

REVIEW OF PROBABILITY

PROBABILITY SPACE: (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P)

$\Omega = \{\text{SPACE OF OUTCOMES}\}$, EXAMPLE: $\Omega = \{H, T\}$

$\mathcal{F} = \text{THE SET OF SUBSETS OF } \Omega \text{ TO WHICH WE ASSIGN PROBABILITIES.}$

EXAMPLE: $\mathcal{F} = \{\emptyset, \{H\}, \{T\}, \{H \cup T\}\}$ ELEMENTS OF \mathcal{F} ARE CALLED "EVENTS"

$$P(H) = 1/2, P(T) = 1/2, P(\emptyset) = 0, P(H \cup T) = 1$$

\emptyset IS CALLED THE "IMPOSSIBLE EVENT"

Ω IS THE "SURE EVENT"

SUPPOSE $\Omega = \{[0, 1]\}$, $\mathcal{F} = \{\text{ALL POSSIBLE INTERVALS, THEIR UNIONS AND INTERSECTIONS}\}$

$$P([a, b]) = b - a \text{ OR } P([a, b]) = F(b) - F(a)$$

$F(x)$ IS A CONTINUOUS FUNCTION.

IF $A \in \mathcal{F}$, A IS AN EVENT, THEN ① $0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$

IF $A \cap B = \emptyset$, THEN $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$ ②

$$P(\emptyset) = 0, P(\Omega) = 1 \quad ③$$

EVENTS A AND B ARE INDEPENDENT IF $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$.

EVENTS A, B , AND C ARE INDEPENDENT IF THEY ARE PAIRWISE INDEPENDENT AND

$$P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A) \cdot P(B) \cdot P(C).$$

CONDITIONAL PROBABILITY

$P(A|B)$ IS THE CONDITIONAL PROBABILITY OF EVENT A GIVEN EVENT B .

(AND $P(B) \neq 0$).

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \quad \text{OR} \quad P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} \rightarrow P(A \cap B) = P(A|B) \cdot P(B) = P(B|A) \cdot P(A)$$

REVIEW OF PROBABILITY (CONTINUED)

CHARACTERISTICS OF RANDOM VARIABLES

EXPECTATION: $E[X]$

IF X IS DISCRETE WITH $P(X=x_i) = p_i$, THEN $E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i p_i$

IF X IS CONTINUOUS WITH PROBABILITY DENSITY FUNCTION $p(x)$, THEN $E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p(x) dx$.

PROPERTIES $E[aX+b] = aE[X] + b$, WHERE a, b ARE NUMBERS

FOR TWO RANDOM VARIABLES X_1 AND X_2 ,

$$E[X_1 + X_2] = E[X_1] + E[X_2]$$

VARIANCE

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

FOR X DISCRETE, $\text{VAR}(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (x_i - E[X])^2 p_i$

FOR X CONTINUOUS, $\text{VAR}(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - E[X])^2 p(x) dx$

EXPECTATION IS A MEASURE OF LOCATION OF X .

VARIANCE IS A MEASURE OF VARIABILITY

PROPERTIES OF VARIANCE

$$\text{VAR}(aX+b) = a^2 \text{VAR}(X)$$

IF X_1 AND X_2 ARE INDEPENDENT, THEN $\text{VAR}(X_1 + X_2) = \text{VAR}(X_1) + \text{VAR}(X_2)$

COVARIANCE

$$\text{COV}(X_1, X_2) = E[(X_1 - E[X_1])(X_2 - E[X_2])]$$

IF X IS CONTINUOUS, THEN

$$\phi_X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega x} p(x) dx \rightarrow \text{THE FOURIER TRANSFORM OF } p(x)$$

$$\phi'_X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} i x p(x) e^{i\omega x} dx$$

$$E[X] = \frac{1}{i} \phi'_X(\omega) \Big|_{\omega=0}$$

$$E[X^k] = \frac{1}{i^k} \cdot \frac{d^k}{d\omega^k} \phi_X(\omega) \Big|_{\omega=0}$$

DISCRETE DISTRIBUTIONS

DISCRETE UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION

X HAS A DISCRETE UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION $[1, \dots, N]$ IF $P(X=x/N) = 1/N, x=1, \dots, N$

HYPERGEOMETRIC DISTRIBUTION

SUPPOSE THERE IS AN URN WITH N BALLS, M OF THEM ARE RED AND $(N-M)$ ARE WHITE. WE SELECT K BALLS BLINDFOLDED. WHAT IS THE PROBABILITY THAT EXACTLY X BALLS OUT OF K ARE RED?

$$P(X=x | N, M, K) = \frac{\text{NUMBER OF SAMPLES WITH } x \text{ RED BALLS}}{\text{TOTAL NUMBER OF SAMPLES}}$$

$$= \frac{\binom{M}{x} \binom{N-M}{K-x}}{\binom{N}{K}} \quad x=0, \dots, K$$

$$\max(0, K+M-N) \leq x \leq \min(K, M)$$

TO FIND $E[X]$, USE THE FOLLOWING RELATION

$$\binom{L}{K} = \frac{L}{K} \cdot \binom{L-1}{K-1}$$

ξ	0	1
$P(\cdot)$	q	p

$$E[\xi] = 0 \cdot q + 1 \cdot p = p$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{VAR}(\xi) &= E[\xi - E[\xi]]^2 = E[\xi^2 - 2\xi E[\xi] + (E[\xi])^2] \\ &= E[\xi^2] - 2E[\xi]E[\xi] + (E[\xi])^2 \\ &= E[\xi^2] - (E[\xi])^2 \quad \text{TRUE FOR ANY RANDOM VARIABLE} \end{aligned}$$

$$= p - p^2$$

$$= pq$$

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \rightarrow E[X] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i\right] = np$$

$$\text{VAR}(X) = npq \quad (\text{INDEPENDENCE } \text{VAR}(\sum) = \sum \text{VAR})$$

POISSON DISTRIBUTION

CONSIDER AN EXPERIMENT WHERE YOU ARE WAITING FOR AN OCCURRENCE OF SOME EVENT.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- ① WITHIN A SMALL INTERVAL OF TIME, THE PROBABILITY THAT EVENT OCCURS IS PROPORTIONAL TO THE LENGTH OF TIME INTERVAL
- ② TWO EVENTS CANNOT OCCUR SIMULTANEOUSLY

$X = \{ \text{THE NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES WITHIN A FIXED TIME INTERVAL} \}$

X HAS POISSON DISTRIBUTION :

$$P(X=x | \lambda) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}, \quad x=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$\lambda = \lambda t_0$ → POISSON INTENSITY

FIND CHARACTERISTIC FUNCTION:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_X(t) &= E[e^{itX}] = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{itx} \cdot \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda} (\lambda e^{it})^x}{x!} \\ &= e^{-\lambda} e^{it\lambda} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda e^{it})^x}{x!} \cdot e^{-\lambda e^{it}} \\ &= e^{-\lambda} e^{it\lambda} \underbrace{\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} P(X=x | \lambda e^{it})}_{=1} \\ &= e^{-\lambda(1-e^{it})} \\ \phi_X(t) &= e^{\lambda(e^{it}-1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\phi_X(t) = e^{\lambda(e^{it}-1)}$$

$$\phi'_X(t) = e^{\lambda(e^{it}-1)} \cdot \lambda i e^{it}$$

$$\phi''_X(t) = e^{\lambda(e^{it}-1)} (\lambda i e^{it})^2 + e^{\lambda(e^{it}-1)} \lambda i^2 e^{it}$$

$$E[X] = \frac{1}{i} \phi'_X(0) = \frac{\lambda i}{i} = \lambda$$

$$E[X^2] = \frac{1}{i^2} \phi''_X(0) = \lambda^2 + \lambda$$

$$\text{VAR}(X) = E[X^2] - [E[X]]^2 = \lambda^2 + \lambda - \lambda^2 = \lambda$$

NEGATIVE BINOMIAL DISTRIBUTION

CONSIDER THE SEQUENCE OF BERNOULLI TRIALS (INDEPENDENT, WITH PROBABILITY p OF SUCCESS IN EACH TRIAL).

$X = \{ \text{THE NUMBER OF A TRIAL WHERE THE } r^{\text{th}} \text{ SUCCESS IS OBTAINED} \}$

$$P(X=x | r, p) = \binom{x-1}{r-1} p^{r-1} (1-p)^{(x-1)-(r-1)} \cdot p, \quad x = r, r+1, r+2, \dots$$

$(x-1)$ TRIALS WITH $(r-1)$ SUCCESSES + LAST SUCCESS

$$P(X=x | r, p) = \binom{x-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^{x-r}, \quad x = r, r+1, \dots$$

IF $Y = x - r = \text{THE NUMBER OF FAILURES BEFORE THE SUCCESS OCCURS}$,
THEN $P(Y=y | r, p) = \binom{y+r-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^y, \quad y = 0, 1, \dots$

$$E[Y] = \frac{r(1-p)}{p}, \quad \text{VAR}(Y) = \frac{r(1-p)}{p^2}$$

SINCE $X = Y + r$

$$E[X] = \frac{r(1-p)}{p} + r, \quad \text{VAR}(X) = \text{VAR}(Y)$$

CONTINUOUS DISTRIBUTIONS

① UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION

$$f(x|a,b) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a}, & x \in [a,b] \\ 0 & \text{OTHERWISE} \end{cases}$$

$$E[X] = \int_a^b x f(x|a,b) dx = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b x dx = \frac{b+a}{2}$$

$$\text{VAR}(X) = \int_a^b \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} dx = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$$

$$\phi_X(t) = \int_a^b e^{itx} \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} dx = \frac{1}{it(b-a)} \cdot (e^{itb} - e^{ita})$$

② GAMMA DISTRIBUTION

RELIABILITY, SURVIVAL ANALYSIS

RECALL GAMMA FUNCTION:

$$\Gamma(\alpha) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} x^{\alpha-1} dx, \alpha > 0$$

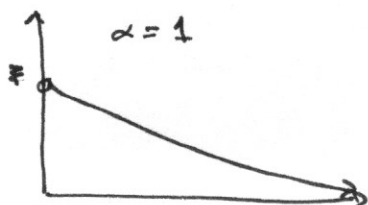
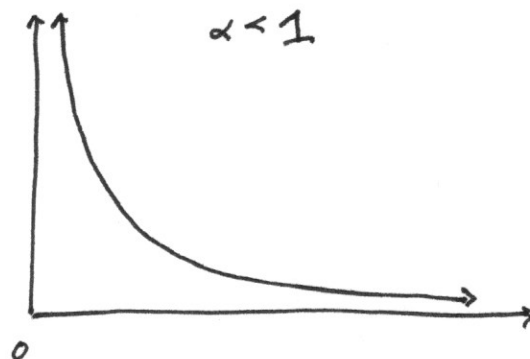
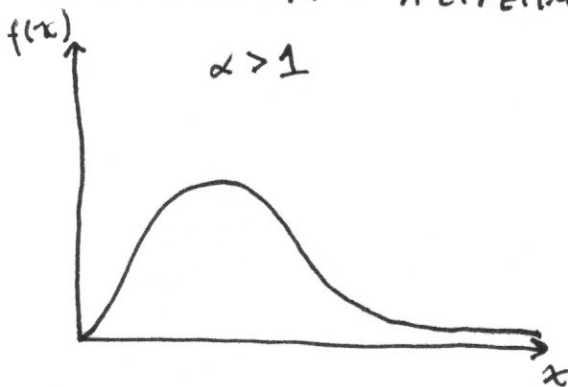
$$\text{IF } \alpha = n \in \mathbb{Z}, \Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$$

$$\text{FOR ANY } \alpha > 0, \Gamma(\alpha+1) = \alpha \Gamma(\alpha)$$

THE FAMILY OF GAMMA DISTRIBUTIONS WITH PARAMETERS α AND β HAS THE PROBABILITY DENSITY FUNCTION (pdf)

$$f(x|\alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \cdot \frac{x^{\alpha-1}}{\beta^{\alpha}} \cdot e^{-\frac{x}{\beta}}; x \geq 0, \alpha > 0, \beta > 0$$

~~LET~~ SUPPOSE $X =$ A LIFETIME OF A CERTAIN DEVICE, ~~$x \geq 1$~~



THE GAMMA DISTRIBUTION

USED IN RELIABILITY, SURVIVAL ANALYSIS

THE GAMMA FUNCTION

$$\Gamma(\alpha) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} x^{\alpha-1} dx, \alpha > 0$$

IF α IS AN INTEGER, THEN $\Gamma(\alpha) = (\alpha-1)!$

FOR ANY $\alpha > 0$, $\Gamma(\alpha+1) = \alpha \Gamma(\alpha)$.

THE FAMILY OF GAMMA DISTRIBUTIONS WITH PARAMETERS α AND β HAS THE P.D.F.

$$f(x|\alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \cdot \frac{x^{\alpha-1}}{\beta^{\alpha}} \cdot e^{-x/\beta}, x \geq 0; \alpha > 0, \beta > 0$$

α IS THE "SHAPE" PARAMETER

β IS THE "SCALE" PARAMETER

$$E[X^k] = \int_0^{\infty} x^k \cdot \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \cdot \frac{x^{\alpha-1}}{\beta^{\alpha}} \cdot e^{-x/\beta} dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{k+\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^{\alpha}} \cdot e^{-x/\beta} dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\beta^{k+\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^{\alpha}} \cdot e^{-z} \cdot z^{k+\alpha-1} \cdot \beta dz$$

$$= \frac{\beta^k}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-z} z^{k+\alpha-1} dz$$

$$= \frac{\beta^k \Gamma(k+\alpha)}{\Gamma(\alpha)}$$

$k=1$ (MEAN)

$$E[X] = \frac{\beta \Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} = \beta \alpha$$

$$\text{LET } z = x/\beta \leftrightarrow x = \beta z$$

$$dx = \beta dz$$

$k=2$ (USED TO FIND VARIANCE)

$$E[X^2] = \frac{\beta^2 \Gamma(\alpha+2)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} = \beta^2 (\alpha^2 + \alpha)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{VAR}(X) &= E[X^2] - (E[X])^2 \\ &= \beta^2 (\alpha^2 + \alpha) - \beta^2 \alpha^2 \\ &= \alpha \beta^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\phi(t) = E[e^{itX}] = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{itx}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \cdot \frac{x^{\alpha-1}}{\beta^{\alpha}} \cdot e^{-x/\beta} dx$$

$$\downarrow z = x(\frac{1}{\beta} - it)$$

$$\phi(t) = \frac{1}{(1 - i\beta t)^{\alpha}}$$

GENERALIZATION: WEIBULL DISTRIBUTION

$$X \sim \text{EXPONENTIAL}(\beta) \rightarrow Y = X^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \sim \text{WEIBULL}(\gamma, \beta)$$

CHI-SQUARED DISTRIBUTION

$$\chi^2(p) = \text{GAMMA}(p/2, 2)$$

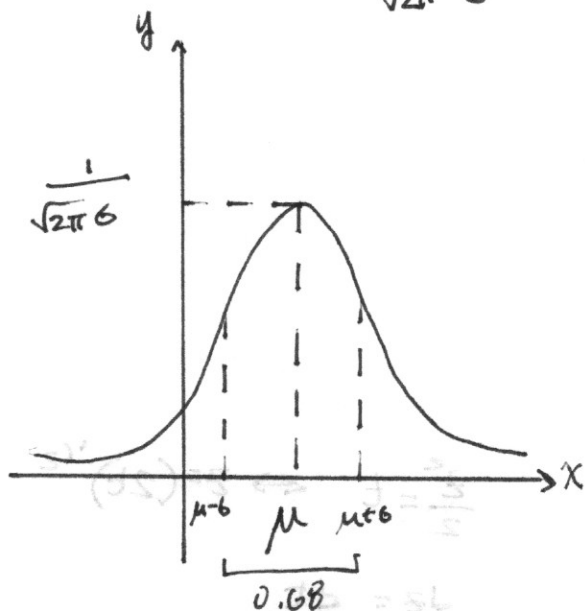
$$k = p/2$$

$$\beta = 2$$

p IS DEGREES OF FREEDOM

NORMAL (OR GAUSSIAN) DISTRIBUTION

$$f(x|\mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma} \cdot e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \text{ IS THE P.D.F. OF } N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$



$$P(|X - \mu| \leq \sigma) = 0.6826$$

$$P(|X - \mu| \leq 2\sigma) = 0.9544$$

$$P(|X - \mu| \leq 3\sigma) = 0.9974$$

THE CENTRAL LIMIT THEOREM

IF X_1, \dots, X_n ARE INDEPENDENT WITH $E[X_i] = \mu_i$ AND $\text{VAR}(X_i) = \sigma_i^2$, THEN, UNDER SOME CONDITIONS,

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2}}$$

$$\text{WE HAVE } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(Z_n > z) = \int_z^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot e^{-t^2/2} dt = P(Z > z)$$

Z IS THE STANDARD NORMAL VARIABLE, $Z \sim N(0, 1)$

$$E[X] = \mu + \sigma E[Z] = \mu; \text{VAR}(X) = \sigma^2 \text{VAR}(Z) = \sigma^2$$

MEAN VARIANCE

$$\Phi(x) = P(Z \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-z^2/2} dz$$

CUMULATIVE DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION

NORMAL APPROXIMATION OF BINOMIAL PROBABILITIES

$X \sim \text{BINOMIAL}(n, p)$

$$P(X=x | n, p) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

$X = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, X_i ARE INDEPENDENT BERNOULLI VARIABLES

$$E[X_i] = p, \text{VAR}(X_i) = p \cdot q; \quad p = P(X_i=1)$$

$$\frac{X - np}{\sqrt{npq}} \rightarrow N(0,1) \iff P\left(\frac{X - np}{\sqrt{npq}} < z\right) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\infty}^z \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2} dt$$

$$P(X=x) = P(x - 1/2 \leq X \leq x + 1/2)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{x - 1/2 - np}{\sqrt{npq}} \leq \frac{X - np}{\sqrt{npq}} \leq \frac{x + 1/2 - np}{\sqrt{npq}}\right)$$

z_1 z z_2

$$= \int_{z_1}^{z_2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2} dt$$

$$= \Phi(z_2) - \Phi(z_1)$$

