

Mathematical Statistics 1

Ch.2 Discrete Distributions

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Ch.2.1 Random Variables of the Discrete Type

1.1 Review of Random Variable

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Definition

A *random variable* is a function from a sample space \mathcal{S} into the real numbers.

- discrete random variable: countable numbers of points
- continuous random variable: numerical values in an interval or collection of intervals



x [$h \in \mathbb{R}^+$.
Other
(H) \rightarrow (0 1)
disc rv

the sample space of
discrete,
continuous
in real life.

Examples

Let X be the random variable.

- (a) Toss two dice. $X = \text{sum of the numbers}$
- (b) Toss a coin 5 times. $X = \text{number of heads in 5 tosses.}$

1.2 Probability mass function (pmf)

Definition

The *probability mass function (pmf)* $f_X(x)$ of a discrete random variable X is a function defined by

$$f_X(x) = P(X = x)$$

and it satisfies the following properties:

- (a) $f_X(x) \geq 0, \quad x \in \mathcal{X}$,

 $\mathcal{X} = \{0, 1\}$
- (b) $\sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} f_X(x) = 1$,
- (c) $P(X \in \mathbf{A}) = \sum_{x \in \mathbf{A}} f_X(x)$, where $\mathbf{A} \subset \mathcal{X}$.

$4 \times 4 = 16$.

1	2	3	4
1	2	3	4.

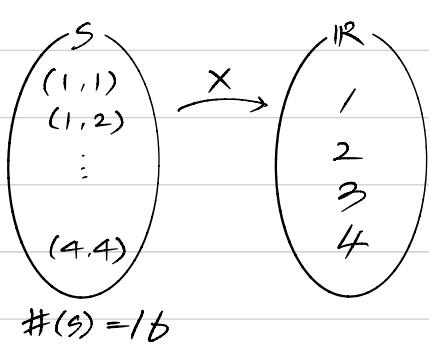
$X = 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4.$

$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{7}{16}$
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Example 2.1-3

Roll a four-sided die twice, and let X equal the larger of the two outcomes if they are different and the common value if they are the same. Find the pmf of X and provide its bar graph and probability histogram.

$$X \sim f_X(x) = P(X=x)$$



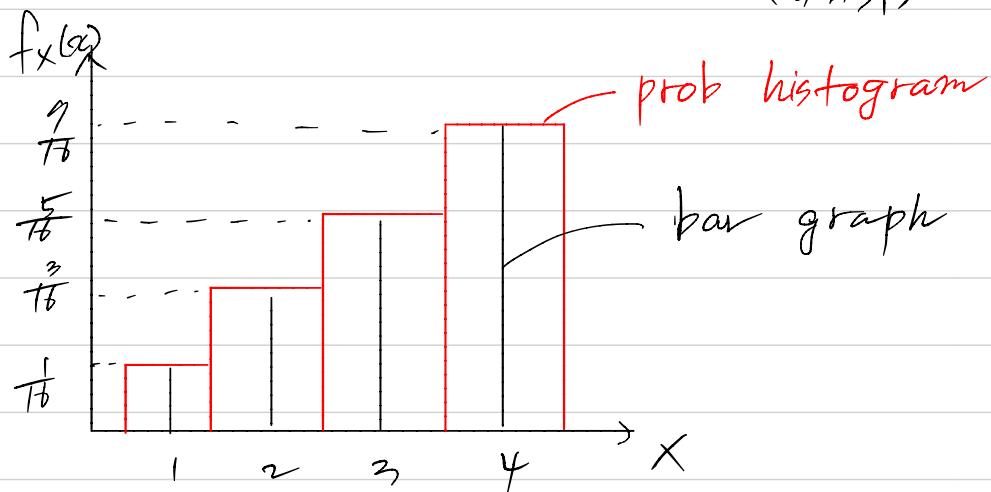
$$f_X(x) = P(X=x)$$

$$P(X=1) = P(\{(1,1)\}) = \frac{1}{16}$$

$$P(X=2) = P(\{(1,2), (2,1), (2,2)\}) = \frac{3}{16}$$

$$P(X=3) = P(\{(1,3), (2,3), (3,3), (3,2), (3,1)\}) = \frac{5}{16}$$

$$P(X=4) = P(\{(1,4), (2,4), (3,4), (4,4), (4,3), (4,2), (4,1)\}) = \frac{7}{16}$$



$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{16}, & x=1 \\ \frac{3}{16}, & x=2 \\ \frac{5}{16}, & x=3 \\ \frac{7}{16}, & x=4 \end{cases}$$

OR

$$f_X(x) = \frac{2x-1}{16}, \quad x=1, 2, 3, 4.$$

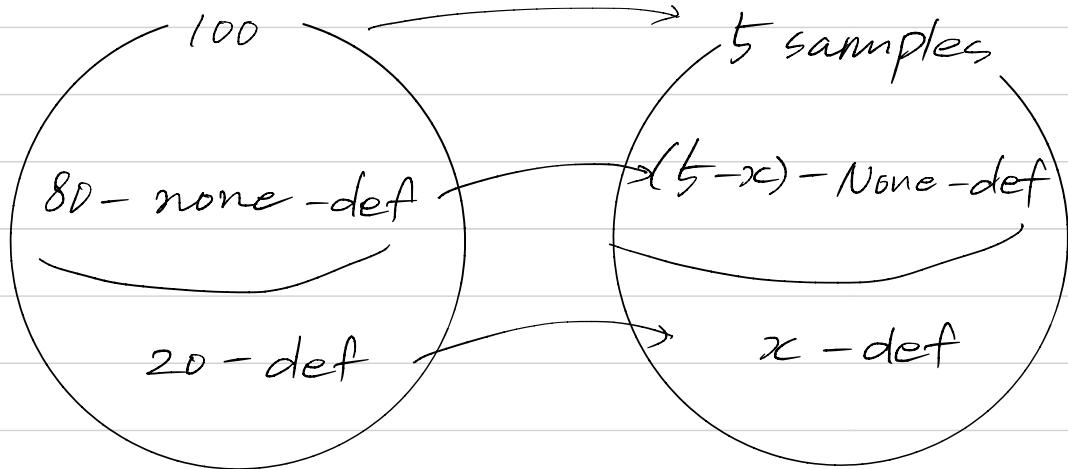
~~other pmf are not~~

can not be pmf

Example 2.1-6

A lot (collection) consisting of 100 fuses is inspected by the following procedure: Five fuses are chosen at random and tested; if all 5 blow at the correct amperage, the lot is accepted. Suppose that the lot contains 20 defective fuses. If X is a random variable equal to the number of defective fuses in the sample of 5, find the pmf of X and the probability of accepting the lot.

$$X \sim f_X(x) = P(X=x)$$



$$f_X(x) = P(X=x)$$

$$= \frac{80 C_{5-x} \times 20 C_x}{100 C_5} \quad x = 0, 1, \dots, 5$$

$$f_X(0) = P(X=0)$$

1.3 (Cumulative) Distribution Function

Definition

The *cumulative distribution function (cdf)* of a random variable X , denoted by $F_X(x)$, is defined by

$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x), \text{ for } x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

big difference with pmf

pmf: discrete r.v

cdf: discrete or continuous r.v

Example

In tossing three coins, $X=\text{number of heads observed}$. Compute the cdf of X .

* properties of cdf $F_x(x)$

$$1) \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F_x(x) = 0 \quad \& \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} F_x(x) = 1$$

2) non-decreasing function

(i.e. $a < b$ implies $F_x(a) \leq F_x(b)$)

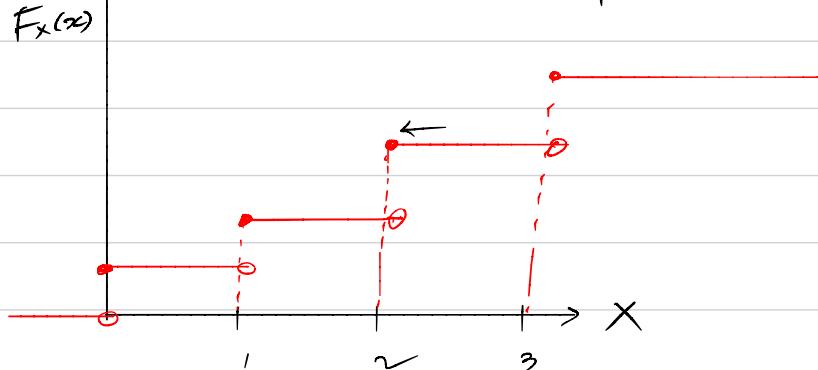
3) right-continuous function

$$\lim_{x \downarrow x_0} F_x(x) = F_x(x_0)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+}$$

* For a discrete r.v.,

cdf \uparrow cdf is step-function



$$F_x(x) = P(X \leq x) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$F_x(b) = P(X \leq b) = P(X \leq a) \cup (a < X \leq b)$$

$$= P(X \leq a) + \underbrace{P(a < X \leq b)}_{\geq 0} \geq P(X \leq a)$$

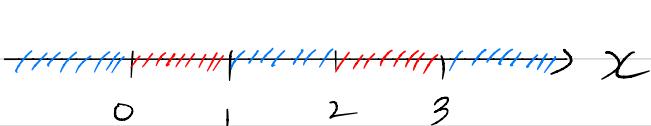
$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} F_x(a)$$

X	0	1	2	3
$f_x(x) = P(X=x)$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$

$$F_x(x) = P(X \leq x) =$$

$$0$$

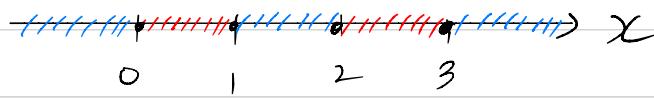
$$P(X \leq 0) + P(0 < X < 0) + P(X=0) = \frac{1}{8}$$



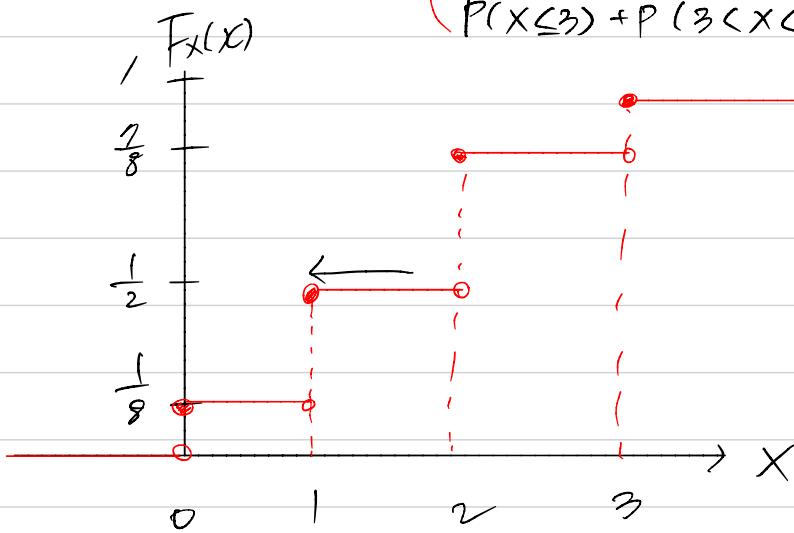
$$P(X \leq 0) + P(0 < X < x) = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$P(X)$$

X	0	1	2	3
$f_X(x) = P(X=x)$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$



$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ P(X \leq 0) + P(X < 0) + P(X=0) = \frac{1}{8} & x = 0 \\ P(X \leq 0) + P(0 < X < x) = \frac{1}{8} & 0 < x < 1 \\ P(X \leq 1) = P(X < 1) + P(X=1) = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{4}{8} & x = 1 \\ P(X \leq 1) + P(1 < X < x) = \frac{4}{8} & 1 < x < 2 \\ P(X \leq 2) = P(X < 2) + P(X=2) = \frac{4}{8} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{7}{8} & x = 2 \\ P(X \leq 2) + P(2 < X < x) = \frac{7}{8} & 2 < x < 3 \\ P(X \leq 3) = P(X < 3) + P(X=3) = 1 & x = 3 \\ P(X \leq 3) + P(3 < X < x) = 1 & x > 3 \end{cases}$$



Ch.2.2 Mathematical Expectation

2.1 Expectation

Definition for the discrete r.v

Let $f_X(x)$ be the pmf of the random variable X of the discrete type with space \mathcal{X} . The **expected value**, or **expectation** of the function $g(X)$, $E[g(X)]$, is defined by

$$E[g(X)] = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} g(x)f_X(x)$$

provided that the sum exists. If $E|g(X)| < \infty$, then $E[g(X)]$ exists.

$$1) X \sim f_X(x) = P(X=x) : \text{pmf}$$

$$2) F_X(x) = P(X \leq x) : \text{cdf}$$

3) Expectation of $g(x)$ $\rightarrow x, x^2, x(x-3)$

$$\hookrightarrow E[g(x)] = \sum_{x \in X} g(x) f_X(x)$$

\uparrow pmf of x

Example 2.2-2

Let the random variable X have the pmf $f_X(x) = 1/3$,
 $x \in \mathcal{X} = \{-1, 0, 1\}$. Let $g(X) = X^2$. Compute the expectation of
 $g(X) = X^2$.

Thm 2.2-1

Let X be a r.v. and a , b , and c be constants. For any functions $g_1(x)$ and $g_2(x)$ whose expectations exist,

- $E(c) = c$
- $E[ag_1(X)] = aE[g_1(X)]$
- $E[ag_1(X) + bg_2(X)] = aE[g_1(X)] + bE[g_2(X)]$

Assume that $X \sim f_X(x)$

$$1) E[c] = \sum_{x \in X} c f_X(x) = c \underbrace{\sum_{x \in X} f_X(x)}_{=1} = c$$

$$2) E[a \cdot g_1(x)] = \sum_{x \in X} a g_1(x) f_X(x) = a \sum_{x \in X} g_1(x) f_X(x) \\ = a \cdot E[g_1(x)]$$

$$3) E[a g_1(x) + b g_2(x)] = \sum_{x \in X} \{a g_1(x) + b g_2(x)\} f_X(x) \\ = \sum_{x \in X} \{a g_1(x) f_X(x) + b g_2(x) f_X(x)\} \\ = \sum_{x \in X} a g_1(x) f_X(x) + \sum_{x \in X} b g_2(x) f_X(x) \\ = a \cdot E[g_1(x)] + b \cdot E[g_2(x)]$$

$$4) \text{mean } \mu_x = E(X)$$

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

$$\text{st. d } \sigma_X$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n$$

Example 2.2-3

Let the random variable X have the pmf

$$E[X] = 4$$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{x}{10}, \quad x = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

$$\text{Compute } E[X(5 - X)]. = E[5X - X^2] = 5E[X] - E[X^2]$$

$$g(x) = 5x - x^2$$

$$4 \quad 12 \quad 18 \quad 16$$

$$4 \cdot \frac{1}{10} \quad 6 \cdot \frac{2}{10} \quad 6 \cdot \frac{3}{10}$$

$$4 \cdot \frac{\alpha}{10}$$

Example 2.2-4

Let $u(x) = (x - b)^2$, where b is not a function of X , and suppose $E[(X - b)^2]$ exists. Find the value of b for which $E[(X - b)^2]$ is a minimum.

$$E[(x-b)^2] = E[x^2 - 2bx + b^2]$$

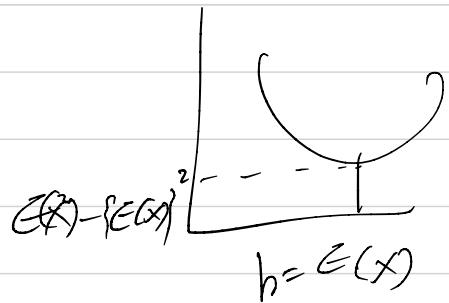
$$E[(X-b)^2] = E[X^2 - 2bx + b^2]$$

Since b is not a f of X

$$E[(X-b)^2] = E[X^2] - 2bE[X] + b^2$$

$$= |b - E(X)|^2 + E(X^2) - \{E(X)\}^2$$

$$b = E(X).$$

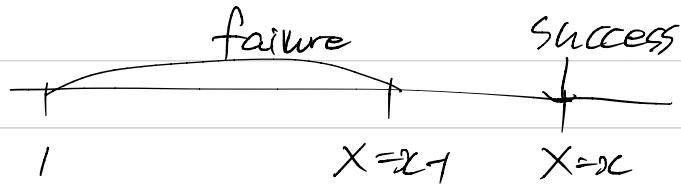


Example 2.2-6 (geometric distribution)

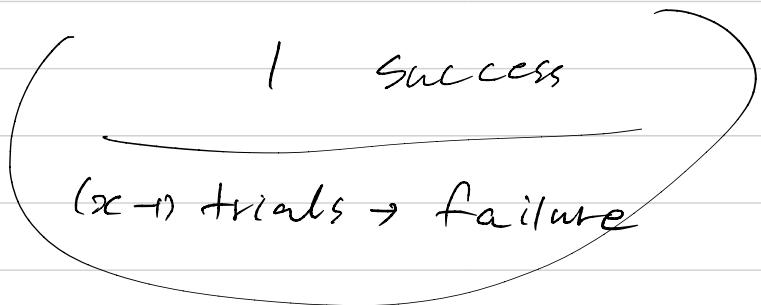
An experiment has probability of success p , where $0 < p < 1$, and probability of failure $1 - p = q$. This experiment is repeated independently until the first success occurs; say this happens on the X trial. Find the expectation of X .

$X = \# \text{ of trials until the first success happens}$

$$f_X(x) = P(X=x) = (1-p)^{x-1} p \quad x=1, 2, 3$$



total trials = x



$$E[X] = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x f_X(x) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x (1-p)^{x-1} p$$

$$E(X) = P + 2(1-p)p + 3(1-p)^2p + 4(1-p)^3p + \dots$$

$$-\boxed{(1-p)E(X)} = (1-p)p + 2(1-p)^2p + 3(1-p)^3p + \dots$$

$$P E(X) = p + (1-p)p + (1-p)^2p + \dots$$

$$= p [1 + (1-p) + (1-p)^2 + \dots] = p \cdot \frac{1}{1-(1-p)} = 1$$

$$\therefore E(X) = \frac{1}{p}$$

e.g) $p = \frac{1}{10} \quad E(X) = 10$

Ch.2.3 Special Mathematical Expectation

3.1 Mean

Definition

The **mean** of the random variable X with the pmf $f_X(x)$ is

$$\mu_X = E[X] = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} xf_X(x)$$

Property

$$\sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} (x - \mu_X) f_X(x) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{x \in X} (x - \mu_x) f_x(x) &= E[x - \mu_x] \\
 &= \sum_{x \in X} \{x f_x(x) - \mu_x f_x(x)\} = E[x] - \mu_x = 0 \\
 &= \mu_x - \mu_x = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

3.2 Variance and Standard Deviation

Definition

The **variance** of the random variable X with the pmf $f_X(x)$ is

$$\sigma_X^2 = \text{Var}(X) = E[(X - \mu_X)^2] = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} (x - \mu_X)^2 f_X(x).$$

The **standard deviation** of the random variable X is

$$\sigma_X = \sqrt{\sigma_X^2}$$

Property

$$\sigma_X^2 = E(X^2) - \mu_X^2$$

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

Example 2.3-1

Let X be the number of spots on the side facing upwards after a six-sided die is cast at random. If everything is fair about this experiment,

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

- Find the pmf of X .
- Compute the mean of X . $E(X) = \frac{7}{2}$
- Compute the variance and standard deviation of X .

$$2.5 \quad 1.5 \quad 0.5 \quad 0.5 \quad 1.5 \quad 2.5$$

$$X \sim f_X(x) = \frac{1}{6} \quad x = 1, 2, \dots, 6$$

$$E(X) = \sum_{x=1}^6 x f_X(x) = \frac{1}{6}(1+2+\dots+6) = \frac{21}{6} = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$E(X^2) = \sum_{x=1}^6 x^2 f_X(x) = \frac{1}{6}(1+2^2+\dots+6^2) = \frac{91}{6}$$

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

$$\sigma_X = \sqrt{\frac{35}{12}}$$

Example 2.3-2

Let X have the pmf $f_X(x) = 1/3$, $x = -1, 0, 1$. Let Y have the pmf $f_Y(y) = 1/3$, $y = -2, 0, 2$.

- Compute the means of X and Y .
- Compute the variances and standard deviations of X and Y .

$$X \sim f_X(x) = \frac{1}{3}, \quad x = -1, 0, 1$$

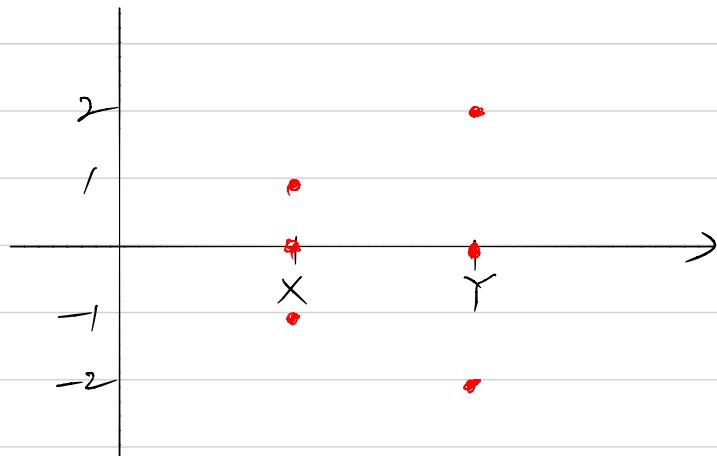
$$Y \sim f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{3}, \quad y = -2, 0, 2$$

$$E(X) = \sum_{x=-1}^0 x f_X(x) = \frac{1}{3}(-1 + 0 + 1) = 0$$

$$E(Y) = \frac{1}{3}(-2 + 0 + 2) = 0$$

$$\text{Cov}(X) = \text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) = \frac{1}{3}(1 + 0 + 1) = \frac{2}{3}$$

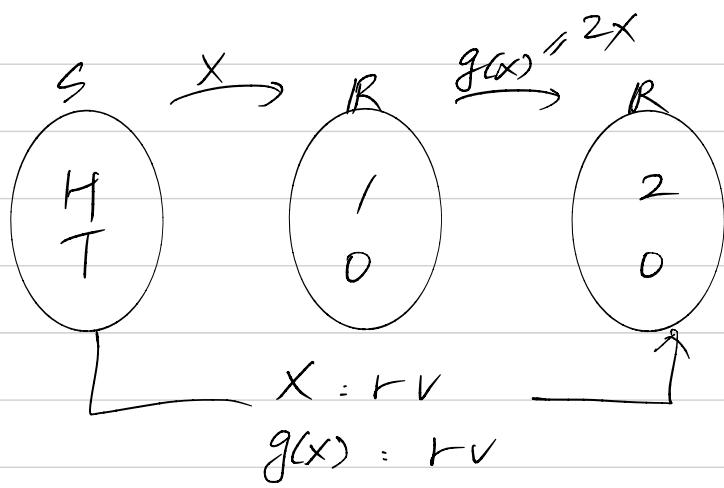
$$\text{Cov}(Y) = \text{Var}(Y) = E(Y^2) = \frac{1}{3}(4 + 0 + 4) = \frac{8}{3}$$



Thm.

Let X be a random variable with mean μ_X and variance σ_X^2 . Then, $Y = aX + b$, where a and b are constants, is also a random variable.

- $\mu_Y = E(Y) = a\mu_X + b$
- $\sigma_Y^2 = Var(Y) = a^2\sigma_X^2$
- $\sigma_Y = |a|\sigma_X$



$$X \quad E(X) \cdot \text{Var}(x) = \sigma_x^2$$

\uparrow
 μ_x

$$Y = ax + b \Rightarrow E(Y) \& \text{Var}(Y)$$

$$1) \mu_Y = E(Y) = E(ax+b) = aE(x) + b$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2) \sigma_Y^2 &= \text{Var}(Y) = E[(Y - \mu_Y)^2] \\ &= E[(ax+b) - (a\mu_x + b)]^2 \\ &= E[a^2(x - \mu_x)^2] \\ &= a^2 E[(x - \mu_x)^2] \\ &= a^2 \text{Var}(x) = a^2 \sigma_x^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$3) \sigma_Y = \sqrt{\sigma_Y^2} = |a| \sigma_x$$

3.3 Moment

Definition

For each positive integer r , the r th *moment* of X , μ'_r is

$$\mu'_r = E(X^r).$$

The r th *central moment* of X , μ_r , is

$$\mu_r = E(X - \mu_X)^r,$$

where $\mu_X = \mu'_1 = EX$.

r^{th} moment of $X = E[X^r]$

1^{st} moment of $X = E(X) = \mu_x \Rightarrow \text{Var}(X)$

2^{nd} , $= E(X^2) = \mu'_2$

r^{th} central moment of $X = E[(X - \mu_x)^r]$

1^{st} " $= E(X - \mu_x) = 0$

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

3.4 Moment-Generating Function (mgf)

Definition of mgf

Let X be a discrete random variable with pmf $f_X(x)$ and space \mathcal{X} .

The *moment generating function (mgf)* of X (or F_X), denoted by $M_X(t)$, is

always positive

$$M_X(t) = E_X[e^{tX}] = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} e^{tx} f_X(x),$$

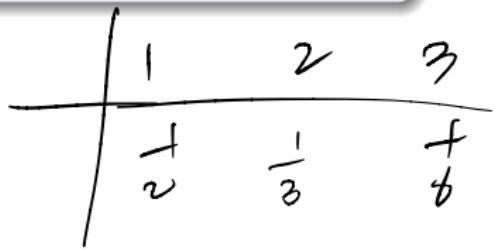
provided that the expectation exists for t in some neighborhood of 0. That is, there is a $h > 0$ such that, for all t in $-h < t < h$, $E[e^{tX}]$ exists. Note that $M_X(0) = E(1) = 1$. $\sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} f_X(x) = 1$

Example 2.3-5

The mgf of X is given by

$$M_X(t) = e^t \frac{3}{6} + e^{2t} \frac{2}{6} + e^{3t} \frac{1}{6}, \quad -\infty < t < \infty.$$

Find the pmf of X .



$$X \sim f_{x(x)} = P(X=x) : pmf$$

$$mgf : M_x(t) = E[e^{tx}] \iff F_x(x) = P(X \leq x) : cdf$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_x(t) &= E[e^{tx}] = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{tx} f_x(x) \\ &= e^t \frac{3}{6} + e^{0t} \frac{2}{6} + e^{-1t} \frac{1}{6} \quad t \in \mathbb{R} \\ &= e^{tx_1} f_{x(1)} + e^{tx_2} f_{x(2)} + e^{tx_3} f_{x(3)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} f_{x(1)} = \frac{3}{6} \\ f_{x(2)} = \frac{2}{6} \\ f_{x(3)} = \frac{1}{6} \end{cases} \quad f_{x(x)} = \frac{4-x}{6}, \quad x = 1, 2, 3$$



Relationship between mgf and moment

If X has mgf $M_X(t)$, then for each positive integer r ,

$$E(X^r) = M_X^{(r)}(0),$$

where $M_X^{(r)}(0) = \frac{d^r}{dt^r} M_X(t) \Big|_{t=0}$.

$$E(X) \leftarrow M_X(t)$$

$$1) M_X(t)$$

$$2) M_X^{(1)}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} M_X(t)$$

$$3) M_X^{(0)}(0) = E(X)$$

$$M_X(t) = E[e^{tx}] = \sum_{x \in X} e^{tx} f_X(x) \quad \text{function of } t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } r=1, \quad M_X^{(1)}(t) &= \frac{d}{dt} M_X(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left\{ \sum_{x \in X} e^{tx} f_X(x) \right\} \\ &= \sum_{x \in X} e^{tx} x f_X(x) \quad \text{(상태 확률)} \\ \Rightarrow M_X^{(1)}(0) &= \sum_{x \in X} e^0 x f_X(x) = \sum x f_X(x) = E(X) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } r=2, \quad M_X^{(2)}(t) &= \frac{d^2}{dt^2} M_X(t) = \sum_{x \in X} e^{tx} x^2 f_X(x) \\ \Rightarrow M_X^{(2)}(0) &= \sum_{x \in X} x^2 f_X(x) = E(X^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{In general, } M_X^{(r)}(0) = E(X^r)$$

$$X \sim f_X(x) \Rightarrow E(X), \text{Var}(X)$$

$$\sim M_X(t) \Rightarrow E(X), \text{Var}(X)$$

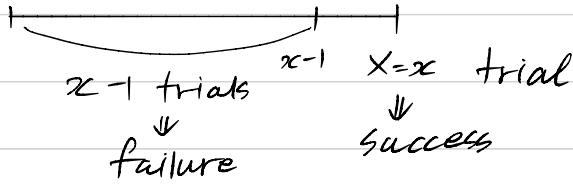
$$M_X^{(2)}(0) - E(X)^2 = M_X^{(2)}(0) - [M_X^{(1)}(0)]^2$$

Example 2.3-7

Suppose X has the geometric distribution of Example 2.2-6. Find the mgf of X . Using the mgf, find the mean and variance of X .

$X = \# \text{ of total trials until the } 1^{\text{st}} \text{ success happens}$

$$f_X(x) = P(X=x) = q^{x-1} \cdot p \quad x=1, 2, 3, \dots \quad q = 1-p$$



$$\begin{aligned} M_X(t) &= E[e^{tx}] = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} e^{tx} p q^{x-1} = \frac{p}{q} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} [qe^t \cdot g]^x \\ &= \frac{p}{q} [(qe^t)^1 + (qe^t)^2 + \dots] \\ &= \frac{p}{q} \frac{qe^t}{1-(qe^t)} = \frac{pe^t}{1-qe^t}, \quad \begin{matrix} e^t < \frac{1}{q} \\ (0 < qe^t < 1) \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} t < -\ln q \\ (t < -\ln q) \end{matrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$M_X^{(1)}(t) = \frac{p \cdot e^t (1-qe^t) - pe^t (-qe^t)}{(1-qe^t)^2} = \frac{pe^t}{(1-qe^t)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_X^{(1)}(0) = \frac{p}{(1-q)^2} = \frac{p}{p^2} = \frac{1}{p} = \mu_X$$

$$M_X^{(2)}(t) = \frac{pe^t (1-qe^t)^2 - pe^t 2(1-qe^t)(-qe^t)}{(1-qe^t)^4}$$

$$= \frac{(1-qe^t)pe^t + 2pfe^{2t}}{(1-qe^t)^3} = \frac{pe^t(1+qe^t)}{(1-qe^t)^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_X^{(2)}(0) = \frac{(1-q)p + 2pq}{(1-q)^3} = \frac{p+pq}{(1-q)^3} = \frac{p(1+q)}{p^3} = \frac{1+q}{p^2} = E(X^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot \text{Var}(X) &= E(X^2) - \{E(X)\}^2 \\ &= \frac{1+q}{p^2} - \frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{q}{p^2} \end{aligned}$$