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# Distributions

| $\mathbb{P}[X=0] = (1-p)$ | $\mathbb{E}[X] = p$ |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| $\mathbb{P}[X=1]=p$       | Var[X] = p(1-p)     |

### Binomial Distribution: $X \sim Binom(n, p)$

$$\mathbb{P}[X=i] = \binom{n}{i} p^i (1-p)^{n-i}, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = np \qquad \qquad \text{Var}[X] = np(1-p)$$

# Geometric Distribution: $X \sim Geometric(p)$

| $\mathbb{P}[X=i] = (1-p)^{i-1}p, i = 1, 2,$ |                            |  |  |  |  |
|---|----------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| $\mathbb{E}[X] = \frac{1}{p}$               | $Var[X] = \frac{1-p}{p^2}$ |  |  |  |  |
| $pgf(x) = \frac{1}{1}$                      | $\frac{px}{1-(1-p)x}$      |  |  |  |  |

# Poisson Distribution: $X \sim Poisson($

$$\mathbb{P}[X=i] = \frac{\lambda^{i}}{i!} e^{-\lambda}, i = 0, 1, 2, ...$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \lambda \qquad \qquad \qquad \forall \text{Var}[X] = \lambda$$

$$X + Y \sim Poisson(\lambda + \mu)$$

### Exponential Distribution: $X \sim Expo(\lambda)$

| $f(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x}, \\ 0, \end{cases}$ | $x \ge 0$ otherwise            |
|--|--------------------------------|
| $\mathbb{E}[X] = \frac{1}{\lambda}$                              | $Var[X] = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$ |
| $F(x) = \mathbb{P}[X \le$  | $x] = 1 - e^{-\lambda x}$      |

# Uniform Continuous: $X \sim Uniform([a, b])$

| $\mathbb{E}[X] = \frac{a+b}{2}$ | $Var[X] = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$ |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| $f(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}$          | $F(x) = \frac{x - a}{b - a}$  |

# Normal Distribution: $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

| $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \rightarrow Z =$                              | $\frac{X-\mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0,1)$                 |
|--|--|
| $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}}e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$ | $f_Z(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}$ |

<sup>\*</sup> No closed formula for CDF.

### Distribution (Hacks)

#### Trick:

$$\min(X_1, X_2, \dots) \sim Geometric(1 - \Pi(1 - p_i))$$

 $\lambda$  is like expected number of success

$$X \sim Binom\left(n, \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)$$

$$\mathbb{P}[X = i] \to \left(\frac{\lambda^{i}}{i!}\right) e^{-\lambda} \text{ as } n \to \infty$$

Memoryless Property 
$$\mathbb{P}[X \ge x + y | X \ge x] = \mathbb{P}[X \ge y]$$

Useful trick:

$$\min(X_1, X_2, \dots) \sim Expo(\Sigma \lambda_i)$$
$$\mathbb{P}[X < Y] = \frac{\lambda_X}{\lambda_X + \lambda_Y}$$

 $\lambda$ : success rate per unit time

### Functions on Random Variables

### Covariance (bilinear)

| $Cov[X,Y] = E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)] = E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]$ |
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| Cov[X,X] = Var[X]   |
| Var[X + Y] = Var[X] + Var[Y] + 2 Cov[X, Y]                |
| $Cov[aX_1 + bX_2, cY_1 + dY_2]$                           |
| $= ac Cov[X_1, Y_1] + ad Cov[X_2, Y_1]$                   |
| $+ bc Cov[X_2, Y_1] + bd Cov[X_2, Y_2]$                   |

For independent X,Y: Cov[X,Y] = 0 (converse not true)

### **Correlation**

$$Corr[X,Y] = \frac{Cov[X,Y]}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$

$$X' = \frac{X - \mu_X}{\sigma_X}, Y' = \frac{Y - \mu_Y}{\sigma_Y}$$

$$-1 \le Corr[X,Y] = Cov[X',Y'] \le 1$$

$$Corr[X,Y] = 1 \Rightarrow Y = AX + B, A > 0 (Y' = X')$$

$$Corr[X,Y] = -1 \Rightarrow Y = AX + B, A < 0 (Y' = -X')$$

# Miscellaneous Hacks

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \sqrt{2\pi}$$

$$\mathbb{P}[A|B] = \frac{\mathbb{P}[B|A]\mathbb{P}[A]}{\mathbb{P}[B]}$$

Discrete Tail Sum (X nonnegative)

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}[X > i]$$

Continuous Tail sum (Z nonnegative)

$$\mathbb{E}[Z] = \int_0^\infty \mathbb{P}[Z \ge z] \, \mathrm{d}z$$

# Probability Density Hacks

$$cdf_X(x) = \mathbb{P}[X \le x]$$

$$pdf_X(x) = \frac{d}{dx}cdf_X \Big|_X$$

Quick hacks:

$$\mathbb{P}[X \le Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}[x \le X \le x + \mathrm{d}x] \, \mathbb{P}[x \le Y]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) \mathbb{P}[X = x] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_X(x) \mathrm{d}x$$

$$n! \sim \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n$$

# **Properties of Conditional Expectations**

$$\mathbb{E}[Y|X] = f(X)$$

1. (Linearity)

$$\mathbb{E}[a_1Y_1 + a_2Y_2|X] = a_1\mathbb{E}[Y_1|X] + a_2\mathbb{E}[Y_2|X]$$

2. (Factoring Known Values)

$$\mathbb{E}[h(X)Y|X] = h(X)\mathbb{E}[Y|X]$$

3. (Smoothing)

$$\mathbb{E}\big[\mathbb{E}[Y|X]\big] = \mathbb{E}[Y]$$

4. (Independence) If X, Y independent:

$$\mathbb{E}[Y|X] = \mathbb{E}[Y]$$

# **Estimation and Linear Regression**

# Case #1: Know the joint distribution

Want to find L[Y|X] = g(X) = a + bX that minimizes cost function C(g)

$$C(g) = \mathbb{E}[|Y - g(X)|^2] = \mathbb{E}[|Y - a - bX|^2]$$

$$b = \frac{\text{Cov}[X, Y]}{\text{Var}[X]}$$

$$a = \mathbb{E}[Y] - \mathbb{E}[X] \cdot \frac{\text{Cov}[X, Y]}{\text{Var}[X]}$$

$$L[Y|X] = \mathbb{E}[Y] + \frac{\text{Cov}[X, Y]}{\text{Var}[X]} (X - \mathbb{E}[X])$$

# Case #2: Linear regression

Observed K samples  $(X_1, Y_1), (X_2, Y_2), ... (X_K, Y_K)$ Choose a, b to minimize  $\frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^{K} |Y_k - a - bX_k|^2$ 

$$\mathbb{E}[|Y - a - bX|^2] = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^{K} |Y_k - a - bX_k|^2$$

As  $K \to \infty$ , linear regression approaches LLSE, assuming  $(X_k, Y_k)$  are i.i.d.

# MMSE (Minimum Mean Squared Error)

$$g(X) = \mathbb{E}[Y|X]$$

(Orthogonality)

$$g(X) = \mathbb{E}[Y|X]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$\mathbb{E}[(Y - g(X))\Phi(X)] = 0 \ \forall \ \Phi(X)$$

### Markov Chain

*P*: transition matrix,  $\pi_0$ : initial distribution vector

$$\pi_n = P^n \pi_0 \qquad \qquad \pi = P \pi$$

<u>Irreducibility</u>: can go from every state i to every other state j in finite moves.

<u>Theorem</u>: For finite irreducible Markov chain, for any  $\pi_0$ , exists unique invariant distribution  $\pi$  s.t.

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=0}^{n-1} \mathbb{P}[X_m = i] = \pi(i)$$

### **Probabilistic Bounding**

#### **Definitions:**

$$\mathbb{P}[|\hat{p} - p| \ge \varepsilon] \le 1 - \delta$$

 $\varepsilon$ : error / accuracy / tolerance;  $1 - \delta$ : confidence

### Toolbox:

• [Markov] Nonnegative RV X, finite mean

$$\mathbb{P}[X \ge c] \le \frac{\mathbb{E}[X]}{c}, \ c > 0$$

• [Generalized Markov] Y not necessarily nonnegative, finite mean; c, r > 0

$$\mathbb{P}[|Y| \geq c] \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[|Y|^r]}{c^r}$$

• [Extended Markov] X not necessarily nonnegative;  $\Phi(X)$  nonnegative function, monotonically increasing for x > 0;  $\alpha > 0$ 

$$\mathbb{P}[X \ge \alpha] \le \frac{\mathbb{E}[\Phi(X)]}{\Phi(\alpha)}$$

• [Chebyshev] c > 0

$$\mathbb{P}[|X - \mu| \ge c] \le \frac{\text{Var}[X]}{c^2}$$
$$\mathbb{P}[|X - \mu| \ge k\sigma] \le \frac{1}{k^2}$$

• [Cantelli]  $\alpha > 0$ 

$$\mathbb{P}[X - \mathbb{E}[X] \ge \alpha] \le \frac{\sigma^2}{\alpha^2 + \sigma^2}$$

• [Law of Large Numbers]  $X_1, ..., X_n$  i.i.d. RV with  $\mathbb{E}[X_i] = \mu < \infty$ . Define  $S_n = X_1 + \cdots + X_n$ 

$$\forall \varepsilon \lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}\left[\left|\frac{1}{n}S_n - \mu\right| < \varepsilon\right] = 1$$

• [Central Limit Theorem] Distribution of sample average  $\frac{S_n}{n}$  approaches a **normal** 

**distribution** with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\frac{\sigma^2}{n}$ .

$$\frac{\frac{S_n}{n} - \mu}{\sqrt{\sigma^2/n}} = \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} \le c\right] \to \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{c} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx$$

# Continuous Probability

 $\underline{\mathsf{PDF}} \colon f \colon \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ , nonnegative, normalized

$$\mathbb{P}[a \le X \le b] = \int_{a}^{b} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x$$

CDF:

$$F(x) = \mathbb{P}[X \le x] = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(z) dz$$

Joint Density:  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  that is nonnegative and normalized.  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) \, \mathrm{d}x \, \mathrm{d}y = 1$ .

$$\mathbb{P}[x \le X \le x + dx, y \le Y \le y + dy]$$
  
=  $f(x, y) dx dy$ 

### Definition:

For  $i \in \mathcal{H}$ , define:

 $d(i) := \gcd\{n > 0 | P^n(i, i) = \mathbb{P}[X_n = i | X_0 = i] > 0\}$ An *irreducible* Markov chain is **aperiodic** if d = 1, else **periodic** with period d.

<u>Theorem</u>: For aperiodic Markov Chain,  $\mathbb{P}[X_n = i] \to \pi(i)$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

### Classic Problems:

| $state_A$ before $state_B$ |  |  |  |
|----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Set $\alpha(B) = 0$ and    |  |  |  |
| $\alpha(A) = 1$ and solve. |  |  |  |
|                            |  |  |  |

### **Techniques**:

- Additional start and end state
- Clumping of equivalent states
- Redefine states/transitions
- Check all outgoing edges sum up to 1.

## Countability

### **Techniques**

- 1. Bijection
- 2.  $|S_1| \le |S_2|$  and  $|S_2| \le |S_1|$
- 3. Diagonalization, show  $\in S$
- 4. Subset of countable
- 5. Superset of uncountable
- 6. Reduction (to solving Turing)
- 7. Self-referencing contradictions

| Countable   | Uncountable                       |  |  |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| • $\mathbb{N}$ , $\mathbb{Q}$ , $\mathbb{Z}$ , $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ | • R                               |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Binary strings</li> </ul>  | • $x \in [0, 1], \mathbb{R}$      |  |  |
| • Subset T of   | $ullet$ $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ |  |  |
| countable set S   | , ,                               |  |  |

#### **Final Checks**

- Define all random variables.
- Check the domain of PMF, PDF, CDF.
- For PMF diagrams, draw 0 for "elsewhere".

### Last Resorts

- PIE (Midterm 1 horror)
- Difference method, hockey stick theorem
- If PDF method fails, work with CDF
- Indicator variable approach + algebra
- Consider other forms of indicators
- Union bound

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\left[ \quad \right] A_i \right] \leq \sum \mathbb{P}[A_i]$$

Independence: X, Y are independent if  $\forall a, b, c, d$ :

$$\mathbb{P}[a \le X \le b, c \le Y \le d]$$

$$= \mathbb{P}[a \le X \le b] \cdot \mathbb{P}[c \le Y \le d]$$

The joint density becomes separable:

$$f(x,y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{\mathrm{d}F(x)}{\mathrm{d}x} \qquad \mathbb{E}[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xf(x) \, \mathrm{d}x$$

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

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x - \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xf(x) \, \mathrm{d}x\right)^2$$

### Computability

HALT(P, I) # True if P(I) halts, else False
TURING(P):
 if HALT(P, P) == "halts": ∞
 else: "halts"

### **Un-computable problems:**

- Halting: Does program *P* halt on input *I*?
- Variant: Does program P halt on 0? (or any other input for that matter)

```
HALT(P, x):
    def P'(y):
        return P(x)
    return VARIANT_HALT(P')
```

• Variant: A program P(F, x, y) that returns true if F(x) = y

```
HALT(F, x):
    def Q(y):
       F(x)
       return 0
    return P(Q, x, 0)
```

 Variant: A program P(F,G) that returns true if F. G halt on same set of input

```
def HALT(F, x):
    def Q(y): loop
    def R(y):
        if y == x: return F(x)
        else: loop
    return not P(Q, R)
```

 Variant: A program E2(P, x) that returns true if P runs an even number of lines on x.

```
def TuringE(P):
    if E2(P, P):
        print("Filler")
    return
```

# Logic and Function

Implies:  $P \Rightarrow Q \equiv \neg (P \land \neg Q) \equiv \neg P \lor Q$ 

Converse:  $Q \Rightarrow P$ Inverse:  $\neg P \Rightarrow \neg Q$ 

Contrapositive:  $\neg Q \Rightarrow \neg P$ 

De Morgan's Law:

$$\neg(P \land Q) \equiv (\neg P) \lor (\neg Q)$$
$$\neg(P \lor Q) \equiv (\neg P) \land (\neg Q)$$
$$\neg(\forall x P) \equiv \exists x (\neg P)$$
$$\neg(\exists x P) \equiv \forall x (\neg P)$$

### **Final Checks**

- Check if it is Stable Matching or Proposeand-Reject problem.
- Polynomials in *GF* must mod coefficients
- RSA: write N, e, d explicitly to avoid errors
- $0 \in \mathbb{N}$  for this class
- Be careful of the bound in vertex coloring
- · Be careful of base cases for graph
- Counting: rotations / inversions included?

# Graph Theory (Definition)

**Path**: a sequence of edges, vertices distinct. **Cycle**: a path (distinct vertices) with  $v_1 = v_n$  **Walk**: a path without distinct vertices condition

**Tour**: a walk with  $v_1 = v_n$ 

A cycle is a walk. A tour is a walk.

Eulerian walk: uses all edge exactly once. Eulerian tour: walk that ends at start vertex Hamiltonian walk/cycle: a walk/cycle that visits all vertices exactly once.

**Hypercube**  $(\dim N)$ :  $2^N$  nodes,  $N2^{N-1}$  edges

### **Function**

$$f(X) = \{ y \mid \exists x \in X \text{ s. t. } y = f(x) \}$$
$$f^{-1}(Y) = \{ x \mid f(x) \in Y \}$$

### Stable Matching

When a candidate does not immediately reject a job, the job is still assumed to "propose" to the candidate on the next day.

[Improvement Lemma] Candidate's matching can only improve. (exchange argument)

Job-Propose and Reject always terminate with matching (contradiction), gives job-optimal and candidate-pessimal (contradiction).

| Job |   | П | Ш | С |   | II | Ш |
|-----|---|---|---|---|---|----|---|
| Α   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | В | С  | Α |
| В   | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | С | Α  | В |
| С   | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | Α | В  | C |

$$\{(A, 1), (B, 2), (C, 3)\}, \{(A, 3), (B, 1), (C, 2)\}, \{(A, 2), (B, 3), (C, 1)\}$$
 are all stable.

# Graph Theory

**Lines of Attack**: Induction on |V|, |E|, tree-shaving (removal of leaf node), Eulerian tours, pigeonhole,

**Euler's Theorem**: Planar graphs with  $v \ge 3$  satisfy v + f = e + 2

**Corollary**: All planar graphs satisfy  $e \le 3v - 6$   $K_{3,3}$  **Variant**:  $e \le 2v - 4$ 

**Kuratowski's Theorem**: A graph is planar iff it doesn't contain  $K_5$  or  $K_{3,3}$ 

### Coloring

- A graph with max degree k is k+1 colorable. (induct on |V|)
- A connected graph of max degree  $d \ge 2$  can be vertex colored with d colors so long as  $\exists$  vertex with degree < d. (|V|)
- Graph with max degree  $d \ge 1$  can be edge colored in 2d-1 colors. (induct |E|)

### Stable Matching Trivia

- Always exists a candidate who is not proposed to until the last day.
- Propose-and-reject algorithm must terminate in at most  $(n-1)^2 + 1$  days.
- For even  $n \ge 2$ , exists instance of stable matching of n jobs and candidates with at least  $2^{n/2}$  distinct stable matching. (induct on n)

# **Error Correcting Codes**

Message of n packets  $(m_1, m_2, ..., m_n)$  where  $m_i = P(i)$  for some polynomial P of at most degree n-1.

Bounding of GF(q), q prime:

$$q \ge \max(m_i + 1, n + k)$$
  
$$q \ge \max(m_i + 1, n + 2k)$$

**Error Correction:** 

$$Q(x) = P(x)E(x)$$

- In a job propose algorithm, jobs can't lie to improve their own outcomes, but can to improve others.
- If candidate rejects a job in JPA, there is no stable matching in which the candidate and job is paired.
- If a candidate misbehaves (rejects falsely), then it is the only candidate that can be in a roque couple.

$$Q(x_i) = r_i E(x_i)$$

$$E(x) = (x - e_1) \dots (x - e_k)$$

Fractional variant:

$$n'(1-\alpha) = n \Rightarrow n' = \frac{n}{1-\alpha}$$
  
 $n'(1-2\alpha) = n \Rightarrow n' = \frac{n}{1-2\alpha}$ 

# RSA

Key (N, e, d). (N, e) is public. d is private. N = pq where p, q are large primes.

p,q must be secret, but if forgotten it's fine. Only requires d to decode.

$$(e, (p-1)(q-1)) = 1$$

$$d^{-1} \equiv e \pmod{(p-1)(q-1)}$$

$$E(x) = x^e \pmod{N}$$

$$D(x) = x^d \pmod{N}$$

Security relies on the computational intractability of obtaining x in  $y = x^e \pmod{N}$ 

### Secret Sharing

Bounding of GF(q), q prime:

Secret sharing among m people (the +1 comes from the secret):

$$q \ge \max(s+1, m+1)$$

Can delegate sub-polynomials for hierarchy.

Spy variants: spies can corrupt messages.