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Continuous Random Variable II

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Student Notebook

★ Conditional PDF

$$P(X \in B | A) = \int_B f_{X|A}(x) dx$$

$$f_{X|A}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \notin A \\ \frac{f_X(x)}{P(A)} & \text{if } x \in A \end{cases}$$

★ Conditional Expectation

$$E[X|A] = \int x f_{X|A}(x) dx$$

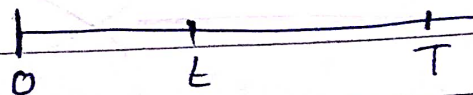
$$E[g(x)|A] = \int g(x) f_{X|A}(x) dx$$

{ Expected value rule }

★ Memorylessness of the exponential PDF

⇒ Let the life of a light bulb be given by:

$$P(T > x) = e^{-\lambda x}$$



⇒ We are told that $T > t$

⇒ Let X : remaining Lifetime $= T - t$

$P(X > x | T > t)$ { Probability distribution on remaining lifetime, given bulb has been used for t time }

$$\Rightarrow P(T - t > x | T > t)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(T > t + x | T > t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P(T > t + x, T > t)}{P(T > t)} = \frac{P(T > t + x)}{P(T > t)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{e^{-\lambda(t+x)}}{e^{-\lambda t}} = e^{-\lambda x} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Same PDF as if bulb} \\ \text{was new} \end{array} \right\}$$

\Rightarrow This property is called **Memorylessness**.

★ Total probability and expectation theorem

$$P(X \leq x) = P(A_1) P(X \leq x | A_1) + \dots + P(A_n) P(X \leq x | A_n)$$

$$F_X(x) = P(A_1) F_{X|A_1}(x) + \dots + P(A_n) F_{X|A_n}(x)$$

\rightarrow CDF of random variable x

\Rightarrow Differentiating both side.

$$f_X(x) = P(A_1) f_{X|A_1}(x) + \dots + P(A_n) f_{X|A_n}(x)$$

{ **Total probability theorem** }

⇒ Multiplying both side by x and integrating,

$$\int x f_X(x) dx = P(A_1) \int x f_{X|A_1}(x) dx + \dots + P(A_n) \int x f_{X|A_n}(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{E[X] = P(A_1) E[X|A_1] + \dots + P(A_n) E[X|A_n]}$$

Total Expectation theorem

* Mixed distribution

⇒ Let us consider the following random variable:

$$X = \begin{cases} \text{Uniform } [0, 2] & \text{with probability } \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & \text{with probability } \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

→ X is not discrete as X varies over a continuous range $[0, 2]$.

→ X is not continuous because there is no pdf associated.

⇒ These variables are called mixed random variables.

⇒ These can be described with help of CDF.

$$X = \begin{cases} Y, & \text{with probability } p \\ Z, & \text{with probability } 1-p \end{cases}$$

Where, $Y \Rightarrow$ discrete
 $Z \Rightarrow$ continuous

$$F_X(x) = pF_Y(x) + (1-p)F_Z(x)$$

★ Joint PDFs

$$P((X,Y) \in B) = \iint_{(x,y) \in B} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx dy$$

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

\Rightarrow Two random variable are jointly continuous if they can be described by a joint PDF.

Example: Let X be a continuous random variable and let $Y = g(X)$

\Rightarrow The variable X and Y are not jointly continuous.

★ Marginal PDFs

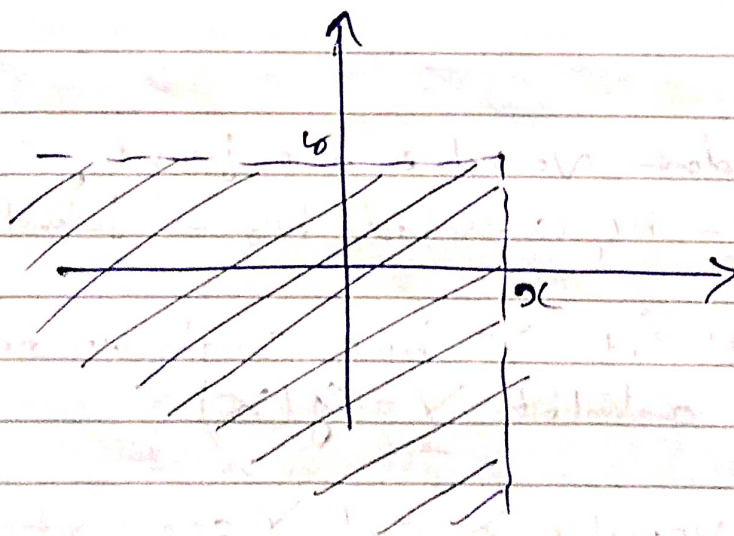
$$f_x(x) = \int f_{xy}(x,y) dy$$

$$f_y(y) = \int f_{xy}(x,y) dx$$

★ Joint CDF

$$F_{xy}(x,y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^y \int_{-\infty}^x f_{xy}(s,t) ds dt$$



$$f_{xy}(x,y) = \frac{\partial^2 F_{xy}}{\partial x \partial y}(x,y)$$