

# Stat 134 Lec 11

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## Sec 3.2 Expectation

$$E(X) = \sum_{x \in X} x \cdot P(X=x)$$

If  $X$  is a count,  $X$  can be written as a sum of indicators

$$X = I_1 + I_2 + \dots + I_n, \quad I_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{prob } p \\ 0 & \text{prob } 1-p \end{cases}$$

$$E(I_j) = 1 \cdot p + 0 \cdot (1-p) = p.$$

Idea Even if indicators are dependent the expectation of each indicator is an unconditional probability.

$$\text{Then } E(X) = n \cdot p$$

Ex  $X = \# \text{ aces in a poker hand from a deck of cards}$   
 $\hookrightarrow 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$

Find  $E(X)$ .

$$X = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4 + I_5 \quad I_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j^{\text{th}} \text{ card is ace} \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$P = \frac{4}{52}$$

$$E(X) = 5 \cdot \left(\frac{4}{52}\right)$$

Today

Almost finish Sec 3.2

- example indicators
- tall sum
- Markov's Inequality,

## Sec 3.2 Another indicator example

Ex Consider a well shuffled deck. What is the expected number of cards before the ace of hearts?

$X = \text{expected number of cards before the ace of hearts}$ .

$\rightarrow 0, 1, 2, \dots, 51$

Intuitively it should be half the deck (minus the ace of hearts card), by symmetry. There is no reason the expected number of cards before the ace of hearts should be different than the expected number of cards after the Ace of hearts.

Here is how to solve the problem using indicators:

There are 51 cards without the ace of hearts, write

$$X = I_1 + I_2 + \dots + I_{51}, \quad I_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j^{\text{th}} \text{ card before} \\ & \text{Ace of hearts} \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

To find  $P$  note that it is equally likely that the  $j^{\text{th}}$  card goes before or after the ace of hearts. Hence  $P = \frac{1}{2}$ .



non ace of heart so  $P = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow E(X) = 51 \cdot \frac{1}{2}$

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- Consider a well shuffled deck of cards. The expected number of cards before the first ace is?

a  $52/5$

b  $\textcircled{b} 48/5$

c  $48/4$

d none of the above

$X = \# \text{ cards before the } 1^{\text{st}} \text{ ace}$

$0, 1, 2, \dots, 48$

$4 \times 12 = 48 \text{ nonaces}$



$$X = I_1 + I_2 + \dots + I_{48} \quad I_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j^{\text{th}} \text{ nonace} \\ & \text{before } 1^{\text{st}} \text{ ace} \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

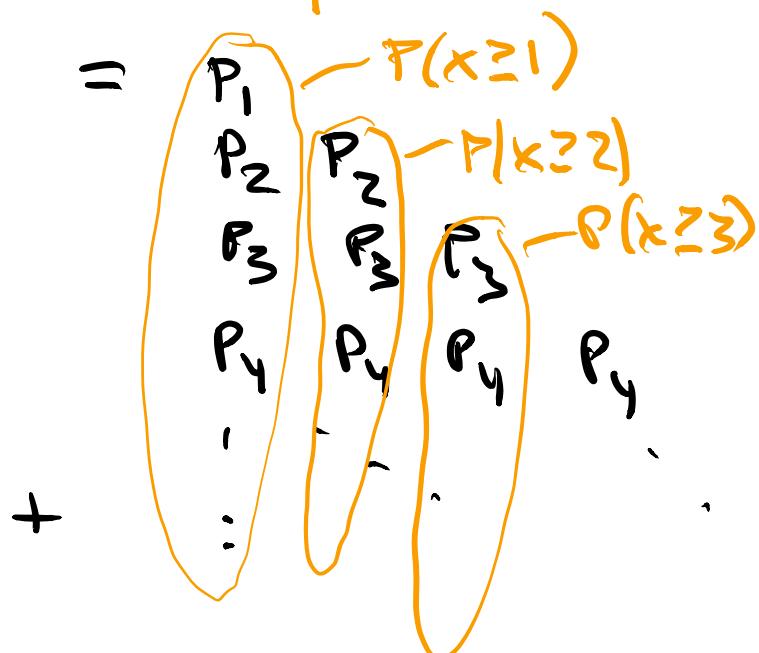
$A_1 - A_2 - A_3 - A_4 -$

$$P = \frac{1}{5} \Rightarrow \boxed{E(X) = 48\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)}$$

## Sec 3.2 Tail sum formula for expectation

Suppose  $X$  is a count 1, 2, 3, ...

$$E(X) = 1 \cdot P(X=1) + 2 \cdot P(X=2) + \dots$$



$$= P(X \geq 1) + P(X \geq 2) + P(X \geq 3) \dots$$

Tail  
Sum  
formula

Ex A fair die is rolled 10 times

$$\text{let } X = \max(X_1, \dots, X_{10}) - 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$$

Find  $E(X)$

$$P(X \geq k) = 1 - P(X < k)$$

$$= 1 - P(X_1 < k, X_2 < k, \dots, X_{10} < k)$$

$$\text{independence } = 1 - P(X_1 < k)P(X_2 < k) \dots P(X_{10} < k)$$

$$= 1 - (P(X_1 < k))^{\otimes 10}$$

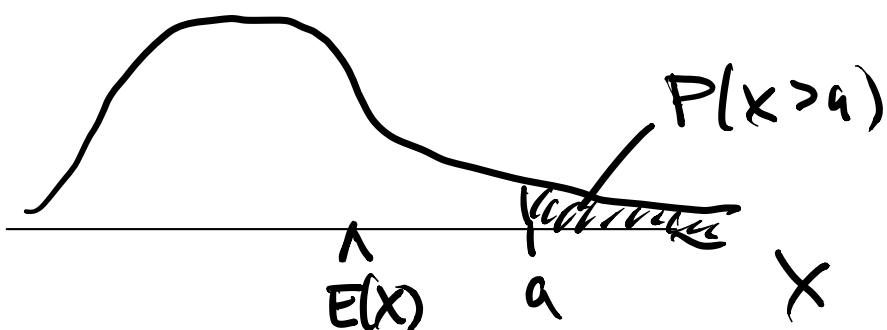
$$= 1 - \left(\frac{k-1}{6}\right)^{\otimes 10}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(X) &= P(X \geq 1) + P(X \geq 2) + P(X \geq 3) + \dots + P(X \geq 6) \\
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 &= 6 - \frac{1}{6^{10}} [1^{10} + 2^{10} + \dots + 5^{10}] = 5.82
 \end{aligned}$$

### Markov's Inequality

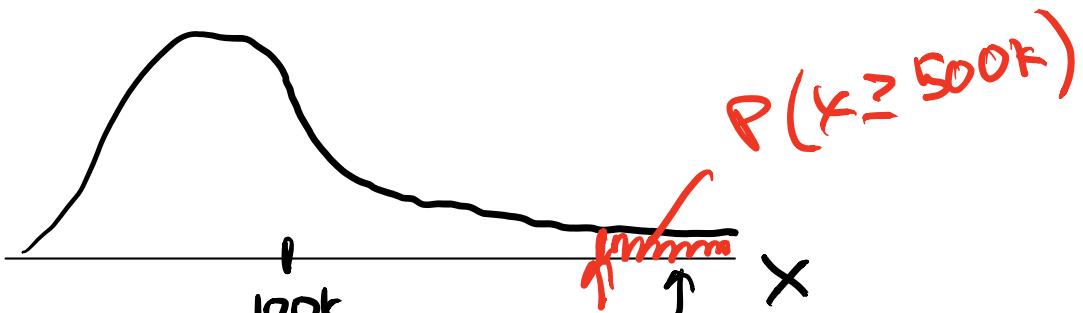
Let  $X \geq 0$ ,  $a > 0$

$E(X)$  is the center of distribution



$$P(X \geq a) \leq \frac{E(X)}{a}$$

e.g. let  $X$  be yearly income of Bay area residents.  $E(X) = \$100k$



500K google  
gigs

Find an upper bound for  $P(X \geq 500)$

$$P(X \geq 500) \leq \frac{100}{500} = \frac{1}{5}$$

Ex Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{100}$  be independent and identically distributed  $\text{Pois}(0.01)$ .

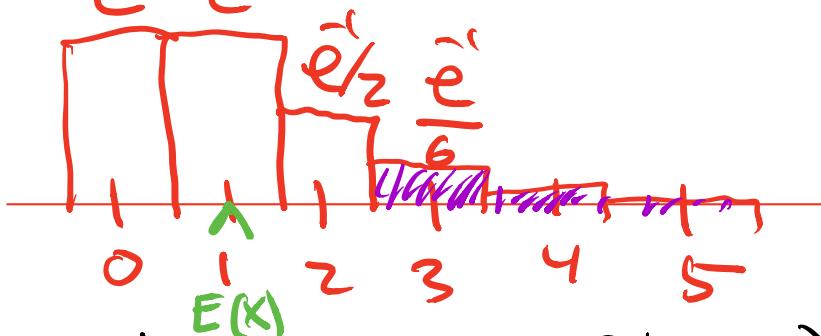
$$\text{Let } S = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{100}$$

Draw the histogram and approximate an upper bound for  $P(S \geq 3)$  using Markov's inequality.

Soln Remember that  $S = X_1 + \dots + X_{100} \sim \text{Pois}(100 \cdot \frac{1}{100}) = \text{Pois}(1)$ , since the sum of independent  $\text{Pois}(1)$ 's is  $\text{Pois}(n)$ .

$$S \sim \text{Pois}(1), E(S) = 1$$

$$P(S=k) = \frac{\bar{e}^k}{k!} = \frac{\bar{e}^k}{k!}$$



By Markov's inequality  $P(S \geq 3) \leq \boxed{\frac{1}{3}}$

One can of course find  $P(S \geq 3)$  exactly:

$$\begin{aligned} P(S \geq 3) &= 1 - P(S=0) - P(S=1) - P(S=2) = 1 - \bar{e}^1(1+1+\frac{1}{2}) \\ &= .08 < \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

## Property of expectation

If  $X \leq Y$  then  $E(X) \leq E(Y)$ .

e.g. let  $X \geq 0$ , and  $Y = 2X$

$$X \leq Y \Rightarrow E(X) \leq E(Y) = E(2X) = 2E(X).$$

## Markov's inequality

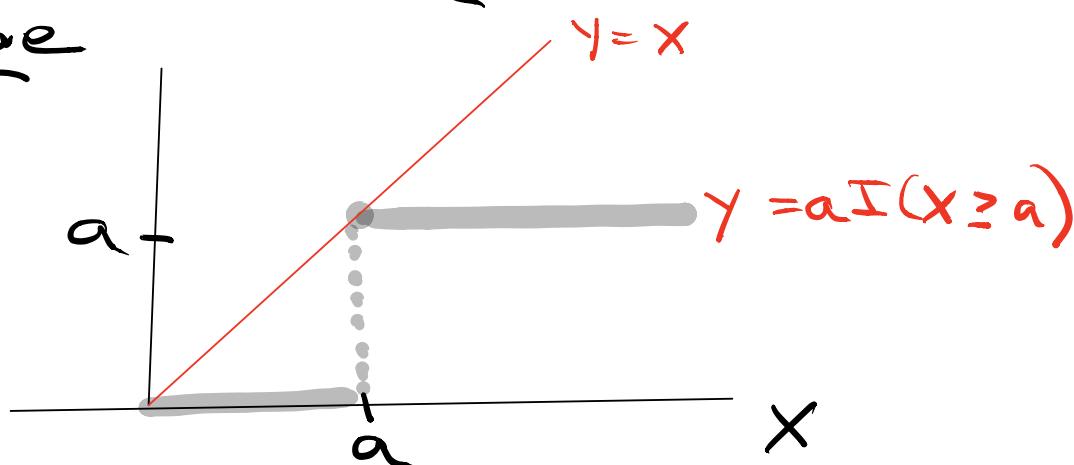
If  $X \geq 0$ , then  $P(X \geq a) \leq \frac{E(X)}{a}$   
for every  $a > 0$ .

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Let  $I(X \geq a)$  be an indicator  
equal to 1 when  $X \geq a$ . Then

$$aI(X \geq a) = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } X \geq a \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

## Picture



$$aI(X \geq a) \leq X \Rightarrow E(aI(X \geq a)) \leq E(X)$$

$$aE(I(X \geq a))$$

$$aP(X \geq a)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X \geq a) \leq \frac{E(X)}{a}$$

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