

Recap: Joint Distribution Function

- ▶ Given X, Y rv on same probability space, joint distribution function: $F_{XY} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$F_{XY}(x, y) = P[X \leq x, Y \leq y]$$

- ▶ It satisfies

1. $F_{XY}(-\infty, y) = F_{XY}(x, -\infty) = 0, \forall x, y;$
 $F_{XY}(\infty, \infty) = 1$
2. F_{XY} is non-decreasing in each of its arguments
3. F_{XY} is right continuous and has left-hand limits in each of its arguments
4. For all $x_1 < x_2$ and $y_1 < y_2$

$$F_{XY}(x_2, y_2) - F_{XY}(x_2, y_1) - F_{XY}(x_1, y_2) + F_{XY}(x_1, y_1) \geq 0$$

- ▶ Any $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying the above would be a joint distribution function.

Recap: Joint Probability mass function

- ▶ $X \in \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$, $Y \in \{y_1, y_2, \dots\}$
- ▶ The joint pmf: $f_{XY}(x, y) = P[X = x, Y = y]$.
- ▶ The joint pmf satisfies:
 - A1 $f_{XY}(x, y) \geq 0, \forall x, y$ and non-zero only for x_i, y_j pairs
 - A2 $\sum_i \sum_j f_{XY}(x_i, y_j) = 1$
- ▶ Given the joint pmf, we can get the joint df as

$$F_{XY}(x, y) = \sum_{\substack{i: \\ x_i \leq x}} \sum_{\substack{j: \\ y_j \leq y}} f_{XY}(x_i, y_j)$$

- ▶ Any $f_{XY} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$ satisfying A1 and A2 above is a joint pmf. (The F_{XY} satisfies all properties of df).
- ▶ Given the joint pmf, we can (in principle) compute the probability of any event involving the two discrete random variables.

$$P[(X, Y) \in B] = \sum_{\substack{i, j: \\ (x_i, y_j) \in B}} f_{XY}(x_i, y_j)$$

Recap joint density

- ▶ Two cont rv X, Y have a joint density f_{XY} if

$$F_{XY}(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^y f_{XY}(x', y') dy' dx', \quad \forall x, y$$

- ▶ The joint density f_{XY} satisfies the following
 1. $f_{XY}(x, y) \geq 0, \quad \forall x, y$
 2. $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x', y') dy' dx' = 1$
- ▶ Any function $f_{XY} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying the above two is a joint density function. (Then the above F_{XY} can be shown to be a joint df).
- ▶ We also have

$$P[x_1 \leq X \leq x_2, y_1 \leq Y \leq y_2] = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \int_{y_1}^{y_2} f_{XY} dy dx$$

and, in general,

$$P[(X, Y) \in B] = \int_B f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy, \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}^2$$

Recap Marginals

- ▶ Marginal distribution functions of X, Y are

$$F_X(x) = F_{XY}(x, \infty); \quad F_Y(y) = F_{XY}(\infty, y)$$

- ▶ X, Y discrete with joint pmf f_{XY} . The marginal pmfs are

$$f_X(x) = \sum_y f_{XY}(x, y); \quad f_Y(y) = \sum_x f_{XY}(x, y)$$

- ▶ If X, Y have joint pdf f_{XY} then the marginal pdf are

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dy \quad f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dx$$

Recap Conditional distribution

- ▶ Let: $X \in \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ and $Y \in \{y_1, y_2, \dots\}$. Then

$$F_{X|Y}(x|y_j) = P[X \leq x | Y = y_j] = \frac{P[X \leq x, Y = y_j]}{P[Y = y_j]}$$

(We define $F_{X|Y}(x|y)$ only when $y = y_j$ for some j).

- ▶ For each y_j , $F_{X|Y}(x|y_j)$ is a df of a discrete rv in x .
- ▶ The pmf corresponding to this df is called conditional pmf

$$f_{X|Y}(x_i|y_j) = P[X = x_i | Y = y_j] = \frac{f_{XY}(x_i, y_j)}{f_Y(y_j)}$$

Recap Bayes rule for discrete rv's

- ▶ The conditional mass function is

$$f_{X|Y}(x_i|y_j) = P[X = x_i|Y = y_j] = \frac{f_{XY}(x_i, y_j)}{f_Y(y_j)}$$

- ▶ This gives us the useful identity

$$f_{XY}(x_i, y_j) = f_{X|Y}(x_i|y_j)f_Y(y_j)$$

- ▶ This gives us the total probability rule for rv's

$$f_X(x_i) = \sum_j f_{XY}(x_i, y_j) = \sum_j f_{X|Y}(x_i|y_j)f_Y(y_j)$$

- ▶ Also gives us Bayes rule for discrete rv

$$f_{X|Y}(x_i|y_j) = \frac{f_{Y|X}(y_j|x_i)f_X(x_i)}{\sum_i f_{Y|X}(y_j|x_i)f_X(x_i)}$$

Example: Conditional pmf

- ▶ Consider the random experiment of tossing a coin n times.
- ▶ Let X denote the number of heads and let Y denote the toss number on which the first head comes.
- ▶ For $1 \leq k \leq n$

$$\begin{aligned}f_{Y|X}(k|1) &= P[Y = k|X = 1] = \frac{P[Y = k, X = 1]}{P[X = 1]} \\&= \frac{p(1-p)^{n-1}}{{}^nC_1 p(1-p)^{n-1}} \\&= \frac{1}{n}\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Given there is only one head, it is equally likely to occur on any toss.

- ▶ Let X, Y be continuous rv's with joint density, f_{XY} .
- ▶ We once again want to define conditional df

$$F_{X|Y}(x|y) = P[X \leq x | Y = y]$$

- ▶ But the conditioning event, $[Y = y]$ has zero probability.
- ▶ Hence we define conditional df as follows

$$F_{X|Y}(x|y) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} P[X \leq x | Y \in [y, y + \delta]]$$

- ▶ This is well defined if the limit exists.
- ▶ The limit exists for all y where $f_Y(y) > 0$ (and for all x)

- ▶ The conditional df is given by (assuming $f_Y(y) > 0$)

$$\begin{aligned} F_{X|Y}(x|y) &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} P[X \leq x | Y \in [y, y + \delta]] \\ &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{P[X \leq x, Y \in [y, y + \delta]]}{P[Y \in [y, y + \delta]]} \\ &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_{-\infty}^x \int_y^{y+\delta} f_{XY}(x', y') dy' dx'}{\int_y^{y+\delta} f_Y(y') dy'} \\ &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_{-\infty}^x f_{XY}(x', y) \delta dx'}{f_Y(y) \delta} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{f_{XY}(x', y)}{f_Y(y)} dx' \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ We define conditional density of X given Y as

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{XY}(x, y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

- ▶ Let X, Y have joint density f_{XY} .
- ▶ The conditional df of X given Y is

$$F_{X|Y}(x|y) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} P[X \leq x | Y \in [y, y + \delta]]$$

- ▶ This exists if $f_Y(y) > 0$ and then it has a density:

$$F_{X|Y}(x|y) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_{X|Y}(x'|y) dx'$$

- ▶ This conditional density is given by

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{XY}(x, y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

- ▶ We (once again) have the useful identity

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y) = f_{Y|X}(y|x) f_X(x)$$

Example

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = 2, \quad 0 < x < y < 1$$

- ▶ We saw that the marginal densities are

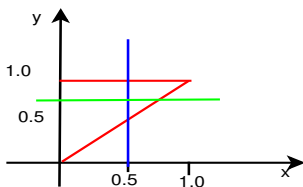
$$f_X(x) = 2(1 - x), \quad 0 < x < 1; \quad f_Y(y) = 2y, \quad 0 < y < 1$$

- ▶ Hence the conditional densities are given by

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{XY}(x, y)}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{1}{y}, \quad 0 < x < y < 1$$

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{XY}(x, y)}{f_X(x)} = \frac{1}{1 - x}, \quad 0 < x < y < 1$$

- ▶ We can see this intuitively like this



- ▶ The identity $f_{XY}(x, y) = f_{X|Y}(x|y)f_Y(y)$ can be used to specify the joint density of two continuous rv's
- ▶ We can specify the marginal density of one and the conditional density of the other given the first.
- ▶ This may actually be the model of how the the rv's are generated.

Example

- ▶ Let X be uniform over $(0, 1)$ and let Y be uniform over 0 to X . Find the density of Y .
- ▶ What we are given is

$$f_X(x) = 1, 0 < x < 1; \quad f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{1}{x}, 0 < y < x < 1$$

- ▶ Hence the joint density is:
 $f_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{1}{x}, 0 < y < x < 1.$
- ▶ Hence the density of Y is

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dx = \int_y^1 \frac{1}{x} dx = -\ln(y), 0 < y < 1$$

- ▶ We can verify it to be a density

$$-\int_0^1 \ln(y) dy = -y \ln(y)|_0^1 + \int_0^1 y \frac{1}{y} dy = 1$$

- ▶ We have the identity

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y)$$

- ▶ By integrating both sides

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y) dy$$

- ▶ This is a continuous analogue of total probability rule.
- ▶ But note that, since X is continuous rv, $f_X(x)$ is **NOT** $P[X = x]$
- ▶ In case of discrete rv, the mass function value $f_X(x)$ is equal to $P[X = x]$ and we had

$$f_X(x) = \sum_y f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y)$$

- ▶ It is as if one can simply replace pmf by pdf and summation by integration!!
- ▶ While often that gives the right result, one needs to be very careful

- ▶ We have the identity

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y) = f_{Y|X}(y|x) f_X(x)$$

- ▶ This gives rise to Bayes rule for continuous rv

$$\begin{aligned} f_{X|Y}(x|y) &= \frac{f_{Y|X}(y|x) f_X(x)}{f_Y(y)} \\ &= \frac{f_{Y|X}(y|x) f_X(x)}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y|X}(y|x) f_X(x) dx} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ This is essentially identical to Bayes rule for discrete rv's. We have essentially put the pdf wherever there was pmf

- ▶ To recap, we started by defining conditional distribution function.

$$F_{X|Y}(x|y) = P[X \leq x | Y = y]$$

- ▶ When X, Y are discrete, we define this only for $y = y_j$. That is, we define it only for all values that Y can take.
- ▶ When X, Y have joint density, we defined it by

$$F_{X|Y}(x|y) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} P[X \leq x | Y \in [y, y + \delta]]$$

This limit exists and $F_{X|Y}$ is well defined if $f_Y(y) > 0$. That is, essentially again for all values that Y can take.

- ▶ In the discrete case, we define $f_{X|Y}$ as the pmf corresponding to $F_{X|Y}$. This conditional pmf can also be defined as a conditional probability
- ▶ In the continuous case $f_{X|Y}$ is the density corresponding to $F_{X|Y}$.
- ▶ In both cases we have: $f_{XY}(x, y) = f_{X|Y}(x|y)f_Y(y)$
- ▶ This gives total probability rule and Bayes rule for random variables

- ▶ Now, let X be a continuous rv and let Y be discrete rv.
- ▶ We can define $F_{X|Y}$ as

$$F_{X|Y}(x|y) = P[X \leq x | Y = y]$$

This is well defined for all values that y takes. (We consider only those y)

- ▶ Since X is continuous rv, this df would have a density

$$F_{X|Y}(x|y) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_{X|Y}(x'|y) dx'$$

- ▶ Hence we can write

$$\begin{aligned} P[X \leq x, Y = y] &= F_{X|Y}(x|y) P[Y = y] \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^x f_{X|Y}(x'|y) f_Y(y) dx' \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ We now get

$$\begin{aligned} F_X(x) &= P[X \leq x] = \sum_y P[X \leq x, Y = y] \\ &= \sum_y \int_{-\infty}^x f_{X|Y}(x'|y) f_Y(y) dx' \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^x \sum_y f_{X|Y}(x'|y) f_Y(y) dx' \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ This gives us

$$f_X(x) = \sum_y f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y)$$

- ▶ This is another version of total probability rule.
- ▶ Earlier we derived this when X, Y are discrete.
- ▶ The formula is true even when X is continuous
Only difference is we need to take f_X as the density of X .

- ▶ When X, Y are discrete we have

$$f_X(x) = \sum_y f_{X|Y}(x|y)f_Y(y) \quad (P[X = x] = \sum_y P[X = x|Y = y]P[Y = y])$$

- ▶ When X is continuous and Y is discrete, we defined $f_{X|Y}(x|y)$ to be the density corresponding to $F_{X|Y}(x|y) = P[X \leq x|Y = y]$
- ▶ Then we once again get

$$f_X(x) = \sum_y f_{X|Y}(x|y)f_Y(y)$$

Now, f_X is density (and not a mass function).

- ▶ Suppose $Y \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $f_Y(i) = \lambda_i$; let $f_{X|Y}(x|i) = f_i(x)$

$$f_X(x) = \lambda_1 f_1(x) + \lambda_2 f_2(x) + \lambda_3 f_3(x)$$

Called a mixture density model

- ▶ Continuing with X continuous rv and Y discrete. We have

$$F_{X|Y}(x|y) = P[X \leq x|Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^x f_{X|Y}(x'|y) dx'$$

- ▶ We also have

$$P[X \leq x, Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^x f_{X|Y}(x'|y) f_Y(y) dx'$$

- ▶ Hence we can define a 'joint density'

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = f_{X|Y}(x|y)f_Y(y)$$

- ▶ This is a kind of mixed density and mass function.
- ▶ We will not be using such 'joint densities' here

- ▶ Continuing with X continuous rv and Y discrete
- ▶ Can we define $f_{Y|X}(y|x)$?
- ▶ Since Y is discrete, this (conditional) mass function is

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = P[Y = y|X = x]$$

But the conditioning event has zero prob

We now know how to handle it

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} P[Y = y|X \in [x, x + \delta]]$$

- ▶ For simplifying this we note the following:

$$P[X \leq x, Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^x f_{X|Y}(x'|y) f_Y(y) dx'$$

$$\Rightarrow P[X \in [x, x+\delta], Y = y] = \int_x^{x+\delta} f_{X|Y}(x'|y) f_Y(y) dx'$$

- We have

$$\begin{aligned} f_{Y|X}(y|x) &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} P[Y = y | X \in [x, x + \delta]] \\ &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{P[Y = y, X \in [x, x + \delta]]}{P[X \in [x, x + \delta]]} \\ &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_x^{x+\delta} f_{X|Y}(x'|y) f_Y(y) dx'}{\int_x^{x+\delta} f_X(x') dx'} \\ &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_{X|Y}(x|y) \delta f_Y(y)}{f_X(x) \delta} \\ &= \frac{f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y)}{f_X(x)} \end{aligned}$$

- This gives us further versions of total probability rule and Bayes rule.

- ▶ First let us look at the total probability rule possibilities
- ▶ When X is continuous rv and Y is discrete rv, we derived

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x)f_X(x) = f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y)$$

Note that f_Y is mass fn, f_X is density and so on.

- ▶ Since $f_{X|Y}$ is a density (corresponding to $F_{X|Y}$),

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx = 1$$

- ▶ Hence we get

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y|X}(y|x)f_X(x) dx$$

- ▶ Earlier we derived the same formula when X, Y have a joint density.

- ▶ Let us review all the total probability formulas

$$1. f_X(x) = \sum_y f_{X|Y}(x|y)f_Y(y)$$

- ▶ We first derived this when X, Y are discrete.
- ▶ But now we proved this holds when Y is discrete
If X is continuous the $f_X, f_{X|Y}$ are densities; If X is also discrete they are mass functions

$$2. f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y|X}(y|x)f_X(x) dx$$

- ▶ We first proved it when X, Y have a joint density
We now know it holds also when X is cont and Y is discrete. In that case f_Y is a mass function

- ▶ When X is continuous rv and Y is discrete rv, we derived

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x)f_X(x) = f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y)$$

- ▶ This once again gives rise to Bayes rule:

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y)}{f_X(x)} \quad f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{Y|X}(y|x)f_X(x)}{f_Y(y)}$$

- ▶ Earlier we showed this hold when X, Y are both discrete or both continuous.
- ▶ Thus Bayes rule holds in all four possible scenarios
- ▶ Only difference is we need to interpret f_X or $f_{X|Y}$ as mass functions when X is discrete and as densities when X is a continuous rv
- ▶ In general, one refers to these always as densities since the actual meaning would be clear from context.

Example

- ▶ Consider a communication system. The transmitter puts out 0 or 5 volts for the bits of 0 and 1, and, voltage measured by the receiver is the sent voltage plus noise added by the channel.
- ▶ We assume noise has Gaussian density with mean zero and variance σ^2 .
- ▶ We may want the probability that the sent bit is 1 when measured voltage at the receiver is x to decide what is sent.
- ▶ Let X be the measured voltage and let Y be sent bit.
- ▶ We want to calculate $f_{Y|X}(1|x)$.
- ▶ We want to use the Bayes rule to calculate this

- ▶ We need $f_{X|Y}$. What does our model say?
- ▶ $f_{X|Y}(x|1)$ is Gaussian with mean 5 and variance σ^2 and $f_{X|Y}(x|0)$ is Gaussian with mean zero and variance σ^2

$$P[Y = 1|X = x] = f_{Y|X}(1|x) = \frac{f_{X|Y}(x|1) f_Y(1)}{f_X(x)}$$

- ▶ We need $f_Y(1), f_Y(0)$. Let us take them to be same.
- ▶ In practice we only want to know whether $f_{Y|X}(1|x) > f_{Y|X}(0|x)$
- ▶ Then we do not need to calculate $f_X(x)$.
We only need ratio of $f_{Y|X}(1|x)$ and $f_{Y|X}(0|x)$.

- ▶ The ratio of the two probabilities is

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{f_{Y|X}(1|x)}{f_{Y|X}(0|x)} &= \frac{f_{X|Y}(x|1) f_Y(1)}{f_{X|Y}(x|0) f_Y(0)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x-5)^2}}{\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x-0)^2}} \\ &= e^{-0.5\sigma^{-2}(x^2-10x+25-x^2)}\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ We are only interested in whether the above is greater than 1 or not.
- ▶ The ratio is greater than 1 if $10x > 25$ or $x > 2.5$
- ▶ So, if $X > 2.5$ we will conclude bit 1 is sent. Intuitively obvious!

- ▶ We did not calculate $f_X(x)$ in the above.
- ▶ We can calculate it if we want.
- ▶ Using total probability rule

$$\begin{aligned}f_X(x) &= \sum_y f_{X|Y}(x|y)f_Y(y) \\&= f_{X|Y}(x|1)f_Y(1) + f_{X|Y}(x|0)f_Y(0) \\&= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-5)^2}{2\sigma^2}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}}\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ It is a mixture density

- ▶ As we saw, given the joint distribution we can calculate all the marginals.
- ▶ However, there can be many joint distributions with the same marginals.
- ▶ Let F_1, F_2 be one dimensional df's of continuous rv's with f_1, f_2 being the corresponding densities.

Define a function $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$f(x, y) = f_1(x)f_2(y) [1 + \alpha(2F_1(x) - 1)(2F_2(y) - 1)]$$

where $\alpha \in (-1, 1)$.

- ▶ First note that $f(x, y) \geq 0, \forall \alpha \in (-1, 1)$.
For different α we get different functions.
- ▶ We first show that $f(x, y)$ is a joint density.
- ▶ For this, we note the following

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(x) F_1(x) dx = \frac{(F_1(x))^2}{2} \Bigg|_{-\infty}^{\infty} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f(x, y) = f_1(x)f_2(y) [1 + \alpha(2F_1(x) - 1)(2F_2(y) - 1)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) \, dx \, dy &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(x) \, dx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_2(y) \, dy \\ &\quad + \alpha \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (2f_1(x)F_1(x) - f_1(x)) \, dx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (2f_2(y)F_2(y) - f_2(y)) \, dy \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

because $2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(x) F_1(x) \, dx = 1$. This also shows

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) \, dx = f_2(y); \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) \, dy = f_1(x)$$

- ▶ Thus infinitely many joint distributions can all have the same marginals.
- ▶ So, in general, the marginals cannot determine the joint distribution.
- ▶ An important special case where this is possible is that of independent random variables

Independent Random Variables

- ▶ Two random variable X, Y are said to be independent if for all Borel sets B_1, B_2 , the events $[X \in B_1]$ and $[Y \in B_2]$ are independent.
- ▶ If X, Y are independent then

$$P[X \in B_1, Y \in B_2] = P[X \in B_1] P[Y \in B_2], \quad \forall B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}$$

- ▶ In particular

$$F_{XY}(x, y) = P[X \leq x, Y \leq y] = P[X \leq x]P[Y \leq y] = F_X(x) F_Y(y)$$

- ▶ **Theorem:** X, Y are independent if and only if $F_{XY}(x, y) = F_X(x)F_Y(y)$.

- ▶ Suppose X, Y are independent discrete rv's

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = P[X = x, Y = y] = P[X = x]P[Y = y] = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$$

The joint mass function is a product of marginals.

- ▶ Suppose $f_{XY}(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} F_{XY}(x, y) &= \sum_{x_i \leq x, y_j \leq y} f_{XY}(x_i, y_j) = \sum_{x_i \leq x, y_j \leq y} f_X(x_i)f_Y(y_j) \\ &= \sum_{x_i \leq x} f_X(x_i) \sum_{y_j \leq y} f_Y(y_j) = F_X(x)F_Y(y) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ So, X, Y are independent if and only if $f_{XY}(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$

- ▶ Let X, Y be independent continuous rv

$$\begin{aligned} F_{XY}(x, y) &= F_X(x)F_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(x') dx' \int_{-\infty}^y f_Y(y') dy' \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^y \int_{-\infty}^x (f_X(x')f_Y(y')) dx' dy' \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ This implies joint density is product of marginals.
- ▶ Now, suppose $f_{XY}(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$

$$\begin{aligned} F_{XY}(x, y) &= \int_{-\infty}^y \int_{-\infty}^x f_{XY}(x', y') dx' dy' \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^y \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(x')f_Y(y') dx' dy' \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(x') dx' \int_{-\infty}^y f_Y(y') dy' = F_X(x)F_Y(y) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ So, X, Y are independent if and only if $f_{XY}(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$

- ▶ Let X, Y be independent.
- ▶ Then $P[X \in B_1 | Y \in B_2] = P[X \in B_1]$.
- ▶ Hence, we get $F_{X|Y}(x|y) = F_X(x)$.
- ▶ This also implies $f_{X|Y}(x|y) = f_X(x)$.
- ▶ This is true for all the four possibilities of X, Y being continuous/discrete.