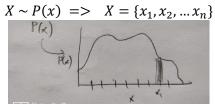
Lecture - 8

• *X* is a random variable drawn from a *Probability Mass Function* (PDM)



- $P(x_1)$ = Probability of getting x_1
 - o Frequentist: Fraction of times you get x_1
 - o Bayesian: how likely it is to measure x_1
- If x is continuous, then $x = x_1$ is very unlikely

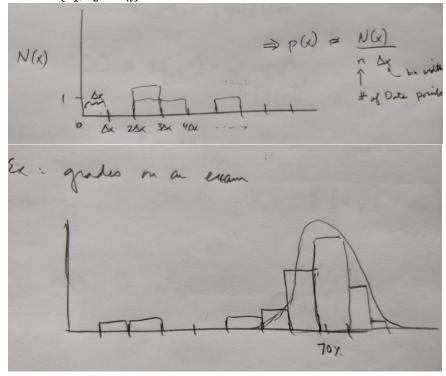
$$P(x \in [x_1, x_1 + \delta x])$$

$$\lim_{\delta x \to 0} P(x) = p(x)dx$$

where P(x) is the *Probability Density Function* (PDF)

Histogram:

- Plot data in a way that shows the PDF
- PDF = histogram with Infinite data, 0 bin-width & normalized
- $Data = \{x_1, x_2, ... x_n\}$



• E(x) is a PDF: $\int f(x)dx = 1$



• Expectation value:

$$E[x] = \int x f(x) dx = \mu$$
$$E[g(x)] = \int g(x) f(x) dx$$

• Variance:

$$V[x] = E[x^2] - \mu^2 = \sigma^2$$

• Standard Deviation:

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

Covariance:

$$cov[x, y] = E[x, y] - \mu_x \mu_y$$

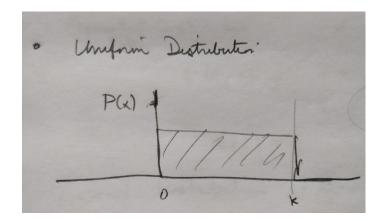
• Correlation coefficient:

$$P_{x,y} = \frac{cov[x,y]}{\sigma_x, \sigma_y}$$

Common Distributions:

• Uniform Distribution:

$$P(x) = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ to k, } \frac{1}{k} \text{ (equal probability to get any value)} \\ > 0, 0 \end{cases}$$



Binomial Distribution:

N independent experiments: true / false (or) succeed / fail (or) 1 / 0

If N is the no. of trials & n is the no. of successes where $0 \le n \le N$, then probability P of the experiment is given by

$$P \to f(n, N, p) = \frac{N!}{n! (N - n)!} p^n (1 - p)^{N - n}$$
$$E[n] = N_p V[n] = N_p (1 - p)$$

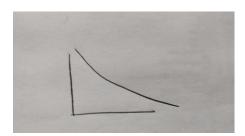
• Poisson Distribution:

Known rate (ν), $N \rightarrow \infty$, $p \rightarrow 0 => E[n] - N_p = \nu$

$$f(n,\nu) = \frac{\nu^n}{n!} e^{-n}$$

$$E[n] = 0$$
 $V[n] = 0$ $\sigma = \sqrt{\nu} \approx \sqrt{n}$

• Exponential Distribution:

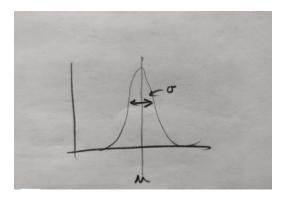


$$v \to \tau = \frac{1}{v}$$

$$f(t,\tau) = \begin{cases} \tau e^{\frac{-t}{z}}, & t \ge 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

 $E[t] = \tau \qquad V[t] = \tau^2$

• Normal Distribution:



$$f(x, \mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{\frac{-(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$
$$E[x] = \mu$$
$$V[x] = \sigma^2$$

Central Limit theorem:

N independent variable x_i with variance σ_i^2 $y = \sum x_i \quad (Gaussian\ Distribution)$ $E[y] = \sum x_i \quad V[y] = \sum \sigma_i^2$