

Let X be a nonnegative rv with finite expectation μ . Consider $a > 0$ a constant.

Consider the inequality

$$a \mathbb{1}_{X \geq a} \leq \text{Inclusion? yes because}$$

$$\text{if } X \geq a \quad a(1) \leq X \Rightarrow X \geq a \checkmark$$

$$\text{if } X < a \quad a(0) \leq X \Rightarrow X \geq 0 \text{ true by assumption}$$

$$E[a \mathbb{1}_{X \geq a}] \leq \mu$$

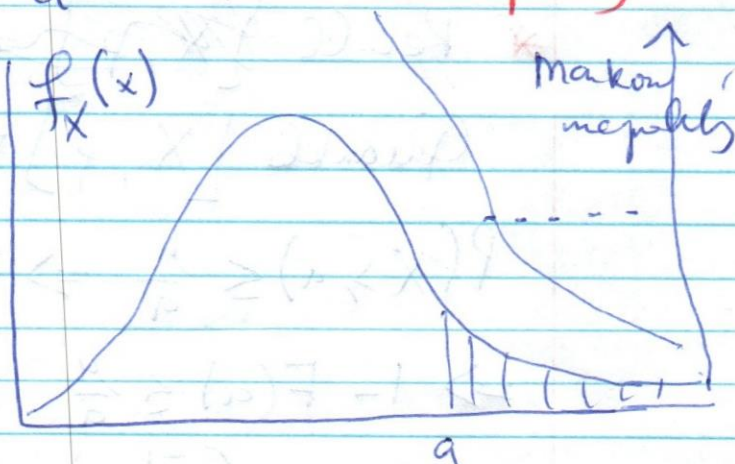
$$\Rightarrow a E[\mathbb{1}_{X \geq a}] \leq \mu$$

$$\Rightarrow a P(X \geq a) \leq \mu$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X \geq a) \leq \frac{\mu}{a}$$

Markov's inequality

tail bound



$$\Rightarrow 1-p \leq \frac{\mu}{F_X^{-1}(p)} \Rightarrow$$

$$\text{Quantile } [X, p] \leq \frac{\mu}{1-p}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{med}[X] \leq 2\mu$$

* Consider any rv X , $|X|$ is nonnegative

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

↑
ballon tail

* Let X be any rv with finite μ , finite σ^2

let $Y = (X - \mu)^2$ Note Y is nonnegative

$$P(Y \geq a^2) \leq \frac{E(Y)}{a^2} = \frac{E[(X - \mu)^2]}{a^2} = \frac{\sigma^2}{a^2}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow P(|X - \mu| \geq a) \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{a^2} \quad \text{Chebyshev's inequality}$$

* let X be any rv, let $Y = e^{tX}$ (Y is nonnegative)

$$P(Y \geq c) \leq \frac{E(Y)}{c}$$

$$P(e^{tX} \geq c) \leq \frac{E[e^{tX}]}{c} \leftarrow$$

$$\text{let } c = e^{ta} \\ \Rightarrow P(e^{tX} \geq e^{ta}) \leq \frac{E[e^{tX}]}{e^{ta}} = \frac{M_X(t)}{e^{ta}}$$

Note $M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}]$ is moment generating function

① if $t > 0$

$$P(X \geq a) \leq e^{-ta} M_X(t) \Rightarrow \text{~~P(X)~~}$$

② if $t < 0$

$$P(X \leq a) \leq e^{-ta} M_X(t)$$

$$\text{①} \Rightarrow P(X \geq a) \leq \min_{t > 0} \left\{ e^{-ta} M_X(t) \right\}$$

$$\text{②} \Rightarrow P(X \leq a) \leq \min_{t < 0} \left\{ e^{-ta} M_X(t) \right\}$$

Chernoff's
Inequality

Example let $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, \frac{1}{4}) \Rightarrow$

$$\mu = \frac{1}{4}n, \sigma^2 = \frac{3}{16}n$$

$$P(X \geq \frac{3}{4}n)?$$

if n is large $X \approx N(\frac{1}{4}n, (\sqrt{\frac{3}{16}n})^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \geq \frac{3}{4}n) &= P\left(\frac{X - \frac{1}{4}n}{\sqrt{\frac{3}{16}n}} \geq \frac{\frac{3}{4}n - \frac{1}{4}n}{\sqrt{\frac{3}{16}n}}\right) \\ &= P(Z \geq \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\sqrt{n}) \text{ if } n \text{ large} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Using Markov's

$$P(X \geq \frac{3}{4}n) \leq \frac{\frac{1}{4}n}{\frac{3}{4}n} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Using Chebyshev's

$$P(X \geq \frac{3}{4}n)$$

$$P(X - \frac{1}{4}n \geq \frac{3}{4}n - \frac{1}{4}n)$$

$$\leq P(X - \frac{1}{4}n \geq \frac{1}{2}n) +$$

$$P(\frac{1}{4}n - X \geq \frac{1}{2}n)$$

$$= P(X - \frac{1}{4}n \geq \frac{1}{2}n \text{ or } \frac{1}{4}n - X \geq \frac{1}{2}n)$$

$$= P\left(\left|X - \frac{1}{4}n\right|\right) \geq \frac{1}{2}n \leq \frac{\frac{3}{16}n}{\frac{1}{4}n^2} = \frac{3}{4n}$$

Example

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

$$\begin{aligned} M_X(t) &:= E[e^{tx}] = \sum_{x=0}^n e^{tx} \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^n \binom{n}{x} (e^t p)^x (1-p)^{n-x} = (1-p + pe^t)^n \end{aligned}$$

↑ Binomial theorem

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, \frac{1}{4}) \Rightarrow M_X(t) = \left(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4}e^t\right)^n$$

using Chernoff's.

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \geq \frac{3}{4}n) &\leq \min_{t>0} \left\{ e^{-t(\frac{3}{4}n)} \left(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4}e^t\right)^n \right\} \\ &= \min_{t>0} \left\{ \left(\frac{3}{4}e^{-\frac{3}{4}t} + \frac{1}{4}e^{\frac{1}{4}t}\right)^n \right\} \end{aligned}$$

to minimize take derivative of / set = 0

$$\Rightarrow e^{\frac{1}{4}t} = 9e^{-\frac{3}{4}t} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{4}t = \ln(9) - \frac{3}{4}t$$

$$\Rightarrow t_{\min} = \ln(9)$$

$$\text{Plug } t_{\min} \text{ to } P(X \geq \frac{3}{4}n)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow P(X \geq \frac{3}{4}n) &= \left(\frac{3}{4} e^{-\frac{3}{4} \ln(9)} + \frac{1}{4} e^{\frac{1}{4} \ln(9)} \right)^n \\
 &= \left(\frac{3}{4} \cdot 9^{-\frac{3}{4}} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 9^{\frac{1}{4}} \right)^n \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt[4]{9}}{4^n} \left(\frac{3}{9^{\frac{3}{4}}} + 1 \right)^n = \sqrt[4]{9} \left(\frac{1.004}{4} \right)^n \\
 &\rightarrow 0 \text{ Exponentially fast.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Consider any 2 RV X and Y

with finite μ 's and σ^2 's.

let $W = (X - cY)^2$ such that $c \in \mathbb{R}$

(Note that W is non-negative)

$$\Rightarrow E[W] \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow E[(X - cY)^2] \geq 0 \Rightarrow E[X^2 - 2cXY + c^2Y^2] \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow E[X^2] - 2cE[XY] + c^2E[Y^2] \geq 0$$

$$\text{let } c = \frac{E[XY]}{E[Y^2]}$$

$$\Rightarrow E[X^2] - 2 \frac{E[XY]^2}{E[Y^2]} + \frac{E[XY]^2}{E[Y^2]} \geq 0$$

$$E[X^2]E[Y^2] - 2E[XY]^2 + E[XY]^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow E[XY]^2 \leq E[X^2]E[Y^2]$$

$$\Rightarrow |E[XY]| \leq \sqrt{E[X^2]E[Y^2]}$$

Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality

Equality if $X = cY$

What is correlation? SE (Standard Error)

$$\text{Corr}[X, Y] = \text{Corr}[cY, Y] := \frac{\text{Cov}[cY, Y]}{\text{SE}[cY]\text{SE}[Y]}$$

$$= \frac{c \text{Cov}[Y, Y]}{|c| \text{SE}[Y]^2} = \frac{c \text{Var}[Y]}{|c| \text{Var}[Y]}$$

$$= \frac{c}{|c|} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } c > 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } c < 0 \end{cases}$$