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$$E[\sqrt{X}] = \sum_{x \in X(\Omega)} \boxed{\sqrt{x} p_X(x)}$$

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$$E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{g(x)}_{\text{circled}} f_X(x) dx. \quad \checkmark \checkmark$$

## Property

Ex: (1)  $E[ax+b] = aE[x] + b, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

(2)  $E[b] = b$

Proof: (1)  $E[ax+b] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (ax+b) f_x(x) dx$

$$= a \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_x(x) dx + b \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_x(x) dx$$

$$= aE[x] + b$$

[2]  $a=0$

# Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be discrete r.v. Further let  $p_{X,Y}(x,y)$  be joint p.m.f. of  $X$  and  $Y$ .

Then,

$$E[g(X,Y)] = \sum_x \sum_y g(x,y) p_{X,Y}(x,y)$$

example:

$$\begin{aligned} E[X+Y] &= \sum_x \sum_y (x+y) p_{X,Y}(x,y) \\ &= \sum_x \sum_y [x p_{X,Y} + y p_{X,Y}] = E[X] + E[Y]. \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{*} E[X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n] = \sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i]$$

Ex: A construction firm has recently sent in bids for 3 jobs worth (in profit) 10, 20, and 40 (Thousand) dollars.

If its probability of winning the jobs are respectively 0.2, 0.8 and 0.3, what is the firm's expected total profit.

Sol: let  $X_i$  denotes the firm profit from the job  $i$ , then  $(i=1,2,3)$

$$X_1 = \begin{cases} 10 & \text{with probability } 0.2 \\ 0 & \text{0.8} \end{cases}$$

$$X_2 = \begin{cases} 20 & 0.8 \\ 0 & 0.2 \end{cases}$$

$$X_3 = \begin{cases} 40 & 0.3 \\ 0 & 0.7 \end{cases}$$

$$E[X_1 + X_2 + X_3] = \sum_{i=1}^3 E[X_i]$$

$$E[X_1] = 10(.2) + 0(.8) = 2$$

$$E[X_2] = 20(.8) + 0(.2) = 16$$

$$E[X_3] = 40(.3) + 0(.7) = 12$$

$$E[X_1 + X_2 + X_3] = 30.$$

Ex: Suppose there are 20 coupons of different type.

Assume that each time one obtains a coupon it is equally likely to be any one of the types.

Compute the expected number of different types that are obtained in a set of 10 coupons.

Sol:  $X \sim$  no. of different types that are obtained in a set of 10 coupons.



let

$$X_i = \begin{cases} 1 \end{cases}$$

if at least one type  $i$  coupon is  
contained in the set of 10 coupons.

0, otherwise

$$i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, 20.$$

$$X = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{20}$$

$$\Rightarrow E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^{20} E[X_i]$$

$$E[X_i] = 1 \cdot P[X_i = 1] + 0 \cdot P[X_i = 0]$$

$$= \boxed{P[X_i = 1]}$$

$$P[X_i = 1] = 1 - P[\text{no type } i \text{ coupons are contained in the set of 10 coupons}]$$

$$= 1 - \underbrace{\frac{19}{20} \times \frac{19}{20} \times \dots \times \frac{19}{20}}_{10\text{-times}}$$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{19}{20}\right)^{10}$$

$$\forall i = 1, 2, \dots, 20$$

$$\therefore E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^{20} E[X_i] = 20 \left[ 1 - \left(\frac{19}{20}\right)^{10} \right] = 8.025$$

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# Suppose we predict that

$$X \approx c$$

$$\mu_x = E[X]$$

Then, "squared error" =  $(X - c)^2$

Now, 
$$E[(X - c)^2] = E[(X - \mu_x + \mu_x - c)^2]$$
$$= E[(X - \mu_x)^2 + (\mu_x - c)^2 + 2(\mu_x - c)(X - \mu_x)]$$

$$\Rightarrow E[(X-c)^2] = E[(X-\mu_x)^2] + (\mu_x - c)^2 + 2(\mu_x - c) \underbrace{E[X - \mu_x]}$$

$$= E[(X-\mu_x)^2] + (\mu_x - c)^2$$

$$\geq E[(X-\mu_x)^2]$$

$$\sum (x - \mu_x)^2 p_x(x)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} E[X - \mu_x] \\ &= E[X] \\ &\quad - E[\mu_x] \\ &= \mu_x - \mu_x = 0 \end{aligned} \right|$$

$$E[(X-c)^2] \geq E[(X-\mu_x)^2]$$

Given r.v.  $(X)$  and its c.d.f.  $F_X(x)$ ,

(in) 1<sup>st</sup> measure,  $E[X]$ .

Examples (i)  $W_1 = 0$  with prob. 1.

(ii)  $W_2 = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{with prob. } \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & \text{with prob. } \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$

(iii)  $W_3 = \begin{cases} -100 & \text{with prob. } \frac{1}{2} \\ 100 & \text{with prob. } \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$

$$E[W_i] = 0$$

$$E[|X - \mu_x|], \quad \mu_x = E[X].$$

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

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

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

$$= E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$$

$$\geq 0$$

Property (i)  $\text{Var}(aX + b) = a^2 \text{Var}(X)$

(ii)  $\text{Var}(b) = 0$

(iii)  $\text{Var}(X + X) \neq 2 \text{Var}(X)$ .



$$(i) \text{ Var}(aX+b) = E[(aX+\cancel{b} - a\mu_X - \cancel{b})^2]$$

$$= E[a^2(X-\mu_X)^2]$$

$$= a^2 E[(X-\mu_X)^2]$$

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

$$E[\underline{aX+b}] \\ = a\mu_X + b$$

$$(iii) \text{ Var}(X+X) = \text{Var}(2X) = 2^2 \text{Var}(X) \\ = 4 \text{Var}(X) \neq 2 \text{Var}(X).$$

Ex:

Let  $X$  represent the outcome when we roll a fair die.

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

$$\text{Let } P[X=i] = \frac{1}{6} \quad \forall i$$

$$\text{Find } \text{Var}(X) = ?$$

Sol:

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

$$E[X] = \sum x \cdot p_X(x) = \frac{1+2+3+4+5+6}{6} = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$E[X^2] = \frac{1^2+2^2+3^2+4^2+5^2+6^2}{6}$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{6}(6+1)(13)}{\cancel{6} \times 6} = \frac{91}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}(X) = \frac{91}{6} - \frac{49}{4} = \frac{182}{12} - 147 = \frac{35}{12}$$

Ex: let  $I$  be an indicator r.v.

$$I = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if event } A \text{ occurs} \\ 0 & \text{if event } A \text{ does not occur} \end{cases}$$

$$I^2 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if event } A \text{ occurs} \\ 0 & \text{if event } A \text{ does not occur} \end{cases}$$

$$E[I^2] = P(A), \quad E[I] = P(A)$$

$$\text{Var}(I) = P(A) - (P(A))^2 = P(A)[1 - P(A)].$$

#  $\text{Var}(X+X) \neq 2\text{Var}(X)$ .

# Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two r.v.. The covariance of  $X$  and  $Y$  will be defined as

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)]$$

$$[Y = X; \text{Cov}(X, X) = \text{Var}(X)]$$