#### **Note 1 (Propositional Logic)**

- $P \implies Q \equiv \neg P \lor Q$
- $P \implies Q \equiv \neg Q \implies \neg P$
- $P \wedge (Q \vee R) \equiv (P \wedge Q) \vee (P \wedge R)$ •  $P \lor (Q \land R) \equiv (P \lor Q) \land (P \lor R)$
- $\neg (P \land Q) \equiv \neg P \lor \neg Q$
- $\neg(\forall x P(x)) \equiv \exists x \neg P(x)$
- $\neg (P \lor Q) \equiv \neg P \land \neg Q$
- $\neg(\exists x P(x)) \equiv \forall x \neg P(x)$

#### Note 2/3 (Proofs)

- · Direct proof
- · Proof by contraposition
- · Proof by cases
- · Proof by induction
  - Base case (prove smallest case is true)
  - Inductive hypothesis (assume n = k true for weak induction, assume  $n \le k$  true for strong induction)
  - Inductive step (prove n = k + 1 is true)
- · Pigeonhole principle
  - Putting n + m balls in n bins  $\implies \ge 1$  bin has  $\ge 2$  balls

#### Note 4 (Sets)

- $\mathcal{P}(S)$  = powerset/set of all subsets; if |S| = k,  $|\mathcal{P}(S)| = 2^k$
- One to one (injection);  $f(x) = f(y) \implies x = y$
- Onto (surjection);  $(\forall y \exists x) (f(x) = y)$ ; "hits" all of range
- · Bijection: both injective and surjective

# Note 5 (Countability & Computability)

- Countable if bijection to N
- Cantor-Schroder-Bernstein Theorem: bijection between A and B if there exists injections  $f: A \to B$  and  $g: B \to A$
- Cantor diagonalization: to prove uncountability, list out possibilities, construct new possibility different from each listed at one place (ex. reals  $\in$  (0, 1), infinite binary strings, etc)
- $A \subseteq B$  and B is countable  $\implies$  A is countable
- $A \supseteq B$  and A is uncountable  $\implies B$  is uncountable
- Infinite cartesian product sometimes countable  $(\emptyset \times \emptyset \times \cdots)$ , sometimes uncountable  $(\{0,1\}^{\infty})$
- Halting Problem: can't determine for every program whether it halts (uncomputable)
- Reduction of TestHalt(P, x) to some task (here, TestTask)
  - define inner function that does the task if and only if P(x) halts
  - call TestTask on the inner function and return the result in TestHalt

### Note 6 (Graph Theory)

- $K_n$  has  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$  edges
- Handshaking lemma: total degree = 2e
- Trees: (all must be true)
  - connected & no cycles
  - connected & has n-1 edges (n = |V|)
  - connected & removing an edge disconnects the graph
  - acyclic & adding an edge makes a cycle
- Hypercubes:
  - *n*-length bit strings, connected by an edge if differs by exactly 1 bit
  - n-dimensional hypercube has  $n2^{n-1}$  edges, and is bipartite (even vs odd parity bitstring)
- Eulerian walk: visits each edge once; only possible if connected and all even degree or exactly 2 odd degree
- Eulerian tour: Eulerian walk but starts & ends at the same vertex; only possible if all even degree and connected
- · Planar graphs
  - -v+f=e+2
  - $-\sum_{i=1}^{f} s_i = 2e$  where  $s_i =$  number of sides of face i
  - -e ≤ 3v − 6 if planar (because  $s_i$  ≥ 3)
  - e ≤ 2v 4 if planar for bipartite graphs (because  $s_i$  ≥ 4)
  - nonplanar if and only if the graph contains  $K_5$  or  $K_{3,3}$
  - all planar graphs can be colored with  $\leq 4$  colors

### **Note 7 (Modular Artithmetic)**

- $x^{-1}$  (modular inverse) exists mod m if and only if gcd(x, m) = 1
- Extended Euclidean Algorithm:

- Chinese Remainder Theorem:
  - find bases  $b_i$  that are  $\equiv 1 \mod m_i$  and  $\equiv 0 \mod m_j$  for  $j \neq i$ 
    - $\rightarrow b_i = c_i(c_i^{-1} \mod m_i)$  where  $c_i = \prod_{i \neq j} m_i$
  - $-x \equiv \sum a_i b_i \pmod{\prod m_i}$
  - solution is unique mod  $\prod m_i$
  - m<sub>i</sub> must be pairwise relatively prime in order to use CRT

# Note 8 (RSA)

- Scheme: for primes p, q, find e coprime to (p-1)(q-1)
  - public key: N = pq and e
  - private key:  $d = e^{-1} \mod (p-1)(q-1)$
  - encryption of message  $m: m^e \pmod{N} = y$
  - decryption of encrypted message y:  $y^d \pmod{N} = m$
- Fermat's Little Theorem (FLT):  $x^p \equiv x \pmod{p}$ , or  $x^{p-1} \equiv 1$  $\pmod{p}$  if x coprime to p
- Prime Number Theorem:  $\pi(n) \ge \frac{n}{\ln n}$  for  $n \ge 17$ , where  $\pi(n) = \#$  of primes  $\leq n$
- Breaking RSA if we know *d*:
  - we know de 1 = k(p 1)(q 1), where  $k \le e$  because
  - d < (p-1)(q-1)- so  $\frac{de^{-1}}{k} = pq p q 1$ ; pq = N, so we can find p, q because we

# Note 9 (Polynomials)

- Property 1: nonzero polynomial of degree d has at most d roots
- Property 2: d + 1 pairs of points ( $x_i$  distinct) uniquely defines a polynomial of degree at most d
- · Lagrange Interpolation:
  - $-\Delta_i(x) = \prod_{i \neq j} \frac{x x_j}{x_i x_j}$
- $P(x) = \sum_{i} y_i \Delta_i(x)$
- Secret Sharing (normally under GF(p)):
  - P(0) = secret,  $P(1), \ldots, P(n)$  given to all people
  - P(x) = polynomial of degree k-1, where k people are needed to get the secret
- Rational Root Theorem: for  $P(x) = a_n x^n + \cdots + a_0$ , the roots of P(x)that are of the form  $\frac{p}{q}$  must have  $p \mid a_0, q \mid a_n$

#### Note 10 (Error Correcting Codes)

- Erasure Errors: k packets lost, message length n; need to send n + kpackets because P(x) of degree n-1 needs n points to define it
- General Errors: k packets corrupted, message length n; send n + 2kpackets
- Berlekamp Welch:
  - P(x) encodes message (degree n-1)
  - E(x) constructed so that roots are where the errors are (degree k); coefficients unknown
  - -Q(x) = P(x)E(x) (degree n+k-1)
  - substitute all  $(x_i, r_i)$  into  $Q(x_i) = r_i E(x_i)$ , make system of equa-
- solve for coefficients;  $P(x) = \frac{Q(x)}{F(x)}$

#### Note 11 (Counting)

- 1st rule of counting: multiply # of ways for each choice
- 2nd rule of counting: count ordered arrangements, divide by # of ways to order to get unordered
- $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} = \#$  ways to select k from n
- Stars and bars: *n* objects, *k* groups  $\rightarrow n$  stars, k-1 bars  $\to \binom{n+k-1}{k-1} = \binom{n+k-1}{n}$
- Zeroth rule of counting: if bijection between A and B, then |A| = |B|
- Binomial theorem:  $(a+b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^k b^{n-k}$
- Hockey-stick identity:  $\binom{n}{k+1} = \binom{n-1}{k} + \binom{n-2}{k} + \cdots + \binom{k}{k}$
- Derangements:  $D_n = (n-1)(D_{n-1} + D_{n-2}) = n! \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!}$
- Principle of Inclusion-Exclusion:  $|A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| |A_1 \cap A_2|$ More generally, alternate add/subtract all combinations
- Stirling's approximation:  $n! \approx \sqrt{2\pi n \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n}$

# Note 12 (Probability Theory)

- Sample points = outcomes
- Sample space =  $\Omega$  = all possible outcomes
- Probability space:  $(\Omega, \mathbb{P}(\omega))$ ; (sample space, probability function)
- $0 \le \mathbb{P}(\omega) \le 1, \forall \omega \in \Omega; \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} \mathbb{P}(\omega) = 1$
- Uniform probability:  $\mathbb{P}(\omega) = \frac{1}{|\Omega|}, \forall \omega \in \Omega$
- $\mathbb{P}(A) = \sum_{\omega \in A} \mathbb{P}(\omega)$  where A is an event
- If uniform:  $\mathbb{P}(A) = \frac{\text{\# sample points in } A}{\text{\# sample points in } \Omega} = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|}$
- $\mathbb{P}(\overline{A}) = 1 \mathbb{P}(A)$

## Note 13 (Conditional Probability)

- $\mathbb{P}(\omega \mid B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\omega)}{P(B)}$  for  $\omega \in B$   $\mathbb{P}(A \mid B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbb{P}(B)} \to \mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = \mathbb{P}(A \mid B) \mathbb{P}(B)$
- Bayes' Rule:

$$\mathbb{P}(A \mid B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(B \mid A) \, \mathbb{P}(A)}{\mathbb{P}(B)} = \frac{\mathbb{P}(B \mid A) \, \mathbb{P}(A)}{\mathbb{P}(B \mid A) \, \mathbb{P}(A) + \mathbb{P}(B \mid \overline{A}) \, \mathbb{P}(\overline{A})}.$$

• Total Probability Rule (denom of Bayes' Rule):

$$\mathbb{P}(B) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbb{P}(B \cap A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbb{P}(B \mid A_i) \, \mathbb{P}(A_i)$$

for  $A_i$  partitioning  $\Omega$ 

- Independence:  $\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = \mathbb{P}(A) \mathbb{P}(B)$  or  $\mathbb{P}(A \mid B) = \mathbb{P}(A)$
- Union bound:  $\mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{n} A_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbb{P}(A_i)$

# Note 14 (Random Variables)

- · Bernoulli distribution: used as an indicator RV
- Binomial distribution:  $\mathbb{P}(X = i) = i$  successes in *n* trials, success probability p
- If  $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$ ,  $Y \sim \text{Bin}(m, p)$  independent,  $X+Y \sim \text{Bin}(n+m, p)$ • Hypergeometric distribution:  $\mathbb{P}(X = k) = k$  successes in N draws w/o
- replacement from size N population with B objects (as successes)
- Joint distribution:  $\mathbb{P}(X = a, Y = b)$
- Marginal distribution:  $\mathbb{P}(X = a) = \sum_{b \in B} \mathbb{P}(X = a, Y = b)$
- Independence:  $\mathbb{P}(X = a, Y = b) = \mathbb{P}(X = a) \mathbb{P}(Y = b)$
- Expectation:  $\mathbb{E}[X] = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} x \mathbb{P}(X = x)$
- LOTUS:  $\mathbb{E}[g(X)] = \sum_{x \in X} g(x) \mathbb{P}(X = x)$
- Linearity of expectation:  $\mathbb{E}[aX + bY] = a \mathbb{E}[X] + b \mathbb{E}[Y]$
- X, Y independent:  $\mathbb{E}[XY] = \mathbb{E}[X] \mathbb{E}[Y]$

### Note 15 (Variance/Covariance)

- Variance:  $Var(X) = \mathbb{E}[(X \mu)^2] = \mathbb{E}[X^2] \mathbb{E}[X]^2$ -  $Var(cX) = c^2 Var(X)$ , Var(X+Y) = Var(X) + Var(Y) + 2 Cov(X,Y)
  - if indep: Var(X + Y) = Var(X) + Var(Y)

- Covariance: Cov(X, Y) = E[XY] E[X] E[Y]
  Correlation: Corr(X, Y) = Cov(X, Y) / σ<sub>X</sub> σ<sub>Y</sub> , always in [-1, 1]
  Indep. implies uncorrelated (Cov = 0), but not other way around, ex.

# Note 16 (Geometric/Poisson Distributions

- Geometric distribution:  $\mathbb{P}(X = i) = \text{exactly } i \text{ trials until success with}$ probability p; use X - 1 for failures until success
  - Memoryless Property:  $\mathbb{P}(X > a + b \mid X > a) = \mathbb{P}(X > b)$ ; i.e. waiting > b units has same probability, no matter where we start
- Poisson distribution:  $\lambda$  = average # of successes in a unit of time
- $X \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda)$ ,  $Y \sim \text{Pois}(\mu)$  independent:  $X + Y \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda + \mu)$
- $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, \frac{\lambda}{n})$  where  $\lambda > 0$  is constant, as  $n \to \infty$ ,  $X \to \text{Pois}(\lambda)$

# **Note 20 (Continuous Distributions)**

- Probability density function:
  - $f_X(x) \ge 0$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$
- $-\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = 1$
- Cumulative density function:  $F_X(x) = \mathbb{P}(X \le x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(t) dt$ ,  $f_X(x) = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} F_X(x)$
- Expectation:  $\mathbb{E}[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx$  LOTUS:  $\mathbb{E}[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_X(x) dx$
- Joint distribution:  $\mathbb{P}(a \le X \le b, c \le Y \le d)$ 

  - $f_{XY}(x, y) \ge 0, \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$   $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy = 1$
- Marginal distribution:  $f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) \, dy$ ; integrate over all y
- Independence:  $f_{XY}(x, y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$
- Conditional probability:  $f_{X|A}(x) = \frac{f_{X}(x)}{\mathbb{P}(A)}, f_{X|Y}(x \mid y) = \frac{f_{XY}(x,y)}{f_{Y}(y)}$
- Exponential distribution: continuous analog to geometric distribution
  - Memoryless property:  $\mathbb{P}(X > t + s \mid X > t) = \mathbb{P}(X > s)$
  - Additionally,  $\mathbb{P}(X < Y \mid \min(X, Y) > t) = \mathbb{P}(X < Y)$
  - If  $X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda_X)$ ,  $Y \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda_Y)$  independent, then  $\min(X,Y) \sim \operatorname{Exp}(\lambda_X + \lambda_Y)$  and  $\mathbb{P}(X \leq Y) = \frac{\lambda_X}{\lambda_X + \lambda_Y}$
- Normal distribution (Gaussian distribution)
  - If  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_X, \sigma_X^2)$ ,  $Y \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_Y, \sigma_Y^2)$  independent:
- $Z = aX + bY \sim \mathcal{N}(a\mu_X + b\mu_Y, a^2\sigma_X^2 + b^2\sigma_Y^2)$  Central Limit Theorem: if  $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ , all  $X_i$  iid with mean  $\mu$ , variance  $\sigma^2$ ,

$$\frac{S_n}{\sigma} \approx \mathcal{N}\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right); \quad \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} \approx \mathcal{N}(0, 1).$$

# Note 17 (Concentration Inequalities, LLN)

- Markov's Inequality:  $\mathbb{P}(X \ge c) \le \frac{\mathbb{E}[X]}{c}$ , if X nonnegative, c > 0
- Generalized Markov:  $\mathbb{P}(|Y| \ge c) \le \frac{\mathbb{E}[|Y|^r]}{c^r}$  for c, r > 0
- Chebyshev's Inequality:  $\mathbb{P}(|X \mu| \ge c) \le \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{c^2}$  for  $\mu = \mathbb{E}[X]$ ,
  - Corollary:  $\mathbb{P}(|X \mu| \ge k\sigma) \le \frac{1}{k^2}$  for  $\sigma = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)}, k > 0$
- Confidence intervals:
- For proportions,  $\mathbb{P}(|\hat{p} p| \ge \varepsilon) \le \frac{\text{Var}(\hat{p})}{\varepsilon^2} \le \delta$ , where  $\delta$  is the confidence level (95% interval  $\rightarrow \delta = 0.05$ )
- $\hat{p}$  = proportion of successes in *n* trials,  $Var(\hat{p}) = \frac{p(1-p)}{n}$
- $\implies n \ge \frac{1}{4 \epsilon^2 n}$
- For means,  $\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{1}{n}S_n \mu\right| \ge \varepsilon\right) \le \frac{\sigma^2}{n s^2} = \delta$
- $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ , all  $X_i$ 's iid mean  $\mu$ , variance  $\sigma^2$
- $\implies \varepsilon = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n\delta}}, \text{ interval} = S_n \pm \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n\delta}}$  With CLT,

$$\mathbb{P}(|A_n - \mu| \le \varepsilon) = \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{(A_n - \mu)\sqrt{n}}{\sigma}\right| \le \frac{\varepsilon\sqrt{n}}{\sigma}\right) \approx 1 - 2\Phi\left(-\frac{\varepsilon\sqrt{n}}{\sigma}\right) = 1 - \delta.$$

Here,  $A_n = \frac{1}{n}S_n$  and CLT gives  $A_n \approx \mathcal{N}\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$ ; use inverse cdf

• Law of large numbers: as  $n \to \infty$ , sample average of iid  $X_1, \ldots X_n$ tends to population mean

### Note 24 (Markov Chains)

- Markov chain = sequence of states
- $X_n$  = state at time step n
- X = state space (finite)
- $\pi_n$  = distribution of states at time step n
- Markov property (memoryless):  $\mathbb{P}(X_{n+1} = i \mid X_n, X_{n-1}, \dots, X_0) =$  $\mathbb{P}(X_{n+1} = i \mid X_n)$
- Transition matrix (P): transition probabilities, from row to column
- $\pi_n = \pi_0 \mathbf{P}^n$
- Invariant distribution:  $\pi = \pi P$ ; solve balance equations in addition to  $\sum \pi(i) = 1$
- · Irreducible Markov chain: any state can be reached from any other
- All irreducible Markov chains have a unique invariant distribution:

$$\pi(i) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=0}^{n-1} \mathbf{1} \{ X_m = i \}.$$

That is, average time spent at state  $i = \pi(i)$ 

- Periodicity: let  $d(i) = \gcd\{n > 0 : \mathbb{P}(X_n = i \mid X_0 = i) > 0\}$ 
  - If d(i) > 1, periodic with period d
  - If d(i) = 1, aperiodic
  - If irreducible, all states have the same d(i)
- · Aperiodic irreducible Markov chains will always converge to the invariant distribution
- Hitting time: # of steps before first reaching state i
  - Let  $\beta(j)$  denote this value, starting at state j; set up system of equations and solve
- $\mathbb{P}(A \text{ before } B)$ : similarly, let  $\alpha(i)$  denote this probability, starting at state j; set up system of equations and solve (use TPR)
- Similar problems: let f(i) denote # of steps or probability, starting at state i; set up equations and solve
- 2-state Markov chain:

$$1-a$$
  $1-b$ 

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - a & a \\ b & 1 - b \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \pi = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{b}{a+b} & \frac{a}{a+b} \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Other

- In CS70, naturals and whole numbers both include 0
   Sum of finite geometric series: <sup>1-r<sup>n</sup></sup>/<sub>1-r</sub> a where r is ratio, a is first term, *n* is number of terms
- Memoryless property independence: if X, Y both memoryless (i.e. geometric or exponential), then min(X, Y) and max(X, Y) - min(X, Y)are independent
- $\mathbb{E}[S_n^2] = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i^2] + \sum_{i \neq j} \mathbb{E}[X_i X_j] = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i^2] + 2 \sum_{i < j} \mathbb{E}[X_i X_j],$

where  $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ ; useful for variance of indicators

- Coupon Collector Problem:
  - n distinct items, each with equal probability;  $X_i = \#$  of tries before *i*th new item, given i - 1 already
  - $S_n = \sum X_i$  = total tries before getting all items
  - We have  $X_i \sim \text{Geom}(\frac{n-i+1}{n})$  because i-1 old items, so n-i+1new items
  - Hence.

$$\mathbb{E}[S_n] = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i] = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n}{n-i+1} = n \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \approx n(\ln n + 0.5772)$$

Table 1: Common Discrete Distributions

Distribution	Parameters	$PMF\left(\mathbb{P}(X=k)\right)$	$CMF\left(\mathbb{P}(X \leq k)\right)$	Expectation ( $\mathbb{E}[X]$ )	Variance $(Var(X))$	Support
Uniform	Uniform(a,b)	$\frac{1}{b-a+1}$	$\frac{k-a+1}{b-a+1}$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a+1)^2-1}{12}$	$X \in [a,b]$
Bernoulli	Bernoulli(p)	$\begin{cases} 1 & p \\ 0 & 1-p \end{cases}$	_	p	p(1 - p)	$X \in \{0,1\}$
Binomial	Bin(n, p)	$\binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$	_	np	np(1-p)	$X \in \mathbb{N}$
Geometric	Geom(p)	$p(1-p)^{k-1}$	$1-(1-p)^k$	$\frac{1}{p}$	$\frac{1-p}{p^2}$	$X \in \mathbb{N}$
Poisson	$Pois(\lambda)$	$\frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!}$	_	λ	λ	$X \in \mathbb{N}$
Hypergeometric	Hypergeometric $(N, K, n)$	$\frac{\binom{K}{k}\binom{N-K}{n-k}}{\binom{N}{n}}$	_	$n\frac{K}{N}$	$n\frac{K(N-K)(N-n)}{N^2(N-1)}$	$X\in\mathbb{N}$

Table 2: Common Continuous Distributions

Distribution	Parameters	PDF $(f_X(x))$	$CDF (F_X(x) = \mathbb{P}(X \le x))$	Expectation ( $\mathbb{E}[X]$ )	Variance $(Var(X))$	Support
Uniform	Uniform $(a, b)$	$\frac{1}{b-a}$	$\frac{x-a}{b-a}$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$	$X \in [a,b]$
Exponential	$Exp(\lambda)$	$\lambda e^{-\lambda x}$	$1 - e^{-\lambda x}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda^2}$	$X\in [0,\infty)$
Normal/Gaussian	$\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}}\exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$	$\Phi(x)$	$\mu$	$\sigma^2$	$X \in \mathbb{R}$