

# Multivariate distributions

Moment generating functions

*Definition:* The **joint moment generating function** of  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  is

$$\underbrace{M_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(t_1, \dots, t_n)}_{\text{def}} = \mathbb{E} e^{t_1 X_1 + \dots + t_n X_n}, \quad t_1, \dots, t_n \in \mathbb{R}$$

if the expectation exists for all  $-h < t_1, \dots, t_n < h$  for some  $h > 0$

- Joint mgf can provide univariate mgfs

$$\underbrace{M_{X_i}(t_i)}_{\text{def}} = M_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(t_1 = 0, \dots, t_{i-1} = 0, t_i, t_{i+1} = 0, \dots, t_n = 0)$$

- Applications as before (more later):

- characterizes distributions

e.g., if  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  and  $(Y_1, \dots, Y_n)$  have the same mgfs, then these vectors have the same distribution

- transformations

e.g., mgf of  $(a_1 X_1, \dots, a_n X_n)$  is  $M_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(a_1 t_1, \dots, a_n t_n)$

- convergence (later)

$$q=1, r=1 \quad \mathbb{E}(XY) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t_1 \partial t_2} M_{X,Y}(t_1, t_2) \Big|_{(t_1, t_2) = (0, 0)}$$

- moments, e.g.

$$E(X_i^q X_j^r X_k^s) = \frac{\partial^{q+r+s}}{\partial t_i^q \partial t_j^r \partial t_k^s} M_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \Big|_{(t_1, \dots, t_n) = (0, \dots, 0)}$$

$$(X, Y) \sim \text{Multinomial}(n, \frac{e^{t_1} p_1}{S}, \frac{e^{t_2} p_2}{S}) , f(x, y) = \frac{n!}{x! y! (n-x-y)!} \left( \frac{e^{t_1} p_1}{S} \right)^x \left( \frac{e^{t_2} p_2}{S} \right)^y \left( 1 - \left( \frac{e^{t_1} p_1}{S} + \frac{e^{t_2} p_2}{S} \right) \right)^{n-x-y}$$

## Multivariate distributions

In  $n$  trials

$X := \# \text{ of outcomes "a"}$

$Y := \# \text{ of outcomes "b"}$

$n - x - y = \# \text{ of outcomes "c"}$

Moment generating functions: example

Let  $(X, Y) \sim \text{Multinomial}(n, p_1, p_2)$ , so the joint pmf of  $(X, Y)$  is

$$\sum_x \sum_y f(x, y) = 1$$

$$f(x, y) = \frac{n!}{x! y! (n-x-y)!} p_1^x p_2^y (1-p_1-p_2)^{n-x-y}$$

$\underbrace{p_1 + p_2 + (1-p_1-p_2)}_{=1}$

for  $0 \leq x, y, x+y \leq n$

$$M_{X,Y}(t_1, t_2) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{E} e^{t_1 X + t_2 Y} = \mathbb{E} (h(X, Y)) = \sum_x \sum_y h(x, y) f(x, y)$$

$$x+y \leq n$$

$$0 \leq y \leq n-x$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^n \sum_{y=0}^{n-x} h(x, y) \frac{n!}{x! y! (n-x-y)!} p_1^x p_2^y (1-p_1-p_2)^{n-x-y}$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^n \sum_{y=0}^{n-x} \frac{n!}{x! y! (n-x-y)!} (e^{t_1} p_1)^x (e^{t_2} p_2)^y (1-p_1-p_2)^{n-x-y}$$

$$\frac{e^{t_1} p_1 + e^{t_2} p_2 + (1-p_1-p_2)}{S} \# 1$$

$$S = e^{t_1} p_1 + e^{t_2} p_2 + (1-p_1-p_2)$$

$$= S^n \sum_x \sum_y \frac{n!}{x! y! (n-x-y)!} \left( \frac{e^{t_1} p_1}{S} \right)^x \left( \frac{e^{t_2} p_2}{S} \right)^y \left( \frac{1-p_1-p_2}{S} \right)^{n-x-y}$$

pmf of  $(n, \frac{e^{t_1} p_1}{S}, \frac{e^{t_2} p_2}{S})$

$$= S^n = \left[ e^{t_1} p_1 + e^{t_2} p_2 + (1-p_1-p_2) \right]^n$$

$$1 = \frac{e^{t_1} p_1}{S} + \frac{e^{t_2} p_2}{S} + \frac{1-p_1-p_2}{S} = \frac{e^{t_1} p_1 + e^{t_2} p_2 + (1-p_1-p_2)}{S}$$

$$M_{X,Y}(t_1, t_2) = S^n = \left[ e^{t_1} p_1 + e^{t_2} p_2 + 1 - p_1 - p_2 \right]^n$$

Main idea was to consider

$$S^n \left( \frac{p_1 e^{t_1}}{S} \right)^x \left( \frac{p_2 e^{t_2}}{S} \right)^y \left( \frac{1 - p_1 - p_2}{S} \right)^{n-x-y}$$

$$S := p_1 e^{t_1} + p_2 e^{t_2} + 1 - p_1 - p_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_X(t_1) &= M_{X,Y}(t_1, 0) = \left( e^{t_1} p_1 + 1 - p_1 - p_2 \right)^n \\ &= \left( e^{t_1} p_1 + 1 - p_1 - p_2 \right)^n \\ &= \left( e^{t_1} p_1 + 1 - p_1 \right)^n \implies \end{aligned}$$

$$M_Y(t_2) = M_{X,Y}(0, t_2) = \left( e^{t_2} p_2 + 1 - p_2 \right)^n$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \underbrace{\mathbb{E} XY}_{n p_1 p_2} - \underbrace{\mathbb{E} X}_{n p_1} \underbrace{\mathbb{E} Y}_{n p_2}$$

$$\mathbb{E} XY = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t_1 \partial t_2} M_{X,Y}(t_1, t_2) \Big|_{(t_1, t_2) = (0, 0)} = n(n-1)p_1 p_2$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = n(n-1)p_1 p_2 - n^2 p_1 p_2 = -n p_1 p_2$$

# Conditional distributions

## Introduction

Recall  $P(A|B)$  is the probability that  $A$  occurs given that  $B$  occurs:

$$\checkmark \quad P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \quad \text{for } P(B) > 0$$

We want to apply this idea to random variables

Already seen one example: truncated distributions, e.g, fix  $x_0$

$$P(X \leq x | X > x_0) = \frac{P(X \leq x, X > x_0)}{P(X > x_0)} = \frac{P(x_0 < X \leq x)}{P(X > x_0)} = \frac{F(x) - F(x_0)}{1 - F(x_0)} \quad x > x_0$$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

*Definitions:* Conditional distribution (given general event  $A$ )

Suppose we observe  $A$  with  $\underbrace{P(A) > 0}$

### 1. conditional cdf

$$F(x|A) = P(\underbrace{X \leq x}_{} | A) = \frac{P(A, X \leq x)}{P(A)}$$

$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x)$$

$$F_X(x|A) = P(X \leq x | A)$$

### 2. conditional pmf/pdf

$$f(x|A) = P(X = x | A) = \frac{P(A, X = x)}{P(A)}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{pmf if } X \text{ is discrete}$$

$$f(x|A) = \frac{dF(x|A)}{dx}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{pdf if } X \text{ is continuous}$$

For bivariate  $(X, Y)$ , we're interested in conditional pmf/pdf  $f(x|Y = y)$