

# **Study Notes of Matrix and Tensor**

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# Preface

The notes mainly refer to:

- Introduction to Mathematical Statistics 8th Edition
- [lecture note](#)
- [Study Guide](#)

# Chapter 1

## Probability and Distributions

### 1.1 Introduction

#### Definition 1.1

If an experiment can be repeated under the same conditions it is a random experiment. The set of every possible outcome of an experiment is the sample space, denoted  $\mathcal{C}$ .

**Remark.** For an experiment, the sample space is not unique. For example, When talking about the temperature in an area, we can define the sample space as  $\mathcal{C} = (-\infty, \infty)$  or  $\mathcal{C} = [a, b]$ . For a specific random experiment, we can use different sample spaces to describe it. However, it is worth studying how to describe it with an appropriate sample space.

**Note/Definition.** Notationally, we denote the elements of the sample space with lower case letters such as  $a, b, c$ . Subsets of the sample space are *events* and we denote them with upper case letters such as  $A, B, C$ .

#### Definition 1.2

If an experiment is performed  $N$  times and a specific event occurs  $f$  times, then  $f$  is the frequency of the event and  $f/N$  is the relative frequency of the event.

### 1.2 Sets

### 1.3 The Probability Set Function

We need to define a set function that assigns a probability to the events (subsets of sample space  $\mathcal{C}$ ). We denote the collection of events as  $\mathcal{B}$ . If  $\mathcal{C}$  is finite set, then we hope to assign a probability to all events (that is, to define a probability set function on the power set of  $\mathcal{C}$ ). More generally, we require that  $\mathcal{B}$  (the collection of events) to satisfy: (1) the sample space  $\mathcal{C}$  itself is an event, (2) the complement of every event is again an event, and (3) every countable union of events is again an event. Symbolically, this means (1)  $\mathcal{C} \in \mathcal{B}$ , (2) if  $A \in \mathcal{B}$  then  $A^c \in \mathcal{B}$ , and (3) if  $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{B}$  then  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{B}$ . Combining (2) and (3), we see by DeMorgan's Law (for countable unions) that

if  $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{B}$  then  $\cap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{B}$ . So the collection of events  $\mathcal{B}$  is closed under complements, countable unions, and countable intersections. Such a collection of sets form a  $\sigma$ -algebra.

#### Definition 1.3

A collection of events  $\{A_n | n \in I\}$  (where  $I$  is some indexing set) such that  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  is a mutually exclusive collection of events.

#### Definition 1.4

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a sample space and let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the set of all events (thus,  $\mathcal{B}$  is a  $\sigma$ -field). Let  $P$  be a real-valued function defined on  $\mathcal{B}$ . Then  $P$  is a probability set function if  $P$  satisfies the following three conditions:

(1)  $P(A) \geq 0$  for  $A \in \mathcal{B}$ .

(2)  $P(\mathcal{C}) = 1$ .

(3) If  $\{A_n\}$  is a mutually exclusive collection of events, then  $P(\cup_{n=1}^{+\infty} A_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} P(A_n)$ .

#### Theorem 1.1

For each event  $A \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $P(A) = 1 - P(A^c)$ .

#### Theorem 1.2

The probability of the null set is zero; that is,  $P(\emptyset) = 0$ .

#### Theorem 1.3

If  $A$  and  $B$  are events such that  $A \subset B$ , then  $P(A) \leq P(B)$ .

#### Theorem 1.4

For each event  $A \in \mathcal{B}$  we have  $0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$ .

#### Theorem 1.5

If  $A$  and  $B$  are events in  $\mathcal{C}$ , then  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$ .

#### Theorem 1.6

Let  $\{A_n\}$  be a nondecreasing sequence of events (ie.  $A_n \subseteq A_{n+1}$ ). Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) = P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n) = P(\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n).$$

Let  $\{A_n\}$  be a nonincreasing sequence of events (ie.  $A_n \supseteq A_{n+1}$ ). Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) = P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n) = P(\cap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n).$$

## Theorem 1.7

Let  $\{A_n\}$  be an arbitrary sequence of events. Then

$$P(\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n).$$

## 1.4 Conditional Probability and Independence

The idea behind conditional probability is that the initial sample space  $\mathcal{C}$  has been replaced with some subset  $A \subset \mathcal{C}$ .

## Definition 1.5

Let  $B$  and  $A$  be events with  $P(A) > 0$ . Then the conditional probability of  $B$  given  $A$  as  $P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$ .

**Note/Definition.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are events where  $P(A) > 0$  then  $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B|A)$  by Definition 1.5. This is called the multiplication rule also.

## Definition 1.6

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two events. Then  $A$  and  $B$  are Independent is  $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$ .

## 1.5 Random variables

## Definition 1.7

Consider a random experiment with a sample space  $\mathcal{C}$ . A function  $X$  which assigns to each  $c \in \mathcal{C}$  one and only one real number  $X(c) = x$  is a random variable. The space (or range) of  $X$  is the set of real numbers  $\mathcal{D} = \{x | x = X(c) \text{ for some } c \in \mathcal{C}\}$ . If  $\mathcal{D}$  is a countable set then  $X$  is a discrete random variable and if  $\mathcal{D}$  is an interval of real numbers then  $X$  is a continuous random variable.

## Definition 1.8

Let  $X$  be a random variable. Then its cumulative distribution function (cdf)  $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as follows:

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x).$$

## Theorem 1.8

## 1.6 Discrete Random Variables

## 1.7 Continuous Random Variables

## 1.8 Expectation of a Random Variable

## 1.9 Some Special Expectations

### 1.9.1 The Moment Generating Function

Recall the McLaurin series

$$f(\alpha) = e^\alpha = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^m}{m!},$$

if we write the random variable

$$e^{tX} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^m}{m!} X^m,$$

then its expectation value defines something called the moment generating function (mgf)

$$M(t) = E(e^{tX}) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^m}{m!} E(X^m).$$

If we take the  $m$ th derivative of the mgf, evaluated at  $t = 0$ , we get the  $m$ th ( $m \geq 1$ ) moment:

$$M^m(0) = E(X^m).$$

For this to work, the mgf has to be defined in a neighborhood of the origin, i.e., for  $-h < t < h$  where  $h > 0$  is some positive number.

#### Definition 1.9

Let  $X$  be a random variable such that for some  $h > 0$ , the expectation of  $e^{tX}$  exists for  $-h < t < h$ . The moment generating function (or mgf) of  $X$  is the function  $M(t) = E(e^{tX})$  for  $-h < t < h$ .

**Remark.** When a moment generating function exists, we must have for  $t = 0$  that  $M(0) = E(1) = 1$ .

## 1.10 Homework

### Exercise 1.1

Show that the moment generating function of the random variable  $X$  having the pdf  $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}$ ,  $-1 < x < 2$ , zero elsewhere, is

$$M(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{2t} - e^{-t}}{3t} & t \neq 0 \\ 1 & t = 0. \end{cases}$$

**Solve** For  $t \neq 0$ ,

$$M(t) = E(e^{tX}) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{tx} f(x) dx = \int_{-1}^2 \frac{1}{3} e^{tx} dx = \frac{1}{3} \frac{e^{tx}}{t} \Big|_{x=-1}^{x=2} = \frac{e^{2t} - e^{-t}}{3t}.$$

And  $M(0) = 1$  when a moment generating function exists and so the result follows.  $\square$

## 1.11 Reference

- [lecture note](#)
- [Probability and Distributions](#)
- [Sample space is unique?](#)
- [proof of 1.3](#)



# Chapter 2

## Multivariate Distributions

### 2.1 Distributions of Two Random Variables

#### Definition 2.1

Given a random experiment with a sample space  $\mathcal{C}$ , consider two random variables  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  which assign to each element  $c$  of  $\mathcal{C}$  one and only one ordered pair of numbers  $(X_1, X_2)$  is a random vector. The space of  $(X_1, X_2)$  is the set of ordered pairs  $\mathcal{D} = \{(x_1, x_2) | x_1 = X_1(c), x_2 = X_2(c), c \in \mathcal{C}\}$ .

#### Definition 2.2

Let  $\mathcal{D}$  be the space associated with the random vectors  $(X_1, X_2)$ . For  $A \subset \mathcal{D}$  we call  $A$  an event. The cumulative distribution function (cdf) for  $(X_1, X_2)$  is

$$F_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = P(\{X_1 \leq x_1\} \cap \{X_2 \leq x_2\}) \quad (2.1)$$

for  $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . This is the *joint cumulative distribution function* of  $(X_1, X_2)$ . If  $F_{X_1, X_2}$  is continuous then random variable  $(X_1, X_2)$  is said to be continuous.

#### Definition 2.3

A random vector  $(X_1, X_2)$  is a discrete random vector if its space  $\mathcal{D}$  is finite or countable. (Hence  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  both must be discrete.) The joint probability mass function of  $(X_1, X_2)$  is  $p_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = P(X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2)$  for all  $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathcal{D}$ .

## Definition 2.4

If for random vector  $(X_1, X_2)$  with cumulative distribution function  $F_{X_1, X_2}$ , there is a function  $f_{X_1, X_2} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$F_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \int_{-\infty}^{x_2} f_{X_1, X_2}(w_1, w_2) dw_1 dw_2.$$

Then  $f_{X_1, X_2}$  is the joint probability density function (pdf) of  $(X_1, X_2)$ . The support of  $(X_1, X_2)$  is the set of all points  $(x_1, x_2)$  for which  $f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) > 0$ , denoted  $\mathcal{S}$ .

**Remark.** In this course, continuous random vectors will have joint probability density functions that determine the cumulative distribution function. By the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus (applied twice)

$$\frac{\partial^2 F_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2)}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} = f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2).$$

For event  $A \in \mathcal{D}$ , we have

$$P((X_1, X_2) \in A) = \int \int_A f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2.$$

**Remark.** We can find the distribution of random variable  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  (called marginal distribution) based on the joint distribution of  $(X_1, X_2)$ . We have

$$\{X \leq x_1\} = \{X_1 \leq x_1\} \cap \{-\infty < X_2 < \infty\},$$

so with  $F_{x_1}$ , the cumulative distribution function of  $X_1$  we get for  $x_1 \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} F_{X_1}(x_1) &= P(X \leq x_1) = P(X_1 \leq x_1, -\infty < X_2 < \infty) \\ &= \lim_{x_2 \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2). \end{aligned}$$

We can similarly find the marginal distribution  $F_{X_2}$  in terms of  $F_{X_1, X_2}$ . In the continuous case,

$$\begin{aligned} f_{X_1}(x_1) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) dx_2, \\ f_{X_2}(x_2) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) dx_1. \end{aligned}$$

## 2.2 Transformations: Bivariate Random Variables

## 2.3 Conditional Distributions and Expectations

## 2.4 Independent Random Variables

## 2.5 The Correlation Coefficient

## 2.6 Homework

### Exercise 2.1

Let the joint pdf of  $X$  and  $Y$  be given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{(1+x+y)^3} & 0 < x < \infty, 0 < y < \infty \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Compute the marginal pdf of  $X$  and the conditional pdf of  $Y$ , given  $X = x$ .  
 (b) For a fixed  $X = x$ , compute  $E(1 + x + Y|x)$  and use the result to compute  $E(Y|x)$ .

**Solve** (a) By the definition of marginal probability density function:

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2}{(1+x+y)^3} dy \stackrel{t=1+x+y}{=} \int_{1+x}^{\infty} \frac{2}{t^3} dt \\ &= -t^{-2} \Big|_{t=1+x}^{t=\infty} = 0 - (-(1+x)^{-2}) = \frac{1}{(1+x)^2}, \text{ for } 0 < x < \infty. \\ f_Y(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2}{(1+x+y)^3} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{(1+y)^2}, \text{ for } 0 < y < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{(1+x)^2} & 0 < x < \infty \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$  and  $f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{(1+y)^2} & 0 < y < \infty \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$ .

The conditional probability density function of  $Y$  given  $X = x$  is

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x, y)}{f_X(x)} = \frac{\frac{2}{(1+x+y)^3}}{\frac{1}{(1+x)^2}} = \frac{2(1+x)^2}{(1+x+y)^3}, \text{ for } 0 < x < \infty.$$

Hence,  $f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2(1+x)^2}{(1+x+y)^3} & 0 < y < \infty \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$

(b) The conditional expectation of  $g(Y) = 1 + X + Y$  given  $X = x$  is

$$\begin{aligned} E(1 + x + Y|x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(y) f_{Y|X}(y|x) dy \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} (1 + x + y) \frac{2(1+x)^2}{(1+x+y)^2} dy \\ &\stackrel{t=1+x+y}{=} \int_{1+x}^{\infty} \frac{2(1+x)^2}{t^2} dt = -\frac{2(1+x)^2}{t} \Big|_{t=1+x}^{t=\infty} = 2(1+x). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $E(1 + x + Y|x) = 1 + x + E(Y|x)$ ,  $E(Y|x) = 2(1+x) - (1+x) = (1+x)$ .  $\square$

### Exercise 2.2

Let  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  be iid with common pdf  $f(x) = \exp(-x)$ ,  $0 < x < \infty$ , zero elsewhere. Evaluate:

- (a)  $P(X_1 < X_2 | X_1 < 2X_2)$ .
- (b)  $P(X_1 < X_2 < X_3 | X_3 < 1)$ .

**Solve** The joint common pdf of  $X_1, X_2$  is

$$f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} e^{-(x_1+x_2)} & 0 < x_1 < \infty, 0 < x_2 < \infty \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

The joint common pdf of  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  is

$$f_{X_1, X_2, X_3}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \begin{cases} e^{-(x_1+x_2+x_3)} & 0 < x_1 < \infty, 0 < x_2 < \infty, 0 < x_3 < \infty \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

(a) Since

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1 < X_2, X_1 < 2X_2) &= \int_0^{\infty} dx_1 \int_{x_1}^{\infty} e^{-(x_1+x_2)} dx_2 = \int_0^{\infty} -e^{-x_1} e^{-x_2} \Big|_{x_2=x_1}^{x_2=\infty} dx_1 \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} 0 - (-e^{-2x_1}) dx_1 \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} e^{-2x_1} \Big|_{x_1=0}^{x_1=\infty} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X_1 < 2X_2) &= \int_0^\infty dx_1 \int_{\frac{x_1}{2}}^\infty e^{-(x_1+x_2)} dx_2 = \int_0^\infty -e^{-x_1} e^{-x_2} \Big|_{x_2=\frac{x_1}{2}}^{x_2=\infty} dx_1 \\
 &= \int_0^\infty 0 - (-e^{-x_1} e^{-\frac{x_1}{2}}) dx_1 \\
 &= -\frac{2}{3} e^{-\frac{3}{2}x_1} \Big|_{x_1=0}^{x_1=\infty} \\
 &= \frac{2}{3},
 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(X_1 < X_2 | X_1 < 2X_2) = \frac{P(X_1 < X_2, X_1 < 2X_2)}{P(X_1 < 2X_2)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{3}{4}.$$

(b) Since

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X_1 < X_2 < X_3, X_3 < 1) &= \int_0^1 \left\{ \int_0^{x_3} \left\{ \int_0^{x_2} e^{-(x_1+x_2+x_3)} dx_1 \right\} dx_2 \right\} dx_3 \\
 &= \int_0^1 \left\{ \int_0^{x_3} -e^{-(x_1+x_2+x_3)} \Big|_{x_1=0}^{x_1=x_2} dx_2 \right\} dx_3 \\
 &= \int_0^1 \left\{ \int_0^{x_3} -e^{-(2x_2+x_3)} + e^{-(x_2+x_3)} dx_2 \right\} dx_3 \\
 &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} e^{-(2x_2+x_3)} - e^{-(x_2+x_3)} \Big|_{x_2=0}^{x_2=x_3} dx_3 \\
 &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} e^{-x_3} - e^{-2x_3} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-3x_3} dx_3 \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2} e^{-x_3} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-2x_3} - \frac{1}{6} e^{-3x_3} \Big|_{x_3=0}^{x_3=1} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2} e^{-1} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-2} - \frac{1}{6} e^{-3} + \frac{1}{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$P(X_3 < 1) = \int_0^1 e^{-x} dx = -e^{-x} \Big|_{x=0}^{x=1} = -e^{-1} + 1,$$

$$P(X_1 < X_2 < X_3 | X_3 < 1) = \frac{P(X_1 < X_2 < X_3, X_3 < 1)}{P(X_3 < 1)} = \frac{1-3e^{-1}+3e^{-2}-e^{-3}}{6(1-e^{-1})}.$$

□

## 2.7 Reference

- [chapter 2](#)
- [2.1](#)
- [2.3](#)
- [ch2 solution](#)