**Definition 1** Suppose that (X,Y) is a 2-dimensional absolutely continuous random variable with cumulative density function  $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$ . The **conditional density function of** X **given** Y is  $f_{X|Y}(x|y) := \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}$ , where  $f_Y(y)$  is the marginal density, i.e., the density function of random variable Y.

**Remark 1** Multiplying both sides by  $f_Y(y)$  it gives that  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_{X|Y}(x|y) \cdot f_Y(y)$ , and the density of X is  $f_X(x) = \int\limits_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X|Y}(x|y) \cdot f_Y(y) dy$ , as we have already seen. This is the law of total probability applied to density functions.

**Proposition 1 (Markov type inequalities)** Let  $X \ge 0$  be a positive random variable,  $g : \mathbb{R}^+ \to \mathbb{R}^+$  monotonically increasing function and  $\varepsilon > 0$  a real number. Then  $P(X \ge \varepsilon) \le \frac{E(g(X))}{g(\varepsilon)}$ . In special case, if g(x) = x, we get Markov's inequality

$$P(X \ge \varepsilon) \le \frac{E(X)}{\varepsilon}.\tag{1}$$

Corollary 1 (Chebyshev's inequality) Suppose that g(x) = x, and apply Statement to  $(X - E(X))^2$ , instead of X. This follows that  $P\left((X - EX)^2 \ge \varepsilon^2\right) \le \frac{E((X - EX)^2)}{\varepsilon^2} = \frac{Var(X)}{\varepsilon^2}$ .

**Remark 2** The inequalities above are sharp. It means that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  exists a random variable X, which satisfies the inequality with equality.

Definition 2 (convergence in probability) A sequence  $X_1, X_2, \ldots$  of random variables converges in probability towards random variable X, if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$   $\lim_{n \to \infty} P(|X_n - X| \ge \varepsilon) = 0$ .

**Theorem 1 (Law of large numbers)** Suppose that  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  are i.i.d. random variables,  $\sigma^2 = Var(X_i) < \infty$ , and let  $m := E(X_i)$  denote their expected values. Then for any  $\varepsilon, \delta$  positive numbers there is an  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  that for  $n > n_0$ :

$$P\left(\left|\frac{X_1+\ldots+X_n}{n}-m\right|\geq \varepsilon\right)\leq \delta.$$

PROOF:  $\frac{E(X_1 + ... + X_n)}{n} = m$  and  $Var\left(\frac{X_1 + ... + X_n}{n}\right) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$ . Using Chebyshev's inequality the following holds:  $P\left(\left|\frac{X_1 + ... + X_n}{n} - m\right| \ge \varepsilon\right) \le \frac{\sigma^2}{\varepsilon^2 \cdot n}$ . At last, we choose  $n_0 := \left\lceil \frac{\sigma^2}{\varepsilon^2 \delta} \right\rceil$ .

**Remark 3** 1. Theorem 1 says that the mean sequence  $\frac{X_1 + ... + X_n}{n}$  converges in probability to the expected value m.

- 2. The statement of Theorem 1 remains also for weakened conditions. It is enough to require the expected value to be finite.  $(E(X_i) < \infty)$
- 3. if  $X_1 = X_2 = \ldots = X_n$ , then  $\frac{X_1 + \ldots + X_n}{n} = X_1$  does not converge to a constant

**Example 1** Suppose that  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  are i.i.d. Bernoulli random variables. Then the limit of relative frequency is equal to p, where p = P(X = 1) the probability of one successful trial.

Definition 3 (weak convergence or convergence in distribution) A sequence  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n, \ldots$  of random variables converges to X weakly, if  $\lim_{n\to\infty} F_n(x) = F(x)$  (distribution functions) for every real number x at which F is continuous.

Definition 4 (almost surely convergence or convergence with probability 1)  $X_n \stackrel{a.s.}{\to} X$ , if  $P(\lim_{n \to \infty} X_n = X) = 1$ .

**Theorem 2 (Central limit theorem)** Suppose that  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  are independent, identically distributed random variables. Let  $\sigma^2 := Var(X_1)$  be finite and let  $m := E(X_1)$  denote their expected value. Let the standardized sum of the variables be  $Z_n := \frac{X_1 + \ldots + X_n - n \cdot m}{\sqrt{n}\sigma}$ . Then  $Z_n$  converges weakly to the standard normal distribution, i.e.,

$$P\left(\frac{X_1 + \ldots + X_n - n \cdot m}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} < z\right) \xrightarrow{d} \Phi(z),$$

where  $\Phi(z)$  denotes the standard normal distribution function.

Remark 4 It is not necessary to require the identical distribution of variables. The conditions can be weakened, but here we do not discuss it.

**Theorem 3 (Moivre-Laplace)** Suppose that  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  are i.i.d. Bernoulli(p) random variables. This follows that  $Y = X_1 + \ldots + X_n$  is Binomial(n, p). The theorem states that

$$P(Y = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k} \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi n p(1 - p)}} e^{-\frac{(k - np)^2}{2np(1 - p)}}.$$

## Statistical hypothesis testing

 $H_0$  (null hypothesis) says that the unknown parameter is in the subset  $\Theta_0 \subset \Theta$ , where  $\Theta$  is the parameter space. In contrast,  $H_1$  (alternative hypothesis) says that  $\vartheta \in \Theta_1 := \Theta \setminus \Theta_0$ .

Definition 5 Type I error: when the null hypothesis is incorrectly rejected. Type II error: when one fails to reject an incorrect null hypothesis.

**Definition 6** The critical region of a hypothesis test is the set of all outcomes which cause the null hypothesis to be rejected in favor of the alternative hypothesis. This region will be denoted by  $\mathfrak{X}_c$ . In other words, it contains all the  $\underline{X}$  observations for which  $H_0$  is rejected.

**Remark 5** Usually we define it using  $T(\underline{X})$  statistics.

Definition 7 The probability of Type I error is  $\alpha := \sup_{\vartheta \in \Theta_0} P_{\vartheta}(\mathfrak{X}_c)$ . The probability of Type II error is  $\beta(\vartheta) := 1 - P_{\vartheta}(\mathfrak{X}_c) = P_{\vartheta}(\mathfrak{X}_a)$ , where  $\vartheta \in \Theta_1$  and  $\mathfrak{X}_a$  denotes the region of acceptance.

	$H_0$ is true	$H_1$ is true
accept null hypothesis	right decision	wrong decision (Type II error)
reject null hypothesis	wrong decision (Type I error)	right decision