

I225E Statistical Signal Processing

2. Review of Probability Theory

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Review of probability theory

- Probability theory
Sample space, Borel set, conditional probability, Bayes' theorem
- Random variables
- Distribution functions, density functions
- Joint distributions
- Moments
- Characteristic functions
- Law of large numbers
- Central limit theorem

1. Review of Probability

All possible outcomes that may result from a trial (experiment or observation) are known ***a priori***.

However, it is impossible to predict which outcome to occur.

- Trial **S** : Doing experiment or observation
- Sample Point ω : Individual outcome that results from each trial
- Sample Space **Ω** : All sets of sample points
- Event **A** : Subset of sample space

When $\omega \in \Omega$ for $\omega \in A$, we say event A took place.

[Example]

- Trial **S**: Throw a dice
- Sample Point ω : 1, 2, 3, ...
- Sample Space Ω : {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}
- Event **A**: Odd {1,3,5} and Even {2,4,6}



- Trial **S**: Twice coin-toss
- Sample Point ω : head (h) or tail (t)
- Sample Space Ω : {hh, ht, th, tt}
- Event **A**: only one head showed



Event

(E1) Complementary Event: $A^C = \{\omega \in \Omega: \omega \notin A\}$

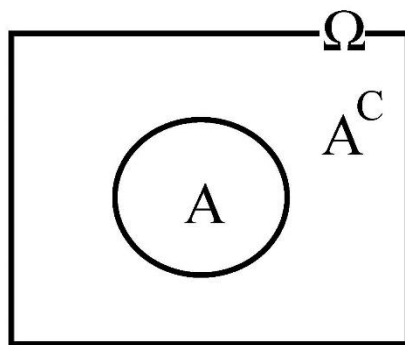
(E2) Sum Event (Union, OR):

$$A_1 \cup A_2 = \{\omega \in \Omega: \omega \in A_1 \text{ or } \omega \in A_2\} \text{ (“} A_1 \text{ or } A_2 \text{”)}$$

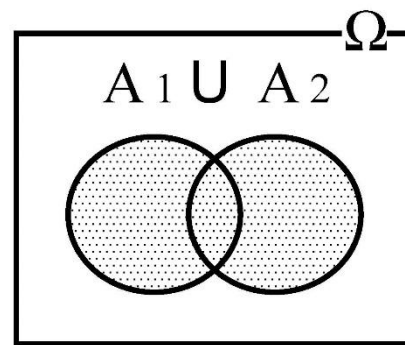
(E3) Product Event (Intersection, AND):

$$A_1 \cap A_2 = \{\omega \in \Omega: \omega \in A_1 \text{ and } \omega \in A_2\} \text{ (“} A_1 \text{ and } A_2 \text{”)}$$

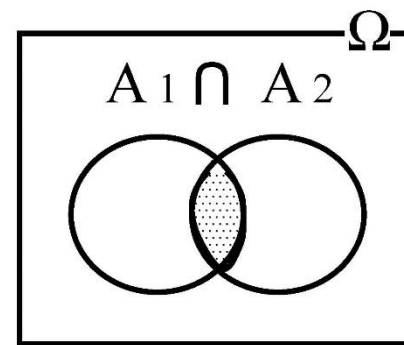
(E4) Exclusive Event: $A_1 \cap A_2 = \emptyset$



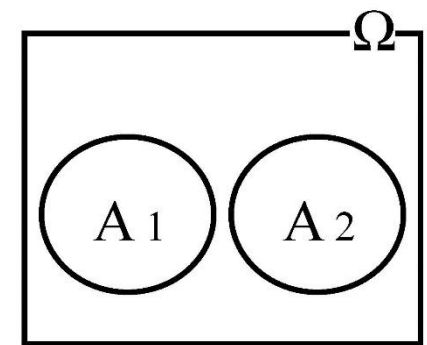
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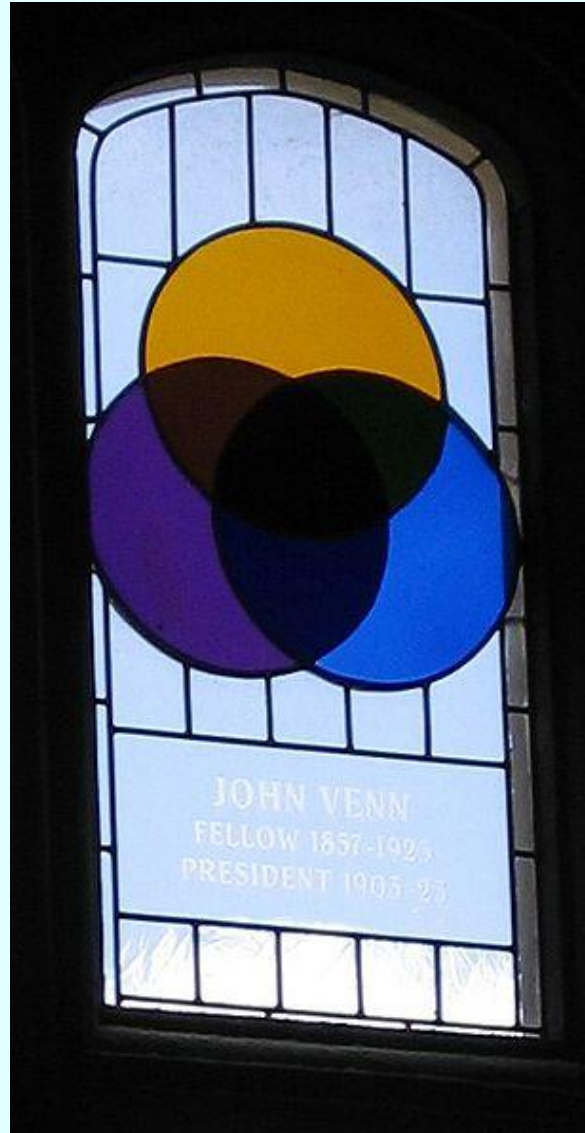


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Draw Venn diagrams!



Borel set: B

A Borel set B is any set in a topological space that can be formed from open sets (or, equivalently, from closed sets) through the operations of countable union, countable intersection, and relative complement.

(B1) $\Omega \in B$.

(B2) If $A \in B$ then $A^c \in B$.

(B3) If $A_1, A_2, \dots \in B$ then $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i (= A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots) \in B$.

From (B1)-(B3),

(B4) $\emptyset \in B$.

(B5) If $A_1, A_2, \dots \in B$, then $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i (= A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots) \in B$.

Borel set: Example

■ Dice throwing

$$\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B = & \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \dots, \{6\}, \\ & \{1, 2\}, \dots, \{5, 6\}, \\ & \{1, 2, 3\}, \dots, \{4, 5, 6\}, \\ & \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \{3, 4, 5, 6\}, \\ & \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}, \dots, \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}, \\ & \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}\} \end{aligned}$$

Borel set = “a set of all possible events”

Probability

- Probability of event A : $P(A)$
mapping from event A to some numbers $P(A)$.
- **Properties of $P(A)$** (Axioms of Probability theory)
 - (P1) $0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$
 - (P2) $P(\Omega) = 1$
 - (P3) If A_1, A_2, \dots are exclusive events, then
$$P(\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i)$$
(Complete Additiveness)
- **Definition of Probability Space:**
Sample space Ω , Borel set B , and probability P define probability space.

■ Basic properties

(P4) $P(\mathbf{0}) = 0$

[Proof] Assuming $A_i = \mathbf{0}$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots$), then

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}.$$

On the other hand, from the assumption,

$$A_i \cap A_j = \mathbf{0} \cap \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} \quad (i \neq j).$$

According to Axiom (P3),

$$P(\mathbf{0}) = P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(\mathbf{0}).$$

Since $\mathbf{0} \in \Omega$, $P(\mathbf{0}) \geq 0$ (due to Axiom (P1)). The above equation holds only if $P(\mathbf{0}) = 0$.

(P5) If events A_1, A_2, \dots are mutually exclusive, then

$$P(\cup_{i=1}^n A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i).$$

[Proof] Setting $A_{n+1} = A_{n+2} = \dots = \mathbf{0}$,

$A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n, A_{n+1}, \dots$ are mutually exclusive.

Moreover, $\cup_{i=1}^n A_i = \cup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$.

According to Axiom (P3) and Property (P4),

$$\begin{aligned} P(\cup_{i=1}^n A_i) &= P(\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) + \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} P(A_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) + \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} P(\mathbf{0}) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) \end{aligned}$$

(P6) $P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$

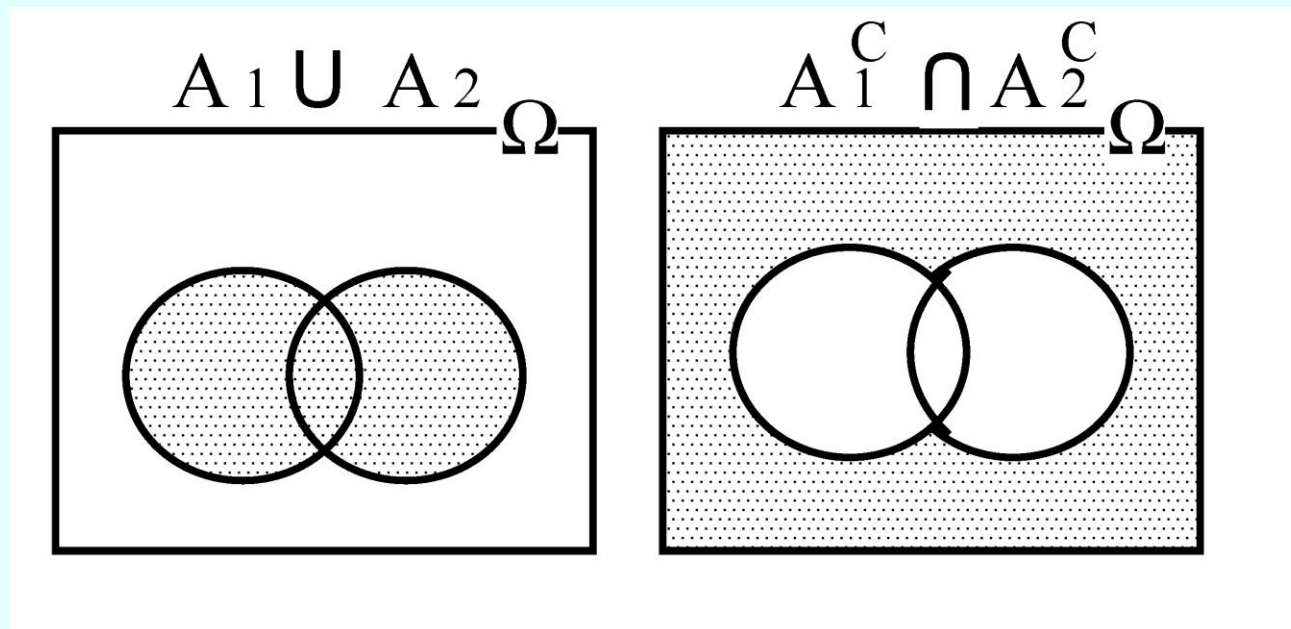
(P7) $P(\cup_i A_i) = 1 - P(\cap_i A_i^C)$

De Morgan's laws:

$$(\cap_i A_i)^C = \cup_i A_i^C, (\cup_i A_i)^C = \cap_i A_i^C$$

De Morgan's laws in case of 2 sets

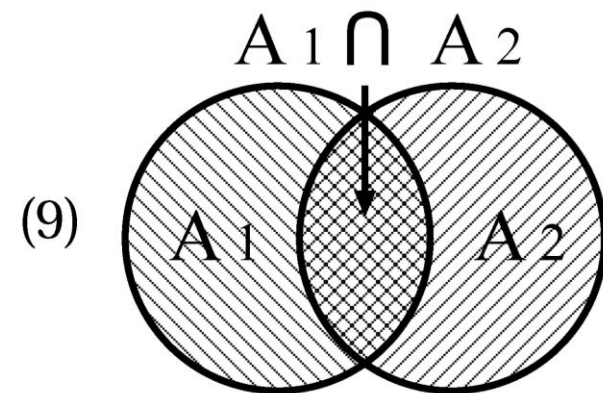
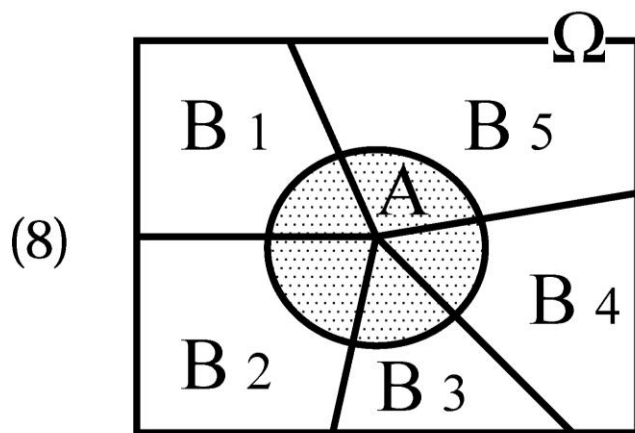
$$(A_1 \cup A_2)^C = A_1^C \cap A_2^C$$



(P8) If sequence of mutually exclusive events,
 B_1, B_2, \dots , is such that :

$$\cup_i B_i = \Omega, \text{ then } P(A) = \sum_i P(A \cap B_i).$$

(P9) If A_1 and A_2 are not exclusive, then
 $P(A_1 \cup A_2) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) - P(A_1 \cap A_2).$



(P10) For any A_1, A_2, A_3 ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3) \\
 &= P(A_1) + P(A_2) + P(A_3) \\
 &\quad - \{P(A_1 \cap A_2) + P(A_2 \cap A_3) + P(A_3 \cap A_1)\} \\
 &\quad \quad + P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3)
 \end{aligned}$$

(P11) General case: Denoting

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_m &= \sum_{i_1 \leq i_2 \leq \dots \leq i_m} P(A_{i_1} \cap A_{i_2} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_m}), \text{ then} \\
 P(\cup_{i=1}^n A_i) &= S_1 - S_2 + S_3 - S_4 + \dots + (-1)^{n-1} S_n.
 \end{aligned}$$

Note: Additive terms on the right side are subject to all combination of S_n choosing n events from $1, 2, \dots, n$.

The combination number is ${}_nC_m = \binom{n}{m} = \frac{n!}{(n-m)!m!}$.

■ Continuity of Probability

(P12) Consider infinite sequence of events A_1, A_2, \dots such that $A_1 \subset A_2 \subset \dots$. For $A = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$,

$$P(A) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} P(A_i)$$

(P13) Consider infinite sequence of events A_1, A_2, \dots such that $A_1 \supset A_2 \supset \dots$. For $A = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$,

$$P(A) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} P(A_i)$$

Conditional Probability

■ Conditional Probability

First event has an influence on probability of next event.

B: First event

A: Next event

Conditional probability $P(A|B)$ of event ***A*** assuming event ***B*** is

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

Properties of Conditional Probability

(C1) If we fix \mathbf{B} and denote as $P(\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{B}) \equiv P^*(\mathbf{A})$,

(P1) - (P13) hold for $P^*(\mathbf{A})$.

(C2) $P(\mathbf{A} \cap \mathbf{B}) = P(\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{B})P(\mathbf{B})$,

(C3) If events $\mathbf{B}_1, \mathbf{B}_2, \dots$ are mutually exclusive and $\bigcup_i \mathbf{B}_i = \Omega$, then, for any event \mathbf{A} ,

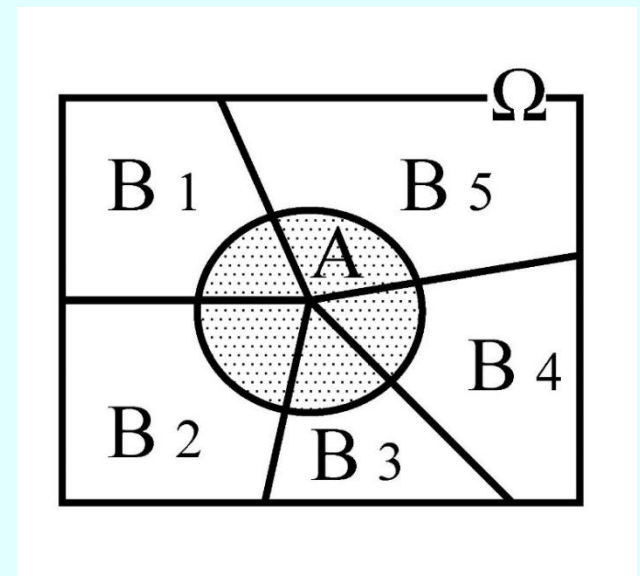
$$P(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_i P(\mathbf{B}_i)P(\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{B}_i)$$

(Total Probability Theorem)

(C4) If $P(\mathbf{A}) > 0$,


$$P(\mathbf{B}_i|\mathbf{A}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{B}_i)P(\mathbf{B}_i)}{\sum_j P(\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{B}_j)P(\mathbf{B}_j)}$$

(Bayes' Theorem)



[Exercise] Company C buys the same product from three companies (B_1, B_2, B_3). The purchase ratio is $B_1 = 0.5$, $B_2 = 0.3$, and $B_3 = 0.2$. Probability that a new product is broken within one year is given for each company as $B_1 = 0.015$, $B_2 = 0.025$, and $B_3 = 0.035$.

- Suppose now that one product is broken within one year of purchase. We denote this event by A . What is the probability that the broken product was purchased from company B_1 , B_2 , or B_3 .



[Answer] $P(B_1) = 0.5, P(B_2) = 0.3, P(B_3) = 0.2$
 $P(A|B_1) = 0.015, P(A|B_2) = 0.025,$
 $P(A|B_3) = 0.035$

From Total Probability Theorem (C3), $P(A) =$
 $\sum_{i=1}^3 P(A|B_i)P(B_i) = 0.0075 + 0.0075 + 0.007$
 $= 0.022$

Using Bayes' Theorem (C4)

$$P(B_1|A) = \frac{0.0075}{0.022} \approx 0.34, P(B_2|A) = \frac{0.0075}{0.022} \approx 0.34$$
$$P(B_3|A) = \frac{0.0070}{0.022} \approx 0.32$$

Independency

(1) If events **A** and **B** are mutually independent, then

$$P(\mathbf{A} \cap \mathbf{B}) = P(\mathbf{A})P(\mathbf{B}).$$

(2) Necessary and sufficient condition for mutual independence of n events, $\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{A}_2, \dots, \mathbf{A}_n$, is that, for a set of arbitrarily chosen events, $\mathbf{A}_{i(1)}, \mathbf{A}_{i(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{A}_{i(k)}$, the following holds

$$\begin{aligned} &P(\mathbf{A}_{i(1)} \cap \mathbf{A}_{i(2)} \cap \dots \cap \mathbf{A}_{i(k)}) \\ &= P(\mathbf{A}_{i(1)})P(\mathbf{A}_{i(2)}) \dots P(\mathbf{A}_{i(k)}) \end{aligned}$$

2. Random variable

■ Definition:

If real valued function $X(\omega)$ ($\omega \in \Omega$) defined on probability space satisfies $\{\omega: X(\omega) \leq x\} \in \mathcal{B}$ for any real value x , $X(\Omega)$ is called **random variables**.

■ Example

From a box with many balls with different color, pick up one ball. One obtains a coupon card corresponding to the color of the ball.

Color (Even) ω	White	Green	Yellow	Blue	Red
Coupon (Random variable) $X(\Omega)$	500	1000	2000	4000	6000
Probability	0.72	0.15	0.1	0.02	0.01

$$P(\text{white}) = \{\omega: X(\Omega) \leq 500\}$$

3. Distribution function

■ Definition:

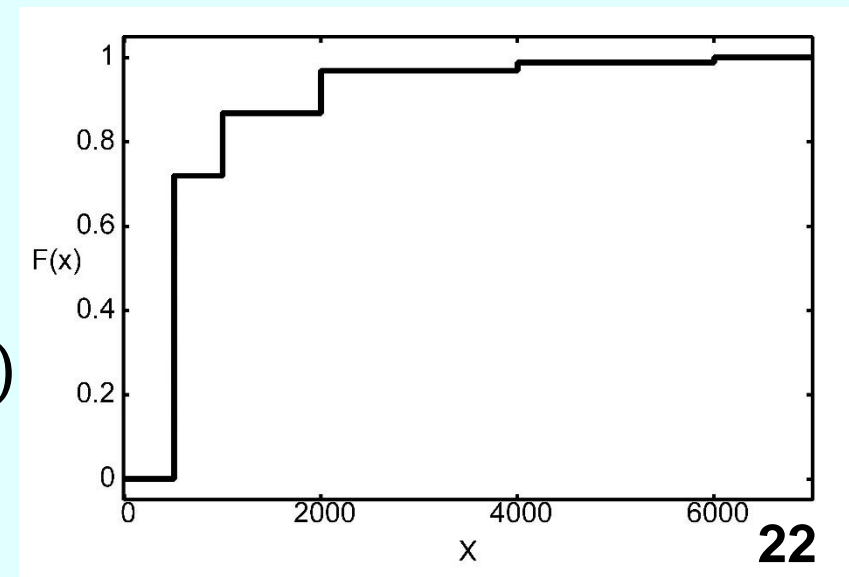
$$F_X(x) = P(\{\omega: X(\omega) \leq x\}), -\infty \leq x \leq \infty$$

Left-hand-side can be simply described as $F(x)$

Right-hand-side as $P(X \leq x)$.

■ Example

$$\begin{aligned} F(2000) &= P(\{\omega: X(\omega) \leq 2000\}) \\ &= P(\{\text{Yellow} \cup \text{Green} \cup \text{White}\}) \\ &= 0.72 + 0.15 + 0.1 \\ &= 0.97 \end{aligned}$$



■ Properties of the distribution function

(PD1) Non-decreasing

If $a < b$,

then $F(a) \leq F(b)$.

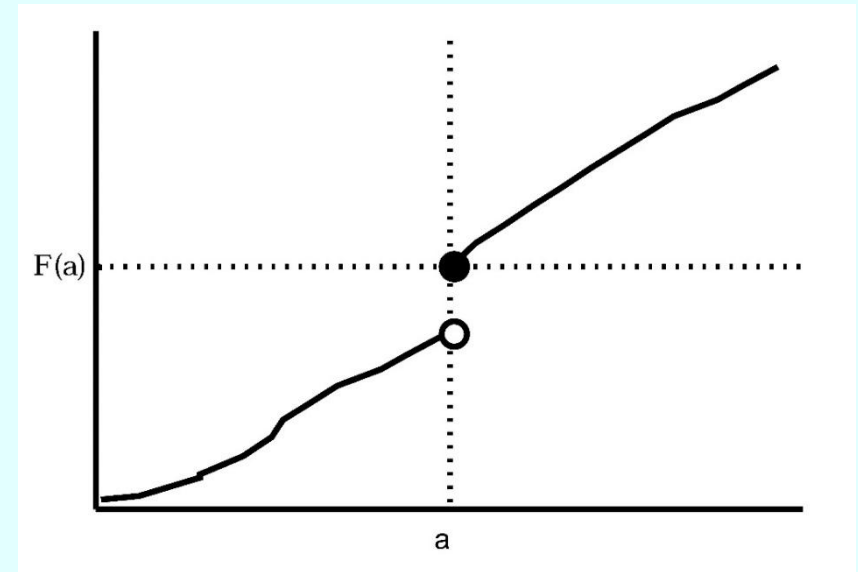
(PD2) Continuous from the right

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a+0} F(x) = F(a)$$

(PD3) Limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1$$



[Example]

- Trial \mathbf{S} : Throw dice
- Sample Point ω : 1, 2, 3, ...
- Sample Space $\mathbf{\Omega}$: {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}



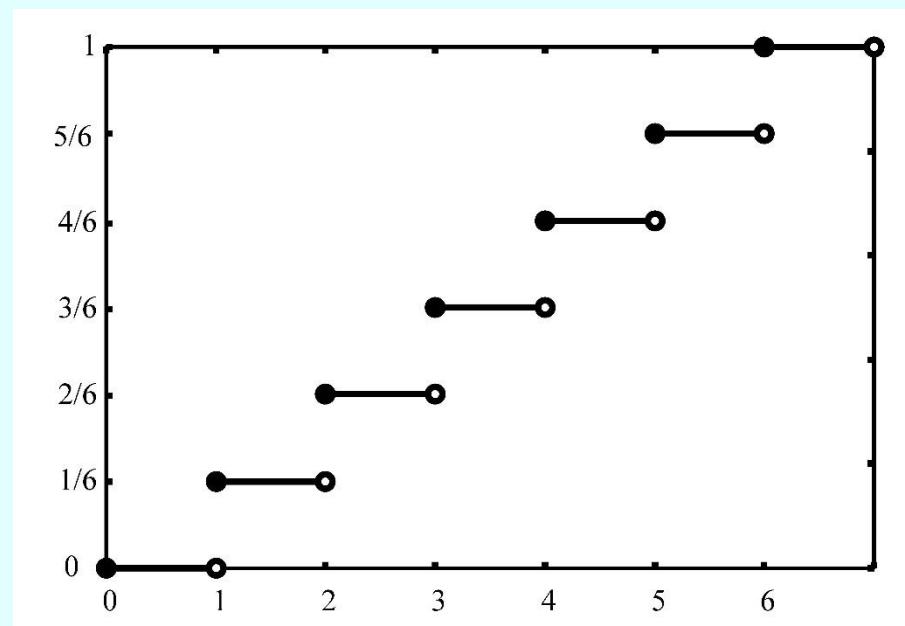
- $F(\{1 \leq \omega < 2\}) = \frac{1}{6}$

- $F(2) = \frac{1}{3}$

- $F(3) = \frac{1}{2}$

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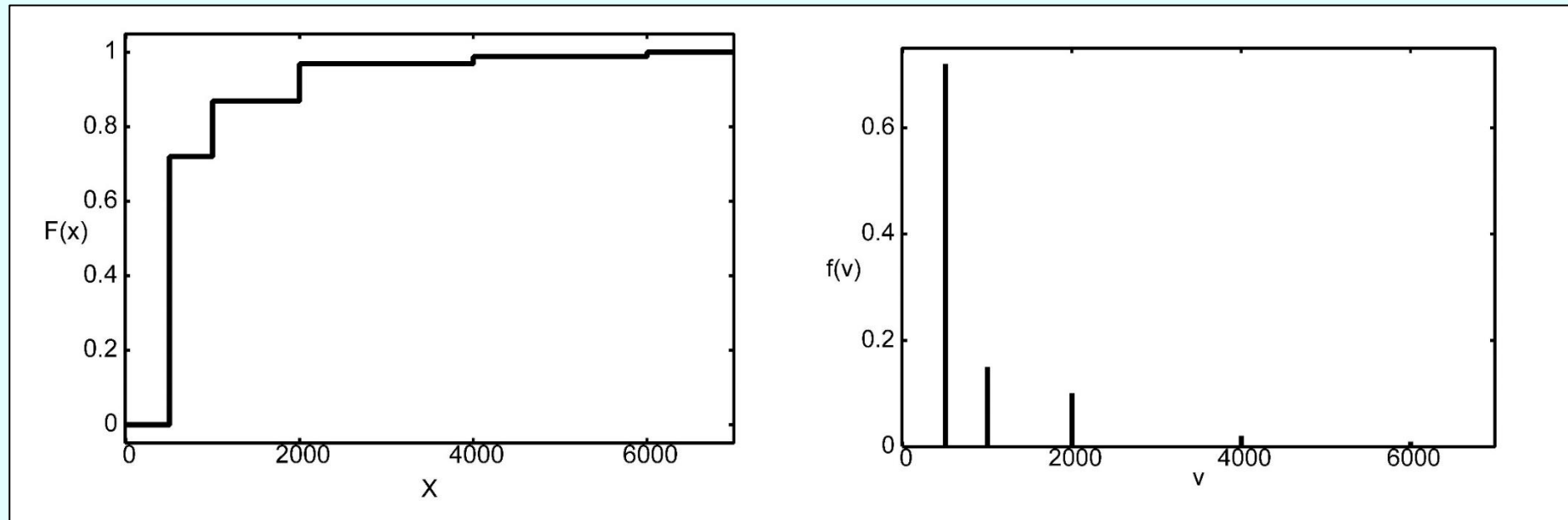
- $F(6) = 1$



4. Discrete-type Distribution Function

- Possible values $V = \{v_0, v_1, v_2, \dots\}$ that X can take is finite or countable. Taking $\varepsilon > 0$ in a way that no elements except v_k are included in the interval $[v_k - \varepsilon, v_k]$, the probability function (probability that X takes a value of):

$$f(v_k) = P(X = v_k) \text{ is } f(v_k) = F(v_k) - F(v_k - \varepsilon).$$



■ Properties

$$(DT1) F(x) = \sum_{v_k \leq x} f(v_k)$$

$$(DT2) \text{ For all } k, f(v_k) \geq 0$$

$$(DT3) \sum_k f(v_k) = 1$$

■ Example of discrete-type distribution function

(Ex1) **Bernoulli distribution:** $B(1; p), 0 < p < 1$

Random variable that can take only two values (i.e., biased coin)

$$V = \{0, 1\}$$

$$f(0) = 1 - p$$

$$f(1) = p$$

(Ex2) **Binominal distribution:** $B(n; p), 0 < p < 1$

Consider a lottery that has p percent of winning tickets. Try the lottery for n times. Probability to draw the winning ticket for k times yields binominal distribution. Probability to win k times and loose $(n - k)$ times is $p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$. Combination of choosing k objects among n is ${}_nC_k = \binom{n}{k}$.

Hence, $f(k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$

(Ex3) **Poisson distribution:** $P_o(\lambda)$

Binominal distribution in the limit of $n \rightarrow \infty, p \rightarrow 0,$

$$np = \lambda, f(k) = \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda}$$

Stirling's formula $n! \approx \sqrt{2\pi n} n^n e^{-n}$

5. Continuous-type Distribution Function

■ Distribution function:

$F(x)$ can be described as

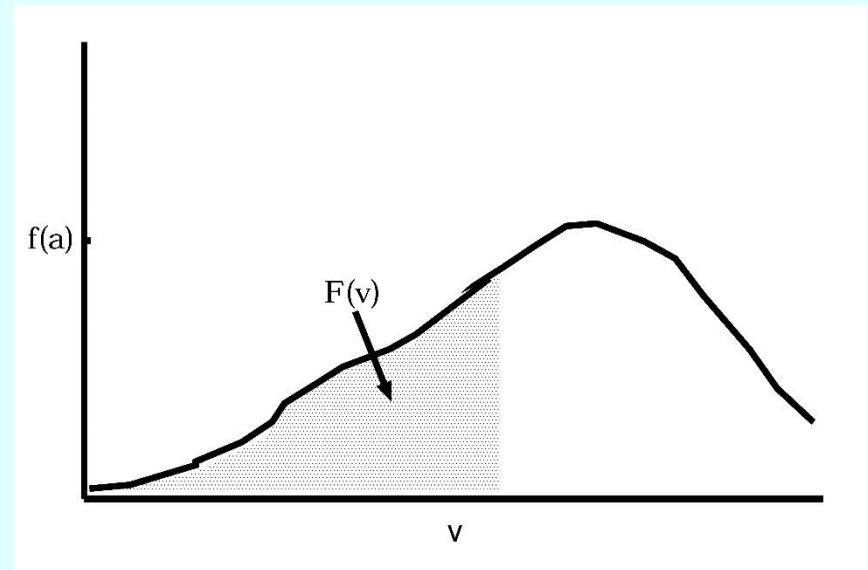
$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(v)dv$$

■ Probability density is

$$f(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F(x)$$

(CT1) $f(x) > 0, -\infty < x < \infty$

(CT2) $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx = 1$



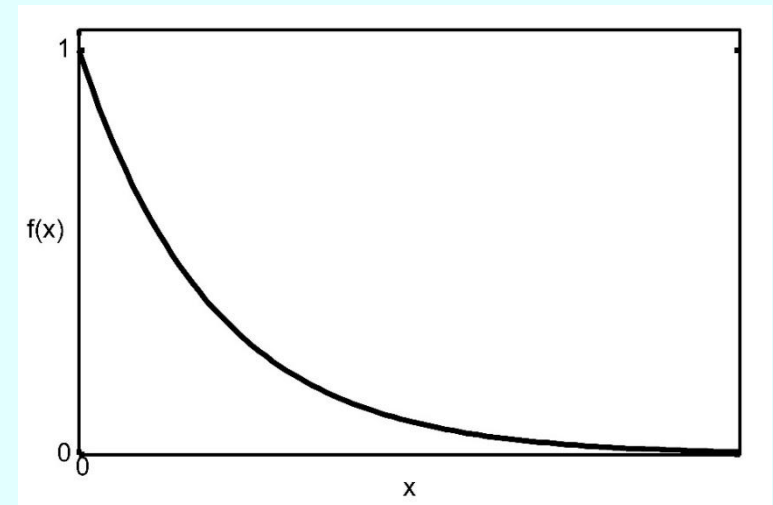
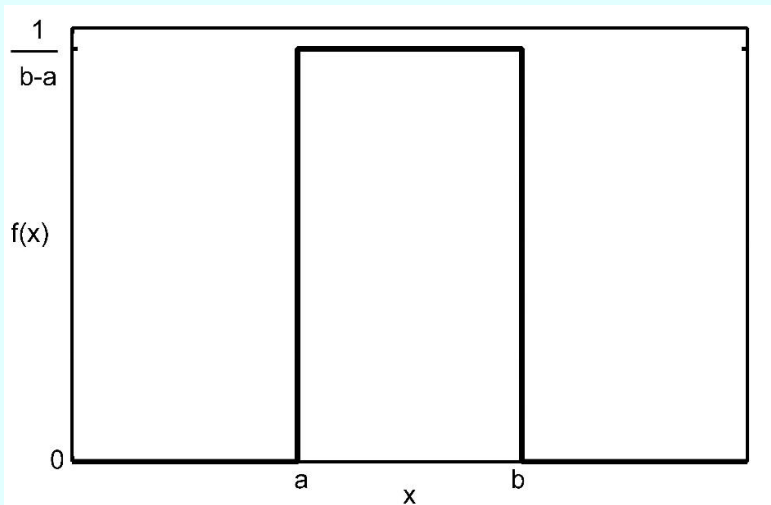
Example of continuous-type distribution function

(Ex1) **Uniform distribution:** $U(a, b), a < b$

$$U(a, b) = f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a}, & a \leq x \leq b \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(Ex2) **Exponential distribution:** $E_x(\alpha), \alpha > 0$

$$E_x(\alpha) = f(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha e^{-\alpha x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$



(Ex3) Gamma distribution: $G(\alpha, \nu)$

$$G(\alpha, \nu) = f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu)} \alpha^\nu x^{\nu-1} e^{-\alpha x}, & x \geq 0 \\ 0, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{where } \Gamma(\nu) = \int_0^\infty t^{\nu-1} e^{-t} dt.$$

■ Properties of Γ :

- $\Gamma(\nu) = (\nu - 1)\Gamma(\nu - 1), \quad \Gamma(1) = 1$

- $\Gamma(1/2) = \sqrt{\pi}$

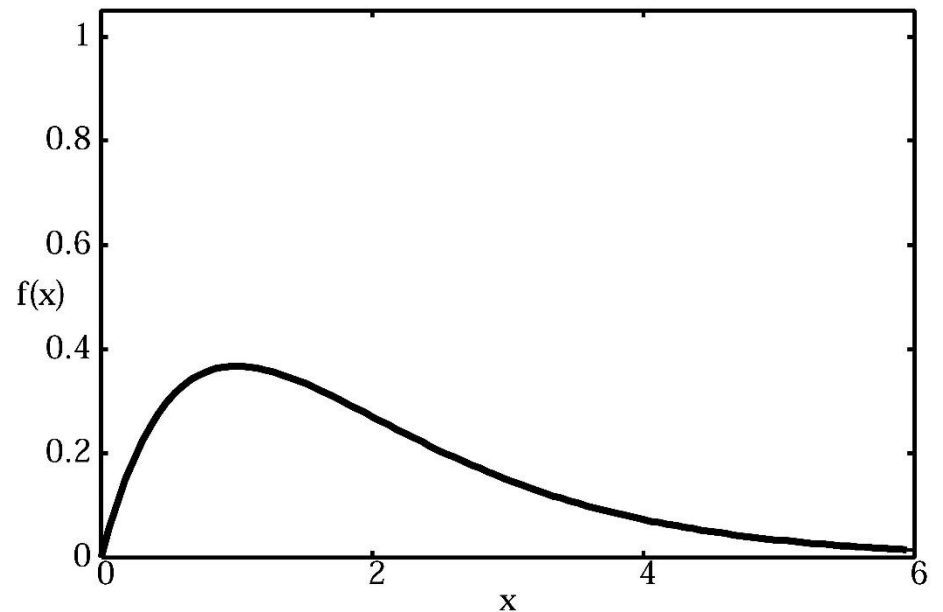
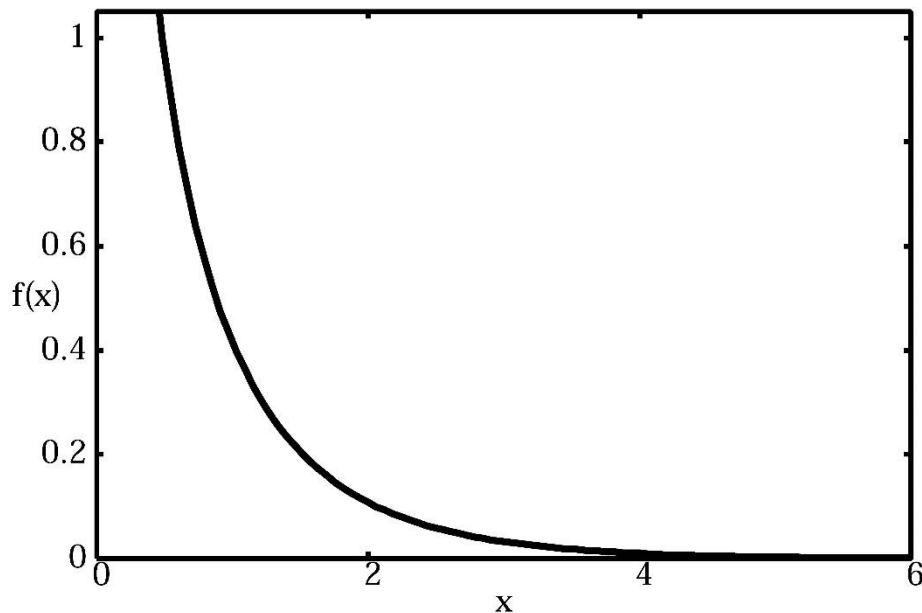
Especially, if n is an integer,

- $\Gamma(n) = (n - 1)!$

- $\Gamma\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(n - \frac{3}{2}\right) \left(n - \frac{5}{2}\right) \cdots \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\pi}$

When $\nu = 1$, equivalent to $E_x(\alpha)$.

- $G\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{n}{2}\right)$: χ^2 (chi-square) distribution with n degree of freedom (often used for ANOVA in statistics).



(Ex4) Gaussian distribution:

$$N(\mu, \sigma^2), -\infty < \mu < \infty, \sigma > 0$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \right)^2 \right], -\infty < x < \infty$$

■ In case of $N(0, 1)$, **standard normal distribution**

■ Probability density: $\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} x^2 \right]$

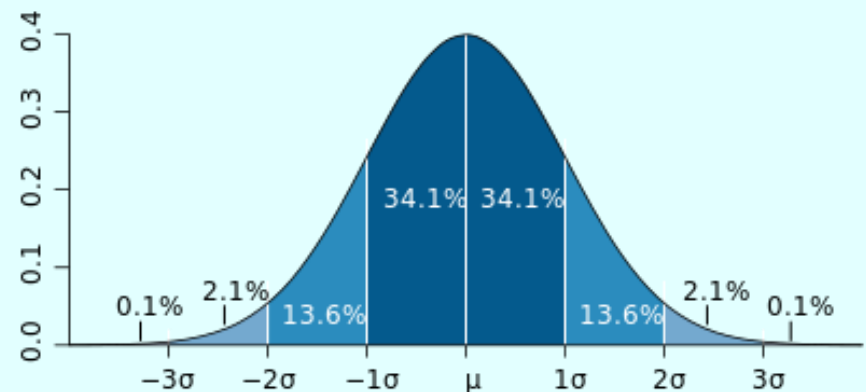
■ Distribution function: $\Phi(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} t^2 \right] dt$

■ Properties of $\phi(x)$

■ $\phi(x) = \phi(-x)$

■ $\Phi(x) = 1 - \Phi(-x)$

■ $F(x) = \Phi \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \right)$



[Exercise] Suppose \mathbf{X} is a random variable of $N(0, 1)$. With respect to $Y = X^2$, find its distribution function $F_Y(y)$ and the probability density $f_Y(y)$.

[Answer] If $y < 0$, $F_Y(y) = 0$, $f_Y(y) = 0$.

If $y \geq 0$,

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(X^2 \leq y) = P(-\sqrt{y} \leq X \leq \sqrt{y})$$

$$= \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^{\sqrt{y}} \phi(x) dx = 2 \int_0^{\sqrt{y}} \phi(x) dx,$$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{dF_Y(y)}{dy} = \frac{d}{dy} \left\{ 2 \int_0^{\sqrt{y}} \phi(x) dx \right\} = 2\phi(\sqrt{y}) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} y^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}y\right) = G\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

This is χ^2 distribution with $n = 1$ degrees of freedom.

6. Joint Distribution

■ Consider more than n random variables $X_1(\omega), X_2(\omega), \dots, X_n(\omega)$ simultaneously, and examine their interrelation.

■ With regard to event $\{\omega: X_1(\omega) \leq x_1, X_2(\omega) \leq x_2, \dots, X_n(\omega) \leq x_n\} = \cap_{k=1}^n \{\omega: X_k(\omega) \leq x_k\}$

the distribution function is defined as

$$F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = P(\cap_{k=1}^n \{\omega: X_k(\omega) \leq x_k\})$$

Case of $n = 2$: $F(x_1, x_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \int_{-\infty}^{x_2} f(u, v) du dv$

■ Marginal distribution function of X_1 : $F_1(x) = F(x, +\infty)$

■ Marginal distribution function of X_2 : $F_2(x) = F(+\infty, x)$

■ Conditional distribution function given

$$X_2 < c: F(x, c)/F(+\infty, c)$$

[Example] Two-Dimensional Gaussian Distribution

Density function

$$f(u, v) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_1\sigma_2\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} Q(u, v)\right\}$$

where

$$Q(u, v) = \frac{1}{1-\rho^2} \left\{ \left(\frac{u-\mu_1}{\sigma_1} \right)^2 - 2\rho \left(\frac{u-\mu_1}{\sigma_1} \right) \left(\frac{v-\mu_2}{\sigma_2} \right) + \left(\frac{v-\mu_2}{\sigma_2} \right)^2 \right\}$$

$$\rho = \frac{C}{\sigma_1\sigma_2},$$

$$C = E\{(u - \mu_1)(v - \mu_2)\} \text{ (Covariance)}$$

7. Independency of random variables

Consider n random variables $X_1(\omega), X_2(\omega), \dots, X_n(\omega)$.
If their joint distribution function $F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ is equal to the product of distribution functions of each random variable

$$F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = F(x_1)F(x_2) \cdots F(x_n).$$

■ n random variables are mutually independent.

■ The same holds for probability density as

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = f(x_1)f(x_2) \cdots f(x_n)$$

Case of 2-dimensional normal distribution function.
Suppose $\rho = 0$ (covariance is zero).

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, x_2) &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_1\sigma_2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2} \right)^2 \right] \right\} \\ &= f_1(x_1) f_2(x_2) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$f_i(x_i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_i} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{x_i - \mu_i}{\sigma_i} \right)^2 \right] \right\} \quad (i = 1, 2)$$

8. Mean

■ Discrete-type Distribution Function:

When probability function $f(v_k)$ is given by

$$f(v_k) = P(X = v_k),$$

$$E(X) = \sum_k v_k f(v_k)$$

is called **mean** or **expected value**.

■ Remark

Strictly speaking, the mean exists when

$$\sum_k |v_k| f(v_k) < \infty$$

■ Example Dice

$$1 \times \frac{1}{6} + 2 \times \frac{1}{6} + 3 \times \frac{1}{6} + 4 \times \frac{1}{6} + 5 \times \frac{1}{6} + 6 \times \frac{1}{6} = 3.5$$

■ Continuous-type Distribution Function:

When the probability function of \mathbf{X} is given by $f(x)$,

$$E(\mathbf{X}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xf(x)dx$$

■ Remark

Strictly speaking, the mean exists when

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|f(x)dx < \infty$$

■ Example

(Ex1) **Bernoulli distribution** $B(1; p)$

$$E(\mathbf{X}) = 0 \times f(0) + 1 \times f(1) = 0 \times 1(1 - p) + 1 \times p = p$$

(Ex2) Binomial distribution $B(n; p)$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \sum_{k=0}^n k f(k) = \sum_{k=1}^n k f(k) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n k \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n n \binom{n-1}{k-1} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \\ &= np \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n-1}{k-1} p^{k-1} (1-p)^{(n-1)-(k-1)} \\ &= np \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{l} p^l (1-p)^{(n-1)-l} \\ &= np \end{aligned}$$

(Ex3) Poisson distribution $P_0(\lambda)$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k f(k) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k f(k) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} = \lambda \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \\ &\quad \{\text{substituting } m = k - 1\} \\ &= \lambda \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^m}{m!} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\{ \text{from } \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^m}{m!} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} f(m) = 1 \right\} \\ &= \lambda \end{aligned}$$

(Ex4) Uniform distribution $U(a, b)$

$$E(X) = \int_a^b x \frac{1}{b-a} dx = \frac{1}{b-a} \left[\frac{x^2}{2} \right]_a^b = \frac{b^2 - a^2}{2(b-a)} = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

(Ex5) Exponential distribution $E_x(\alpha)$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \int_0^{\infty} x \alpha e^{-\alpha x} dx \\ &= \left[x \alpha \frac{1}{-\alpha} e^{-\alpha x} \right]_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} \alpha \frac{1}{-\alpha} e^{-\alpha x} dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\alpha x} dx = \left[\frac{1}{-\alpha} e^{-\alpha x} \right]_0^{\infty} \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

(Ex6) Gamma distribution $G(\alpha, \nu)$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \int_0^{\infty} x \frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu)} \alpha^{\nu} x^{\nu-1} e^{-\alpha x} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu)} t^{\nu} e^{-t} \frac{dt}{\alpha} \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha \Gamma(\nu)} \int_0^{\infty} t^{\nu} e^{-t} dt = \frac{\Gamma(\nu+1)}{\alpha \Gamma(\nu)} = \frac{\nu}{\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

(Ex7) Normal distribution $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \right)^2 \right] dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\mu + \sigma t) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} t^2 \right] dt \\ &= \mu \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} t^2 \right] dt \\ &\quad + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma t}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} t^2 \right] dt = \mu \end{aligned}$$

Properties of the mean value

(M1) For any real-value function $g(x)$, $g(X)$ is also a random variable. Mean value for $g(X)$ is given as follows.

■ Case of discrete-type random variable

$$E(g(X)) = \sum_k g(v_k) f(v_k)$$

■ Case of continuous-type random variable

$$E(g(X)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f(x) dx$$

(M2) Conditional expectation

■ Case of discrete-type random variable

$$f(v|y) = P(X = v | Y = y) \frac{P(X=v, Y=y)}{P(Y=y)}$$

yields $E(X|Y = y) = \sum_k v_k f(v_k|y)$

$$E(X) = \sum_y E(X|Y = y) P(Y = y)$$

■ Case of continuous-type random variable

$$f(v|y) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f(y)}$$


yields $E(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y} = y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xf(x|y) dx$

$$E(\mathbf{X}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y} = y)f(y) dy$$

(M3) To unify the framework of computing the expected value for discrete-type and continuous-type random variables,

$$E(\mathbf{X}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x dF(x)$$

(Reimann-Stieltjes integral)



(a) $E(aX + b) = aE(X) + b$

(b) When joint distribution function of X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is given by $F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$,

$$E(g(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) dF(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

(c) $E(X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_n) = E(X_1) + E(X_2) + \cdots + E(X_n)$

(d) If X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are mutually independent,

$$E(X_1 X_2 \cdots X_n) = E(X_1)E(X_2) \cdots E(X_n)$$

This can be extended to

$$E(g_1(X_1)g_2(X_2) \cdots g_n(X_n)) = E(g_1(X_1))E(g_2(X_2)) \cdots E(g_n(X_n))$$

9. Variance

■ Definition

Suppose mean of random variable \mathbf{X} is given by $E(\mathbf{X}) = \mu$, $(\mathbf{X} - \mu)^2$ gives also a random variable. Mean of $(\mathbf{X} - \mu)^2$ is called **variance** of \mathbf{X} , which is denoted as $Var(\mathbf{X})$.

$$\begin{aligned} Var(\mathbf{X}) &= E\{(\mathbf{X} - \mu)^2\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu)^2 dF(x) \\ &= \sum_k (v_k - \mu)^2 f(v_k) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu)^2 f(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

■ Remark

$$\sum_k |v_k|^2 f(v_k) < \infty, \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^2 f(x) dx < \infty$$

■ Standard deviation

$$\sqrt{Var(\mathbf{X})}$$

Properties of variance

$$(V1) \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}) \geq 0$$

$$(V2) \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}) = E(\mathbf{X}^2) - \{E(\mathbf{X})\}^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{Proof}] \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}) &= E(\mathbf{X}^2 - 2\mu\mathbf{X} + \mu^2) \\ &= E(\mathbf{X}^2) - 2E(\mu\mathbf{X}) + E(\mu^2) \\ &= E(\mathbf{X}^2) - 2\mu E(\mathbf{X}) + \mu^2 \\ &= E(\mathbf{X}^2) - 2\mu\mu + \mu^2 = E(\mathbf{X}^2) - \mu^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$(V3) \text{Var}(a\mathbf{X} + b) = a^2 \text{Var}(\mathbf{X})$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{Proof}] \text{Var}(a\mathbf{X} + b) &= E\left\{\left((a\mathbf{X} + b) - (a\mu + b)\right)^2\right\} \\ &= E\{a^2(\mathbf{X} - \mu)^2\} \\ &= a^2 E\{(\mathbf{X} - \mu)^2\} \\ &= a^2 \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}) \end{aligned}$$

Properties of variance

$$(V4) \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}_1 + \mathbf{X}_2) = \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}_1) + \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}_2) + 2\text{Cov}(\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2)$$

$$\text{Covariance: } \text{Cov}(\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2) = E\{(\mathbf{X}_1 - \mu_1)(\mathbf{X}_2 - \mu_2)\}$$

$$\text{Correlation coefficient: } r(\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2) = \frac{\text{Cov}(\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(\mathbf{X}_1)\text{Var}(\mathbf{X}_2)}}$$

If \mathbf{X}_1 and \mathbf{X}_2 are mutually independent, $\text{Cor}(\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2) = 0$.

$r(\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2) = 0$: No correlation

$$(V5) \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}_1 + \mathbf{X}_2 + \cdots \mathbf{X}_n) =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}_i) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \text{Cor}(\mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{X}_j)$$

In particular, if $\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2, \cdots, \mathbf{X}_n$ are mutually independent,

$$\text{Var}(\mathbf{X}_1 + \mathbf{X}_2 + \cdots + \mathbf{X}_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(\mathbf{X}_i)$$

10. Moment

■ Definition

- m -th central moment (moment about mean)

$$\mu_m = E\{(X - \mu)^m\}$$

- m -th moment about zero

$$\mu'_m = E\{X^m\}$$

■ Remark

- If there exists an m -th moment, there exists all the moments lower than m -th order.
- If there exists no m -th moment, there exists no moment higher than m -th order.

Table of distribution functions

Name of the distribution and range of the parameters	Probability density function	Mean and Variance	Characteristic function
Bernoulli distribution $B(1; p)$ ($0 < p < 1, q = 1 - p$)	$p^k q^{1-k}$ $k = 0, 1$	p, pq	$pe^{jt} + q$
Binominal distribution $B(n; p)$ (n : Integer, $0 < p < 1, q = 1 - p$)	$\binom{n}{k} p^k q^{n-k}$ $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$	np, npq	$(pe^{jt} + q)^n$
Poisson distribution $Po(\lambda)$ ($\lambda > 0$)	$e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}$ $k = 1, 2, \dots$	λ, λ	$\exp[\lambda(e^{jt} - 1)]$
Uniform distribution $U(a, b)$ ($-\infty < a < b < \infty$)	$\frac{1}{b-a}$ $a \leq x \leq b$	$(a+b)/2$ $(b-a)^2/12$	$\frac{e^{jbt} - e^{jat}}{j(b-a)t}$
Exponential distribution $Ex(\alpha)$ ($\alpha > 0$)	$\alpha e^{-\alpha x}$ $x \geq 0$	$1/\alpha, 1/\alpha^2$	$(1 - \frac{jt}{\alpha})^{-1}$
Gamma distribution $G(\alpha, \nu)$ ($\alpha, \nu > 0$)	$\frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu)} \alpha^\nu x^{\nu-1} e^{-\alpha x}$ $x \geq 0$	ν/α ν/α^2	$(1 - \frac{jt}{\alpha})^{-\nu}$
Normal distribution $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ($-\infty < \mu < \infty, \sigma > 0$)	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2\right]$ $-\infty < x < \infty$	μ σ^2	$\exp[j\mu t - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}t^2]$

11. Characteristic Function

■ Definition (Characteristic Function)

$$\varphi(t) \equiv E(e^{itX}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{itx} dF(X)$$

■ Remark

$$\begin{aligned} |\varphi(t)| &= \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{itx} dF(X) \right| \\ &\leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |e^{itx}| dF(X) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dF(X) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, characteristic function exists for arbitrary distribution.

Properties of characteristic function

(CF1) Moments can be obtained from derivatives of the characteristic function.

$$\varphi^{(m)}(t) = E\{(iX)^m e^{itX}\}$$

$$\varphi^{(m)}(0) = E\{(iX)^m\}$$

Hence
$$\mu'_m = E(X^m) = \frac{\varphi^{(m)}(0)}{i^m}$$

$$E(X) = \frac{\varphi'(0)}{i}$$

$$Var(X) = \frac{\varphi''(0)}{i^2} - \left(\frac{\varphi'(0)}{i}\right)^2$$

(CF2) If there exist central moment lower than m -th order μ'_k ($1 \leq k \leq m$), characteristic function $\varphi(t)$ can be expanded around $t = 0$ into Taylor series:

$$\varphi(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \varphi^{(k)}(0) t^k = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{(it)^k}{k!} \mu'_k + O(t^{m+1})$$

(CF3) Suppose random variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are mutually independent and characteristic function of X_i is given by $\varphi_i(t)$. Then, characteristic function of the following variable

$$S = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$$

is given by

$$\varphi_S(t) = \varphi_1(t) \varphi_2(t) \cdots \varphi_n(t)$$

(CF4) Consider two random variables X_1 and X_2 . Suppose their distribution functions are given respectively by $F_1(x)$ and $F_2(x)$ and their characteristic functions are given by $\varphi_1(t)$ and $\varphi_2(t)$.

The necessary and sufficient condition of $F_1(x) = F_2(x)$ is $\varphi_1(t) = \varphi_2(t)$.

Probability density function is obtained by inversion formula.

■ Discrete-type distribution function:

$$f(k) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-ikx} \varphi(t) dt$$

■ Continuous-type distribution function:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-itx} \varphi(t) dt$$

(CF5) (Continuity theorem)

Suppose $F_1(x), F_2(x), \dots$ represent a sequence of distributions and $\varphi_1(t), \varphi_2(t), \dots$ represent a sequence of corresponding characteristic functions. If the series $\varphi_1(t), \varphi_2(t), \dots$ converges for any constant t

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_n(t) = \varphi(t),$$

and the convergence value $\varphi(t)$ is continuous at $t = 0$, $\varphi(t)$ gives the characteristic function.

For a distribution function $F(x)$ that corresponds to $\varphi(t)$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = F(x).$$

(CF6) Characteristic function for joint distribution of random variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is defined by

$$\varphi(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n) = E\{\exp[i(t_1 X_1 + t_2 X_2 + \dots + t_n X_n)]\}$$

Necessary and sufficient condition for mutual independency of X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is given by

$$\varphi(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n) = \varphi_1(t_1)\varphi_2(t_2) \cdots \varphi_n(t_n).$$

Where:

$$\varphi_i(t_i) = \varphi_1(0, \dots, 0, t_i, 0, \dots, 0) .$$

12. Application of characteristic function

■ Law of Large Numbers

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be mutually independent random variables which obey the same distribution. Suppose that the distribution has a finite expectation value $\mu = E(X_j)$, where its characteristic function is given by $\varphi(t)$.

Let

$$S_n = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$$

Then for any $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P \left(\left| \frac{S_n}{n} - \mu \right| > \epsilon \right) = 0$$

$f(x)$

mean = μ

x

$f(S_n/n)$

mean = μ

$\frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n}{n}$

■ [Proof] Let characteristic functions of X_i and $\frac{S_n}{n}$ be $\varphi(t)$ and $\varphi_n(t)$, respectively.
$$\varphi_n(t) = \left[\varphi\left(\frac{t}{n}\right) \right]^n$$

From (CF2), Taylor's expansion of $\varphi(t)$ around $t = 0$ yields $\varphi(t) = 1 + i\mu t + O(t^2)$. On the other hand, Taylor's expansion of $e^{i\mu t}$ around $t = 0$ gives $e^{i\mu t} = 1 + i\mu t + O(t^2)$.

Hence, $\varphi(t) = e^{i\mu t} + O(t^2)$. This leads to

$$\varphi_n(t) = \left[\varphi\left(\frac{t}{n}\right) \right]^n = \left[e^{\frac{i\mu t}{n}} + O(t^2) \right]^n \rightarrow e^{i\mu t} \quad (n \rightarrow \infty)$$

$e^{i\mu t}$ represents characteristic function of a random variable that takes a value of μ with a probability of 1. From the continuity theorem,
$$\varphi_n(t) \rightarrow e^{i\mu t}, \quad \frac{S_n}{n} \rightarrow \mu \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

■ Central Limit Theorem

X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a sequence of n independent and identically distributed random variables, each having finite values of expectation μ and variance σ^2 (> 0).

Let S_n^* be

$$S_n^* = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{X_j - \mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma}.$$

Then, as n approaches infinity ($n \rightarrow \infty$), S_n^* will converge in distribution to the standard normal distribution $N(0,1)$.

■ Example of central limit theorem: Summation of uniform random variables

