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1.1 Midterm 1 Material

Probability is a real-valued function: 1. $\mathbb{P}(S) = 1$; 2. $\mathbb{P}(A) \geq 0$; 3. If A_1, A_2 are mutually exclusive events, $\mathbb{P}(A_1 \cup A_2) = \mathbb{P}(A_1) + \mathbb{P}(A_2)$ and so on.

Inclusion-Exclusion: $\mathbb{P}(A \cup B) = \mathbb{P}(A) + \mathbb{P}(B) - \mathbb{P}(A \cap B)$.

Conditional Probability: $\mathbb{P}(A|B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbb{P}(B)}$ given $\mathbb{P}(B) > 0$. $\mathbb{P}(A|B) \neq \mathbb{P}(A)$ unless A and B are independent. Also see Bayes's Theorem. Probability of a string of unions given B is equal to the sum of the individual conditional probabilities.

Multiplication Rule: Probability of two events both occurring: $\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = \mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B|A)$ or $\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = \mathbb{P}(B) \cdot \mathbb{P}(A|B)$ (one is easier than the other).

Bayes's Rule: $\mathbb{P}(A|B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B|A)}{\mathbb{P}(B)}$. $\mathbb{P}(A)$ is the *prior probability* of A . $\mathbb{P}(A|B)$ is the *posterior probability* of A given that B occurred. Use to invert probabilities.

Bayes's Rule 2: $\mathbb{P}(A|B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B|A)}{\mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B|A) + \mathbb{P}(A') \cdot \mathbb{P}(B|A')}$.

Bayes's Rule Full: Given some partition of S : $A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_k = S$. $\mathbb{P}(A_i|B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A_i) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B|A_i)}{\sum_{m=1}^k \mathbb{P}(A_m) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B|A_m)}$.

Independence: $\mathbb{P}(A|B) = \mathbb{P}(A)$, $\mathbb{P}(B|A) = \mathbb{P}(B)$, and $\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = \mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B)$.

Pairwise Independence: All of the following must hold: $\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = \mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B)$, $\mathbb{P}(A \cap C) = \mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(C)$, and $\mathbb{P}(B \cap C) = \mathbb{P}(B) \cdot \mathbb{P}(C)$.

Mutual Independence: A , B , and C must be pairwise independent and in addition: $\mathbb{P}(A \cap B \cap C) = \mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B) \cdot \mathbb{P}(C)$.

Number of ways to take r objects from n candidates:

	Ordered Sample	Unordered Sample
W. R.	n^r	$\binom{n+r-1}{r}$
W/o. R.	nPr	$\binom{n}{r}$
	$nP_k = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$ - permutation	
	$\binom{n}{k} = nC_k = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$ - combination	

Binomial Theorem: $(a+b)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} a^r b^{n-r}$. $\binom{n}{n-r} = \binom{n}{r}$, $\binom{n}{r}, \binom{n}{0} = \binom{n}{n} = 1$, $\binom{n}{1} = \binom{n}{n-1} = n$.

Some magic formulae: 1. $\sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} = 2^n$. 2. $\sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \binom{n}{r} = 0$. 3. $\sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} p^r (1-p)^{n-r} = 1$.

Pascal's Equation: $\binom{n}{r} = \binom{n-1}{r} + \binom{n-1}{r-1}$.

Hypergeometric Distribution: $f(x) = \mathbb{P}(X = x) = \frac{\binom{N_1}{x} \cdot \binom{N_2}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}$, where $x \leq n$, $x \leq N_1$, $n-x \leq N_2$ and $N = N_1 + N_2$.

$\mathbb{E}(X) = n \frac{N_1}{N}$ and $Var(X) = n \cdot \frac{N_1}{N} \cdot \frac{N_2}{N} \cdot \frac{N-n}{N-1}$. Example: Urn model: N_1 red balls, N_2 blue balls, draw n balls from $N_1 + N_2$ balls, then look at the probability that there are x red balls in the selected n balls.

Mean: $\mu = \mathbb{E}(X) = \sum_{x \in S} x f(x)$.

Variance: $\sigma^2 = Var(X) = \mathbb{E}(X - \mu)^2 = \mathbb{E}(X^2) - \mu^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k x_i^2 f(x_i) - \mu^2$. **Standard Deviation:** σ .

r -th Moment: $\mathbb{E}(|X|^r) = \sum_{x \in S} |x|^r f(x) < \infty$; is the moment about the origin.

r -th Moment about b : $\mathbb{E}((X-b)^r) = \sum_{x \in S} (x-b)^r f(x)$; is the moment about b . Facts: μ is the first moment of X about the origin. σ^2 is the second moment of X about μ .

Example of Variance Properties: $Var(aX + b) = a^2 \cdot Var(X)$.

Bernoulli Distribution: A random experiment is called a set of Bernoulli trials if each trial has only two outcomes, has a constant p , and each trial is independent. $f(x) = p$ if $x = 1$, $1-p$ if $x = 0$, with $0 \leq p \leq 1$. $\mathbb{E}(X) = p$ and $Var(X) = p(1-p)$.

Binomial Distribution: Let X be the number of successes in n independent Bernoulli trials with p . Then $X \sim b(n, p)$.

$f(x) = \mathbb{P}(X = x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$. $\mathbb{E}(X) = np$ and $Var(X) = np(1-p)$.

A note: binomial and hypergeometric are similar, but binomial has replacement and one category, and hypergeometric has two categories and no replacement.

Cumulative Distribution Function: $F(x) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq x)$, $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$. For discrete random variables: $f(x) = \mathbb{P}(X = x) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq x) - \mathbb{P}(X \leq x-1) = F(x) - F(x-1)$.

Geometric Distribution: $f(x) = p(1-p)^{x-1}$, $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. X represents the draw in which the first success is drawn. $f(x)$ is the probability of getting a success in the x -th draw.

Negative Binomial Distribution: $f(x) = \binom{x-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^{x-r}$ and $x = r, r+1, r+2, \dots$. X is the number of trials it takes to get r successes. $f(x)$ is the probability that the r -th success occurs on the x -th trial.

1.2 Midterm 2 Material

Moment Generating Function: $M(t) = \mathbb{E}(e^{tX}) = \sum_{x \in S} e^{tx} f(x)$ if $f(x)$ is the p.d.f. of some distribution and $t \in V_h(0)$ is finite. *Theorem:* $\mathbb{E}(X^r) = M^{(r)}(0)$, so $\mu = \mathbb{E}(X) = M'(0)$ and $\sigma^2 = \mathbb{E}(X^2) - [\mathbb{E}(X)]^2 = M''(0) - [M'(0)]^2$. To calculate the m.g.f. and p.d.f. of some random variable given only its moments, use the Taylor series expansion centered at zero. $M(t) = M(0) + M'(0) \left(\frac{t}{1!}\right) + M''(0) \left(\frac{t^2}{2!}\right) + \dots = 1 + \mathbb{E}(X) \left(\frac{t}{1!}\right) + \mathbb{E}(X^2) \left(\frac{t^2}{2!}\right) + \dots$

Poisson distribution: *Definition:* Poisson process counts the number of events occurring in a fixed time/space given a rate λ . Let X_t be the number events which occur in t unit time intervals. $\mathbb{P}(X_t = x) = \frac{(\lambda t)^x}{x!} e^{-\lambda t}$. $\mu = \lambda$, $\sigma^2 = \lambda$.

Poisson Approximation of Binomial Distribution: If $X \sim b(n, p)$ and n is large while p is small, then X can be approximated as $\hat{X} \sim poi(\lambda)$ s.t. $\lambda = np$.

Mean: $\mu = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$.

Variance: $\sigma^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu)^2 f(x) dx$.

M.G.F.: $M(t) = \mathbb{E}(e^{tX}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} f(x) dx$, $t \in (-h, h)$.

Percentile: $p = \int_{-\infty}^{\pi_p} f(x) dx = F(\pi_p)$.

Uniform Distribution: $f(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}$, $a \leq x \leq b$. If $X \sim U(a, b)$, then $\mathbb{E}(X) = \frac{a+b}{2}$, $\sigma^2 = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$, and $M(t) = \mathbb{E}(e^{tX}) = \frac{e^{tb} - e^{ta}}{t(b-a)}$, $t \neq 0$ and $M(0) = 1$.

Exponential Distribution: This describes the waiting time between events in a Poisson process with rate λ . Let $\theta = \frac{1}{\lambda}$. Then if $X \sim Exp(\theta)$, $f(x) = \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}}$, $x \geq 0$ and 0 otherwise. $\mu = \theta$, $\sigma^2 = \theta^2$, and $M(t) = (1 - \theta t)^{-1}$, $t < \frac{1}{\theta}$.

Memoryless Property of the Exponential Distribution: What happened in the past does not matter now. Only the present can determine the future. $\mathbb{P}(X > a+b | X > a) = \mathbb{P}(X > b)$, $\forall a, b \geq 0$.

Gamma Function: $\Gamma(x) = \int_0^{\infty} y^{x-1} e^{-y} dy$, $x > 0$.

Gamma Distribution: $f(t)$ represents the waiting time until the α -th occurrence of some Poisson process with rate λ . $f(t) = \frac{\lambda^\alpha t^{\alpha-1}}{(\alpha-1)!} e^{-\lambda t}$, $t \geq 0$. Then let $\theta = \lambda^{-1}$, then $f(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \theta^\alpha t^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{t}{\theta}}$, $t \geq 0$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. $\mu = \alpha\theta$, $\sigma^2 = \alpha\theta^2$, and $M(t) = (1 - \theta t)^{-\alpha}$. If $\alpha = 1$, $\text{gamma}(1, \theta) = \text{Exp}(\theta)$.

χ^2 Distribution: If $X \sim \text{gamma}(\alpha, \theta)$, and $\theta = 2$ and $\alpha = \frac{r}{2}$, where r is a positive integer, then X is a χ^2 distribution with degree of freedom r . $X \sim \chi^2(r)$. $\mu = r$, $\sigma^2 = 2r$, and $M(t) = (1 - 2t)^{-\frac{r}{2}}$, $t < \frac{1}{2}$. $e^2 = \chi^2(2)$.

Normal Distribution: Bell curve! $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$. $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. $X \sim N(0, 1)$ is the standard normal distribu-

tion. $\mu = \mu$, $\sigma^2 = \sigma^2$, and $M(t) = e^{\mu t + \frac{\sigma^2 t^2}{2}}$. Standardization: $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then $Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$.

Normal Square Distribution: Let $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ and $Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$. Then the random variable $V = Z^2 \sim \chi^2(1)$.

Cauchy Distribution: (Why do we even need this distribution?) $f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi(1+x^2)}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Symmetric about zero, so median is zero, but μ is undefined because the tail of the p.d.f. is too heavy (i.e. each integral of the distribution does not converge). c.d.f. $= F(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \arctan(x) + \frac{1}{2}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Joint Probability Density Function: $\mathbb{P}((X, Y) \in A) = \int \int f(x, y) dx dy$.

Marginal Probability Density Function: $f_x(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy$ and the other way around for y .

Mathematical Expectation: $\mathbb{E}[g(X, Y)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) f(x, y) dx dy$.

Independent Random Variables: Two events A and B are independent iff $f(x, y) = f_x(x) \cdot f_y(y) \forall x, y$. This works for both the p.d.f. and the c.d.f.

Trinomial Distribution: This is an extension of the binomial distribution into two dimensions. $f(x_1, x_2) = \mathbb{P}(X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2) = \frac{n!}{x_1! x_2! (n - x_1 - x_2)!} p_1^{x_1} p_2^{x_2} (1 - p_1 - p_2)^{n - x_1 - x_2}$ for $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$, $x_1 + x_2 \leq n$.

Covariance: $Cov(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mu_x)(Y - \mu_y)]$, $\mu_x = \mathbb{E}(X)$, $\mu_y = \mathbb{E}(Y)$. Useful identity: $Cov(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}(XY) - \mathbb{E}(X)\mathbb{E}(Y)$.

Properties of Covariance: Zero-angle: $Cov(X, X) = Var(X)$. Symmetry: $Cov(X, Y) = Cov(Y, X)$. $Cov(aX + b, Y) = a \cdot Cov(X, Y)$. $Cov(X + Y, W) = Cov(X, W) + Cov(Y, W)$. $Cov(aX + bY, cX + dY) = (ac) \cdot Var(X) + (bd) \cdot Var(Y) + (ad + bc) \cdot Cov(X, Y)$. $Var(aX + bY) = a^2 \cdot Var(X) + 2ab \cdot Cov(X, Y) + b^2 \cdot Var(Y)$.

Correlation Coefficient: $\rho_{XY} = \frac{\sigma_{XY}}{\sigma_X \cdot \sigma_Y} = \frac{Cov(X, Y)}{\sqrt{Var(X)} \cdot \sqrt{Var(Y)}}$.

Uncorrelated: $\rho_{XY} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \sigma_{XY} = 0$. If X and Y are independent, then $\rho_{XY} = 0$, but the implication **does not** go the other way.

I.I.D.: If every marginal probability density function is equal and independent, then all of the random variables are independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.).

Combinations: If Y is a linear combination of independent random variables with constant multiples, then the expectation of Y is simply the sum of the expectations of random variables. The variance of Y is the sum of the variances of the random variables with their constant multiples squared. The moment of a linear combination of random variables is the product of their individual moments.

Summary of Combinations: Suppose X and Y are independent. Then,

- $bern(p) + bern(p) = b(2, p)$
- $b(n_1, p) + b(n_2, p) = b(n_1 + n_2, p)$
- $geo(p) + geo(p) = negbin(2, p)$
- $negbin(r_1, p) + negbin(r_2, p) = negbin(r_1 + r_2, p)$
- $poi(\lambda_1) + poi(\lambda_2) = poi(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)$
- $exp(\theta) + exp(\theta) = gamma(2, \theta)$
- $gamma(\alpha_1, \theta) + gamma(\alpha_2, \theta) = gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \theta)$
- $N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2) + N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2) = N(\mu_1 + \mu_2, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)$

1.3 Final Material

Everything taught in the class is on the final.

Chebyshev's Inequality: If $k \geq 1$: $\mathbb{P}(|X - \mu| \geq k\sigma) \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{k^2}$. Let

$\epsilon = k\sigma$: $\mathbb{P}(|X - \mu| \geq \epsilon) \leq \frac{1}{k^2}$.

Central Limit Theorem (CLT): $\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma} \rightarrow Z$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Normal Approximation to Binomial: If $np \geq 5$ and $n(1 - p) \geq 5$, then

	$b(n, p)$	$N(\mu, \sigma^2)$
Mean	np	μ
Variance	$np(1 - p)$	σ^2

Normal Approximation to Poisson:

	$Poisson(\lambda)$	$N(\mu, \sigma^2)$
Mean	λ	μ
Variance	λ	σ^2

Jensen's Inequality: If $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a convex function and X is a random variable, then $\mathbb{E}[g(X)] \geq g(\mathbb{E}(X))$.

Maximum Likelihood Estimator: Maximize the likelihood function subject to the parameter space.

- Construct likelihood function, $F(x; \theta) = \Pi_{i=1}^n(f(x_i))$.
- If applicable, take the log of this to make things easier to differentiate and to change the product into a sum. $l(x; \theta)$.
- Differentiate to get $\frac{dl(x; \theta)}{d\theta}$.
- Assume convexity (ha) and find optimal θ by solving $\frac{dl(x; \theta)}{d\theta} = 0$.

Sample Mean: $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \equiv \bar{X}$.

Sample Variance: For z distribution: $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$, and for t distribution: $\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$.

Method of Moments Estimator: Construct a system of equations using moments and sample data. For example, equate theoretical mean with sample mean, and theoretical variance with sample variance, then solve. <><><maybe put an example here>><><>

Helpful Distribution Values:

α	$z_{1-\alpha}$
0.2	0.840
0.1	1.280
0.05	1.645
0.025	1.960

Confidence Intervals for Means:

	Known Variance	Unknown Variance
Two Side	$\left[\bar{X} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$	$\left[\bar{X} - t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} (n - 1) \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} (n - 1) \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$
Lower	$\left[\bar{X} - z_{\alpha} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \infty \right)$	you can
Upper	$(-\infty, \bar{X} + z_{\alpha} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$	figure it out

$S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$ be the sample variance. When the population distribution is normal, use the $(n - 1)$ version unless you need to use MLE for which the (n) version is needed. For other distributions, use the (n) version. If no distribution is mentioned, then assume it to be normal and use the $(n - 1)$ version.

Confidence Interval for Variance: $\left[\frac{(n-1)S^2}{b}, \frac{(n-1)S^2}{a} \right]$, $a = \chi^2_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}(n - 1)$, $b = \chi^2_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}(n - 1)$.

Confidence Interval for Standard Deviation: Use a and b from above, and just square root the expressions for the variance C.I.

Confidence Interval for Proportions (and Wilcox Interval for large n): Let $\hat{p} = \frac{Y}{n}$. Then $\hat{p} \pm z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$. Lower bound: $\left[\hat{p} - z_{\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}, 1 \right]$. Upper bound: $\left[0, \hat{p} + z_{\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} \right]$.