

## binomial

适用条件: ①  $n$  &  $p$  固定 ② outcome 仅 是/否 ③ 事件互相 independent.

$$X \sim B(n, p) : P(X=r) = \binom{n}{r} p^r (1-p)^{n-r}$$

$$E(aX_1 + bX_2) = aE(X_1) + bE(X_2)$$

$$\text{Var}(aX_1 + bX_2) = a^2 \text{Var}(X_1) + b^2 \text{Var}(X_2)$$

$$\text{mean of } X = E(X) = \mu = np$$

$$\text{variance of } X = \text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2 = np(1-p)$$

## Poisson

适用条件: ① events independent ② 单独出现 ③ occur at a constant average rate

$$X \sim P_0(\lambda) : P(X=x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}$$

$$X+Y \sim P_0(\lambda+\mu) \quad X \& Y \text{ independent.}$$

$$\text{mean of } X = E(X) = \lambda$$

$$\text{variance of } X = \text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2 = \lambda$$

type of data { qualitative  
quantitative { discrete  
continuous

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum x}{n}$$

$$\text{variance} = \frac{S_{xx}}{n} = \frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}{n} = \frac{\sum x^2}{n} - (\bar{x})^2 \quad S_{xx} = \sum (x - \bar{x})^2 = \sum x^2 - \frac{(\sum x)^2}{n}$$

sd.  $\sigma = \sqrt{\text{Var}}$

## 1. Probability

- probability =  $\frac{\# \text{ event can occur}}{\# \text{ total outcomes}}$

- relative frequency: proportion of times that an event occur in huge repetitions of experiment

概率随着实验次数增加无限接近一个数 ep.  $P(\text{骰子 1 朝上}) \rightarrow \frac{1}{6}$

- subjective frequency: (相对主观) ep.  $P(\text{天气预报为晴})$

the probability of an event is a measure of how sure the person think the event will happen.

## 2. Probability Model

- sample space ( $S$ ) : a set of distinct outcomes for an experiment

所有可能性. 互不重叠. 不遗漏

{ discrete sample space : finite or "countably finite"  
 $S = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$   
continuous sample space  $S = \{x : x > 0\}$

- event ( $A$ ) : a subset of sample space  $A \subseteq S$

{ simple event event contains only one point  $A = \{a_i\}$   
compound event  $A$  is made up by more than 1 simple events  
 $A = \{a_1, a_2\}$

\* sample point 样本点 : sample space 里 in 个体

- probability distribution : Let  $S = \{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$  be a discrete sample space.

Assign probabilities  $P(a_i)$  for  $i=1, 2, \dots$  to  $a_i$ 's

s.t. 1)  $0 \leq P(a_i) \leq 1$

2)  $\sum_i P(a_i) = 1$ .

The set of probabilities  $\{P(a_i) : i=1, 2, \dots\}$  is called probability distribution of  $S$ .

- probability of an event : the sum of probabilities for all simple events that make

$P(A)$

up  $A$ .

$$P(A) = \sum_{a \in A} P(a)$$

ex.  $A = \{2, 4, 6\}$ .  $P(A) = P(2) + P(4) + P(6)$

simple :  $P(a_i) = \frac{1}{|S|}$

compound :  $P(A) = \sum_{a \in A} P(a_i) = \frac{|A|}{|S|}$  ←  $A$  事件发生次数



## - Odds

$$\begin{cases} \text{odds in favour} & \text{胜率} & \frac{P(A)}{1-P(A)} \\ \text{odds against} & \text{败率} & \frac{1-P(A)}{P(A)} \end{cases}$$

Q. roll a die

$$a) P(\text{odds in favour of rolling a "6"}) = \frac{\frac{1}{6}}{1 - \frac{1}{6}} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$b) P(\text{odds against of rolling a "6"}) = \frac{1 - \frac{1}{6}}{\frac{1}{6}} = 5$$

### 3. Probability and counting techniques

- addition rule.

If  $A$  &  $B$  are disjoint ( $A \cap B = \emptyset$ ), then  $|A \cup B| = |A| + |B|$

- multiplication rule.

$A = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k)$  with  $n_i$  choices for  $a_i$

$$|A| = n_1 \cdot n_2 \cdots n_k = \prod_{i=1}^k n_i$$

- **Number of subsets of size  $k$ :** We use the combinatorial symbol  $\binom{n}{k}$  ("n choose k") to denote the number of subsets of size  $k$  that can be selected from a set of  $n$  objects. By an argument similar to that above, if  $m$  denotes the number of subsets of size  $k$  that can be selected from  $n$  things, then  $m \times k! = n^{(k)}$  and so we have

$$m = \binom{n}{k} = \frac{n^{(k)}}{k!} \leftarrow \text{binomial coefficient}$$

permutation:  $n^{(k)} = n(n-1)\cdots(n-k+1) = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$

$n$  个空填  $k$  个数  
(数字不同)

• order matters.  $ABC \neq CAB$

combination:  $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n^{(k)}}{k!} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!k!}$

$n$  个空填  $k$  个数  
(数字相同)

$n$  choose  $k$

• order doesn't matter.  $ABC = CAB$

ex. 从 ABCD 中选 2 个字母

AB	<del>BA</del>	<del>CA</del>	<del>DA</del>
AC	BC	<del>CB</del>	<del>DB</del>
AD	BD	CD	<del>DC</del>

$$P = 12$$

$$nPr = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

$$4P_2 = \frac{4!}{(4-2)!}$$

$$C = 6$$

$$nCr = \frac{nPr}{r!} = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!}$$

$$4C_2 = \frac{4!}{(4-2)!2!}$$

将这  $r$  个排列组合的可能性

**Properties of  $\binom{n}{k}$ :** You should be able to prove the following for  $n$  and  $k$  non-negative integers:

1.  $n \binom{n-1}{k} = \binom{n}{k} n$  for  $k \geq 1$

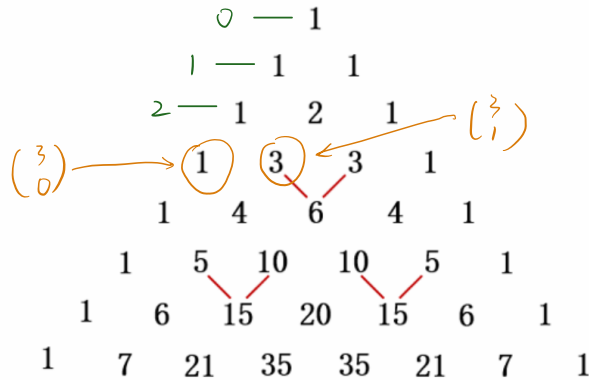
2.  $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} = \frac{n!}{k!}$

3.  $\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n}{n-k}$  for all  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$

4. If we define  $0! = 1$ , then the formulas hold with  $\binom{n}{0} = \binom{n}{n} = 1$ .

5.  $\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k-1} + \binom{n-1}{k}$

6. **Binomial Theorem:**  $(1+x)^n = \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1}x + \binom{n}{2}x^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{n}x^n$



$$\binom{x}{n} - \binom{x-1}{n} = \binom{x-1}{n-1}$$



Suppose you have 20 distinct books, 7 of which are written by Mark Twain.

- How many ways can you arrange 12 books on a shelf if the order they are on the shelf matters?
- How many ways can you arrange 12 books on a shelf if exactly 3 of them must be Mark Twain books?
- A monkey picks books at random from the 20 books and puts them on the shelf until it contains 12 books. What is the probability that at least 3 of the books on the shelf are written by Mark Twain?

$$a) 20^{(12)}$$

$$b) \frac{\binom{7}{3} \binom{13}{9} \cdot 12!}{\downarrow \text{arrange}}$$

$$c) \begin{aligned} P(2 \text{ 本}) &= \binom{7}{2} \cdot \binom{13}{10} \\ P(1 \text{ 本}) &= \binom{7}{1} \cdot \binom{13}{11} \\ P(0 \text{ 本}) &= \binom{7}{0} \cdot \binom{13}{12} \end{aligned}$$

$$1 - P(2 \text{ 本}) - P(1 \text{ 本}) - P(0 \text{ 本})$$

Q. HELLO KITTY 任意组合形成单词

a) how many ways can this be done?

$$\frac{10!}{2! 2!} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{将 L \& T 区别成 L, L, T, T} \\ \uparrow \leftarrow \# \text{ ways to arrange L.} \\ \uparrow \leftarrow \# \text{ ways to arrange T} \end{array}$$

b)  $P$  (all letters appear in alphabetic order).

$$\frac{1}{\frac{10!}{2! 2!}}$$

c)  $P$  (begin and ends with T)

$$\frac{\frac{8!}{2!}}{\frac{10!}{2! 2!}} \Rightarrow 8 \text{ position but 2L we need to consider}$$

**Number of arrangements when symbols are repeated:**

If we have  $n_i$  symbols of type  $i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$  with  $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_k = n$ , then the number of arrangements using all of the symbols is

$$\binom{n}{n_1} \binom{n-n_1}{n_2} \binom{n-n_1-n_2}{n_3} \dots \binom{n_k}{n_k}$$

$= \frac{n!}{n_1! n_2! \dots n_k!}$  ← if they were distinguishable  
← undistinguishable array

multinomial coefficient  $\binom{n}{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k} = \frac{n!}{n_1! n_2! \dots n_k!}$

- a) **Addition rule:** something OR (+) something else
- b) **Multiplication rule:** something AND (×) something else
- c) **Factorial:**  $n!$  = Number of arrangements of  $n$  distinct objects when order matters
- d) **Permutation:**  $n^{(k)} = \frac{n!}{k!} =$  Number of ways to pick  $k$  objects from  $n$  distinct objects when order matters (without replacement) 13 ≠ 3!
- e) **Combination:**  $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} =$  Number of ways to choose  $k$  objects from  $n$  objects when order doesn't matter without replacement
- f) **Multinomial coefficient:**  $\binom{n}{n_1, \dots, n_k} = \frac{n!}{n_1! \dots n_k!} =$  Number of ways to arrange  $n_1$  objects of type 1, ...,  $n_k$  objects of type  $k$ , where  $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_k = n$ .

#### 4. Probability rules and conditional probability

- union  $A \cup B = \{s \in S : s \text{ belong to either } A \text{ or } B\}$

intersection.  $A \cap B = \{s \in S : s \text{ belongs to both } A \& B\}$

complement  $\bar{A} = \{s \in S : s \text{ doesn't belong to } A\}$

- fundamental laws of set algebra

(a) commutativity

$$A \cup B = B \cup A \quad A \cap B = B \cap A$$

(b) associativity

$$(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C) \quad (A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C)$$

(c) distributivity

$$A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$$

$$A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$$

- DeMorgan's law

$$\overline{A \cup B} = \bar{A} \cap \bar{B}$$

$$\overline{A \cap B} = \bar{A} \cup \bar{B}$$

**Exercise:** for events  $A, B$ , and  $C$  from  $S$ , find representations of the following events:

- $A$  occurs but not  $B$   $\longrightarrow A \cap \bar{B}$
- $A$  occurs but not  $B$  nor  $C$   $\longrightarrow A \cap (\bar{B} \cap \bar{C})$
- $A$  and  $C$  occur but not  $B$   $\longrightarrow A \cap C \cap \bar{B}$
- $A$  or  $B$  occur but not  $C$   $\longrightarrow (A \cup B) \cap \bar{C}$

- probability rules:

$$R_1: P(S) = 1$$

$$R_2: 0 \leq P(A) \leq 1.$$

$$R_3: A \subseteq B \Rightarrow P(A) \leq P(B)$$

- union rules

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

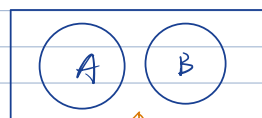
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$$P(A \cup B \cup C) = P(A) + P(B) + P(C) - P(A \cap B) - P(A \cap C) - P(B \cap C) + P(A \cap B \cap C)$$

- mutually exclusive  $A$  &  $B$  has no common points.

(disjoint)  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ .

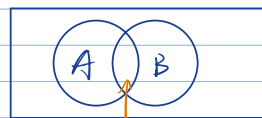
$$P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i)$$



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- independent events  $A$  与  $B$  之间没有关系

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$$



$A \cap B$

- mutually independent  $P(A_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_k}) = P(A_{i_1}) \dots P(A_{i_k})$

→ proposition:  $A$  &  $B$  mutually exclusive & independent.  $\Rightarrow P(A) = 0$  or  $P(B) = 0$

proof.  $\because A$  &  $B$  mutually exclusive & independent

$$\therefore P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B) = P(\emptyset) = 0$$

$$\therefore P(A) \cdot P(B) = 0$$

$$\therefore P(A) = 0 \text{ or } P(B) = 0$$

→ proposition:  $A$  &  $B$  are independent  $\Rightarrow \bar{A}$  &  $B$  are independent

- conditional probability

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \quad (A \text{ given } B) \quad \text{在 } B \text{ 发生的情况下 } A \text{ 发生的概率.}$$

↳ 用于定义 independence

$$A \& B \text{ are independent} \Leftrightarrow P(A|B) = P(A) \vee P(B|A) = P(B) \\ = \frac{P(A)P(B)}{P(B)}$$

$$\rightarrow 0 \leq P(A|B) \leq 1$$

$$\rightarrow P(\bar{A}|B) = 1 - P(A|B)$$

$$\star \rightarrow \text{若 } A_1 \& A_2 \text{ disjoint, 则 } P(A_1 \cap A_2 | B) = P(A_1 | B) + P(A_2 | B)$$

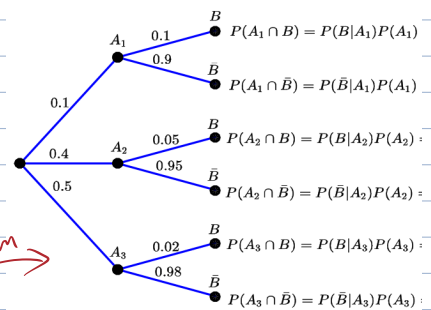
$$\rightarrow P(S|B) = 1 = P(B|B)$$

- product rule:  $P(A \cap B) = P(A|B)P(B) = P(B|A)P(A)$

$$P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A) \cdot P(B|A) \cdot P(C|AB)$$

proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS} &= P(A) \frac{P(AB)}{P(A)} P(C|AB) \\ &= P(AB) \cdot P(C|AB) \\ &= P(AB) \cdot \frac{P(ABC)}{P(AB)} \\ &= \text{LHS} \end{aligned}$$



- law of total probability

Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k$  be a partition of the sample space  $S$  into disjoint events (mutually exclusive).  $A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_k = S$ .  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ .  $\forall i \neq j$ .

$$\text{Let } B \text{ be arbitrary event in } S, \text{ then } P(B) = P(B|A_1) + P(B|A_2) + \dots + P(B|A_k) \\ = \sum_{i=1}^k P(B|A_i) P(A_i)$$

- Bayes's theorem

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(B|A) \cdot P(A)}{P(B|\bar{A})P(\bar{A}) + P(B|A) \cdot P(A)}$$



## 5. Discrete Random variables

### - random variable

$$X: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

a function maps from sample space  $S$  to set of real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$ .

ep. 抛硬币

$$S = \{H, T\}$$

$$X(s) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } s=H \\ 0 & \text{if } s=T \end{cases}$$

range (of random variable): the value that a random variable takes

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{discrete range is discrete subset of } \mathbb{R} \\ \text{continuous range is an interval ep. } X(s) = [0, 1] \end{array} \right.$

### - Probability (mass) function p.f.

$$f(x) = P(X=x) \quad (x \in \text{range}(X))$$

probability distribution  $\{(x, f(x)) : x \in \text{range}(X)\}$

Properties of p.f.  $\therefore$  ①  $f(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in A$

$$\text{② } \sum_{x \in A} f(x) = 1$$

ep. 抛 3 次硬币.  $X = \# \text{ heads occur.}$

$$P(X=x) = f(x) \quad \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ (\frac{1}{2})^3 & 3 \cdot (\frac{1}{2})^3 & 3 \cdot (\frac{1}{2})^3 & (\frac{1}{2})^3 \end{matrix}$$

## - Cumulative distribution function (cdf)

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x) \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \\ = P(\{\omega \in S : X(\omega) \leq x\})$$

If  $X$  is discrete with probability function  $f$ , then  $F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \sum_{y \leq x} f(y)$

Properties of cdf: ①  $0 \leq F(x) \leq 1$

②  $F(x) \leq F(y) \quad \forall x < y$

③  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = 0 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1$

\* 证明 cdf. ①  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1$  ②  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = 0$  ③ non-decreasing

ep. 掷骰子.  $X =$  掷出点数.

$x$	1	2	3	4	5	6	
$f(x) = P(X=x)$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	
$X$	$x < 1$	$1 \leq x < 2$	$2 \leq x < 3$	$3 \leq x < 4$	$4 \leq x < 5$	$5 \leq x < 6$	$x \geq 6$
$F(x) = P(X \leq x)$	0	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{2}{6}$	$\frac{3}{6}$	$\frac{4}{6}$	$\frac{5}{6}$	1

$$F(2) = P(X \leq 2) = P(X=1) + P(X=2) = \frac{2}{6}$$

$$f_x(x) = P(X \leq x) - P(X \leq x-1) = F_x(x) - F_x(x-1)$$

**Example**

Suppose students A, B and C each independently answer a question on a test. The probability of getting the correct answer is 0.9 for A, 0.7 for B and 0.4 for C. Let  $X$  denote the number of people who get the answer correct.

- a) Compute the probability function of  $X$
- b) Compute the cdf of  $X$ .
- c) Compute the probability that at least one person gets the answer correct.

$$\begin{array}{ll} P(A) = 0.9 & P(\bar{A}) = 0.1 \\ P(B) = 0.7 & P(\bar{B}) = 0.3 \\ P(C) = 0.4 & P(\bar{C}) = 0.6 \end{array}$$

a)

$x$	0	1	2	3
$f(x)$	0.018	0.216	0.514	0.252

$$0.1 \times 0.3 \times 0.6 + 0.9 \times 0.3 \times 0.6 + 0.7 \times 0.1 \times 0.6 + 0.4 \times 0.1 \times 0.3$$

$$0.9 \times 0.7 \times 0.6 + 0.1 \times 0.3 \times 0.4 + 0.1 \times 0.7 \times 0.4$$

b)

$x$	0	1	2	3
$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x)$	0.018	0.234	0.748	1

c)  $1 - P(\text{no one}) = 1 - 0.018 = 0.982$

**Example**

Suppose that  $N$  balls labeled  $1, 2, \dots, N$  are placed in a box, and  $n$  balls ( $n \leq N$ ) are randomly selected without replacement. Define the random variable  $X =$  largest number selected. Find the probability function of  $X$ .

method 1:  $x = \{n, n+1, \dots, N\}$

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= P(X=x) \\ &= P(\text{one} = x \wedge \text{other} < x) \\ &= \underbrace{n}_{n \text{ choices}} \cdot \frac{1}{N} \cdot \frac{x-1}{N-1} \dots \frac{x-n+1}{x-n+1} \end{aligned}$$

method 2:  $|S| = \binom{N}{n} \leftarrow N \text{ choices } n \text{ without replacement}$

Let  $A_x =$  maximum is  $x$ .

$$|A_x| = 1 \cdot \binom{x-1}{n-1}$$

↑  
# ways choose  $x$

$$f_X(x) = P(X=x) = \frac{\binom{x-1}{n-1}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$

**Question 1:** For which  $x \in \mathbb{N}$  is  $f_X(x) = P(X=x) > 0$ ? In other words, what is the range  $X(S)$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} x \in r \wedge x \leq n & \quad x \in \min\{r, n\} \\ n > N-r & \Rightarrow n - (N-r) > 0 \quad x \geq \max\{0, n - (N-r)\} \\ \therefore \max\{0, n - (N-r)\} & \in x \in \min\{r, n\} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 2:** Compute  $f_X(x) = P(X=x)$ .

- #  $N$  choices  $n$  balls:  $\binom{N}{n}$
- #  $x$  choices  $r$  (success) balls:  $\binom{r}{x}$
- #  $(N-r)$  fail choices  $(n-x)$  fail balls:  $\binom{N-r}{n-x}$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{\binom{r}{x} \binom{N-r}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$

- discrete uniform variable  $X \sim U[a, b]$

- 共有事件  $a, \dots, b$ . 每件事发生概率一样.  $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{b-a+1}$

$X: \{a, a+1, a+2, \dots, b\}$ .  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . all values are equally likely.

$X$  has discrete uniform distribution on  $\{a, a+1, \dots, b\}$ .  $X \sim U[a, b]$ .

$$P(X=x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a+1} & x \in \{a, \dots, b\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$X \sim Y$ .  
 $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \quad F_X(x) = F_Y(x)$

- Hypergeometric distribution  $X \sim \text{Hyp}(N, r, n)$

- 共  $N$  个 item, 包含  $r$  个 Success, 抽取  $n$  个.

条件: • 在  $N$  中选  $n$  个 without replacement.

• # success =  $r$     # fail =  $N-r$   $\leftarrow$  binary responses

$\rightarrow$  当  $N$  large,  $n$  small in 话, 抽中 1 个东西两次 in 概率极小.

则  $\frac{r}{N} = p \Rightarrow$  Binomial  $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$

$$P(X \leq k) \approx P(Y \leq k)$$

- Bernoulli distribution  $X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$

做 1 次实验. 成功概率为  $p$ .

$(X \in \{0, 1\})$

条件: either success or fail

pf.:  $f(x) = p^x (1-p)^{1-x} \quad x \in \{0, 1\}$

- Binomial distribution  $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$

做  $n$  次实验. 每次成功概率为  $p$ .

$\leftarrow$  多次 Bernoulli

已知一共  $n$  次实验. 未知 #S

条件: • either success or fail

• with replacement

• for every try.  $P(S) = p \quad P(F) = 1-p. \quad 0 < p < 1$



• Memoryless property of  $\text{Geo}(p)$

Let  $X \sim \text{Geo}(p)$  and  $s, t$  be non-negative integers, then  $P(X \geq s+t | X \geq s) = P(X \geq t)$

proof:  $P(X \geq s+t | X \geq s)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{P(X \geq s+t \cap X \geq s)}{P(X \geq s)} = \frac{P(X \geq s+t)}{P(X \geq s)} = \frac{1 - P(X \leq s+t-1)}{1 - P(X \leq s-1)} = \frac{1 - F(s+t-1)}{1 - F(s-1)} \\ &= \frac{(1-p)^{s+t}}{(1-p)^s} = (1-p)^t = P(X \geq t) \end{aligned}$$

- Poisson distribution  $X \sim \text{Poi}(\mu)$   $\mu > 0$

条件: • either success or fail

$\mu$  在单位时间内发生的次数  
 $p$  很小 in binomial

• independence  $n$  次实验相互独立 (non-overlap intervals)

• individuality 事件都不在同一时刻发生

• homogeneity / uniformity 一丁区间内事件发生概率与区间大小成正比.

•  $n$  大  $p$  小

代替一些 Binomial Distribution  $n \rightarrow \infty$   $p \rightarrow 0$   $np \rightarrow \lambda$   
# occurrence until  $t$  in Poisson process

pf.  $P(X=x) = f(x) = e^{-\mu} \cdot \frac{\mu^x}{x!}$  ( $x=0, 1, 2, \dots$ )

Q. Verify  $f$  is a valid probability function

$\rightarrow$  Obviously,  $f(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x$ .

$\rightarrow \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} f(x) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{-\mu} \frac{\mu^x}{x!} = e^{-\mu} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mu^x}{x!} = e^{-\mu} e^{\mu} = 1$

exponential sum:  $e^{\mu} = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mu^x}{x!}$

\* Poisson approximation of Binomial

$\text{Bin}(n, p) \xrightarrow{np = \mu} \text{Poi}(\mu)$

Let  $\mu = np$ .  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $p \rightarrow 0$ .

$\binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \rightarrow e^{-\mu} \frac{\mu^x}{x!}$

### Example

Consider drawing a 5 card hand at random from a standard 52 card deck.

What is the probability that the hand contains at least 3 Kings?

$$X \sim \text{Hyp}(52, 4, 5)$$

$$f_X(3) + f_X(4) = \frac{\binom{4}{3} \binom{52-4}{5-3}}{\binom{52}{5}} + \frac{\binom{4}{4} \binom{52-4}{5-4}}{\binom{52}{5}}$$

### Example

Suppose that in a weekly lottery you have probability 0.02 of winning a prize with a single ticket. If you buy 1 ticket per week for 52 weeks, what is the probability that

a) you win no prizes?

b) you win 2 or more prizes?

$$\begin{cases} W & 0.02 \\ L & 0.98 \end{cases}$$

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(52, 0.02)$$

$$a) P(X=0) = \binom{52}{0} \cdot 0.98^{52} \cdot 0.02^0 \approx 0.3497$$

$$b) P(X \geq 2) = 1 - P(X=1) - P(X=0)$$

$$= 1 - \binom{52}{0} \cdot 0.98^{52} \cdot 0.02^0 - \binom{52}{1} \cdot 0.98^{51} \cdot 0.02^1$$

$$\approx 0.491$$

### Example

A bit error occurs for a given data transmission method independently in one out of every 1000 bits transferred. Suppose a 64 bit message is sent using the transmission system.

a) What is the probability that there are exactly 2 bit errors?

b) Approximate the probability in a) using a Poisson approximation.

$$a) X \sim \text{Bin}(64, \frac{1}{1000})$$

$$P(X=2) = \binom{64}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1000}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{1000}\right)^{64-2} \approx 0.00189$$

$$b) X \sim P_0\left(\frac{64}{1000}\right) \quad \mu = np$$

$$P(X=2) = e^{-\frac{64}{1000}} \frac{\left(\frac{64}{1000}\right)^2}{2!} \approx 0.00192$$

almost the same



Website hits for a given website occur according to a Poisson process with a rate of 100 hits per minute. We say a second is a "break" if there are no hits in that second.

- What is the probability  $p$  of a break in any given second?
- Compute the probability of observing exactly 10 breaks in 60 consecutive seconds.
- Compute the probability that one must wait for 30 seconds to get 2 breaks.

$$(a) X \sim Po\left(\frac{100}{60}\right) \rightarrow X \sim Po\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)$$

$$p = P(X=0) = e^{-\frac{5}{3}} \frac{(\frac{5}{3})^0}{0!} \approx 0.189$$

$$(b) Y \sim Bi(60, \frac{5}{3})$$

$$P(Y=10) = \binom{60}{10} \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{10} \left(1 - \frac{5}{3}\right)^{50} = 0.124$$

$$(c) Z \sim NegBin(k=2, p)$$

$$P(Z=30) = \binom{30+2-1}{2-1} p^2 (1-p)^{30} \approx 0.002$$

At a super busy coffee chain, customers arrive at a rate of 5 per minute.

- Find the probability that there are more than 2 customers in one minute.
- Suppose you record the number of customers in 5 consecutive one-minute intervals. What is the probability that in at least 3 of them there were more than 2 customers?
- Suppose you are waiting until finally, there is one minute with more than 2 customers. Denote by  $X$  the number of minutes you need to wait. Find the probability function of  $X$ .
- Find the probability that a minute with more than 2 customers actually had 6 customers.
- Suppose in 3 minutes, there were  $n$  customers. Find the probability that  $x$  of these came in the first two minutes.

$$a) X \sim Po(5)$$

$$P(X > 2) = 1 - P(X \leq 2) = 1 - P(X=2) - P(X=1) - P(X=0)$$

$$b) Y \sim Bi(5, \frac{1}{2})$$

$$P(Y \geq 3) = 1 - P(Y=2) - P(Y=1) - P(Y=0)$$

## 1. Expected Value and Variance

### - Sample

mean:  $\bar{x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}$   $x_1, \dots, x_n$ :  $n$  outcomes for a random variable  $X$ .

median: a value s.t. half of results are below it, and half are above

mode: the most frequently-occurring value in a sample.

### - Expected Value (mean / expectation / first moment of $X$ )

$$E(X) = \sum_{x \in X(S)} x f(x) \quad \text{加权平均值}$$

### Property:

#### 1. Law of unconscious statistician

$$E[g(X)] = \sum_{x \in X(S)} g(x) f(x)$$

#### 2. Linearity of expectation

$$E(aX+b) = aE(X) + b$$

$$E[ag(X)+b] = aE[g(X)] + b$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proof: } E(aX+b) &= \sum_{x \in X(S)} (ax+b) f(x) \\ &= a \underbrace{\sum_{x \in X} x f(x)} + b \underbrace{\sum_{x \in X} f(x)}_{=1} \\ &= aE(X) + b. \end{aligned}$$

$$\star g(E[X]) \neq E[g(X)] \quad \triangle$$

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p) \quad E(X) = np$$

$$X \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda) \quad E(X) = \lambda$$

$$X \sim \text{Hyp}(N, r, n) \quad E(X) = n \frac{r}{N}$$

$$X \sim \text{NB}(k, p) \quad E(X) = \frac{k(1-p)}{p}$$

$$X \sim U(a, b) \quad E(X) = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

proof:

$$\textcircled{1} W \sim \text{Bi}(n, p) \quad E(W) = np$$

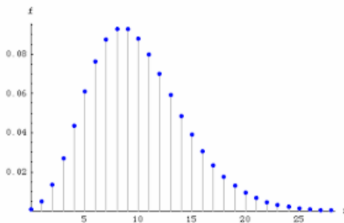
$$\begin{aligned} \text{proof: } E(W) &= \sum_{x=0}^n x \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \\ &= \sum_{x=1}^n x \cdot \frac{n!}{(n-x)!x!} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \\ &= \sum_{x=1}^n \frac{n!}{(n-x)!(x-1)!} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \\ &= n \cdot p \sum_{x=1}^n \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-1-(x-1))!(x-1)!} p^{x-1} (1-p)^{n-1-(x-1)} \\ &= np \underbrace{\sum_{y=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{y} p^y (1-p)^{n-1-y}}_{= \text{sum of p.f. of Bi}(n-1, p)} \\ &= np \quad \quad \quad = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{2} Z \sim \text{Po}(\mu) \quad E(Z) = \mu$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proof: } E(Z) &= \sum_{z=0}^{\infty} z e^{-\mu} \cdot \frac{\mu^z}{z!} \\ &= \sum_{z=1}^{\infty} z \cdot e^{-\mu} \cdot \frac{\mu^z}{z(z-1)!} \\ &= \mu \cdot \underbrace{\sum_{z=1}^{\infty} e^{-\mu} \cdot \frac{\mu^{z-1}}{(z-1)!}}_{= 1} \\ &= \mu \end{aligned}$$

Interpretations of the expected value:  $E(X)$

a)  $E(X)$  is the "balancing point" of the probability function  $f_X(x)$



b)  $E(X)$  is what the average of many, many independent realizations of the random variable  $X$  would approach (Law of large numbers).

## - Variance 方差

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(X) &= E[(X - E(X))^2] \\ &= E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 \quad (\text{Var}(X) \geq 0)\end{aligned}$$

kth moment of random variable  $X$   $E(X^k)$

## Property:

①  $\text{Var}(X) \geq 0$

②  $\text{Var}$  越大, 偏离越大

③  $\text{Var}(X) = 0 \Leftrightarrow P(X = E(X)) = 1$

proof ③:

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $\text{Var}(X) = 0 \Rightarrow E(X - E(X))^2 = 0$

$$\sum_{x \in X} (x - E(X))^2 f(x) = 0 \text{ only possible if } x = E(X) \quad \forall x \in X(S) \text{ with } f(x) > 0$$

$\therefore P(X = E(X)) = 1.$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $P(X = E(X)) = 1$ . Then

$$\text{Var}(X) = E((X - E(X))^2) = \sum_{x \in X} (x - E(X))^2 f(x) = 0$$

\* There exist distributions without  $E(X)$ :

$$f_x(x) = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{x^3}, \quad x = 1, 2, \dots$$

$E(X) = +\infty$   $\text{Var}(X)$  not defined

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p) \quad \text{Var}(X) = np(1-p)$$

$$X \sim \text{Po}(\lambda) \quad \text{Var}(X) = \lambda$$

$$X \sim \text{Hyp}(N, r, n) \quad \text{Var}(X) = n \frac{r}{N} \left(1 - \frac{r}{N}\right) \left(\frac{N-n}{N-1}\right)$$

$$X \sim \text{NB}(k, p) \quad \text{Var}(X) = \frac{k(1-p)}{p^2}$$

$$X \sim U(a, b) \quad \text{Var}(X) = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$$

## - Standard deviation 标准差 $\sigma$ s.d

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)}$$

Q. Suppose the discrete random variable  $X$  has probability function

$$f(-1) = 0.15, \quad f(0) = 2c, \quad f(1) = 0.5, \quad f(2) = 0.05, \quad f(3) = c.$$

where  $c$  is a constant making  $f$  a valid probability function. Compute  $E(X)$  and  $E(\exp(X))$ .

$$\rightarrow \because \sum_{i=-1}^3 f(i) = 1 \quad \rightarrow c = 0.1$$

$$\rightarrow E(X) = (-1) \cdot 0.15 + 0 \cdot 0.2 + 1 \cdot 0.5 + 2 \cdot 0.05 + 3 \cdot 0.1 = 0.75$$

$$\rightarrow E(\exp(X)) = \exp(-1) \cdot 0.15 + \exp(0) \cdot 0.2 + \dots + \exp(3) \cdot 0.1 \approx 3.992$$

ex. Suppose  $X$  denote the outcome of one fair six sided die roll.

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{6} \times (1+2+\dots+6) = 3.5$$

Q. Let  $X$  denote the outcome of a fair six sided die roll. Compute  $\text{Var}(X)$ .

$$E(X) = \sum_{x=1}^6 x \cdot \frac{1}{6} = 3.5$$

$$E(X^2) = 1^2 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 2^2 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + \dots + 6^2 \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{91}{6}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = \frac{91}{6} - 3.5^2 = \frac{35}{12}$$

#### Definition

The  $k^{\text{th}}$  **moment** of a random variable  $X$  is defined by

$$E(X^k)$$

## 8. Continuous Random Variable

- def: cont random variable

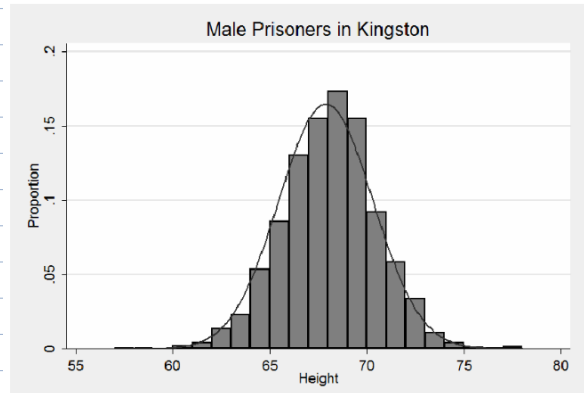
range  $X(S)$  is an interval  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}$

现实中不存在. 只能不断近似得到

ep. 测时间 / 长度 ...

$$f_X(x) = P(X=x)$$

$$P(a \leq X \leq b) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$



- Probability density function pdf.

$X$  is cont. random variable with pdf  $f(x)$ .  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

$$E(g(X)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f(x) dx$$

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E[(X - E(X))^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - E(X))^2 f(x) dx$$

properties:

1)  $f(x) \geq 0$

2)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$

3)  $P(a \leq X \leq b) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$

- cumulative distribution function cdf. 累积概率

$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(y) dy \quad \frac{d}{dx} F_X(x) = f(x)$$

properties:

1.  $F(x)$  is defined for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

2.  $F(x)$  non-decreasing

$$3. \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = 0 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1$$

$$4. P(a \leq X \leq b) = F(b) - F(a) = \int_a^b f(y) dy$$

- Probability density function

$$f(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F(x)$$

proof:

$$P(x \leq X \leq x + \Delta x) = F(x + \Delta x) - F(x)$$

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{P(x \leq X \leq x + \Delta x)}{\Delta x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{F(x + \Delta x) - F(x)}{\Delta x} = \underbrace{f(x)}_{\text{求导.}}$$

- Support of pdf.

$$\text{supp}(f) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) \neq 0\}$$

若  $f$  在 domain  $D$  中积分:  $D \cap \text{supp}(f)$

-  $E(X)$  &  $\text{Var}(X)$  for ds RV

pdf:  $f$ .  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

$$E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f(x) dx$$

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - E(X)^2$$

also holds

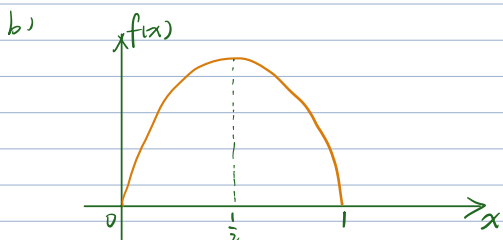
$$\text{Var}(X) = E[(X - E(X))^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - E(X))^2 f(x) dx$$

Suppose that  $X$  is a continuous random variable with probability density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} cx(1-x) & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- a) Compute  $c$  so that this is a valid pdf  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f = 1$   
b) Graph  $f(x)$   
c) Compute  $P(X \geq 1/2)$   
d) Compute  $P(1/4 \leq X \leq 3/4)$   
e) Compute  $P(X = 1/2)$

a)  $\int_0^1 f(x) dx = \int_0^1 cx(1-x) dx = \frac{c}{6} = 1$   
 $c = 6$



c)  $P(X \geq \frac{1}{2}) = \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 f(x) dx = \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 6x(1-x) dx = \frac{1}{2}$

d)  $P(\frac{1}{4} \leq X \leq \frac{3}{4}) = \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{3}{4}} f(x) dx = \frac{4}{16}$

e)  $P(X = \frac{1}{2}) = 0$  due to  $f(x)$  is *cts.*

### Example

Suppose  $X$  has pdf

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 6x(1-x) & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Compute  $E[X]$  and  $\text{Var}(X)$

$$E[X] = \int_0^1 x \cdot 6x(1-x) dx = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$E[X^2] = \int_0^1 x^2 \cdot 6x(1-x) dx = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\text{Var}[X] = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2 = \frac{3}{10} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{20}$$



# Random Variable

discrete

$$f(x) = P(X=x)$$

$$P(X \in A) = \sum_{x \in S \cap A} f(x)$$

$$E(X) = \sum_{x \in S} x f(x)$$

cts.

$$P(X=x) = 0 \quad f(x) = F'(x)$$

$$P(X \in A) = \int_A f(x) dx$$

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$$

⊛ pdf of  $f(x) \neq P(X=x)$

$\delta > 0$  足够小.

$$P(X \in (x - \frac{\delta}{2}, x + \frac{\delta}{2})) = F(x + \frac{\delta}{2}) - F(x - \frac{\delta}{2})$$

$$= f(x) \delta$$

- cts uniform distribution

$$X \sim U(a, b)$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & x \in (a, b) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$E(X) = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx \\ &= \int_a^b x \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} [x^2]_a^b \\ &= \frac{a+b}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X^2) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx \\ &= \int_a^b x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{3(b-a)} (b^3 - a^3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - E(X)^2 = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$$

\* If the function  $g$  has an inverse over  $X$ , then we have a easy way of obtaining the distribution of  $Y = g(X)$

Suppose that the random variable  $X$  had the following pdf:

$$f(x) = 2x, 0 \leq x \leq 1; 0, \text{ otherwise.}$$

$$\text{Let } Y = \sqrt{X}$$

a. Determine the pdf of  $Y$  (be sure to include the range).

① 用  $F_X(y)$  表示  $F_Y(y)$ . (从  $P(Y \leq y)$  入手)

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y)$$

$$F_Y(y) = P(\sqrt{X} \leq y) = P(X \leq y^2) = F_X(y^2)$$

② 用 cdf of  $X$  to find cdf of  $Y$ .

$$\text{pdf}_X: f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{cdf}_X: F_X(x) = P(X \leq x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ x^2 & 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 1 & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{cdf}_Y: F_Y(y) = F_X(y^2) = (y^2)^2 = y^4$$

③ 对 cdf. ( $F_Y(y)$ ) 求导得 pdf.

$$\text{pdf}_Y: f_Y(y) = \frac{dF_Y(y)}{dy} = 4y^3.$$

④ 找到  $Y$  in range

$$\begin{array}{l} x=0 \quad y=0 \\ x=1 \quad y=1 \end{array} \quad 0 \leq y \leq 1$$

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 4y^3 & 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let  $X$  be a continuous random variable with pdf

$$f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \quad x > 0,$$

and 0 otherwise, where  $\lambda > 0$  is a parameter and  $c > 0$  is a constant to be determined.

- Determine  $c$  so that  $f$  is a valid pdf.
- Determine the cdf of  $X$ .
- What distribution does the random variable  $Y = e^{-\lambda X}$  have?

↳ density function

a)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1.$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} c e^{-\lambda x} dx = c \left[ -\frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-\lambda x} \right]_0^{\infty} = \frac{c}{\lambda} = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad c = \lambda$$

b)  $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt = \int_0^x \lambda e^{-\lambda t} dt = 1 - e^{-\lambda x} \quad (x \geq 0)$

c) distribution of  $y = e^{-\lambda x}$

range of  $y$ :  $(0, 1)$

$$P(Y=y) = P(e^{-\lambda x} \leq y)$$

$$= P(-\lambda x \leq \log y)$$

$$= P(x \geq -\frac{1}{\lambda} \log y)$$

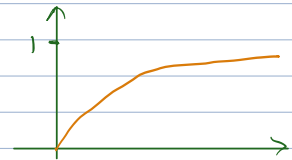
$$= 1 - P(x \leq -\frac{1}{\lambda} \log y)$$

$$= 1 - F(-\frac{1}{\lambda} \log y)$$

$$= y$$

$$\text{pdf of } Y: f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 1 & y \in (0, 1) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$Y \sim U(0, 1)$$



- exponential distribution  $X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$

适用条件: Poisson process with respect to time.

If a Poisson process has rate  $\lambda$ ,  $X$  = waiting time between 2 occurrences.

$X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$   $\lambda$ : rate of occurrence in  $P_0$ .

# occurrences in  $(0, t)$  follows  $P_0(\lambda t)$

$X$  = time taken until 1st event occur.

$$\text{pdf: } f(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & x > 0 \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{cdf: } F(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-\lambda x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{proof: } \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt = \int_0^x \lambda e^{-\lambda t} dt = 1 - e^{-\lambda x} = P(X \leq x)$$

$$F(x) = P(X < x)$$

$$= P(\text{time to 1st occurrence} \leq X)$$

$$= 1 - P(\text{time to 1st occurrence} > X)$$

$$= 1 - P(\text{no occurrence between } (0, x))$$

$$= 1 - \frac{e^{-\lambda x} (\lambda x)^0}{0!} \quad (x > 0)$$

$$= 1 - e^{-\lambda x} \quad \leftarrow \text{根据 } P_0 \text{ 分布}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F(x)$$

$$= \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$$

$X \sim \text{Exp}(\theta)$   $\theta = \frac{1}{\lambda}$ : waiting time until 1st occur

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}} & x > 0 \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$E(X) = \int_0^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}} dx$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_0^{\infty} x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}} dx$$

## - Gamma function

$$\Gamma(\alpha) = \int_0^{\infty} y^{\alpha-1} e^{-y} dy \quad (\alpha > 0)$$

property: 1.  $\Gamma(\alpha) = (\alpha-1)\Gamma(\alpha-1) \quad (\alpha > 1)$

2.  $\Gamma(\alpha) = (\alpha-1)! \quad (\alpha \in \mathbb{N})$

3.  $\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi}$

proof: 1.  $\int_0^{\infty} y^{\alpha-1} e^{-y} dy = -\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} y^{\alpha-1} e^{-y} + (\alpha-1) \int_0^{\infty} y^{\alpha-2} e^{-y} dy$  分部积分

$\because \alpha > 1 \quad \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} y^{\alpha-1} e^{-y} = 0$

$\therefore \int_0^{\infty} y^{\alpha-1} e^{-y} dy = (\alpha-1) \int_0^{\infty} y^{\alpha-2} e^{-y} dy = (\alpha-1)\Gamma(\alpha-1)$

2.  $\Gamma(2) = 1 \Gamma(1) = 1$  induction

$\Gamma(3) = 2 \Gamma(2) = 2!$

$\Gamma(4) = 3 \Gamma(3) = 3!$

$\vdots$

$\Gamma(n+1) = n!$

3.  $E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$

$= \int_0^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}} dx \quad \text{let } y = \frac{x}{\theta} \quad dx = \theta dy$

$= \int_0^{\infty} y e^{-y} \theta dy$

$= \theta$

**\* If  $X \sim \text{Exp}(\theta)$ , then  $E(X) = \theta$   $\text{Var}(X) = \theta^2$ .**

proof:  $E(X) = \int_0^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}} dx$

$= \theta \int_0^{\infty} y^2 e^{-y} dy \quad (\text{Let } y = \frac{x}{\theta} \quad dx = \theta dy)$

$= \theta \cdot \Gamma(2) = \theta \cdot (2-1)! = \theta$

$E(X^2) = \int_0^{\infty} x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \theta^2 y^{3-1} e^{-y} dy = \theta^2 \Gamma(3) = 2\theta^2$

$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = 2\theta^2 - \theta^2 = \theta^2$

## Example

Nupur decided to enjoy a relaxing Summer away from student housing, so he rented a place in Simcoe, Ontario. However, the busses there are far and few between. Suppose busses arrive according to a Poisson process with an average of 3 busses per hour.

- Find the probability of waiting at least 15 minutes.
- Find the probability of waiting at least another 15 minutes given that you have already been waiting for 6 minutes.

$$a) \text{ rate} = \lambda = 3 \text{ bus/h} = \frac{1}{20} \text{ bus/min}$$

$X$  = waiting time until 1st bus

$$X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda = \frac{1}{20})$$

$$P(X > 15) = 1 - P(X \leq 15) = 1 - (1 - e^{-\frac{1}{20} \cdot 15}) = e^{-\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$b) P(X > 21 | X > 6) = \frac{P(X > 21)}{P(X > 6)} = \frac{e^{-\frac{21}{20}}}{e^{-\frac{6}{20}}} = e^{-\frac{3}{4}}$$

## Example

Exponential distribution is also very useful in reliability engineering. The lifetime of a seat belt motor on a 1994 Saturn GL is known to follow an exponential distribution with mean 14 years.  $\theta = 14$

- What is the standard deviation of the lifetime of a seat belt motor on a 1994 Saturn GL?
- Compute the probability that the lifetime of the seat belt motor will last more than 6 years.
- If a seat belt motor has lasted 14 years, what is the probability that it will last another 6 years?

$$X \sim \text{Exp}(\theta = 14)$$

$$a) \sigma = \sqrt{\sigma^2} = \sqrt{\theta^2} = 14$$

$$b) P(X > 6) = e^{-\frac{6}{14}}$$

$$c) P(X > 20 | X > 14) = \frac{e^{-\frac{20}{14}}}{e^{-\frac{14}{14}}} = e^{-\frac{6}{14}}$$

## - Memoryless property of Exp (λ)

$$P(X > s+t | X > s) = P(X > t)$$

Prove: If  $X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$ ,  $s, t > 0$ , then  $P(X > s+t | X > s) = P(X > t)$

proof:  $\because X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$

$$\therefore F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \int_0^x \lambda e^{-\lambda t} dt = 1 - e^{-\lambda x} \quad x \geq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X > t+s | X > s) &= \frac{P(X > t+s \cap X > s)}{P(X > s)} \\ &= \frac{P(X > t+s)}{P(X > s)} \\ &= \frac{1 - F(t+s)}{1 - F(s)} \\ &= e^{-\lambda t} \\ &= 1 - F(t) \\ &= P(X > t) \end{aligned}$$

## - Percentile

def. The  $100 \times q$ th percentile of the distribution of  $X$  with cdf  $F_X$  is  $c_q$ .

$$s.t. F_X(c_q) = q$$

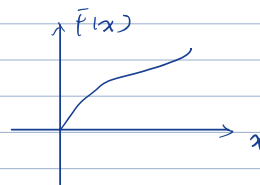
\* median 50% quantile

\* mode "most likely"

\* mean average

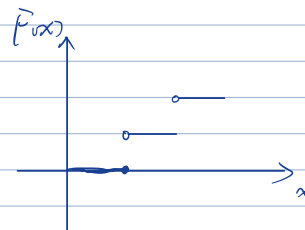
case 1:  $F$  strictly increasing & cts.

$$F(c_q) = q \quad c_q = F^{-1}(q)$$



case 2:  $F$  jumps / flat.

$$F^{-1}(y) = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \{F(x) \geq y\}$$



## Example

Suppose  $X \sim \text{Exp}(\theta = 5)$ , calculate the 25th percentile and the median of the distribution of  $X$ .

$$\text{pdf. } f(x) = \frac{1}{5} e^{-\frac{x}{5}} \quad (x > 0)$$

$$\text{cdf. } F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt = 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{5}}$$

$$F(c_q) = q \quad q \in (0, 1)$$

$$1 - e^{-\frac{c_q}{5}} = q$$

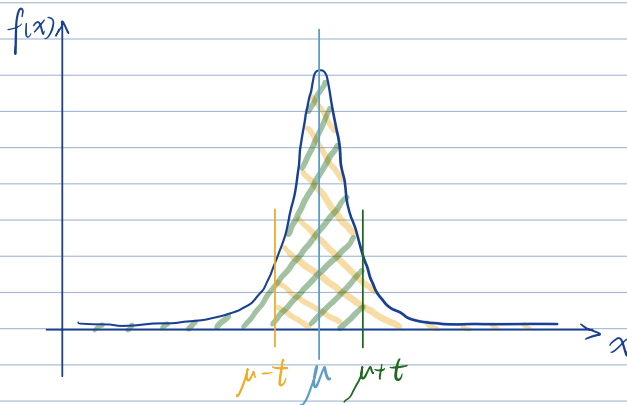
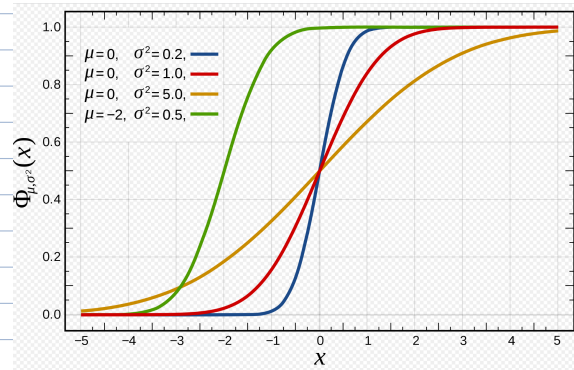
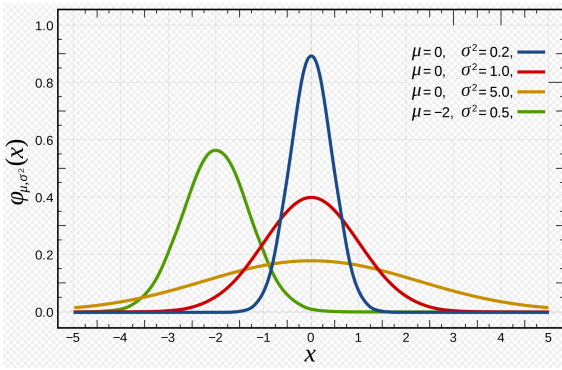
$$c_q = -5 \log(1 - q)$$

$$\textcircled{1} q = 0.25 \quad c_{0.25} = -5 \log(0.75) \approx 1.438$$

$$\textcircled{2} q = 0.5 \quad c_{0.5} = -5 \log(0.5) \approx 3.466$$



# - Normal distribution



- standardising normal random variable

$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2), \quad Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$E(X) = \mu \quad \text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2$$

→ z-score of x.  
unit free standardized

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x) = P\left(Z \leq \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

$$P(a \leq X \leq b) = \int_a^b \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx = \Phi\left(\frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

通过 normalizing 得到

- standard normal random variable:  $X \sim N(0, 1)$  标准正态分布

$$f(x): \varphi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$$

Since  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \sqrt{2\pi}$

$$F(x): \Phi(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2}} dy$$

percentile

## - Properties

1. symmetric

symmetric about  $\mu$  :  $P(X > \mu + t) = P(X < \mu - t)$

symmetric about  $\mu = 0$  (mean) :  $P(Z \leq -x) = \Phi(-x) = 1 - \Phi(x)$

unimodal : (1) one mode (2) peaks at  $\mu$ )

2.  $\mu$

$\mu \uparrow$  : curve 向右移  
 $\mu \downarrow$  : curve 向左移

3.  $\sigma^2$

$\sigma^2$  越高代表 curve 越分散

## Example

Compute the

a) 75th percentile of the standard normal distribution

b) 58th percentile of the  $N(5, 9)$  distribution

c) Let  $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ . Find  $c$  such that

$$P(-c \leq Z \leq c) = 0.95$$

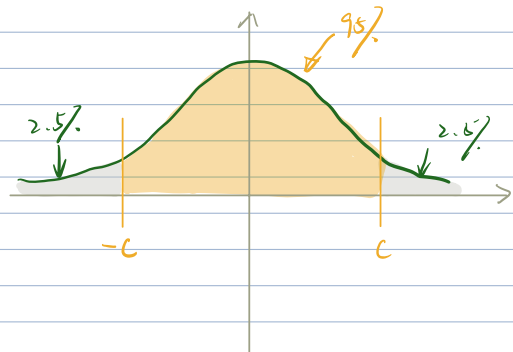
$$a) \Phi^{-1}(0.75) = \int_{-\infty}^{0.75} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-0.75^2} dy$$

$$b) 5 + \sqrt{9} \cdot \Phi(0.58) = 5 + \sqrt{9} \int_{-\infty}^{0.58} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dy$$
$$= 5 + 3 \times 0.2019$$

$$c) P(-c \leq Z \leq c) = \Phi(c) - \Phi(-c)$$
$$= \Phi(c) - (1 - \Phi(c))$$
$$= 2\Phi(c) - 1 = 0.95$$

$$\Phi(c) = 0.975$$

$$c = \Phi^{-1}(0.975) = 1.96$$



## 9. Multivariate distributions 多元分布

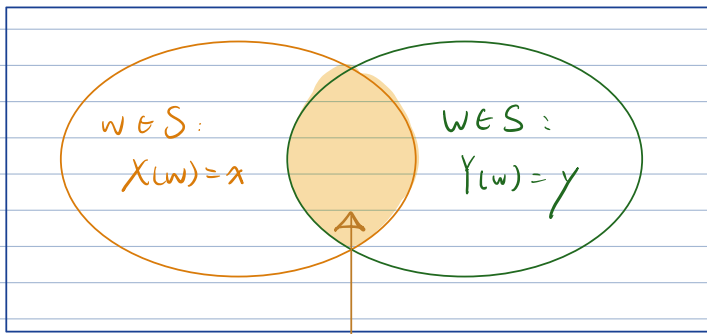
- def. joint probability function of  $X$  &  $Y$

Suppose  $X$  &  $Y$  are discrete random variables defined on the same sample space.

The joint probability function of  $X$  &  $Y$  is

$$f(x, y) = P(\{X=x\} \cap \{Y=y\}) \quad x \in X(S) \quad y \in Y(S)$$

简写成:  $f(x, y) = P(X=x, Y=y)$



$$P(X=x \cap Y=y)$$

op

What does a 2-variable probability distribution look like?

Let  $X \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $Y \in \{1, 2\}$ , and suppose that every outcome of  $(X, Y)$  is equally likely.

$$f(x, y) = P(X=x \cap Y=y) \begin{cases} = \frac{1}{6} & x \in \{1, 2, 3\} \cap y \in \{1, 2\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

a table of joint probability distribution of  $(X, Y)$ :

$f(x, y)$	$x=1$	$x=2$	$x=3$
$y=1$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$
$y=2$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$

## - Properties of joint probability function

1)  $f(x, y) \geq 0$  非负性

2)  $\sum_{x, y} f(x, y) = 1$  归一性, 因为 joint probability func 属于 probability func

## - marginal probability function 边缘概率

Suppose  $X$  &  $Y$  are discrete random variables with joint probability func  $f(x, y)$

The marginal probability function of  $X$  is  $f_X(x) = P(X=x) = \sum_{y \in Y(s)} f(x, y)$

The marginal probability function of  $Y$  is  $f_Y(y) = P(Y=y) = \sum_{x \in X(s)} f(x, y)$

↑  
这两个就是二和没定意义  
乘积中没意义

\* marginal distribution 与 probability distribution 是一回事

### Example

Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  have joint probability function

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^y, \quad x, y = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Compute the marginal probability functions  $f_X(x)$  and  $f_Y(y)$ .

marginal probability of  $X$ : 
$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^y \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^y \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x \frac{1}{1-\frac{2}{3}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x \end{aligned}$$

$$\left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} q^k = \frac{1}{1-q} \right) \\ 0 < q < 1$$

marginal probability of  $Y$ : 
$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^y$$

- independent random variable

$$\text{If } f(x,y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$$

then  $X$  &  $Y$  are independent random variable.

$$\text{If } X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \text{ independent, then } f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = f(x_1) f(x_2) \dots f(x_n)$$

Q. Suppose  $X \sim \text{Poi}(2)$ ,  $Y \sim \text{Poi}(3)$ , and that  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent. What is the joint probability function of  $X$  and  $Y$ ?

$$f(x,y) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y) = e^{-2} \cdot \frac{2^x}{x!} \cdot e^{-3} \cdot \frac{3^y}{y!}$$

- Conditional distributions.

$$\text{If event } A \text{ \& } B \quad P(B) \neq 0, \quad P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

The conditional probability function of  $X$  given  $Y=y$   $f_X(x|y) > 0$  is:

$$f_X(x|y) = P(X=x | Y=y) = \frac{P(X=x, Y=y)}{P(Y=y)} = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

### Example

Suppose a fair coin is tossed 3 times. Define the random variables  $X =$  "number of Heads", and

$$Y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{Head occurs on the first toss,} \\ 0 & \text{Tail occurs on the first toss.} \end{cases}$$

Find  $f_X(x|y)$  for  $y = 0, 1$ .

	X				
	0	1	2	3	$\sum P(Y=y)$
Y = 0	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{2}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$
Y = 1	0	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{2}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
$\sum P(X=x)$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	1

	X=0	X=1	X=2	X=3
$f_X(x y=0)$	$\frac{\frac{1}{8}}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{\frac{2}{8}}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	0
$f_X(x y=1)$	0	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{4}$

我们在总的几个事件合成整体.

做总时可以把几个小事件当作一个大事件.

$$P(U=u) = \sum_{\substack{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ \text{s.t. } g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = u}} f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

### - Sum of independent

Poisson.  $X + Y \sim P_0(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)$

Binomial  $X + Y \sim Bi(n+m, p)$

Bernoulli  $X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n \sim Bi(n, p)$

Geometric  $X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_k \sim NB(k, p)$

### - Theorem

$$X \sim P_0(\lambda_1) \quad Y \sim P_0(\lambda_2) \quad X | X + Y = n \sim Bi\left(n, \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}\right)$$

proof: Let  $X \sim P_0(\lambda_1)$   $Y \sim P_0(\lambda_2)$   $X \& Y$  indep.

Then  $X + Y \sim P_0(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X=x | X+Y=n) &= \frac{P(X=x, X+Y=n)}{P(X+Y=n)} \\ &= \frac{P(X=x, Y=n-x)}{P(X+Y=n)} \\ &= \frac{e^{-\lambda_1} \frac{\lambda_1^x}{x!} \cdot e^{-\lambda_2} \frac{\lambda_2^{n-x}}{(n-x)!}}{e^{-(\lambda_1+\lambda_2)} \frac{(\lambda_1+\lambda_2)^n}{n!}} \quad (\text{Since } X \& Y \text{ indep.}) \\ &= \frac{n!}{(n-x)!x!} \left(\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1+\lambda_2}\right)^x \left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1+\lambda_2}\right)^{n-x} \\ &= \text{p.f of } Bi\left(n, \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1+\lambda_2}\right) \text{ at } x \end{aligned}$$

\* roll a die  $n$  times. 掷骰子: 1 2 3 4 5 6  
次数  $X_1$   $X_2$   $X_3$   $X_4$   $X_5$   $X_6$

$X_j = Bi(n, \frac{1}{6})$  \* not independent. 因为  $X_1 + \dots + X_6 = n$

## - Multinomial distribution

def: multinomial distribution

an experiment satisfy

① individual trials have  $k$  possible outcomes.

$p_i$ : probability of each individual outcome  $p_1 + \dots + p_k = 1$

② trials are independently repeated  $n$  times.

$X_i$ : denoting the number of times outcome  $i$  occurred  $X_1 + \dots + X_k = n$

$X_1, \dots, X_k$  have multinomial distribution with  $n$  &  $p_1, \dots, p_k$

def. multinomial coefficients.  $(X_1, \dots, X_k) \sim \text{Mult}(n, p_1, \dots, p_k)$

If  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  have a joint multinomial distribution with parameters  $n$  and

$p_1, \dots, p_k$ , then their joint probability function is  $f(x_1, \dots, x_k) = \frac{n!}{x_1! \dots x_k!} p_1^{x_1} \dots p_k^{x_k}$

$x_1, \dots, x_k$  satisfy  $x_1 + \dots + x_k = n$   $x_i \geq 0$

↓  
multinomial coefficients

$x_1 + \dots + x_k = n$

Q. Consider drawing 5 cards from a standard 52 card deck of playing cards (4 suits, 13 kinds) **with replacement**. What is the probability that 2 of the drawn cards are hearts, 2 are spades, and 1 is a diamond?

$(H, S, D, C) \sim \text{Mult}(5, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4})$

$$P(H=2, S=2, D=1, C=0) = \frac{5!}{2!2!1!0!} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^5$$

## - Marginal distribution of multinomial

Let  $(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k) \sim \text{Mult}(n, p_1, \dots, p_k)$ ,

Then  $X_j \sim \text{Bi}(n, p_j)$   $j \in 1, \dots, k$

## - Conditional distribution of multinomial

Let  $(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k) \sim \text{Mult}(n, p_1, \dots, p_k)$ ,

Then  $X_i | X_i + X_j = t \sim \text{Bi}\left(t, \frac{p_i}{p_i + p_j}\right)$  ( $i \neq j$ )

Q. We can model  $n$  rounds of fair, independent rock-paper-scissors game using multinomial distribution:

$$(R, P, C) \sim \text{Mult}(n, 1/3, 1/3, 1/3).$$

Suppose that I play 5 games of R-P-S. Given that the sum of Rocks and Papers is 4, what would be the distribution of the number of Rocks I played?

$$R \mid R+P=4 \sim \text{Bi}(4, \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{1}{3}+\frac{1}{3}})$$

- Sum of individual rvs in multinomial

$$\text{Let } (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k) \sim \text{Mult}(n, p_1, \dots, p_k),$$

$$\text{Then } X_i + X_j \sim \text{Bi}(n, p_i + p_j) \quad (i \neq j)$$

在 multinomial distribution 中, 事件是独立的, 但 margined random variables 不是.

- Joint expectations

- def.

Suppose  $X$  &  $Y$  are discrete random variables with joint probability function  $f(x, y)$

$$\text{Then for a function } g: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad E[g(X, Y)] = \sum_{(x,y)} g(x, y) f(x, y)$$

### Example

Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  have joint probability function given by the following table:

$f(x, y)$		$x$		
		0	1	2
$y$	0	.2	.3	.1
	2	.25	.13	.02

Compute  $E[XY]$  and  $E[Y]$ .

Compute  $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$ .

$$E(Y) = 0 \cdot 0.6 + 2 \cdot 0.4 = 0.8$$

$$E(X \cdot Y) = 0 \cdot 0 \cdot 0.2 + \dots + 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 0.13 + \underline{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 0.02} = 0.34$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) = 0.34 - 0.8 \cdot 0.6 = -0.146$$



property:

$$1. E[ag_1(X, Y) + bg_2(X, Y)] = a \cdot E[g_1(X, Y)] + b \cdot E[g_2(X, Y)].$$

$$2. E(X+Y) = E(X) + E(Y) \quad \neq E(X \cdot Y) \neq E(X)E(Y)$$

proof: 1.

$$\text{Let } g(x, y) = a g_1(x, y) + b g_2(x, y)$$

$$\text{then } E[a g_1(X, Y) + b g_2(X, Y)]$$

$$= \sum_{(x,y)} (a g_1(x, y) + b g_2(x, y)) f(x, y) \quad (\text{by } E[g(X, Y)] = \sum_{(x,y)} g(x, y) f(x, y))$$

$$= a \sum_{(x,y)} g_1(x, y) f(x, y) + b \sum_{(x,y)} g_2(x, y) f(x, y)$$

### Example

Let  $(X_1, X_2, X_3) \sim \text{Mult}(n, p_1, p_2, p_3)$ . Then

$$E[X_1 X_2] = n(n-1)p_1 p_2.$$

proof:  $E(X_1) = np_1$   
 $E(X_2) = np_2$

- def. covariance.

If  $X$  &  $Y$  are jointly distributed, then  $\text{cov}(X, Y)$  denotes the covariance between  $X$  &  $Y$ .

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - E(X))(Y - E(Y))].$$

$$= E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)$$

op  $X$  temperature in trt.  $Y$  temperature in con.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{若 } X > E(X), \text{ 则 } Y > E(Y). \\ \text{若 } X < E(X), \text{ 则 } Y < E(Y). \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow (X - E(X))(Y - E(Y)) > 0$$

## - Theorem

If  $X$  &  $Y$  are independent, then  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0$

\* 若  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0$ ,  $X$  &  $Y$  not necessarily indep.

counter example:  $Y = X^2 - 1$

proof: Let  $X, Y$  be indep. Then  $f(x, y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X \cdot Y) &= \sum_{(x,y)} x \cdot y \cdot f(x,y) \\ &= \sum_{(x,y)} x \cdot y \cdot f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y) \\ &= \left( \sum_x x f_X(x) \right) \left( \sum_y y f_Y(y) \right) \\ &= E(X) E(Y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) = E(X)E(Y) - E(X)E(Y) = 0$$

## - correlation $\text{corr}(X, Y)$

$$\text{corr}(X, Y) = \rho = \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma(X)\sigma(Y)}$$

uncorrelated:  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0$  /  $\text{corr}(X, Y) = 0$

\*  $X$  &  $Y$  indep  $\Rightarrow X$  &  $Y$  uncorrelated.

\*  $\text{cov}(X, X) = \text{Var}(X)$

\*  $\text{corr}(X, Y)$  没有单位

Property: 1.  $\rho = \text{corr}(X, Y)$  与  $\text{cov}(X, Y)$  正负性相同

2.  $-1 \leq \rho \leq 1$

3.  $|\rho| = 1 \Leftrightarrow X = aY + b$

$\rightarrow$  通过 Cauchy-Schwarz inequality 证明

4.  $X, Y$  indep  $\Rightarrow \text{corr}(X, Y) = 0$

5.  $\text{corr}(X, X) = \frac{\text{cov}(X, X)}{\sigma^2(X)} = 1$

若  $\sigma(X) = 0$  或  $E(X), E(Y), \text{Var}(X), \text{Var}(Y)$  中有 not well defined var

\*  $\text{corr}(X, Y)$  不成立

## - def. linear combination

Suppose  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are joint distributed random variables with joint probability function  $f(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ .

A linear combination of the RVs  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  is any random variable of the form

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i \quad (a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R})$$

$$X = (X_1 \ \dots \ X_n)^T \quad a = (a_1 \ \dots \ a_n)^T \quad \text{linear combination: } X^T a.$$

\* total  $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \quad a_i = 1$

\* sample mean  $\bar{X} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n} X_i, \quad a_i = \frac{1}{n}$

\* expected value  $E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i E(X_i)$

## Example

Let  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_7$  represent the number of cans of pop that Harold drinks each day (from day 1 to day 7). If each random variable  $P_i$  has mean  $\mu = 6$ , what is the expected number of cans consumed per day during those 7 days?

$$E\left(\frac{P_1 + \dots + P_7}{7}\right) = \frac{1}{7} \sum_{i=1}^7 E(P_i) = \frac{1}{7} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^7 6 = \frac{1}{7} \times 7 \times 6 = 6.$$

## Example

Suppose  $X \sim N(1, 1)$  and  $Y \sim U(0, 1)$ . Compute  $E(2X - 4Y)$ .

$$E(2X - 4Y) = 2E(X) - 4E(Y) = 2 \times 1 - 4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 0.$$

## - Variance of linear combination

Let  $X, Y$  be random variables,  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$\text{Var}(aX + bY) = a^2 \text{Var}(X) + b^2 \text{Var}(Y) + 2ab \text{Cov}(X, Y).$$

$$\text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \text{Var}(X_i) + 2 \sum_{i < j \in \{1, \dots, n\}} a_i a_j \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$$

$$\text{Var}(aX + bY) = \text{Cov}(aX + bY, aX + bY)$$

$$= a \cdot a \text{Cov}(X, X) + a \cdot b \text{Cov}(X, Y) + b \cdot a \text{Cov}(X, Y) + b \cdot b \text{Cov}(Y, Y)$$

$$= a^2 \text{Var}(X) + 2ab \text{Cov}(X, Y) + b^2 \text{Var}(Y)$$

What about the distribution of linear combination?

So far,  $E(X)$  &  $\text{Var}(X)$  of linear combination.

We have seen some special cases for the sum  $X + Y$ :

- Sum of independent Poisson is Poisson
- Sum of independent Binomial with same  $p$  is again Binomial
- Sum of independent Hypergeometric with same  $p$  is again Hypergeometric
- ...

- Theorem: a linear function of normal is normal.

$$\text{Let } X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \quad Y = aX + b. \quad Y \sim N(a\mu + b, a^2\sigma^2)$$

$$\text{Let } X_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i + b_i \sim N\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mu_i + b_i, \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \sigma_i^2\right)$$

- Theorem: Sample mean of normal is normal.

$$\text{Let } X_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \quad i=1 \dots n \text{ independently.}$$

$$\text{Then } \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim N(n\mu, n\sigma^2)$$

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$$

### Example

Suppose that  $X_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , and that  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are independent.  
Compute  $\text{Var}(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i)$  and  $\text{Var}(\bar{X})$ .

$$\text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma^2 = n \cdot \sigma^2$$

$$\text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \frac{1}{n^2} \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \frac{1}{n^2} \cdot n \cdot \sigma^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

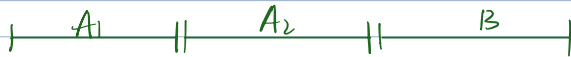
### Example

Three cylindrical parts are joined end to end to make up a shaft in a machine: 2 type-A parts and 1 type-B part. The lengths of the parts vary a little, and have the following distributions:

$$A \sim N(6, 0.4), \quad B \sim N(35.2, 0.6).$$

The overall length of the assembled shaft must lie between 46.8 and 47.5 or else the shaft has to be scrapped. Assume the lengths of different parts are independent.

- What percent of assembled shafts have to be scrapped?
- What is the scrapping percentage if we reduce the variance of A and B by 50% each?



a) Let  $L = \text{total length} = A_1 + A_2 + B$ .

$$A_1 \sim N(6, 0.4) \quad A_2 \sim N(6, 0.4) \quad B \sim N(35.2, 0.6)$$

$$L \sim N(6+6+35.2, 0.4+0.4+0.6) \sim N(47.2, 1.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{scrapped}) &= P(L < 46.8) + P(L > 47.5) \\ &= P\left(Z < \frac{46.8 - 47.2}{\sqrt{1.4}}\right) + P\left(Z > \frac{47.5 - 47.2}{\sqrt{1.4}}\right) \\ &= \Phi(-0.37) + (1 - \Phi(0.27)) \\ &\approx 0.749. \end{aligned}$$

$$b) L' \sim N(47.2, 0.7) \quad P(L' < 46.8) + P(L' > 47.5)$$

- def. indicator. (Bernoulli) variable

Let  $A \subset S$  be an event. We say  $\mathbb{1}_A$  is the indicator random variable of the event  $A$ .

$$\mathbb{1}_A \text{ is defined by: } \mathbb{1}_A(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1 & \omega \in A \\ 0 & \omega \notin A \end{cases}$$

同时  $\mathbb{1}_A$  也是 Bernoulli random variable

property:

$$1. E(\mathbb{1}_A) = P(A)$$

$$2. \text{Var}(\mathbb{1}_A) = P(A)(1-P(A))$$

$$3. \text{cov}(\mathbb{1}_A, \mathbb{1}_B) = P(A \cap B) - P(A)P(B)$$

$$\text{proof: } a) E(\mathbb{1}_A) = 1 \cdot P(A) + 0 \cdot P(A^c) = P(A)$$

$$b) E(\mathbb{1}_A^2) = 1^2 P(A) + 0 P(A^c) = P(A)$$

$$\text{Var}(\mathbb{1}_A) = P(A) - P(A)^2 = P(A)(1-P(A))$$

$$c) E(\mathbb{1}_A \mathbb{1}_B) = P(A \cap B)$$

$$\text{cov}(\mathbb{1}_A, \mathbb{1}_B) = E(\mathbb{1}_A \mathbb{1}_B) - E(\mathbb{1}_A)E(\mathbb{1}_B) = P(A \cap B) - P(A)P(B)$$

Example

Let  $p = P(A)$ . At which value of  $p$  is  $\text{Var}(\mathbb{1}_A)$  maximized?

$$\underline{p \cdot (1-p)} \text{ max at } p = \frac{1}{2}$$

所以这是 variance?

$$\Rightarrow X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p) \quad E(X) = np \quad \text{Var}(X) = np(1-p)$$

proof: Let  $A_i =$  "success in trial  $i$ "  $p = P(A_i)$

Then  $X = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{A_i}$   $\mathbb{1}_{A_1}, \dots, \mathbb{1}_{A_n}$  are indep.

$$E(X) = E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{A_i}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(\mathbb{1}_{A_i}) = np$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \text{Var}(X) = \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{A_i}\right) = \sum \text{Var}(\mathbb{1}_{A_i}) = np(1-p)$$

## 10. Central Limit theorem & Moment generating functions

### - Central Limit theorem.

Suppose  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are independent random variables, each with a common cumulative distribution function  $F$ .

Suppose further that  $E(X_i) = \mu$ ,  $\text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2 < \infty$ .

Then for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$   $P\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \leq x\right) \rightarrow \phi(x)$ .

若  $n$  足够大, 则  $\bar{X} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$      $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim N(n\mu, n\sigma^2)$

As long as we have:

- ① a set of independent and identically distributed random variables
- ② a finite common mean  $\mu$  and finite common variance.

The distribution of their sample mean can be approximated by normal distribution.

random variable  $\hat{X}$  normal, sample mean  $\bar{X}$  normal.

### Example

Jason rolls a six sided die 1000 times, and records the results. If the die is a fair die, estimate the probability that the sum of the die rolls is less than 3400.

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_{1000}$  denote the outcomes of the 1st, 2nd, ..., 1000th die roll and note that they are independent discrete uniforms on  $\{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$  with  $\mu = 3.5$ ,  $\sigma^2 = \frac{35}{12}$ .

By CLT,  $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim N(1000 \cdot \mu, 1000 \cdot \sigma^2)$

$$P\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \leq 3400\right) = P\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - 1000 \cdot \mu}{\sqrt{1000 \sigma^2}} \leq \frac{3400 - 1000 \cdot \mu}{\sqrt{1000 \sigma^2}}\right)$$

$$\approx P(Z \leq -1.85)$$

$$\approx 0.032$$

- Theorem.

$$X_n \sim \text{Bi}(n, p) \quad n \text{ large, } \frac{X_n - np}{\sqrt{np(1-p)}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

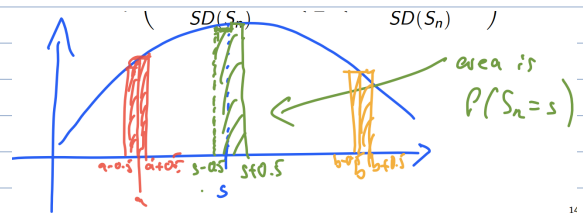
$$X_\lambda \sim \text{Po}(\lambda) \quad \lambda \text{ large, } \frac{X_\lambda - \lambda}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

How to correct for continuity?

$$P(a \leq S_n \leq b) \approx P(a-0.5 < S_n < b+0.5)$$

$$P(S_n = s) = P(s-0.5 < S_n < s+0.5)$$

$$\approx P\left(\frac{(s-0.5) - \mu_{S_n}}{\sigma(S_n)} < Z < \frac{(s+0.5) - \mu_{S_n}}{\sigma(S_n)}\right)$$



CLT 的经验方法: (中心极限定理)

1. 观测数据超过 30, CLT 能提供合理的近似值.
2. 若观测值的分布是 , 则对于较小的  $n$  (5-15), CLT 也适用.
3. 若分布高度偏倚或离散, 则需要更大的  $n$  值 ( $n > 50$ )  
skew discrete
4. 当 approximating normal distribution 时, 我们不必使用 continuity correction

- Moment generating functions. (MGF)

functions that can define distribution of RV:

1) pf.  $f(x)$

2) cdf.  $F(x)$

3) MGF.  $M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}] = \sum_{x \in X(S)} e^{tx} f(x) \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$

properties of mgf.

1)  $M_X(0) = 1$

2)  $M_X(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^j E[X^j]}{j!}$

3).  $M_X(t)$  is defined in a neighbourhood of  $t=0$ .

$$\frac{d}{dt} M_X(t) = E[X^k]$$



### - Continuity Theorem

If  $X$  &  $Y$  have MGF.  $M_X(t)$  &  $M_Y(t)$  defined in neighbourhoods of the origin.  
 $M_X(t) = M_Y(t)$  for all  $t$  where they are defined, then  $X \stackrel{D}{=} Y$ .

↳ MGF uniquely characterizes a distribution

$$P3 \quad M_X(t) = E(e^{tX}) = e^{t \cdot 1} P(X=1) + e^{t \cdot 0} P(X=0) \\ = p e^t + (1-p)$$

$$M_X'(t) = p e^t \rightarrow E(X) = M_X'(0) = p$$

$$M_X''(t) = p e^t \rightarrow E(X^2) = M_X''(0) = p$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = p - p^2 = p(1-p)$$

P5    T            in general: independent  $\Rightarrow$  uncorrelated  
      F  
      F            correlated  $\Rightarrow$  dependent.

$$P8 \quad F(x) = 0.5 \int_0^x e^{-x} dx = 0.5$$

$$P12 \quad E(X_i) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} = 2 \quad \text{Var}(X) = 2.$$

by CLT,  $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$