

9.1) Expectation and Variance

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Tables, Graphics, and Figures from
Principles and Techniques of Data Science

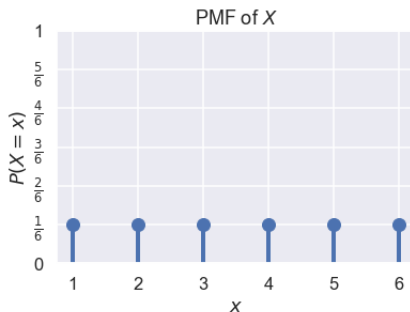
Lau et al. (2019): Ch 12 Probability and
Generalization

[https://www.textbook.ds100.org/ch/12/
prob_exp_var.html](https://www.textbook.ds100.org/ch/12/prob_exp_var.html)

Probability Mass Functions (PMF)

$$1) \sum_{x \in \mathbb{X}} P(X = x) = 1$$

$$2) \text{ For all } x \in \mathbb{X}, 0 \leq P(X = x) \leq 1$$



$$P(X = 1) = P(X = 2) = \dots = P(X = 6) = \frac{1}{6}$$

Joint Distribution

X : # of heads in 10 coin flips

Y : # of tails in the same set of 10 coin flips

$$P(X = 0, Y = 10) = P(X = 10, Y = 0) = (0.5)^{10}$$

$$P(X = 6, Y = 6) = 0$$

Marginal Distribution

$$\sum_{y \in \mathbb{Y}} P(X = x, Y = y) = P(X = x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Y}} P(X = x, Y = y) &= \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Y}} P(X = x) \times P(Y = y \mid X = x) \\ &= P(X = x) \times \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Y}} P(Y = y \mid X = x) \\ &= P(X = x) \times 1 \\ &= P(X = x) \end{aligned}$$

Expectation

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{X}} x \cdot P(X = x)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X] &= 1 \cdot P(X = 1) + 2 \cdot P(X = 2) + \dots + 6 \cdot P(X = 6) \\ &= 1 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + \dots + 6 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \\ &= 3.5\end{aligned}$$

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Variance

X and Y are independent

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

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

$$\text{Var}(aX + b) = a^2 \text{Var}(X)$$

$$\text{Var}(X + Y) = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y)$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])(Y - \mathbb{E}[Y])]$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}[XY] - \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y]$$

If X and Y are independent, then $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$

Sample Means: $\hat{p} = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[\hat{p}] &= \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n}\right] \\&= \frac{1}{n}\mathbb{E}[X_1 + \dots + X_n] \\&= \frac{1}{n}(\mathbb{E}[X_1] + \dots + \mathbb{E}[X_n]) \\&= \frac{1}{n}(p + \dots + p) \\&= \frac{1}{n}(np) \\ \mathbb{E}[\hat{p}] &= p\end{aligned}$$

Risk or Expected Loss

$$\begin{aligned}R(\theta) &= \mathbb{E}[(X - \theta)^2] \\&= \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X] + \mathbb{E}[X] - \theta)^2] \\&= \mathbb{E}\left[\left((X - \mathbb{E}[X]) + (\mathbb{E}[X] - \theta)\right)^2\right] \\&= \mathbb{E}\left[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2 + 2(X - \mathbb{E}[X])(\mathbb{E}[X] - \theta) + (\mathbb{E}[X] - \theta)^2\right] \\&= \mathbb{E}\left[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2\right] + 2(\mathbb{E}[X] - \theta) \underbrace{\mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])]}_{=0} + (\mathbb{E}[X] - \theta)^2\end{aligned}$$

$$R(\theta) = \underbrace{(\mathbb{E}[X] - \theta)^2}_{\text{bias}} + \underbrace{\text{Var}(X)}_{\text{variance}}$$

Statistical vs Empirical Risk

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$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{X}} x \cdot P(X = x)$$

$$\theta^* = \mathbb{E}[X]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X] \approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \text{mean}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\hat{\theta} = \text{mean}(\mathbf{x})$$