

Last class: Independent random variables

$$P(X \in A, Y \in B) = P(X \in A) P(Y \in B) \quad [P((X,Y) \in A \times B)]$$

Discrete:  $p_{X,Y}(x,y) = p_X(x) p_Y(y)$

Continuous:  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$

Mutual independence of  $n$  r.v.s  $X = (X_0, \dots, X_{n-1})$

$$P_{X_0, X_1, \dots, X_{n-1}} \left( \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} F_i \right) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} P_{X_i}(F_i)$$

Special Case: IID  $X = (X_0, \dots, X_{n-1})$

Independent & Identically distributed

1. Independence

$$P_{X_0, \dots, X_{n-1}} \left( \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} F_i \right) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} P_{X_i}(F_i)$$

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2. Identically distributed

$$P_{X_i}(F_i) = P(F)$$

Discrete case:  $P_{X_0, \dots, X_{n-1}}(x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} p(x_i)$   
(IID)

Continuous case:  $f_X(x) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} f_{X_i}(x_i) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} f(x_i)$   
(IID)

Example: A man & a woman decide to meet at a certain location. If each of them independently arrive at a time uniformly distributed b/w 12pm & 1pm. Find the probability that the first person to arrive

how to wait more than 10 mins?



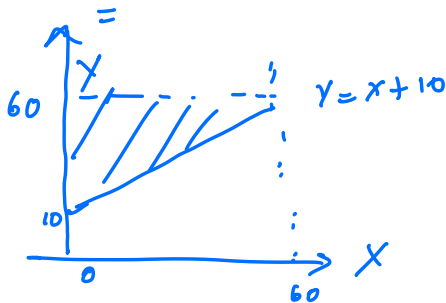
$x$ : time at which man arrives

$y$ : " " " " woman "

$$f_x(x) = \frac{1}{60} \quad f_y(y) = \frac{1}{60}$$

$$f_{xy}(x,y) = f_x(x) f_y(y) = \left(\frac{1}{60}\right)^2$$

$X$  arrives first  $\swarrow$  2 cases  $\searrow$   $Y$  arrives first  
 $P(X+10 < Y)$   $P(Y+10 < X)$   
 $= 25/72$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int \int_{x+10 < y} f_{xy}(x,y) dx dy \\
 & \quad \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{60}\right)^2}_{\text{constant}} \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{60}\right)^2 \int_{10}^{60} \int_0^{y-10} dx dy \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{60}\right)^2 \int_{10}^{60} (y-10) dy \\
 &= \frac{25}{72} //
 \end{aligned}$$

$P(\text{first to arrive waits more than 10 mins})$   
 $= 2 \cdot 25/72 = 25/36 //$

Expectations:  $E[X] = \int x \cdot f_x(x) dx$  [Random variable]  
 (random vector)

Random vector

$$E[X] = \underbrace{\int \dots \int}_{n \text{ integrals}} (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}) f_{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}}(x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}) dx_0 dx_1 \dots dx_{n-1}$$

Discrete case

$$= \sum_{x_0 \dots x_{n-1}} \underbrace{(x_0 \dots x_{n-1})}_{\text{vector}} P_{x_0 \dots x_{n-1}} \underbrace{(x_0 \dots x_{n-1})}_{\text{number}}$$

Properties

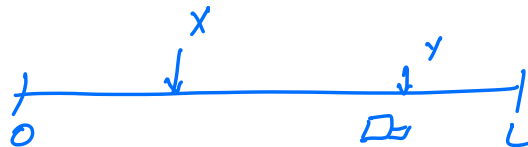
1. Fundamental theorem of expectation

$$E[g(x)] = \begin{cases} \int g(x) f_x(x) dx \\ \sum g(x) P_x(x) dx \end{cases}$$

$x = (x_0, x_1)$   
 scalar  $g(x) = x_0 + x_1$   
 vector  $g(x) = (x_0 + x_1, x_0 - x_1)$

Example: An accident occurs at a point uniformly distributed on a road of length  $L$ .

An ambulance is at a location  $y$  that is also uniform distributed on the road of length  $L$ . Find the expected distance b/w point of accident & ambulance?



$$E[|x-y|] = \int \int |x-y| f_{x,y}(x,y) dx dy$$

( $E[g(x)]$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_X(x) &= \frac{1}{L} & f_Y(y) &= \frac{1}{L} & f_{X,Y}(x,y) &= \left(\frac{1}{L}\right)^2 \\
 & & & & &= \int_0^L \int_0^L |x-y| \left(\frac{1}{L}\right)^2 dx dy \\
 & & & & &= \left(\frac{1}{L}\right)^2 \int_0^L \int_0^L |x-y| dx dy
 \end{aligned}$$

Idea:  $\int_0^L |x-y| dx$

$$= \int_0^y -(x-y) dx + \int_y^L (x-y) dx$$

[Exercise]

$$E[|x-y|] = \frac{L}{3} //$$

Exercise: (Coupon collecting problem)

$N$  different coupons

Each time you are equally likely to get one of these  $N$  coupons.

Find the expected number of coupons one need to collect to have a complete set?

2. Property (Linearity)

$$E[ax + by] = a E[x] + b E[y]$$

3. For any two <sup>independent</sup> random variable  $X$  and  $Y$

$$E[g(x) h(y)] = E[g(x)] E[h(y)]$$

Proof:  $\int \int g(x) h(y) \underbrace{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}_{\dots} dx dy$

Extend

to multiple  
r.v.s]

$$\int g(x) f_X(x) \int h(y) f_Y(y)$$

Special Case:

$$E[XY] = E[X] E[Y]$$

Correlation

Correlation b/w random variables  $X$  and  $Y$   
is defined as  $E[XY]$

General case  $E[X_0 X_1 \dots X_{n-1}]$  (Correlation)  
(random vectors)

Two random variables are uncorrelated if  
 $E[XY] = E[X] E[Y]$

Independence  $\Rightarrow$  Uncorrelated

$\Leftarrow$   
?

In general "No"

Theorem: Two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  are  
independent only if  $g(X)$  and  $h(Y)$   
are uncorrelated for all functions  
 $g$  and  $h$  (technical conds skipped)

Covariance (2 random variables)

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

$$= E[XY - E[X]Y - E[Y]X + E[X]E[Y]]$$

$$= E[XY] - E[X]E[Y] - E[Y]E[X] + E[X]E[Y]$$

$$= E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]$$

← Correlation →

Property: Two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$   
are uncorrelated iff  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$   
if & only if

Properties of  $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$

1.  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \text{Cov}(Y, X)$
2.  $\text{Cov}(X, X) = \text{Var}(X)$
3.  $\text{Cov}(aX, Y) = a \text{Cov}(X, Y)$
4.  $\text{Cov}\left(\sum_i X_i, \sum_j Y_j\right) = \sum_i \sum_j \text{Cov}(X_i, Y_j)$

Next class - Covariance matrix