

## Generalisation to n-dimensional Random variable

### # Joint Probability mass function:-

Let  $(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$  be a discrete n-dimensional r.v., assuming discrete values, in some region, say  $R^n$  of n-dim space. Then the joint p.m.f of  $(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$  is defined as

$$p_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = P[X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2, \dots, X_n = x_n] \\ = P\left[\bigcap_{i=1}^n (X_i = x_i)\right]$$

where (i)  $p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \geq 0 \quad \forall (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in R^n$

(ii)  $\sum_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n} p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 1.$

### # marginal p.m.f :-

Summing  $p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ , over all values of other variables except  $X_i$  i.e.

$$P_{X_i}(x_i) = \sum_{\substack{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ \text{except } x_i}} p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

### # Special case of three r.v.s :-

Let  $p(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  is the joint p.m.f of three r.v.s  $X_1, X_2$  and  $X_3$ , then the marginal p.m.f of  $X_1$  is given by

$$P_{X_1}(x_1) = \sum_{x_2, x_3} p(x_1, x_2, x_3), \text{ and so on.}$$

→ Independency of r.v.'s:- The r.v.'s  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  are independent if and only if their joint p.m.f is equal to the product of their marginal p.m.f's. i.e.

$$p_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = p_{X_1}(x_1) \cdot p_{X_2}(x_2) \cdot \dots \cdot p_{X_n}(x_n).$$

## ② Joint and marginal probability Density function

Let  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  be  $n$ -dim continuous r.v.s assuming all the values in some region, say  $R_1^n$  of the  $n$ -dimensional space. Then the joint p.d.f of  $(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$  is given by:

$$f_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \lim_{\substack{dx_1 \rightarrow 0 \quad dx_2 \rightarrow 0 \quad \dots \quad dx_n \rightarrow 0}} \frac{P[X_1 < x_1 < x_1 + dx_1 \dots \dots \dots X_n < x_n < x_n + dx_n]}{dx_1 \cdot dx_2 \cdot \dots \cdot dx_n}$$

$$= \lim_{\substack{dx_1 \rightarrow 0 \dots \dots \dots dx_n \rightarrow 0}} \frac{P\left[\bigcap_{i=1}^n (x_i < X_i < x_i + dx_i)\right]}{dx_1 \cdot dx_2 \cdot \dots \cdot dx_n}$$

where

①  $f_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \geq 0 \quad \forall (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in R_1^n$

②  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_n$   
 $n\text{-times} = 1.$



→ The marginal p.d.f of any variable say  $x_i$ , is obtained on integrating the joint p.d.f over the range of all the variables except  $x_i$ .

$$f_{x_i}(x_i) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \dots dx_n$$

(n-1) times  
(except  $x_i$ )

→ In particular, for three r.v.'s  $x_1, x_2$ , and  $x_3$  with joint p.d.f  $f(x_1, x_2, x_3)$

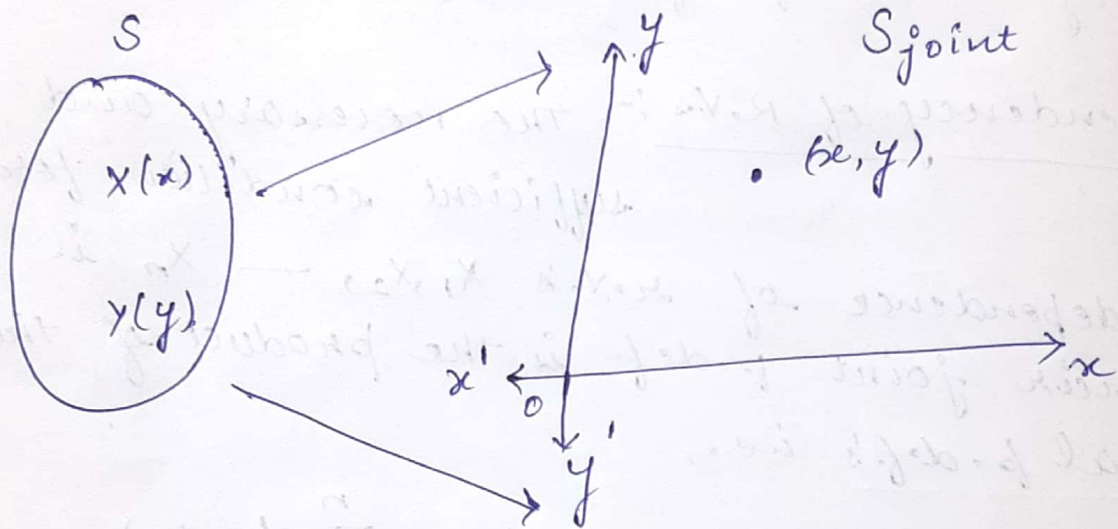
# Independency of R.V.s :- The necessary and sufficient condition for

the independence of r.v.'s  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  is that their joint p.d.f is the product of their marginal p.d.f's i.e.,

$$f_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_{x_i}(x_i).$$

## Vector Random Variable

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  are defined as two random variables defined over a sample space  $S$ , with their own specific values  $x$  and  $y$  respectively. Then the ordered pair  $(x, y)$  is a specific value of, say, random point in the  $xy$ -plane, of a random vector or vector random variable.



: A mapping from  $S$  to the joint sample space  $S_{\text{joint}}$ .



## Distribution and Density of a sum of Random variables :-

Here, we assumed that all the taken random variables are statistically independent random variables:-

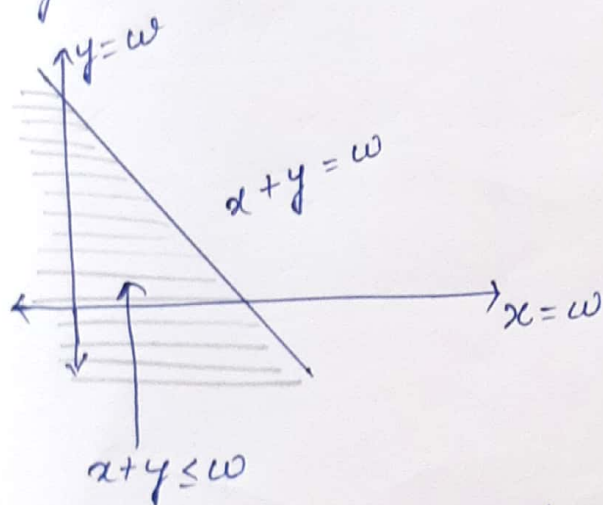
# Sum of two variables:- Let  $w$  be a r.v. equal to the sum of two independent random variables  $X$  and  $Y$ , i.e.

$$W = X + Y,$$

then the distribution function can be defined by

$$P[W \leq w] = P(X + Y \leq w).$$

→ The graphical representation of  $[W = X + Y \leq w]$  is



: Region in the  $xy$ -plane, where  $x + y \leq w$ .

The probability distribution  $F_W(w) / F_{X+Y}(w)$ , when  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx dy$  represents the elemental area, can be written as;

$$F_W(w) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{w-y} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx dy.$$