

This week. 2.5 (random vectors)

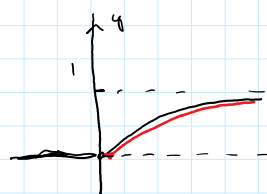
3.1, 3.5 (examples of discrete r.v.)

3.2 Independence, 3.3 Expectation.

Ex 1. Let  $X$  be exponential ( $\lambda$ ) - r.v.

H, pdf is  $f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$ ,  $x > 0$ ;

a) Find  $P(X > x)$ ,  $x > 0$ , and df.



Answer.  $P(X > x) = \lambda \int_x^{\infty} e^{-\lambda t} dt = e^{-\lambda x} \Big|_x^{\infty} = e^{-\lambda x}$ ,  $x > 0$ .

$F(x) = P(X \leq x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda x}$ ,  $x > 0$ .

b) Find the inverse.

Answer. Given  $0 < v < 1$ , solve the equation  $v = F(x)$  for  $x$ :

$$v = 1 - e^{-\lambda x}, \quad e^{-\lambda x} = 1 - v, \quad -\lambda x = \ln(1 - v), \quad x = -\frac{\ln(1 - v)}{\lambda}$$

$$\text{So, } F^{-1}(v) = -\frac{\ln(1 - v)}{\lambda}, \quad 0 < v < 1$$

$$F^{-1}(0) = 0$$

## 2.5. Random vectors

Often we need to regard r.v.'s  $X_1, \dots, X_d$  as components of a random vector

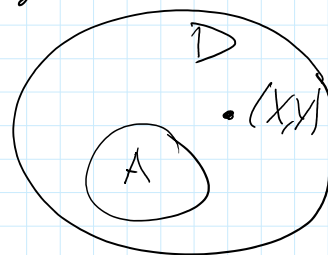
$$X = (X_1, \dots, X_d)$$

Example 1. A dart is flung at a target  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ .

Let  $(X, Y)$  be coordinates of the hit.

Assume any point in  $D$  can be hit "equally likely". In this case,

$$P((X, Y) \in A) = \frac{|A|}{|D|}, \quad |A| \text{ is area of } A \subset D,$$



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$A, D \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $\sigma$ -field of all  $A \subset D$  that have area.

Note  $\frac{P((X, Y) \in A)}{|A|} = \frac{1}{|D|}$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{B}$ :

$\frac{1}{|D|}$  is probability density.

Def. We say  $(X, Y)$  is uniform r. vector in  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ .

Example 2. A die with  $P(1) = p_1, \dots, P(6) = p_6$ ,  $p_1 + \dots + p_6 = 1$ , is rolled  $n$ -times. Consider

$X = (X_1, \dots, X_6)$ , where  $X_i$  is the number of  $i$ 's in  $n$  rolls.  $X$  is called multinomial r. vector:

$$a) \left\{ \begin{aligned} P(X_1 = k_1, \dots, X_6 = k_6) &= \binom{n}{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_6} p_1^{k_1} \dots p_6^{k_6} \\ k_1 + \dots + k_6 &= n \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$b) X_1 + \dots + X_6 = n$$

$$c) \text{ If } p_1 = \dots = p_6 = \frac{1}{6}, \text{ then } p_1^{k_1} \dots p_6^{k_6} = \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^n = \frac{1}{6^n} = 6^{-n}.$$

Def. A r. vector (or r.v.)  $X$  taking values in a finite set  $\{e_1, \dots, e_N\}$  is called uniform if  $P(X = e_1) = \dots = P(X = e_N) = \frac{1}{N}$ .

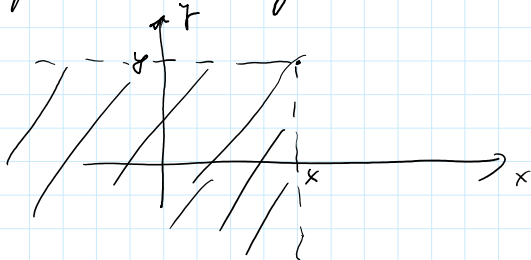
Def. Joint df of  $X = (X_1, \dots, X_d)$  is the function

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_d) = P(X_1 \leq x_1, \dots, X_d \leq x_d), -\infty < x_1, \dots, x_d < \infty.$$

If  $d=2$ ,  $V = (X, Y)$ , the df

$$F(x, y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y) = P((X, Y) \in (-\infty, x] \times (-\infty, y])$$

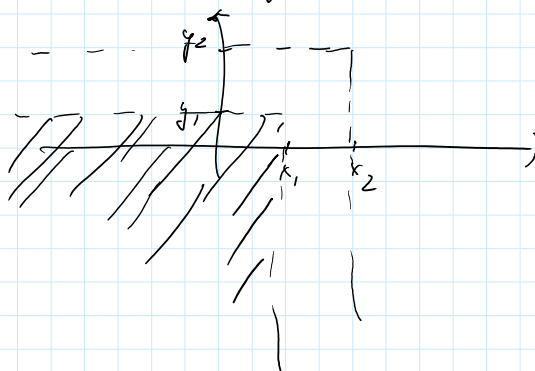
is the probability that  $(X, Y)$  falls into shadowed region:



Properties of  $F(x, y)$

1.  $0 \leq F(x, y) \leq 1$ ; If  $x_1 \leq x_2$ ,  $y_1 \leq y_2$ , then

$$F(x_1, y_1) \leq F(x_2, y_2)$$



$$2. \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow \infty \\ y \rightarrow \infty}} F(x, y) = 1,$$

$$\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow -\infty \\ \text{or } y \rightarrow -\infty}} F(x, y) = 0$$

$$3. \lim_{u, v \downarrow 0} F(x+u, y+v) = F(x, y).$$

Remark 1.  $F(x, y)$  contains everything about probabilities related to  $(X, Y)$  including marginal df's:

$$F_X(x) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y), \quad F_Y(y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y) \quad \text{because}$$

$$\{X \leq x\} = \{X \leq x, Y < \infty\} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{X \leq x, Y \leq n\} \quad \text{implies}$$

↑ increasing

$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X \leq x, Y \leq n) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y).$$

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## Jointly cont. r. vectors

{ Def.  $(X, Y)$  is a continuous r. vector if there is  $f \geq 0$  so that i.e. if

$$F(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^x \left( \int_{-\infty}^y f(u, v) dv \right) du, \quad -\infty < x, y < \infty.$$

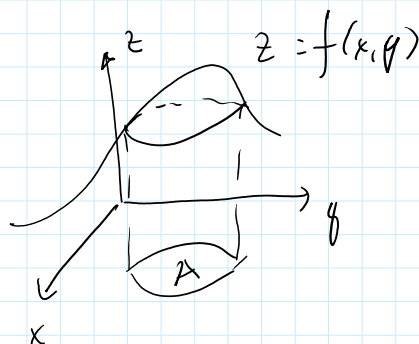
$f(x, y)$  is called joint pdf of  $(X, Y)$ .

Note if  $(X, Y)$  is continuous, then

(i)  $F(x, y)$  is continuous;

(ii) joint pdf

$$f(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2 F(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y}$$



(iii) For  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ ,

$$P((X, Y) \in A) = \iint_A f(x, y) dx dy, \quad A \in \mathcal{B}.$$

Geometrically, it is the volume under  $z = f(x, y)$  above  $A$ .

Ex 1. Let  $(X, Y)$  be continuous. Find

$$a) P(X=Y) = 0; \quad b) P(Y=h(X)) = 0$$

Answer. a)  $P(X=Y) = P((X, Y) \in \Delta) = \iint_{\Delta} f(x, y) dx dy = 0$

$\Delta = \{(x, y) : x=y\}$  is the line: there is no volume above  $\Delta$ .

b) Similarly,  $A = \{ (x, y) : y = h(x) \}$  is a curve ...

Also,  $P((X, Y) = (a, b)) = 0$ .

Ex 2. Let  $(X, Y)$  be continuous with joint pdf  $F(x, y)$  and joint pdf  $f(x, y)$ .

Then  $X$  is continuous with

$$F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u, y) dy \right) du, \quad f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy.$$

Answer.

For any  $x, y$

$$F(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^x \left( \int_{-\infty}^y f(u, v) dv \right) du$$

We found that  $F_X(x) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^x \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u, v) dv \right) du,$

$$f_X(x) = F_X'(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, v) dv, \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

Similarly,  $f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx, \quad -\infty < y < \infty.$