Basic Probability

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Uncertainty



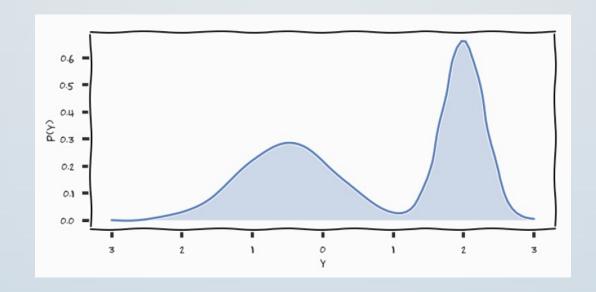
Variables

Deterministic Variable

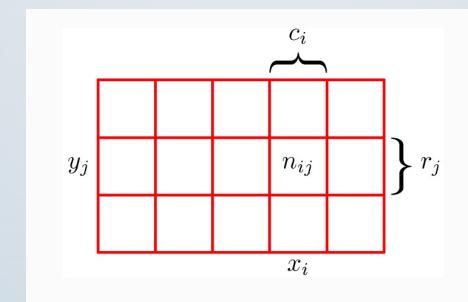
Code

Stochastic Variable

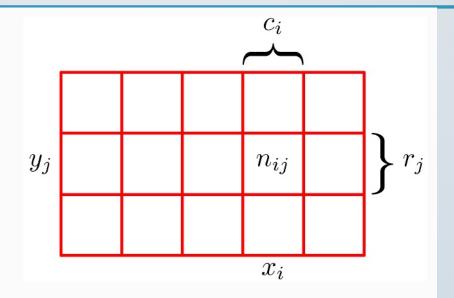
$$x \sim p(x)$$
$$y \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$$



- Probability theory is a framework for manipulating uncertainty
- Random variable, is a stochastic variable that follows a distribution

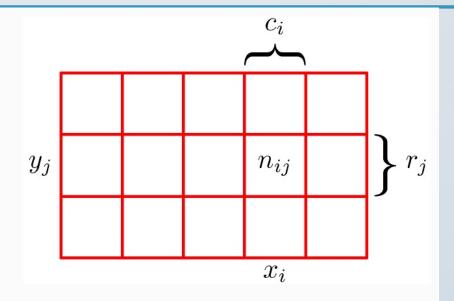


$$\{X=x_i, Y=y_j\}=n_{ij}$$



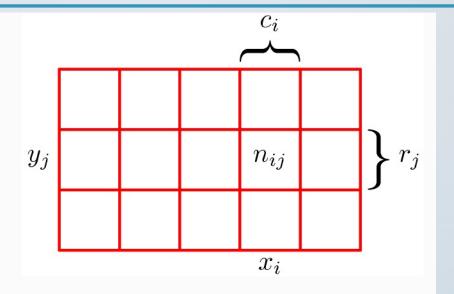
Joint Probability

$$p(X = x_i, Y = y_j) = \frac{n_{ij}}{\sum_{kl} n_{kl}} = \frac{n_{ij}}{N}$$



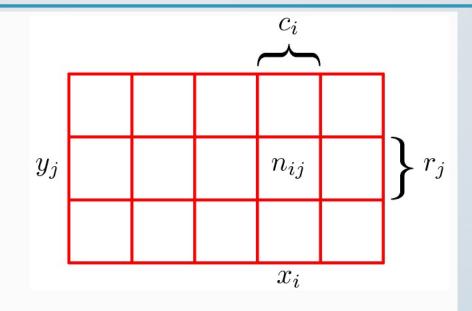
Marginal Probability

$$p(X = x_i) = \frac{\sum_j n_{ij}}{N} = \frac{c_i}{N}$$



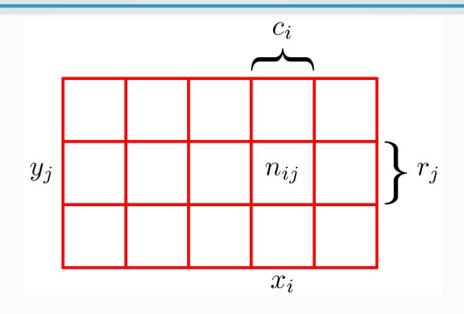
Sum rule

$$p(X = x_i) = \frac{\sum_j n_{ij}}{N} = \sum_j \frac{n_{ij}}{N}$$



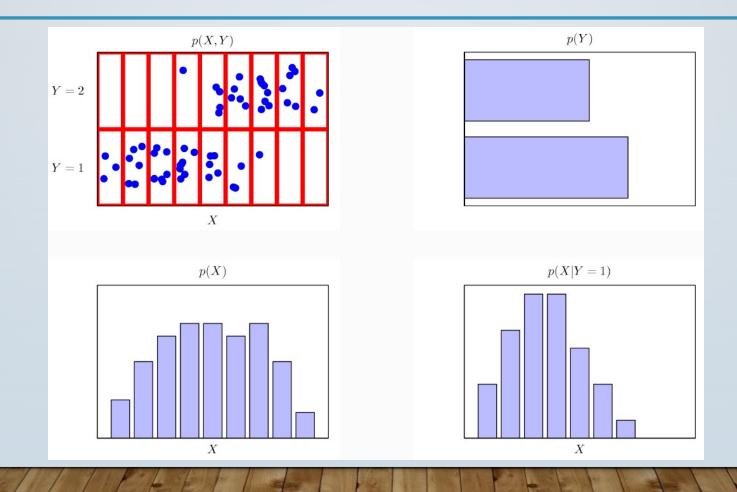
Conditional

$$p(Y = y_j | X = x_i) = \frac{n_{ij}}{c_i}$$



Product rule

$$p(X = x_i, Y = y_j) = \frac{n_{ij}}{N} = \frac{n_{ij}}{c_i} \cdot \frac{c_i}{N} = p(Y = y_j | X = x_i)p(X = x_i)$$



Rules of Probability

Sum Rule

$$p(X) = \sum_{Y} p(X, Y)$$

Product Rule

$$p(X,Y) = p(Y|X)p(X)$$

Baye's Rule

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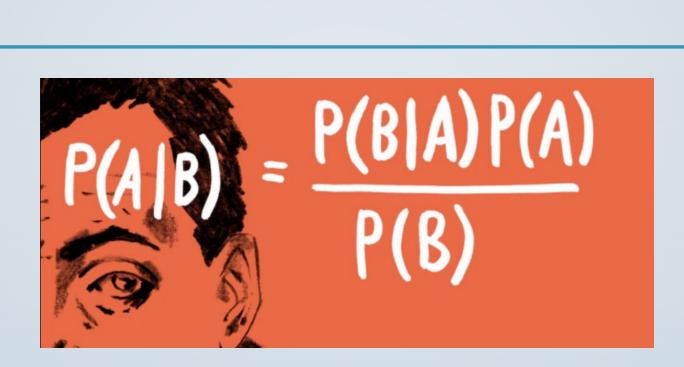
$$p(X, Y) = p(X|Y)p(Y)$$

$$p(X|Y)p(Y) = p(Y|X)p(X)$$

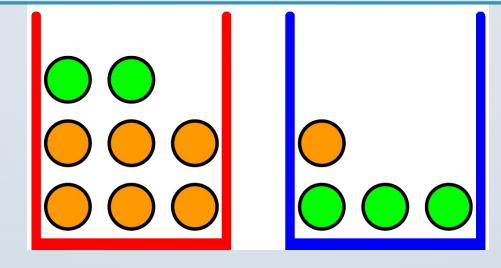
$$p(X|Y) = \frac{p(Y|X)p(X)}{p(Y)}$$

$$= \frac{p(Y|X)p(X)}{\sum_{X} p(Y|X)p(X)}$$

Baye's Rule



Exercise



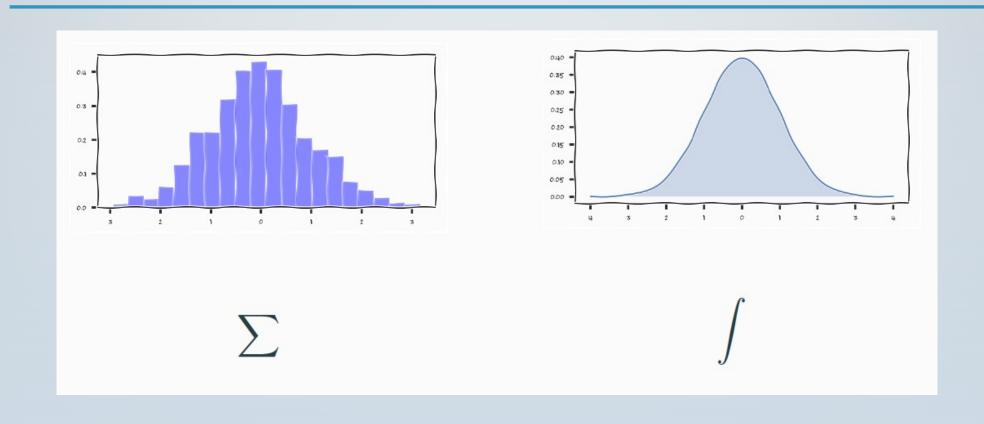
Random variable B: the box will be chosen, p(B = r) = 0.4, p(B = b) = 0.6 Question:

- What is the overall probability that the selection procedure will pick an apple?
- Given that we have chosen an orange, what is the probability that the box we chose was the blue one?

Exercise

A basketball team is to play two games in a tournament. The probability of winning the first game is .10. If the first game is won, the probability of winning the second game is .15. If the first game is lost, the probability of winning the second game is .25. What is the probability the first game was won if the second game is lost?

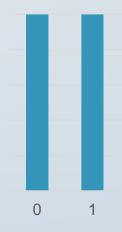
Discrete vs Continuous



Discrete Probability

The probability mass function for X, the number of heads that appear in two tosses of an fair coin

x	P(x)
0	0.5
1	0.5



Bernoulli Distribution

The Bernoulli distribution is a discrete distribution having two possible outcomes labelled by n=0 and n=1 in which

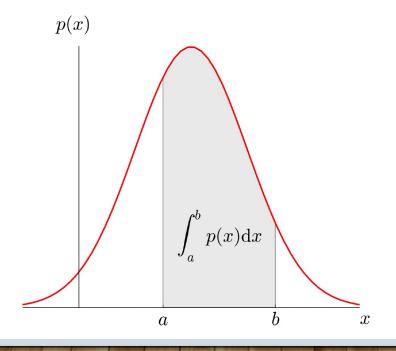
$$P(X=x) \models egin{cases} p, & x=1 \ 1-p, & x=0 \end{cases}$$

$$P(X = x) = p^{x}(1-p)^{1-x}$$

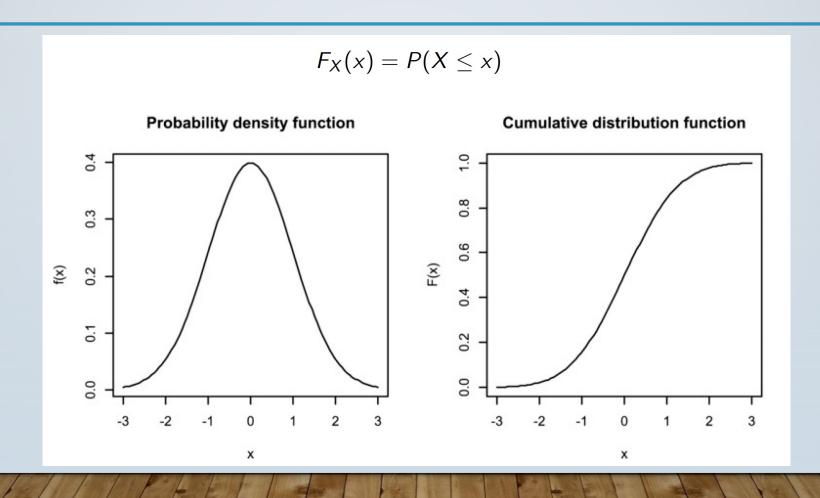
Proof normalization.

Probability density function (PDF)

$$P(a \le X \le b) = \int_a^b f(x) dx \ge 0$$



Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)



Expectation

The expectation

$$\mu = \mathbb{E}[x]$$

Discrete random variable

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

Continuous random variable

$$\mathbb{E}[x] = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x f(x) dx$$

Exercise

Repair costs for a particular machine are represented by the following probability distribution. Calculate the expectation of reparing?

x	\$50	\$200	\$350
P(X=x)	0.3	0.2	0.5

Variance

The variance

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

Discrete random variable

$$Var(X) = \sum_{x} (x - \mu)^2 P(X = x)$$

Continuous random variable

$$Var(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (x - \mu)^2 f(x) dx$$

Exercise

Calculate mean and variance of Bernoulli distribution.