

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \text{Cov}(X, X) = \text{Var}(X)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \text{Cov}(X, Y) = \text{Cov}(Y, X)$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \text{Cov}(aX, Y) = a \text{Cov}(X, Y)$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \text{Cov}(X+c, Y) = \text{Cov}(X, Y)$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y+c) = \text{Cov}(X, Y)$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \text{Cov}(X+Y, Z) = \text{Cov}(X, Z) + \text{Cov}(Y, Z)$$

$$\text{Cov}(2X-Y, X+3Y) = \text{Cov}(2X, X+3Y) - \text{Cov}(Y, X+3Y)$$

$$= \text{Cov}(2X, X) + \text{Cov}(2X, 3Y) - [\text{Cov}(Y, X) + \text{Cov}(Y, 3Y)]$$

$$= \underbrace{2\text{Cov}(X, X)}_{\text{Var}(X)} + \underbrace{2 \cdot 3 \text{Cov}(X, Y)}_{5 \text{Cov}(X, Y)} - \underbrace{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}_{\text{Var}(Y)} - 3\text{Cov}(Y, Y)$$

# Nov 1 Conditional Expectation (of X, Y R.V.s)

$$E[X | Y=y] = \begin{cases} \sum_x x \cdot P_{X|Y}(x) & \text{discrete} \\ \int x \cdot f_{X|Y}(x) dx & \text{continuous} \end{cases}$$

ex)  $f(x,y) = \frac{e^{-x/y} \cdot e^{-y}}{y} \quad 0 < x < \infty, 0 < y < \infty$

Compute  $E[X | Y=y]$

first get:  $f_{X|Y}(x) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} \rightarrow ? \text{ marginal}$

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-x/y} e^{-y}}{y} dx = \frac{e^{-y}}{y} \int_0^\infty e^{\frac{-x}{y}} dx \\ &= \frac{e^{-y}}{y} \left[ \frac{e^{-x/y}}{-1/y} \right]_0^\infty = -e^{\frac{-x}{y}} e^{-y} \Big|_{x=0}^{x=\infty} \\ &= -e^0 \cdot e^{-y} - e^0 e^{-y} = e^{-y} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{X|Y} = \frac{\frac{e^{-x/y} e^{-y}}{y}}{e^{-y}} = \frac{e^{-x/y}}{y}$$

Then,

$$E[X|Y=y] = \int_0^\infty x \cdot \frac{e^{-xy}}{y} dx = \frac{1}{y} \int_0^\infty x e^{-xy} dx$$

$f_{X|Y}$

$u=x \quad dv = e^{-xy} dx$   
 $du=dx \quad v = \frac{e^{-xy}}{-1/y}$

$$= \frac{1}{y} \left[ -xy e^{-xy} \Big|_0^\infty + \int_0^\infty y e^{-xy} dx \right]$$

$$= \cancel{\frac{1}{y} \left[ -xy e^{-xy} \Big|_0^\infty + y \frac{e^{-xy}}{-1/y} \Big|_0^\infty \right]} = 0 + \frac{e^{-\infty/y}}{-1/y} - 0 + y e^0 \rightarrow 1$$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x e^{-xy} \rightarrow \infty \cdot 0$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{e^{xy}} \rightarrow \frac{\infty}{\infty}$$

$$\stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{y} e^{xy}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

$$= \boxed{y}$$

$$E[X|Y=y] = y$$

R.V. itself!

Similar Prop:

$$E[g(x) | Y=y] = \sum_x g(x) p(x|y)$$

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

$$\text{Var}(X|Y=y) = E[X^2|Y=y] - (E[X|Y=y])^2$$

## Expectations by conditioning:

$$E[X] = E[\underbrace{E[X|Y]}_{\text{random variable that depends on } Y}]$$

$$= \sum_y E[X|Y=y] \cdot P(Y=y) \quad \text{discrete}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[X|Y=y] f_y(y) dy$$

ex A miner is trapped in a mine containing 3 doors. The first door leads to a tunnel that will take him to safety after 3 hours. The second leads to a funnel that will return to the mine after 5 hours. Third door  $\rightarrow$  tunnel back to mine after 7 hours. If we assume miner is at all times equally likely to choose any one of the doors, what is the expected length of time until he reaches safety?

$X$  = amt of time (hours) until miner reaches safety

Let  $Y$  = door he initially chooses

$$E[X] = E[X|Y=1] P(Y=1) + E[X|Y=2] P(Y=2) + E[X|Y=3] P(Y=3)$$

$\frac{1}{3}$        $\frac{1}{3}$        $\frac{1}{3}$

But  $E[X|Y=1] = 3$

$$E[X|Y=2] = 5 + E[X]$$

$$E[X|Y=3] = 7 + E[X]$$

door 2 leads to a  
5 hr detour to  
his expected time  
to safety

$$E[X] = 3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + (5 + E[X]) \frac{1}{3} + (7 + E[X]) \cdot \frac{1}{3}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Solve for  $E[X] \rightarrow E[X] = 15$  hours

ch 7 end

## Ch 8 (Ross)

### Inequalities associated w/ Random Variables

Want to compute

$P(X > a) = P(X \text{ takes on values bigger than } a)$

To calculate exact value:

$$P(X > a) = \sum_{x>a} P_X(x) \quad X \text{ discrete}$$

$$\left[ \int_a^{\infty} f(x)dx \quad X \text{ cont} \right]$$

In both cases, we need the pdf/pmf to be known.

What if pmf/pdf is not available?



Can we estimate this probability still?

Yes → inequalities

Markov's Inequality If  $X$  is a R.V. that only take non-negative values of  $X$ , then for any value  $a > 0$

$$P(X \geq a) \leq \frac{E[X]}{a} = \frac{\mu}{a}$$

Chebyshov's Inequality

If  $X$  is a R.V. with finite  $\mu = E[X]$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ , then for any value  $a > 0$

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

Derivation (Chebyshov from Markov)

$$P(|X-\mu| \geq a) = P\left(\underbrace{|X-\mu|^2}_{>0} \geq a^2\right) \leq \frac{E[(X-\mu)^2]}{a^2}$$

↓

Markov

$$= \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{a^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{a}$$

## One-sided Chebyshev (Cantelli's) Inequality

$$P(X \geq \mu + a) \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{\sigma^2 + a^2}$$


$$P(X - \mu \geq a)$$

Ex Suppose that it is known that the number of items produced by a factory during a week is a random variable with mean 50.

- a) what can be said about the probability that this week's production will exceed 75?

$X = \# \text{ of items produced in a week}$

$$\text{Markov's Inequality : } P(X > 75) \leq \frac{\mu}{a} = \frac{50}{75} = \frac{2}{3}$$

- b) If the variance of a week's production is known to be 25, what can be said about the prob that this week's production will be btwn 40 & 60?

$$\mu = 50 \quad \sigma^2 = 25 \quad \rightarrow |X - 50| \leq 10$$

$$P(40 \leq X \leq 60) = P(|X - 50| \leq 10) \quad \begin{aligned} -10 &\leq X - 50 \leq 10 \\ 40 &\leq X \leq 60 \end{aligned}$$

$$= 1 - P(|X - 50| \geq 10)$$

$$\geq 1 - \frac{\sigma^2}{a^2}$$

$$\boxed{P(|X - 50| \geq 10) \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{a^2}}$$

$$\boxed{-P(|X - 50| \geq 10) \geq -\frac{\sigma^2}{a^2}}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{25}{100} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(40 \leq X \leq 60) \geq \frac{3}{4}$$

ex If the # of items produced by factory in a week has  $\mu=100$ ,  $\sigma^2=400$ , compute an upper bound on probability this week, where production will be at least 120.

$$P(X \geq 120) \leq \frac{\mu}{a} = \frac{100}{120} = \frac{5}{6}$$

↓  
 $a=120$

↓  
 $\mu$

↓  
 $a=120$

Markov's inequality

$$P(X \geq 120) = P(X - 100 \geq 120 - 100) = P(X - 100 \geq 20)$$

$$\leq \frac{\sigma^2}{\sigma^2 + a^2} = \frac{400}{400 + 20^2}$$

$$= \frac{400}{400 + 400} = \frac{1}{2}$$

\*Notice: Markov is a weaker bound.

ex A coin is tossed 100 times. Estimate the prob that there are at least 67 heads using all 3 inequalities.

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(100, \frac{1}{2})$$

$$\mu = np = 100 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 50$$

$$\sigma^2 = np(1-p) = 100 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 25$$

↓  
binomial

$$P(X \geq 67) = \sum_{x=67}^{100} \dots$$

long to compute

a) Markov  $P(X \geq 67) \leq \frac{\mu}{a} = \frac{50}{67} \approx 0.75$

b) Chebyshov

$$P(X \geq 67) = P(X - \mu \geq 67) = P(X - 50 \geq 17)$$

$$\leq \frac{\sigma^2}{a^2} = \frac{25}{17^2} \approx 0.086$$

b)  $P(X \geq 67) = P(X - 50 \geq 17) \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{\sigma^2 + a^2} = \frac{25}{25 + 17^2} \approx 0.079$

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## Central Limit Thm (CLT)

Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be a sequence of independent, and identically distributed (i.i.d) R.V., each having mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ . Then the distribution

$$\frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}$$

tends to the standard normal as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$P\left(\frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} \leq a\right) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \Phi(a)$$

CDF of normal

Another way to write this :  $S_n = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$

$$P\left(a \leq \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} \leq b\right) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} P(a \leq Z \leq b)$$

↓  
standard normal  
 $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

for any a and b.

ex An instructor has 1000 exams to grade. The time required to grade exams are all i.i.d. with a mean 20 min & standard deviation of 4 min. Approximate the prob that the instructor will be able to grade at least 25 exams in the first 450 min of work.

Let  $X_i$  be the time it takes to grade exam  $i$ .

Then  $X = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{25}$  is the time it takes to grade 25 exams

$$\text{CLT: } n\mu = 25 \cdot 20 = 500$$

$$\sigma\sqrt{n} = 4 \cdot \sqrt{25} = 20$$

$$P(X \leq 450) = P\left(\frac{X - 500}{20} \leq \frac{450 - 500}{20}\right)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{CLT}}{\approx} P(Z \leq -2.5) = \Phi(-2.5)$$

$$= 1 - \Phi(2.5) = 1 - .9938$$

ex the # of students who enroll in a course is a Poisson R.V. w/ mean 100.

↳ discrete

If the # enrolled  $\geq 120 \rightarrow$  the course splits into 2

If " " "  $< 120 \rightarrow$  stays as one class.

What is the prob that there will be 2 courses?

exact sol'n:

$$\sum_{K=120}^{\infty} e^{-100} \frac{(100)^K}{K!}$$

This can also be written as a sum of 100 Poisson R.V., each with a mean = 1 =  $\lambda$   
 $\rightarrow$  Sum of 100 Poisson R.V. (each i.i.d), then use CLT to approximate:

$$\text{Poisson: } \mu = \lambda \quad n\mu = 100 \cdot 1 = 100$$

$$\sigma^2 = \lambda \quad 6\sqrt{n} = \sqrt{1} \cdot \sqrt{100} = 10$$

$$P(X \geq 120) \approx P(X \geq 119.5)$$

↑  
continuity correction since Poisson  
discrete

$$= P\left(\frac{X - 100}{10} \geq \frac{119.5 - 100}{10}\right)$$

CLT

$$\approx P(Z \geq 1.95) = 1 - P(Z \leq 1.95)$$

$$= 1 - \Phi(1.95)$$

$$= 1 - .9744$$

$$= \boxed{0.0256}$$

Continuity  
discrete

$$P(X=n)$$

$$P(X > n)$$

$$P(X < n)$$

$$P(X \leq n)$$

$$P(X \geq n)$$

Correction:  
continuous

$$P(n-0.5 < X < n+0.5)$$

$$P(X > n + 0.5)$$

$$P(X < n - 0.5)$$

$$P(X < n + 0.5)$$

$$P(X > n - 0.5)$$

ex If 10 fair die are rolled, find the approximate prob that the sum obtained is btwn 30 & 40, inclusive.

Let  $X_i$  be the value of the  $i$ th die  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

Want to use CLT  $\rightarrow$  get  $\mu$  &  $\sigma^2$

$$E[X_i] = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 5 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 6 \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{21}{6} \\ = \frac{7}{2} = \mu$$

$$E[X_i^2] = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 9 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 16 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 25 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 36 \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{91}{6}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{91}{6} - \left(\frac{7}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{35}{12} = \sigma^2$$

$$\text{Let } X = X_1 + \dots + X_{10} \quad \text{CLT: } n\mu = 10 \cdot \frac{7}{2} = 35$$

$\downarrow$   
discrete

$$\sigma \cdot \sqrt{n} = \frac{\sqrt{35}}{\sqrt{12}} \cdot \sqrt{10} \\ = \frac{\sqrt{350}}{\sqrt{12}}$$

$$P(30 \leq X \leq 40) = P(29.5 \leq X \leq 40.5)$$

$$\approx P\left(\frac{29.5 - 35}{\sqrt{\frac{350}{12}}} \leq Z \leq \frac{40.5 - 35}{\sqrt{\frac{350}{12}}}\right)$$

$$= P(-1.02 \leq Z \leq 1.02)$$

$$= \Phi(1.02) - \Phi(-1.02)$$

$$= \Phi(1.02) - (1 - \Phi(1.02))$$

$$= 2\Phi(1.02) - 1 = .692$$

ex Matt takes a bus to work 300 days a year. Suppose that bus waiting times are independent of one and each is uniformly distributed btwn 0 and 10 min. Let  $T$  be the total waiting time for a particular year.

Compute approximately the prob that  $T$  is more than 26 hours <sup>(a)</sup> and <sup>(b)</sup> it is between 24 & 25 hours.

each day:  $U_i$  waiting time during the  $i^{\text{th}}$  day

then  $T = \sum_{i=1}^{300} U_i$   $U_i \sim \text{Unif}(0, 10)$



$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{10} & 0 \leq x \leq 10 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mu = \frac{b-a}{2} = \frac{10-0}{2} = 5$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12} = \frac{10^2}{12} = \frac{25}{3}$$

$$\text{CLT: } n\mu = 300 \cdot 5 = 1500$$

$$\sigma\sqrt{n} = \sqrt{300} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{25}{3}} = \sqrt{\frac{300}{3}} \cdot 5 = \sqrt{100} \cdot 5 = 10 \cdot 5 = 50$$

$$24 \text{ hr} = 1440 \text{ min}$$

$$28 \text{ hr} = 1500 \text{ min}$$

$$26 \text{ hr} = 1560 \text{ min}$$

a)  $P(T \geq 1560) \xrightarrow{\text{CLT}} P(Z \geq \frac{1560 - 1500}{50})$

$$= 1 - P(Z \leq 1.2) = 1 - \Phi(1.2)$$

$$= 1 - .8849 = .1151$$

b)  $P(1440 \leq X \leq 1500) \approx P(-1.2 \leq Z \leq 0)$

$$= P(Z \leq 0) - (1 - P(Z \leq 1.2))$$

$$= .5 - 1 + .8849$$

$$=.3849$$