

0 **math voodoo**  $e^x = 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \dots$  Riemann

$\int u \, dv = uv - \int v \, du$ , partial fractions,

$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x-a)^n$ ,  $|x-a| <$

$(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\frac{c_{n+1}}{c_n}|)^{-1} = \sqrt[n]{a^2} \frac{1}{(x+b)^2} \Rightarrow x+b = a \sin \theta$

1 **Combinatorial Analysis**  $\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x,y) \, dy \, dx = \int_c^d \int_a^b f(x,y) \, dx \, dy$

**Generalised Principle of Counting**  $= \int_a^b g(x) \, dx \int_c^d h(y) \, dy$

For  $r$  experiments, where the  $i$ -th experiment can result in any of  $n_i$  possible outcomes, we have  $n_1 \cdot n_2 \cdot \dots \cdot n_r$  outcomes.

**Permutations**

- $n!$  arrangements of  $n$  distinct objects
- $\frac{n!}{n_1! n_2! \dots n_r!}$  arrangements of  $n$  objects of which  $n_1$  are alike,  $n_2$  are alike, ...,  $n_r$  are alike

**Combinations**

- $\binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{(n-r)! r!}$ , for  $r \leq n$
- $\binom{n}{r}$  subsets of size  $r$  from a set of size  $n$ .
- $\binom{n}{r} = \binom{n-1}{r-1} + \binom{n-1}{r}$ ,  $1 \leq r \leq n$
- $(x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k y^{n-k}$
- $\binom{n}{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_r}$  divisions of  $n$  distinct objects into  $r$  distinct groups sized  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_r$  where  $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_r = n$ .
- For  $n_1 + \dots + n_r = n$  and  $n_i \geq 0$ ,  $(x_1 + \dots + x_r)^n = \sum_{(n_1, \dots, n_r): n_1 + \dots + n_r = n} \binom{n}{n_1, \dots, n_r} x_1^{n_1} x_2^{n_2} \dots x_r^{n_r}$
- Integer solutions for  $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_r = n$ ,  $n_i > 0$ :
  - $\binom{n+r-1}{r-1}$  distinct vectors  $(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_r) \in \mathbb{N}^r$
  - $\binom{n-1}{r-1}$  distinct vectors  $(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_r) \in \mathbb{N}^{+r}$

2 **Axioms of Probability**

**Event**  $E \subseteq$  **Sample Space**  $S$

- Sample Space**  $S$  Set of all possible outcomes of an experiment
- Mutually Exclusive Events**  $E, F \Leftrightarrow E \cap F = \emptyset$
- $E \subseteq F \Leftrightarrow \forall x \in E (x \in F)$   
 $\Leftrightarrow E \cap F = E$
- $E = F \Leftrightarrow E \subseteq F \wedge F \subseteq E$
- Properties of  $\cup$  and  $\cap$ :**  
 Commutative. Associative. Distributive over the other.
- DeMorgan's Laws**  
 $(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i)^c = \bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i^c$  and  $(\bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i)^c = \bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i^c$

**Probability: Limiting Relative Frequency**

For an experiment performed repeatedly many times under the same conditions, the probability of an event  $E$  happening is defined:

$$P(E) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(E)}{n}$$

where  $n(E)$  = frequency of  $E$  in  $n$  repetitions of the experiment

**Kolmogorov's Axioms of Probability**

For any event  $E$ , assume  $P(E)$  is defined and satisfies axioms:

- $0 \leq P(E) \leq 1$
- $P(S) = 1$
- For any sequence of mutually exclusive events  $E_1, E_2, \dots$ ,  

$$P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_i)$$

$P(\cdot)$  satisfying the three axioms is known as a probability function.

**Law of Large Numbers**  $\frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{n} + \frac{n^2}{n} + \dots + \frac{n^n}{n} + \dots$   $R=1$

For  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  taken independently from a population,  $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{n}$  almost surely (ie. with probability 1) converges to  $E(X_i)$ .

**Probabilities!!!**

1.  $P(E^c) = 1 - P(E)$
2.  $E \subseteq F \Rightarrow P(E) \leq P(F)$
3.  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i = E_1 \cup E_1^c E_2 \cup E_1^c E_2^c E_3 \cup \dots \cup E_1^c \dots E_{n-1}^c E_n$
4. Principle of Inclusion Exclusion (PIE)  

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i\right) = P(E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \dots \cup E_n)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i) - \sum_{i_1 < i_2} P(E_{i_1} E_{i_2}) + \dots$$

$$+ (-1)^{r+1} \sum_{i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r} P(E_{i_1} E_{i_2} \dots E_{i_r})$$

$$+ \dots + (-1)^{n+1} P(E_1 E_2 \dots E_n)$$
5.  $P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i)$ 

$$\geq \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i) - \sum_{j < i} P(E_i E_j)$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i) - \sum_{j < i} P(E_i E_j)$$

$$+ \sum_{k < j < i} P(E_i E_j E_k)$$

**Sample Space with Equally Likely Outcomes**

$S = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  where  $P(\{e_1\}) = \dots = P(\{e_n\})$

$P(\cdot)$  satisfies axioms  $\Rightarrow \forall E \subseteq S, P(E) = \frac{|E|}{|S|}$

**Probability as a Continuous Set Function**

- $E_1, E_2, \dots$  is an increasing sequence if  $E_1 \subset E_2 \subset \dots$
- Increasing Sequence  $\{E_n, n \geq 1\} \Rightarrow$ 

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(E_n) = P\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n\right) \equiv P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right)$$
- $E_1, E_2, \dots$  is a decreasing sequence if  $E_1 \supset E_2 \supset \dots$
- Decreasing Sequence  $\{E_n, n \geq 1\} \Rightarrow$ 

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(E_n) = P\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n\right) \equiv P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right)$$

**Probability as a Measure of Belief**

Definition of probability as a measures of belief should still satisfy all of Kolmogorov's three axioms.

### 3 Conditional Probability and Independence

**Conditional Probability**

Probability  $E$  occurs given that  $F$  occurred is denoted  $P(E|F)$

$$P(E|F) = \frac{P(EF)}{P(F)}, P(F) > 0$$

Conditional probability is a probability because it satisfies Kolmogorov's three axioms.

- $0 \leq P(E|F) \leq 1$
- $P(S|F) = 1$

• If  $E_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots$  are mutually exclusive events, then

$$P(\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i | F) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_i | F)$$

Given that  $F$  occurred, occurrence of  $E$  is in  $EF$ . Only need to focus on  $F$ , the *reduced sample space*.

- $P(EF) = P(F)P(E|F)$
- $P(E_1 E_2 \dots E_n) = P(E_1)P(E_2|E_1) \dots P(E_n|E_1 \dots E_{n-1})$
- For  $F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n$  partitioning  $S$ ,

$$P(E) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(EF_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(F_i)P(E|F_i)$$

- **Bayes's Theorem:**  $E$  occurred. Which  $F_j$  most likely led to  $E$ :

$$\begin{aligned} P(F_j|E) &= \frac{P(EF_j)}{P(E)} = \frac{P(F_j)P(E|F_j)}{P(E)} \\ &= \frac{P(F_j)P(E|F_j)}{\sum_{i=1}^n P(F_i)P(E|F_i)} \end{aligned}$$

- **Odds** of  $E = \frac{P(F)}{P(F^c)}$

### Independent Events

- $E$  is independent of  $F \iff$ 
  - $F$  is independent of  $E$
  - $\iff P(E|F) = P(E)$
  - $\iff P(EF) = P(E)P(F)$
  - $\iff P(E|F) = P(E)$
  - $\iff E$  and  $F^c$  are independent
- $n$  events  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n$  are independent  $\iff$  Any subset of the events are independent

## 4 Random Variables

Random variable maps sample space to a countable number of possible values.

$$X : S \mapsto \mathbb{R}$$

For some true value  $x_0$  being measured by  $X$ , **mean squared error**  $MSE = E[(X - x_0)^2] = Var(X - x_0) + [E(X - x_0)]^2 = Var(X) + (bias)^2$

- $Var(X + Y) = Var(X) + Var(Y) + 2Cov(X, Y)$
- $Var\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n Var(X_i) + \sum_{i,j \in \{1..n\}, i \neq j} Cov(X_i, X_j)$
- For independent  $X_i$ ,

$$Var\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n Var(X_i)$$

### 4.1 Discrete Random Variables

PMF of a discrete random variable is  $p(a) = P(X = a)$ .  
 $p(a) > 0$  for at most a countable number of values of  $a$ , and  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p(x_i) = 1$

CDF of a discrete random variable is  $F(a) = P(X \leq a) = \sum_{x \leq a} p(x)$   $F(a)$  is defined  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$ , and is a step function at every value of  $a$  for which  $p(a) > 0$

$E(X)$  is the average of all possible values of  $X$ , weighted by the probabilities.  $E(X) = \sum_x xp(x)$ .

For nonnegative integer-valued  $X$ ,  $E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(X \geq i)$ .

For real-valued function  $g(x)$ ,  $E[g(X)] = \sum_x g(x_i)p(x_i)$

$E(aX + b) = aE(X) + b$ , for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{K}$   
 **$n$ -th Moment** of  $X$ :  $E(X^n) = \sum_x x^n p(x)$   
 For random variable  $X$  with mean  $\mu = E(X)$ ,
 
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X) &= E[(X - \mu)^2] \\ &= \sum_x (x - \mu)^2 p(x) \\ &= E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 \end{aligned}$$
 $\text{Var}(aX + b) = a^2 \text{Var}(X)$ , for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{K}$   
**Bernoulli**  $X$  has probability of success  $p$  if
 
$$P(X = x) = \begin{cases} p & x = 1 \\ 1 - p & x = 0 \end{cases}$$
 $X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$ ,  $E(X) = p$ ,  $\text{Var}(X) = p(1 - p)$   
**Binomial**  $X$  is the number of successes in  $n$  independent Bernoulli trials, each trial resulting in success with probability  $p$ .
 
$$\begin{aligned} P(X = k) &= \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}, \forall k \geq 0 \\ &= \frac{(n - k + 1)p}{k(1 - p)} P(X = k - 1), \forall k \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$
 $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$ ,  $E(X) = np$ ,  $\text{Var}(X) = np(1 - p)$   
 $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$ ,  $Y \sim \text{Bin}(m, p) \Rightarrow X + Y \sim \text{Bin}(n + m, p)$   
**Geometric**  $X$  is the number of independent Bernoulli trials performed until a success is obtained (inclusive of the success), each trial resulting in success with probability  $p$ .
 
$$P(X = k) = (1 - p)^{k-1} p, \forall k \geq 1$$
 $X \sim \text{Geometric}(p)$ ,  $E(X) = \frac{1}{p}$ ,  $\text{Var}(X) = \frac{1-p}{p^2}$   
**Negative Binomial**  $X$  is the number of independent Bernoulli trials performed until  $m$  successes are obtained (inclusive of the last success), each trial resulting in success with probability  $p$ . For  $k \geq m$ ,
 
$$P(X = k) = \frac{(k - 1)!}{(m - 1)!(k - m)!} (1 - p)^{k-m} p^m$$
 $X \sim \text{NB}(m, p)$ ,  $E(X) = n/p$ ,  $\text{Var}(X) = \frac{m(1-p)}{p^2}$   
**Hypergeometric**  $X$  is the number of white balls selected in a sample of  $n$  balls without replacement from an urn of  $N$  balls of which  $m$  are white and  $N - m$  are black. For  $0 \leq i \leq n \wedge n - (N - m) \leq i \leq \min(n, m)$ ,
 
$$P(X = i) = \frac{\binom{m}{i} \binom{N-m}{n-i}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$
 $X \sim \text{Hypergeometric}(N, m, n)$ ,  $E(X) = \frac{nm}{N}$ ,  
 $\text{Var}(X) = np(1 - p)(1 - \frac{n-1}{N-1})$  where  $p = \frac{m}{N}$   
 $n \ll N \Rightarrow X \sim \text{Bin}(n, \frac{m}{N})$ ,  $\text{Var}(X) \approx np(1 - p)$   
**Poisson**  $X$  has parameter  $\lambda$  if for some  $\lambda > 0$ , for  $k \geq 0$ ,
 
$$P(X = k) = \frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!}$$
 $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ ,  $E(X) = \lambda$ ,  $\text{Var}(X) = \lambda$   
 $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p) \wedge n$  is large  $\wedge p$  is small  $\Rightarrow \text{Var}(X) \approx np = E(X) \Rightarrow X \sim \text{Poisson}(np)$ , even if trials are weakly dependent  
**Poisson**  $X$  is the number of events that occur in any interval of length  $t$ , with the following assumptions:
 

- Probability that 1 event occurs in given interval of length  $h$  equals  $\lambda h + o(h)$ , where  $\lambda$  = occurrences per unit time
- Probability that  $\geq 2$  events occur in interval of length  $h$  equals

3. For  $n, j_1, j_2, \dots, j_n \in \mathbb{N}$ , a set of  $n$  nonoverlapping intervals and  $E_i$  the event that  $j_i$  of the events occur in the  $i$ -th interval,  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n$  are independent

$X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda t)$ . If  $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_1), Y \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_2) \Rightarrow X + Y \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)$

## 4.2 Continuous Random Variables

$X$  is a continuous random variable if  $\exists f(x)$  such that

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) \geq 0 \wedge P(X \in A) = \int_A f(x) dx$$

$f(x)$  is the PDF of  $X$ . CDF is defined  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$F(a) = P(X \leq a) = \int_{-\infty}^a f(x) dx$$

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} P(X > x) dx \text{ for } X > 0.$$

$$\text{For real-valued function } g(x), E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f(x) dx$$

$$Var(X) = E(X - \mu)^2 = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2$$

**Uniform**  $X$  on the segment  $[\alpha, \beta]$ , PDF is:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} & \alpha < x < \beta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$X \sim U(\alpha, \beta), E(X) = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}, Var(X) = \frac{(\beta - \alpha)^2}{12}$$

**Note:**  $(\alpha - \beta)U + \alpha \sim U(\alpha, \beta), F(X) \sim U(0, 1),$

$F^{-1}(U)$  is a random variable with cdf  $F(x)$

**Normal** has PDF on two parameters  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}, \sigma > 0$ :

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}, x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2), E(X) = \mu, Var(X) = \sigma^2$$

$$Z \sim N(0, 1), \text{CDF of } Z \text{ denoted by } \Phi(z) = P(Z \leq z) =$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^z \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}y^2} dy, \phi(x) = \frac{d}{dx} [\Phi(x)]$$

$$\text{Note: } X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \Rightarrow \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \Rightarrow F_Y(a) \sim \Phi\left(\frac{a - \mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

For independent  $X_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2),$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim N\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i, \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2\right)$$

Demoivre-Laplace Limit:

$$S_n \sim \text{Bin}(n, p) \Rightarrow \frac{S_n - np}{\sqrt{np(1-p)}} \sim Z, np(1-p) \geq 10$$

**Gamma** PDF on parameters  $\alpha > 0, \lambda > 0$ :

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

$$\forall x > 1, \Gamma(x) = \int_0^{\infty} u^{x-1} e^{-u} du = (x-1)\Gamma(x-1)$$

$$X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \lambda), E(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda}, Var(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda^2}$$

For **independent random variables**:

$$\bullet X_i \sim \Gamma(\alpha_i, \lambda) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \Gamma\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i, \lambda\right)$$

$$\bullet Z_i \sim N(0, 1) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i^2 \sim \Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) = \chi_n^2$$

$$\bullet X_i \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \Gamma(n, \lambda)$$

**Notably**, the **Exponential** distribution is the case where  $\alpha = 1$

$$F(a) = P\{X \leq a\} = 1 - e^{-\lambda a}, a \geq 0$$

$$X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda), E(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda}, Var(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$$

The uniquely memoryless distribution (Discrete version–Geometric):  $P(X > s + t | X > t) = P(X > s) \forall s, t > 0$

**Beta** PDF on parameters  $a > 0, b > 0$ :

$$f(u) = \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} u^{a-1} (1-u)^{b-1}, u \in [0, 1]$$

$$X \sim \text{Beta}(a, b), E(X) = \frac{a}{a+b},$$

$$Var(X) = \frac{ab}{(a+b)^2(a+b+1)}$$

$$B(a, b) = \frac{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a+b)} = \int_0^1 x^{a-1} (1-x)^{b-1}$$

**Note:**  $\text{Beta}(1, 1) = U(0, 1)$

**Cauchy** PDF on parameter  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1 + (x - \theta)^2}, x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$X \sim \text{Cauchy}(\theta), \forall x \in \mathbb{N}, E(X^n) \text{ does not exist.}$$

## 5 Random Multi-Variables

**Joint Distribution Functions**

$$\text{Joint CDF } F(x, y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y)$$

$$\text{Marginal CDF } F_X(x) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y)$$

For **discrete** random variables  $X$  and  $Y, \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$

$$\text{Joint PMF } p(x, y) = P(X = x, Y = y)$$

**Marginal PMF**

$$P(X = x) = \sum_{\{y: P(X=x, Y=y) > 0\}} P(X = x, Y = y)$$

**Conditional Probability** of  $X$  given that  $Y = y, p_Y(y) > 0$

$$p_{X|Y}(x|y) = P(X = x | Y = y) = \frac{p(x, y)}{p_Y(y)}$$

$$p_X(x) = \sum_y p_{X|Y}(x|y) p_Y(y)$$

$$F_{X|Y}(x|y) = P(X \leq x | Y = y) = \sum_{a \leq x} p_{X|Y}(a|y)$$

For **jointly continuous** random variables  $X, Y, \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\exists f(x, y) > 0, \forall C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$P[(X, Y) \in C] = \iint_C f(x, y) dx dy$$

$$\text{Joint PDF } f(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F(x, y)$$

$$\text{Marginal PDF } f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F(x, y)$$

**Conditional Probability** of  $X$  given  $Y = y, f_Y(y) > 0$

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y) dy$$

$$F_{X|Y}(a|y) = P(X \leq a | Y = y) = \int_{-\infty}^a f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx$$

$$\text{Independence} \iff \forall A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \subseteq \mathbb{R} \\ \iff P(X_1 \in A_1, \dots, X_n \in A_n)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i \in A_i)$$

$$\iff f_{X|Y}(x|y) = f_X(x), \forall x, y$$

For functions  $U = g_1(X, Y), V = g_2(X, Y)$  of jointly continuous  $X, Y$  with  $f_{XY}(x, y)$ , if:

- Transformation is uniquely invertible  $x = h_1(u, v), y = h_2(u, v)$

- $g_1, g_2$  have continuous partial derivatives

- $\forall x, y$  the Jacobian Determinant  $J(x, y) \neq 0$

$$J(x, y) = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial y} \end{vmatrix} = \left(\frac{\partial g_1}{\partial x}\right)\left(\frac{\partial g_2}{\partial y}\right) - \left(\frac{\partial g_1}{\partial y}\right)\left(\frac{\partial g_2}{\partial x}\right)$$

$$f_{UV}(u, v) = f_{XY}(x, y) \frac{1}{|J(x, y)|}$$

EXTENDABLE TO >2 VARIABLESAAAAAAAAAAAAA

## 6 Properties of Expectation

**Expectation for Joint Variables**

Suppose jointly distributed random variables  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  and

$$Y = g(X_1, \dots, X_n),$$

$$E(Y) = E[g(X_1, \dots, X_n)]$$

**Corollaries:**

- Often can decompose  $X$  into a sum of  $n$  individual events. IMPT!  
 $E(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n) = E(X_1) + \dots + E(X_n)$
- For **independent** variables and fixed functions  $g$  and  $h$ ,  
 $E[g(X)h(Y)] = E[g(X)]E[h(Y)]$

**Co's**

**Covariance** of jointly distributed random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  is

$$\begin{aligned} Cov(X, Y) &= E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)] \\ &= E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) \end{aligned}$$

$Cov(X, Y) < 0 \Rightarrow X$  and  $Y$  are inversely related  $X$  and  $Y$

are independent  $\Rightarrow Cov(X, Y) = 0$

$X$  and  $Y$  are independent  $\nRightarrow Cov(X, Y) = 0$  **Results:**

- $Cov(X, Y) = Cov(Y, X)$
- $Cov(X, X) = Var(X)$
- $Cov(aX, bY) = abCov(X, Y)$
- $Cov(X, Y + Z) = Cov(X, Y) + Cov(X, Z)$

$$\bullet Cov\left(\sum_{i=1}^n b_i X_i, \sum_{j=1}^m d_j Y_j\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m b_i d_j Cov(X_i, Y_j)$$

**Correlation** of  $X$  and  $Y$  is defined when

$$\exists Var(X) \neq 0, Var(Y) \neq 0, Cov(X, Y)$$

$$\rho = \rho(X, Y) = \frac{Cov(X, Y)}{\sqrt{Var(X)Var(Y)}}$$

$$-1 \leq \rho \leq 1, \text{ with equality } \iff \exists a, b \in \mathbb{R}, P(Y = a + bX) = 1$$

Correlation is the measure of *degree of linearity* between  $X$  and  $Y$ . Intuitively, the standardised covariance.

$\rho(X, Y) \rightarrow \pm 1 \Rightarrow$  high degree of linearity.  $\rho(X, Y) = 0 \Rightarrow$  linearity is absent.

For indicator variables  $I_A, I_B, Cov(I_A, I_B) =$

$$P(B)[P(A|B) - P(A)]$$

**Conditional Expectation** of  $Y$  given  $X = x$  is

$$E(Y|X = x) = \sum p_{Y|X}(y|x)$$

$$= \int_y y f_{Y|X}(y|x) dy$$

Alternatively, it is the expectation on a reduced sample space consisting of outcomes for which  $Y = y$

**Conditional Variance** of  $Y$  given  $X$  is

$$\begin{aligned} Var(Y|X = x) &= E[(Y - E(Y))^2 | X = x] \\ &= E(Y^2 | X = x) - [E(Y | X = x)]^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Var(Y|X) &= E[(Y - E(Y))^2 | X] \\ &= E(Y^2 | X) - [E(Y | X)]^2 \end{aligned}$$

$E(Y|X), Var(Y|X)$  are functions of the random variable  $X$ ,

and hence are continuous variables.

**Expectations!! Variances and Probabilities**

- Law of Total Expectation

$$E(Y) = E[E(Y|X)]$$

$$= \sum_x E(Y|X = x) p_X(x)$$

$$= \sum_x \left[ \sum_y y p_{Y|X}(y|x) \right] p_X(x)$$

$$= \int_x E(Y|X = x) f_X(x) dx$$

$$= \int_x \left[ \int_y y f_{Y|X}(y|x) dy \right] f_X(x) dx$$

- $Var(Y) = Var[E(Y|X)] + E[Var(Y|X)]$
- $P(E) = E[P(E|Y)]$

**Moment Generating Functions**

MGF of random variable  $X$  is  $M(t) = E(e^{tX})$ , if defined.

$$M(t) = \sum_x e^{tx} p(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} f(x) dx$$

$$M^{(r)} \text{ continuous} \Rightarrow M^{(r)}(0) = \left. \frac{d^r}{dt^r} M(t) \right|_{t=0} = E(X^r)$$

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p), M(t) = [pe^t + (1-p)]^n$$

$$X \sim \text{Poisson}(n, p), M(t) = e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}$$

$$X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \lambda), M(t) = \lambda^\alpha (\lambda - t)^{-\alpha}$$

$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2), M(t) = e^{\mu t + \sigma^2 t^2 / 2}$$

$Z = X + Y, M_Z(t) = M_X(t)M_Y(t)$  where mgf's exist  
If mgf exists for  $a < 0 < b$ , it uniquely determines pdf

$$Y = a + bX \Rightarrow M_Y(t) = e^{at} M_X(bt)$$

$$M_{XY}(s, t) = E(e^{sX + tY}). M_X(s) = M_{XY}(s, 0).$$

$$M_{XY}(s, t) = M_X(s)M_Y(t).$$

$$X \text{ and } Y \text{ are independent} \iff M_{XY}(s, t) = M_X(s)M_Y(t)$$

## 7 Limit Theorems

- Markov's Inequality  $[E(X)$  exists, and known],  $\forall a > 0$

$$P(X \geq 0) = 1 \Rightarrow P(X \geq a) \leq \frac{E(X)}{a}$$

- Chebyshev's Inequality [Tighter,  $\mu, Var(X)$  needed],  $\forall k > 0$

$$P(|X - \mu| > k) \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{k^2}$$

- Chernoff Bounds  $P(X \geq a) \leq e^{-ta} M_X(t), \forall t > 0$

$$P(X \leq a) \leq e^{-ta} M_X(t), \forall t < 0$$

- Jensen's Inequality for convex  $f : \forall x, f''(x) \geq 0$

$$E(f(X)) \geq f(E(X))$$

- For i.i.d random variables  $X_1, X_2, \dots, \forall \epsilon > 0,$   
 $P(|\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} - \mu| \geq \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

- With probability 1,  $\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \rightarrow \mu$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

- For  $Z_1, Z_2, \dots$  with  $\overset{n}{\text{cdf}}$ , mgf  $F_{Z_n}(t), M_{Z_n}(t) \wedge \exists Z$  with  $F_Z(t), M_Z(t)$ , then where  $F_Z(t)$  is continuous,  
 $\forall t, M_{Z_n}(t) \rightarrow M_Z(t) \Rightarrow F_{Z_n}(t) \rightarrow F_Z(t)$

**Central Limit Theorem**

For i.i.d  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  where  $E(X_i) = \mu, Var(X_i) = \sigma^2,$   
 $\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n - n\mu}{\sigma \sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$