$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$

**Continuous:**  
**PDF**  $f_X(x) = F'_X(x)$   
**CDF**  $F_X(x) = P(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(t)dt$

**Properties of PDF:**  
 Defn: relative freq of getting value within  $\Delta$  of  $x$  value.  
 - nonnegative  
 - integrates to 1 since  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x)dx = 1$

**Indicator r.v.s**  
 $I_A / I(A) = 1$  if  $A$  occurs  
 $= 0$  if  $A$  doesn't

**Properties:**  
 $I_{A^c} = 1 - I_A$   
 $I_{A \cap B} = I_A I_B$   
 $I_{A \cup B} = I_A + I_B - I_{A \cap B}$

**Order Statistics**  
 $j$ th largest value of a set of iid r.v.s  
 Defn:  $n$  iid r.v.s  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ , allow to rearrange and arrange from smallest → largest, then dist of  $j$ th is  $[j$ th order stat]  $X_j$ .  
 usually involves finding CDF of  $X_j$ .  
 $X_{(j)} \leq x$  is "at least  $j$  of  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  fall to the left of  $x$ ."  
**CDF**  $P(X_{(j)} \leq x) = \sum_{k=j}^n \binom{n}{k} F(x)^k (1-F(x))^{n-k}$   
**PDF**  $f_{X_{(j)}}(x) = n \binom{n-1}{j-1} f(x) F(x)^{j-1} (1-F(x))^{n-j}$   
 Order statistic of Uniform  $U_1, \dots, U_n \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$   
 $U_{(j)} \sim \text{Beta}(j, n-j+1)$

**Change of Variables**  
 find PDFs of complex r.v.s in terms of PDFs of r.v.s we know.  
 $X$  is continuous r.v. w/ PDF  $f_X$   
 $Y = g(X) \rightarrow g$  is differentiable AND strictly increasing/decreasing  
 Then PDF of  $Y$   
 $f_Y(y) = f_X(x) \left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right|$  where  $x = g^{-1}(y)$   
 To get  $\frac{dx}{dy}$ , we can take its reciprocal  
 ex: Log-Normal PDF:  
 $X \sim N(0,1), Y = e^X \rightarrow$  strictly increasing  
 $g = e^x \implies \log y = x \implies \frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{1}{y}$   
 $f_Y(y) = f_X(x) \left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right| = P(X) \frac{1}{e^x} = P(\log y) \frac{1}{y}$   
 solve for  $x$  in  $e^x = y$

**Conditional Expectation**  
 Conditional given event  $\Rightarrow$  some quantity given r.v.  $\Rightarrow$  r.v.  
 $E(Y|X)$  is function of r.v.  $X$   
**Properties:**  
 • if  $X, Y$  indep.,  $E(Y|X) = E(Y)$   
 • can pull out functions of  $X$   
 $E(h(X)Y|X) = h(X)E(Y|X)$   
 • linearity  
 $E(Y_1 + Y_2|X) = E(Y_1|X) + E(Y_2|X)$   
 $E(cY|X) = cE(Y|X)$   
**LOT (Law of Total Expectation):**  $E(Y) = \sum_i E(Y|A_i)P(A_i)$   
**Adam's Law:**  $E(E(Y|X)) = E(Y)$   
 Xtm conditioning:  $E(E(Y|X, Z)|Z) = E(Y|Z)$   
**Evo's Law:**  $Var(Y) = E(Var(Y|X)) + Var(E(Y|X))$

**Convergence**  
**Law of Large Numbers:**  
 • **Weak LLN:**  $\forall \epsilon > 0, P(|\bar{X}_n - \mu| > \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$   
 "convergence in probability" → Prob sample mean is close to  $\mu$  gets 1 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$   
**Central Limit Theorem:**  
 • as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ :  
 $\sqrt{n} \left( \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu}{\sigma} \right) \rightarrow N(0,1)$   
 • another way for large  $n$ :  
 $\bar{X}_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$

**Bounds on Tail Probabilities**  
 • Markov:  $P(X \geq a) \leq \frac{E(X)}{a}$   
 • Chebyshev:  $P(|X - \mu| \geq a) \leq \frac{Var(X)}{a^2}$   
 • Chernoff:  $P(X \geq a) \leq \frac{E(e^{tX})}{e^{ta}}$

**Moments + MGFs**  
 Provide info. abt. shape of dist.  
 -  $n$ th moment of  $X$  is  $E(X^n)$   
 $M(t) = E(e^{tX})$   
 -  $n$ th derivative of MGF:  
 $M^{(n)}(t) = E(X^n e^{tX})$   
 To find the  $n$ th moment, find  $n$ th deriv. at 0:  
 ex:  $M(0) = 1$   
 $M'(0) = E(Xe^{0X}) = E(X)$   
 $M''(0) = E(X^2 e^{0X}) = E(X^2)$   
 Mean & Var of Sample mean:  
 $E(\bar{X}_n) = \mu$   
 $Var(\bar{X}_n) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$

**Expectation**  
**Discrete:**  $E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i P(X = x_i)$   
**Continuous:**  $E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx$   
**Properties:**  
 - linearity of expectation  
 $E(aX + bY + c) = aE(X) + bE(Y) + c$   
 - Symmetry: if 2 r.v. have same dist, their values are equal  
 - Fundamental Bridge: property between prob. and expectation.  
 $P(A) = E(I_A)$  with indicator variables  
 ex:  $N = \sum_{i=1}^n I_i$  counting  $A_1, \dots, A_n$ . let  $I_i$  be indicator for event  $A_i$  occurring.  
 $N = I_1 + \dots + I_n \Rightarrow E(N) = E(I_1 + \dots + I_n)$   
 with linearity and fundamental bridge:  
 $E(N) = E(I_1) + \dots + E(I_n)$

**Cauchy-Schwarz**  
 • for any 2 r.v.  $X$  and  $Y$  w/ finite var.  
 $|E(XY)| \leq \sqrt{E(X^2)E(Y^2)}$   
 useful for correlated  $X, Y$ , don't have to know joint

**Jensen's Inequality**  
 • for  $g$  as convex,  
 $E(g(X)) \geq g(E(X))$   
 • concave:  
 $E(g(X)) \leq g(E(X))$

**Convergence**  
 •  $X_n \rightarrow X$  in prob.  $\iff$   $E(X_n) \rightarrow E(X)$  and  $Var(X_n) \rightarrow Var(X)$   
 •  $X_n \rightarrow X$  in  $L^1$   $\iff$   $E(X_n) \rightarrow E(X)$  and  $E(|X_n - X|) \rightarrow 0$   
 •  $X_n \rightarrow X$  in  $L^2$   $\iff$   $E(X_n) \rightarrow E(X)$  and  $E(|X_n - X|^2) \rightarrow 0$

**Moments Example:**  
 $X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$   
 $M(t) = E(e^{tX}) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{tx} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - t}$   
 $= \frac{1}{1 - t/\lambda}$  for  $t < \lambda$

## Joint Distributions

Joint CDF:  $F_{X,Y}(x,y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y)$

Joint PMF of discrete:  $P_{X,Y}(x,y) = P(X=x, Y=y)$

Joint PDF of continuous:  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \frac{d^2}{dx dy} F_{X,Y}(x,y)$  } nonneg. sum to 1

## Marginal Distributions

getting marginal from joint:

Discrete:  $P(X=x) = \sum_y P(X=x, Y=y)$

Continuous:  $f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy$

Independence:

joint decomposes to marg.

$F_{X,Y}(x,y) = F_X(x) F_Y(y)$

$P(X=x, Y=y) = P(X=x) P(Y=y)$

$P(Y=y | X=x) = P(Y=y)$

## Covariance

If  $X \perp Y$ , then  $Cov(X,Y) = 0$

Captures how X and Y  $\updownarrow$  together

$$Cov(X,Y) = E[(X - E(X))(Y - E(Y))] = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)$$

Rules

$Cov(X,X) = Var(X)$

$Cov(X,Y) = Cov(Y,X)$

$Cov(X,c) = 0$

$Cov(aX,Y) = a Cov(X,Y)$

$Cov(X+Y, Z+W) = Cov(X,Z) + Cov(X,W) + Cov(Y,Z) + Cov(Y,W)$

$Var(X+Y) = Cov(X+Y, X+Y) = Var(X) + Var(Y) + 2 Cov(X,Y)$

$Cov(aX+b, cY+d) = ac Cov(X,Y)$

$Var(X_1 + \dots + X_n) = Cov(X_1 + \dots + X_n, X_1 + \dots + X_n) = Var(X_1) + \dots + Var(X_n) + 2 \sum_{i < j} Cov(X_i, X_j)$

Correlation

Standardized Covariance.

$$Corr(X,Y) = \frac{Cov(X,Y)}{\sqrt{Var(X)Var(Y)}}$$

$-1 \leq Corr(X,Y) \leq 1$

## Multivariate Normal

if every linear combination of  $X_i$  has a Normal distribution

$$b_1 X_1 + \dots + b_n X_n \sim \text{Norm}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

when  $k=2$ , it's Bivariate Normal

MVN is denoted:  $\vec{X} \sim N(\vec{\mu}, V)$

$\vec{\mu} = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n) = (E(X_1), \dots, E(X_n))$ ,  $\mu_i = E(X_i)$

$V$  is covariance matrix  $V = (v_{ij})$

$v_{ij} = Cov(X_i, X_j)$  This is symmetric ( $V=V^T$ )

Covariance matrix:

$$Cov(\vec{X}) = \begin{bmatrix} Cov(X_1, X_1) & \dots & Cov(X_1, X_n) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ Cov(X_n, X_1) & \dots & Cov(X_n, X_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

Properties:

Normal r.v.s isn't necessarily MVN

ex:  $X \sim N(0,1)$  then  $Y = SX$  be  $S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & p \\ -1 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$  then  $Y$  is symmetric on normal.

not BWN since  $P(X+Y=0) = P(S=0) = 1/2$  (can't be BWN since constant)

Suppose  $\vec{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$  is MVN, then any subvector is also MVN.

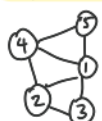
## Random Walk on Undir. Network

let  $J = (d_1, \dots, d_n)$  be degree (# edges attach)

if Markov chain is walk on undir. network,

then  $d_i q_{ij} = d_j q_{ji}$

ex



Stationary proportion to any sequence

$$s = \left( \frac{1}{14}, \frac{2}{14}, \frac{2}{14}, \frac{3}{14} \right)$$

## Symmetric Matrix

if  $Q$  symmetric ( $q_{ij} = q_{ji}$ ) then reversible and stationary dist is uniform

$$s = (1/M, \dots, 1/M)$$

if each column sums to 1, then is stationary

## Reversibility

$$\exists \vec{s} \text{ s.t. } s_i q_{ij} = s_j q_{ji} \text{ for all } i,j$$

if reversible, then stationary

\* irreducibly-chain behaves the same way forward or backward. \*

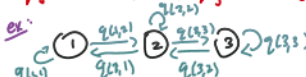
Expected time to return:

$$s_i = \frac{1}{\text{Expected time to return to } i}$$

## Birth-Death Chain

can only go 1 step to left/right

$$q_{ij} > 0 \text{ if } |i-j|=1, q_{ij} = 0 \text{ if } |i-j| \geq 2$$



Birth-Death is reversible:

$$s_j = \frac{s_1 q_{12} q_{23} \dots q_{j-1,j}}{q_{j,j-1} q_{j-2,j-1} \dots q_{1,2}}$$

$\forall$  states  $2 \leq j \leq M$ . choose  $s$ , s.t.  $s_j$  sums to 1

## Conditional Distributions

Discrete r.v.s:

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

We can find marginal given conditional:

$$f_X(x) = \sum_y f_{X,Y}(x,y)$$

Continuous:

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

## 2D LOTUS

Discrete:

$$E(g(X,Y)) = \sum_x \sum_y g(x,y) P(X=x, Y=y)$$

Continuous:

$$E(g(X,Y)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x,y) f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx dy$$

## Bayes

	Y discrete	Y contin.
X discrete	$P(Y=y   X=x) = \frac{P(X=x, Y=y)}{P(X=x)}$	$f_{Y X}(y x) = \frac{P(X=x, Y=y)}{P(X=x)}$
X contin.	$P(X=x   Y=y) = \frac{f_X(x) f_{Y X}(x y)}{f_Y(y)}$	$f_{Y X}(y x) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_X(x)}$

## LOTP

	Y discrete	Y contin.
X discrete	$\sum_y P(X=x   Y=y) P(Y=y)$	$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(X=x   Y=y) f_Y(y) dy$
X contin.	$\sum_y f_X(x   Y=y) P(Y=y)$	$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X Y}(x y) f_Y(y) dy$

## Multinomial

$$\vec{X} \sim \text{Mult}_k(n, \vec{p})$$

generalization of binomial (either in category or not)

Story: n items can fall into one of k buckets indep.

wt prob  $\vec{p} = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k)$ .

ex: 100 students sorted at Hagwarts. # ppl per house  $\sim \text{Mult}_k(100, \vec{p})$   
 $p_i = \frac{1}{4}$ .  $X_1 + X_2 + X_3 + X_4 = 100$ , depen dent.

Joint PMF:

$$P(X_1=n_1, X_2=n_2, \dots, X_k=n_k) = \frac{n!}{n_1! n_2! \dots n_k!} p_1^{n_1} p_2^{n_2} \dots p_k^{n_k}$$

## Lumping:

"lumping" together 2 multivariate gives

you a multivariate.

2 dimensions = binomial.

Properties:

Subvector of  $\vec{X}$  is also Multinomial

Conditioning: if  $\vec{X} \sim \text{Mult}_k(n, \vec{p})$  then

$$(X_1, \dots, X_k) | X_k = n_k \sim \text{Mult}_{k-1}(n, \vec{p}_{-k})$$

Let  $\vec{X} \sim \text{Mult}_k(n, \vec{p})$ . Then,

$$Cov(X_i, X_j) = -np_i p_j$$

Marginal PMF:

$$X_i \sim \text{Bin}(n, p_i)$$

ex:

$$X_i \sim \text{Bin}(n, p_i)$$

$$X_i + X_j \sim \text{Bin}(n, p_i + p_j)$$

$$X_1, X_2, X_3 \sim \text{Mult}_3(n, (p_1, p_2, p_3)) \Rightarrow X_1, X_2 + X_3 \sim \text{Mult}_2(n, (p_1, p_2 + p_3))$$

$$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k, X_k = n - n_k - 1 \sim \text{Mult}_{k-1}(n - n_k - 1, (\frac{p_1}{1-p_k}, \dots, \frac{p_{k-1}}{1-p_k}))$$

## Markov Chain

The transition matrix is symmetric, so the stationary distribution is uniform over the state space

A type of stochastic process, is a random walk

in a finite space  $\{1, 2, \dots\} \forall n \geq 0$

Markov Property: given past history, use only most recent term

$$P(X_{n+1}=j | X_n=i) = P(X_{n+1}=j | X_n=i, X_{n-1}=i_{n-1}, \dots, X_1=i_1, X_0=i_0)$$

Transition Matrix:

$q_{ij} = P(X_{n+1}=j | X_n=i)$  is a transition probability

$n^{\text{th}}$ -step transition property is prob of being

at state  $j$  exactly  $n$  steps after being at step  $i$ .

marginal distribution of  $X_n$  is  $tQ^n$  where

$t$  is vector of initial prob.

Properties:

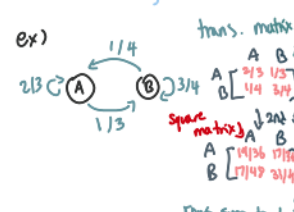
if Markov chain is irreducible,

all states must be recurrent.

Let  $i$  be a transient state.

Suppose prob. of never returning to  $i$

Starting from  $i$ , # times chain returns to  $i$  before leaving forever is dist. (p).



## State

recurrent: start at  $i$ , can always return to  $i$ .

else transient.

aperiodic: if gcd of possible # of steps to return to  $i$  from  $i$  is 1

else periodic

irreducible: can get from anywhere to anywhere (all states recurrent)

else reducible

Stationary dist:

long-run prob. of being in any state regardless of starting position

row vector  $s = (s_1, \dots, s_M)$   $s_i \geq 0, \sum_i s_i = 1$  if

$$s_j = \sum_i s_i q_{ij} \forall j$$

$$sQ = s$$

if we had  $sQ = s$  we will stay in  $s$  forever

only irreducible Markov chain has unique stationary distribution, each state has positive prob.



# Discrete Distributions

Distribution	Story	PDF $(P(X=x)?)$	CDF $(P(X \leq x))$	Support	$E(X)$	$Var(X)$
<b>Bernouli (Bern(p))</b> Same as Bin(1,p)	X "succeeds" (is 1) with prob. p and "fails" (is 0) w/ prob. 1-p. EX: fair coin flip is Bern( $\frac{1}{2}$ )	$p^x (1-p)^{1-x}$ or $\begin{cases} p & x=1 \\ 1-p & x=0 \end{cases}$ aka $P(X=1)=p$ $P(X=0)=1-p$	$\begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 1-p & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$	$\{0, 1\}$	p	pq
<b>Binomial (Bin(n,p))</b> $\Sigma$ n iid Bern(p)	X is # of "success" in n indep. trials also sum of Bern ( $X = X_1 + \dots + X_n \sim \text{Bin}(n,p)$ when $X_i \sim \text{Bern}(p)$ ) EX: Make 10 free throws w/ $\frac{3}{4}$ prob. of getting in. $X = \#$ free throws he makes $\sim \text{Bin}(10, \frac{3}{4})$	$\binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$	$\sum_{i=0}^x \binom{n}{i} p^i (1-p)^{n-i}$	$\{0, 1, \dots, n\}$	np	npq
<b>Geometric (Geom(p))</b> NBin(1,p)	X = # of failures <u>before</u> the 1st success EX: each pokeball has prob. $\frac{1}{10}$ to catch, # failed pokeballs is Geom( $\frac{1}{10}$ )	$q^k p$	$\begin{cases} 1 - (1-p)^{x+1} & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$	$\{0, 1, \dots\}$	$\frac{q}{p}$	$\frac{q}{p^2}$
<b>First Success (FS(p))</b>	Same as Geom, but <u>includes</u> 1st success. $X \sim \text{Geom}(p) + 1$	$q^{k-1} p$		$\{0, 1, \dots\}$	$\frac{1}{p}$	$\frac{q}{p^2}$
<b>Neg. Binomial (NBin(r,p))</b> $\Sigma$ r Geom(p)	X is # of failures before r <sup>th</sup> success EX: Thundershock has 60% accuracy + fights Raticate in 3 hits. # of misses before fainting $\sim \text{NBin}(3, 0.6)$	$\binom{n+r-1}{r-1} p^r q^n$	do math	$\{0, 1, \dots\}$	$\frac{rq}{p}$	$\frac{rq}{p^2}$
<b>Hypergeometric (HGeom(w,b,n))</b>	w desired, b undesired, X = # "success" in simple random sample of n obj. w/o replacement. EX: 1) w white balls, b black, draw b balls. X = # of white balls you draw. 2) N elk, capture n, tag, then release. collect new sample m, X = # tagged elk.	$\frac{\binom{w}{k} \binom{b}{n-k}}{\binom{w+b}{n}}$	math	$\{0, 1, \dots\}$	$\frac{nw}{w+b}$	$\left(\frac{w+b-n}{w+b-1}\right) M(1 - \frac{M}{n})$
<b>Poisson (Pois(<math>\lambda</math>))</b>	$\lambda$ = rate parameter ( $\lambda$ successes in unit) low probability, high occurrence X = # events occurring in this time. Don't forget <u>chicken-egg</u>	$\frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!}$	$P(X \leq t) = 1 - e^{-\lambda} \sum_{k=0}^t \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}$	$\{0, 1, \dots\}$	$\lambda$	$\lambda$

1) **Poisson approximation**: for a large number n of indep / weakly dependent trials  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  where  $p_k = P(A_k)$  for each small  $p_k$ , then  $\sim \text{Pois}(\lambda)$  where  $\lambda = \sum_k p_k$

2) **Chicken-egg**: Chicken lays  $N \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda)$  eggs, each w/ prob. p of hatching independently.  
X = # eggs that hatch, Y = # eggs that don't hatch, then  $X \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda p)$ ,  $Y \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda q)$   
and X, Y are indep.

joint PMF:

eggs are indep. Bernoulli trials w/ success p, so  $X|N=n \sim \text{Bin}(n,p)$ ,  $Y|N=n \sim \text{Bin}(n,q)$ .  
wishful thinking to know total # of eggs:

$$P(X=i, Y=j) = \sum_{n=i+j} P(X=i, Y=j|N=n) P(N=n)$$

$$P(X=i|N=i+j) P(Y=j|N=i+j) P(N=i+j)$$

$$= \binom{i+j}{i} p^i q^j \cdot \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{i+j}}{(i+j)!} = \frac{e^{-\lambda p} (\lambda p)^i}{i!} \cdot \frac{e^{-\lambda q} (\lambda q)^j}{j!}$$

Metropolis (for Markov)

**Metropolis-Hastings** The Metropolis-Hastings algorithm is a general recipe that lets us start with any irreducible Markov chain on the state space of interest and then modify it into a new Markov chain that has the desired stationary distribution.

Given a probability distribution vector  $\pi = (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_J)$ , we want to construct a Markov chain that has  $\pi$  as a stationary distribution (assume  $\pi_j > 0$  for all j). Then, our algorithm is as follows:

1. Take any Markov chain transition matrix P. If the chain is currently at  $X_n = i$ , then generate a new proposal destination j, using the i<sup>th</sup> row of the transition matrix P.

2. Compute the transition probability

$$a_{ij} = \min\left(\frac{\pi_j P_{ji}}{\pi_i P_{ij}}, 1\right)$$

3. With probability  $a_{ij}$ , accept the proposal and transition to  $X_{n+1} = j$ . Otherwise, reject the proposal and transition to (i.e., stay at)  $X_{n+1} = i$ .

The main takeaway is that the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm is an extremely general way to construct a Markov chain with a desired stationary distribution.

# Continuous Distributions

## Uniform $U \sim \text{Unif}(a,b)$

prob. of a draw from any interval of  $\text{Unif}$  is proportional to length of  $\text{unif.}$

PDF:  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & x \in (a,b) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$F(x) = \frac{x-a}{b-a}$   $\text{Var}(x) = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$

## Universality of the Uniform

for continuous r.v.  $X$ , can transform to uniform and back with CDF.

$F$  is strictly increasing + continuous on support

- Let  $U \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$  and  $X = F^{-1}(U)$ .  $X$  is r.v. w/ CDF of  $F$ .
- $X$  be r.v. w/ CDF  $F$ .  $F(X) \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$

## Normal $N \sim \text{Norm}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

PDF:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$

CDF: Standard Normal (CDF =  $\Phi$ ):  $Z \sim N(0,1)$  w/  $\mu=0, \sigma^2=1$   
 $\Phi(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \phi(t) dt = \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2} dt$

Properties:

- Symmetric tail areas:  $\Phi(z) = 1 - \Phi(-z)$
- Symmetry of  $Z$  and  $-Z$ : For  $Z \sim \text{Norm}(0,1)$ :  $P(-Z \leq z) = P(Z \geq -z) = 1 - \Phi(-z)$
- Symmetry of PDF:  $\phi(z) = \phi(-z)$  since even

$E(X) = \mu$   $\text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2$

Standardization  $N(\mu, \sigma^2) \rightarrow N(0,1)$

for  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , CDF of  $X$  is:

PDF:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \phi\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)$

68-95-99.7 rule

for  $Z \sim \text{Norm}(0,1)$ :  
 $P(|Z| < 1) \approx 0.68$   
 $P(|Z| < 2) \approx 0.95$   
 $P(|Z| < 3) \approx 0.997$

## Exponential $X \sim \text{Expo}(\lambda)$

PDF:  $f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$   
 CDF:  $1 - e^{-\lambda x}$

$E(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda}$   $\text{Var}(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$   
 "Standard" distribution  $\text{Expo}(1)$   
 $\text{Expo}(\lambda) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \text{Expo}(1)$

Memoryless "doesn't remember prev. values"

$P(X \geq a+b | X \geq a) = P(X \geq b)$

given you've waited a min,  $P(\text{wait } a+b \text{ min}) = P(\text{wait } b \text{ min})$ .  $X-a | X \geq a \sim \text{Expo}(\lambda)$

$E(X | X > 5) = 5 + E(X) = 5 + \frac{1}{\lambda}$

Given time period, # occurrences of  $\text{Expo}$  is  $X \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda t)$

Story:

1) Shooting stars come every 15 min on average, but never "due" even if you wait a while.  
 $X \sim \text{Expo}(\frac{1}{15})$ , where  $\lambda = \text{rate}$   
 $E(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{15}$  since you see avg 1 every 15 min.

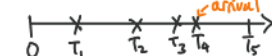
Properties:

- Given indep.  $X_i \sim \text{Expo}(\lambda_i)$ ,  $\min(X_1, \dots, X_k) \sim \text{Expo}(\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_k)$
- Given iid  $X_i \sim \text{Expo}(\lambda)$ ,  $\max(X_1, \dots, X_k)$

## Poisson Process

- random process; counts # of events that occurs within a time interval.

related to Exponential since arrival times for events are iid  $\text{Expo}(\lambda)$ .



# of arrivals  $N$  in time interval  $[0, t]$  is  $\text{Pois}(\lambda t)$

ex: Folded Normal for  $F(X)$ ,  $\text{Var}(X)$ , PDF(CDF)  
 let  $Y = |Z|$  w/  $Z \sim N(0,1)$

a)  $E(Y)$ : use LOTUS:  
 $E(Y) = E(|Z|) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |z| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-z^2/2} dz$   
 $= 2 \int_0^{\infty} z \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-z^2/2} dz = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}$

b)  $\text{Var}(Y)$   
 $Y^2 = Z^2$ , so  $E(Y^2) = E(Z^2) = \text{Var}(Z) = 1$

c) CDF and PDF

CDF: Standardize  
 $y \leq 0$ , CDF of  $Y$  is  $F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = 0$   
 $y > 0$ :  $F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(|Z| \leq y) = P(-y \leq Z \leq y) = \Phi(y) - \Phi(-y) = 2\Phi(y) - 1$

ex: Standardization  
 let  $X \sim N(-1, 4)$ .  $P(|X| < 3)$ ?  
 $|X| < 3 \Rightarrow -3 < X < 3$ . Using standard.  
 and 68-95-99.7 rule:  
 $P(-3 < X < 3) = P\left(\frac{-3 - (-1)}{2} < \frac{X - (-1)}{2} < \frac{3 - (-1)}{2}\right)$   
 $= P(-1 < Z < 2) = \Phi(2) - \Phi(-1) = \Phi(2) - (1 - \Phi(1)) = \Phi(2) + \Phi(1) - 1$

for approx. recall  
 $P(-1 < Z < 1) \approx 0.68$ ;  $P(-2 < Z < 2) \approx 0.95$   
 from  $\pm 1$  SD to  $\pm 2$  SD =  $0.95 - 0.68 = 0.27$  (evenly divided)  
 $P(-1 < Z < 2) = P(-1 < Z < 1) + P(1 < Z < 2)$   
 $\approx 0.68 + \frac{0.27}{2} = 0.815$

Odd moment of a normal is 0

## Beta $X \sim \text{Beta}(a,b)$

PDF for  $x \in (0,1)$   
 $f(x) = \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} x^{a-1} (1-x)^{b-1}$   
 or  $f(x) = \frac{1}{B(a,b)} x^{a-1} (1-x)^{b-1}$

aka  $B(a,b) = \int_0^1 x^{a-1} (1-x)^{b-1} dx$

$E(X) = \frac{a}{a+b}$   $\text{Var}(X) = \frac{ab(a+b+1)}{(a+b)^2(a+b+2)}$

Bayes' Billiards

1) n+1 balls, n white, 1 gray throw onto [0,1]  $\sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$   
 $X = \#$  whites left of gray.  $\rightarrow$  pos. of gray ball  
 $P(X=k) = P(X=k | \theta=p) f_p(p) dp = \int_0^1 \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} p dp$   
 2) n+1 white, 1 gray

Properties:

- # of arrivals in disjoint intervals are indep. (i.e.  $(0,1), (1,2), (2,3)$ )
- Count-time duality  
 $N_t = \#$  arrivals between time  $t$   
 $T_n =$  time before  $n^{\text{th}}$  arrival  
 $P(N_t \leq n) = P(T_n \leq t)$

## Gamma $X \sim \text{Gamma}(a, \lambda)$

Gamma function:

$\Gamma(x) = \int_0^{\infty} t^{x-1} e^{-t} dt$

Properties:

- $n$  is positive, then  $\Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$
- $n$  is not a positive integer,  $\Gamma'(n+1) = n\Gamma'(n)$

Gamma Distribution

PDF for  $x \in [0, \infty)$   
 $f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)} (\lambda x)^{a-1} e^{-\lambda x}$

WOF:  $\frac{a}{\lambda}$   $\text{Var}(X) = \frac{a}{\lambda^2}$

Also:  $\text{Gamma}(1, \lambda) \sim \text{Expo}(\lambda)$

## Convolutions of indep. r.v.s

- $X \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda_1), Y \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda_2) \Rightarrow X+Y \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)$
- $X \sim \text{Bin}(n_1, p), Y \sim \text{Bin}(n_2, p) \Rightarrow X+Y \sim \text{Bin}(n_1+n_2, p)$
- $X \sim \text{Gamma}(a_1, \lambda), Y \sim \text{Gamma}(a_2, \lambda) \Rightarrow X+Y \sim \text{Gamma}(a_1+a_2, \lambda)$
- $X \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2), Y \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2) \Rightarrow X+Y \sim N(\mu_1+\mu_2, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)$

## Chi-Squared and Student-t

PDF  $\frac{1}{2^{n/2} \Gamma(n/2)} x^{n/2-1} e^{-x/2}$   
 $E(X) = n$   $\text{Var}(X) = 2n$   
 for  $x > 0$

(Chi-Squared  $(n)$ )  $\chi_n^2 \sim \text{Gamma}(\frac{n}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$

What is Chi-Sq:

$V = Z_1^2 + \dots + Z_n^2$  where  $Z_i$  are iid  $N(0,1)$ .  
 $V \sim \chi_n^2$ , or  $V$  is chi-sq random w/  $n$  deg of freedom.

Student-t:

$T = \frac{Z}{\sqrt{V/n}}$

where  $Z \sim N(0,1)$  indep  $V \sim \chi_n^2$

Properties:

- Symmetry: if  $T \sim t_n, -T \sim t_n$
- Cauchy:  $t_1 \sim \text{Cauchy dist}$
- Convergence to Normal:  $n \rightarrow \infty, t_n \rightarrow N(0,1)$