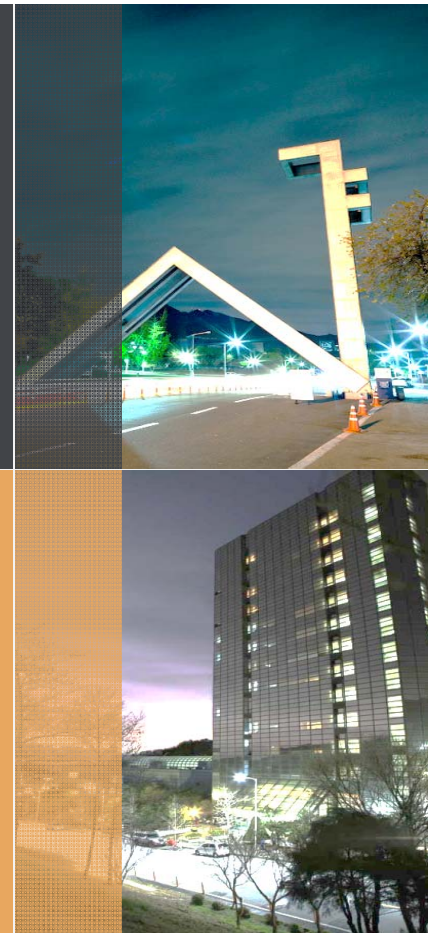




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Moments

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Key Definitions

- Definition: **k-th moment** of $X \equiv E[X^k]$

- Definition: **Variance**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}[X] &= E[(X - E[X])^2] \\ &= E[X^2] - E[X]^2\end{aligned}$$

- Definition: **Standard deviation**

$$\sigma[X] = \sqrt{\text{Var}[X]}$$

Variance: Binomial

- X : Binomial r v with n, p
- $E[X^2] = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} p^j \cdot (1-p)^{n-j} \cdot j^2$
 $= \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{n!}{(n-j)!j!} p^j \cdot (1-p)^{n-j} \cdot ((j^2 - j) + j)$
 \vdots
 $= n(n-1)p^2 + np$
- $\text{Var}[X] = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$
 $= np(1-p)$
- More simply, X is sum of n independent Bernoulli r v
- $\text{Var}[X] = \text{Var}[\sum_i X_i]$
 $= \sum_i \text{Var}[X_i]$
 $= np(1-p)$

Generally,
 $\text{Var}[\sum_i X_i] = \sum_i \text{Var}[X_i]$

Variance: Geometric R V

- Y: Geometric random variable

- We know $E[Y] = 1/p$

- From $\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x^i$, we obtain

$$\left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i \cdot x^{i-1}$$

$$2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right)^3 = \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} i \cdot (i-1) \cdot x^{i-2}$$

- $E[Y^2] = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} p(1-p)^{i-1} \cdot i^2$
 $= \frac{2-p}{p^2}$

$$\sum i^2 \cdot x^i = \sum (i+1)(i+2)x^i - 3 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1)x^i + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x^i$$

- $Var[Y] = E[Y^2] - (E[Y])^2$
 $= \frac{1-p}{p^2}$

Independence

- Note that $E[X+Y] = E[X] + E[Y]$ holds even if X and Y are dependent
- How about $E[X \cdot Y] \equiv E[X] \cdot E[Y]$?
 - True only if X and Y are independent
 - Counter example:
 - Flip two coins
 - X : Indicator function of first coin = heads
 - Y : Sum of heads in two coin flips
 - $E[X] = \frac{1}{2}$
 - $E[Y] = 1$
 - $E[X \cdot Y] = \sum_i \sum_j i \cdot j \Pr((X=i) \cap (Y=j))$
 - Independent
 - X : Indicator function of first coin = heads
 - Y : Indicator function of second coin = heads

Independence

- Theorem: If X and Y are independent,
then $E[X \cdot Y] = E[X] \cdot E[Y]$

- Proof

$$\begin{aligned} - E[X \cdot Y] &= \sum_i \sum_j i \cdot j \Pr((X=i) \cap (Y=j)) \\ &= \sum_i \sum_j i \cdot j \Pr(X=i) \cdot \Pr(Y=j) \\ &= \end{aligned}$$

Independence

- **Covariance** of two r.v. X and Y

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - E[X]) \cdot (Y - E[Y])]$$

- Theorem: $\text{Var}[X+Y] = \text{Var}[X] + \text{Var}[Y] + 2 \cdot \text{Cov}(X, Y)$

- Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} - \text{Var}[X+Y] &= E[((X + Y) - (E[X] + E[Y]))^2] \\ &= E[(X - E[X]) + (Y - E[Y])^2] \end{aligned}$$

- If X and Y are independent,

then $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$ and

$$\text{Var}[X+Y] = \text{Var}[X] + \text{Var}[Y]$$

- Proof

$$\begin{aligned} - \text{Cov}(X, Y) &= E[(X - E[X]) \cdot (Y - E[Y])] \\ &= E[X \cdot Y - X \cdot E[Y] - Y \cdot E[X] + E[X] \cdot E[Y]] \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Moment Generating Function

- Function that generates moments

$$M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}] = \sum_i e^{tx_i} \cdot \Pr(X = x_i)$$

- $E[X^n] = M_X^{(n)}(0)$

- where $M_X^{(n)}(t)$ is n th derivative of $M_X(t)$

- Proof

- If we (can) exchange expectation and differentiation operands
 - Then, $M_X^{(n)}(t) = E[X^n \cdot e^{tX}]$
 - At $t=0$, $M_X^{(n)}(0) = E[X^n]$

True! But omit the proof



MGF – Example

- Geometric Distribution, $\Pr(X=k) = (1-p)^{k-1} \cdot p$

- $M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}]$

- $= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1-p)^{k-1} \cdot p \cdot e^{tk}$

- $= \frac{p}{1-p} (1 - (1-p)e^t)^{-1} - 1$

- $M_X^{(1)}(t) = p(1 - (1-p)e^t)^{-2} e^t$

- $M_X^{(2)}(t) = 2p(1-p)(1 - (1-p)e^t)^{-3} e^{2t} + p(1 - (1-p)e^t)^{-2} e^t$

Properties

- If two random variables X and Y have the same MGF, then $X \equiv Y$

- If X and Y are independent r.v., then

$$M_{X+Y}(t) = M_X(t) M_Y(t)$$

- Proof

$$\begin{aligned} - M_{X+Y}(t) &= E[e^{t(X+Y)}] \\ &= E[e^{tX} \cdot e^{tY}] \\ &= M_X(t) \cdot M_Y(t) \end{aligned}$$