

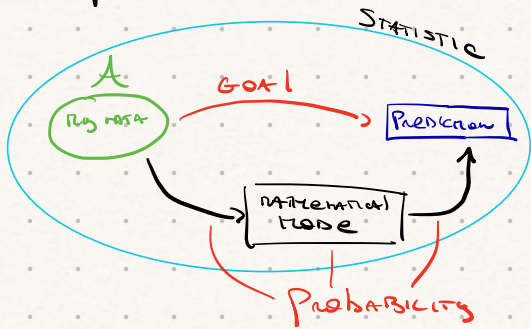
Probability Theory

Tutorial 1

Material: - Combinatorics

→ Extra Intro

What is probability?



AT ITS CORE "MEASURE THEORY"

Probability	Statistic
logically self contained	flexible, an art
A few rules for computing prob.	seek to make probability inference from data
one correct answer	no single correct answer
"the skeleton"	"the human"

Probability is just a set of rules for counting and computing "measure" (probability) of a set.

We will learn { Combinatorics, Basic set theory / Probability space, Distributions and some other ones

→ Review

Can you count?

Numbers of possible arrangements of size r from n object

	Without Replacement	With Replacement
Ordered	$\frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$	n^r
Unordered	$\binom{n}{r}$	$\binom{n+r-1}{r}$

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

Binomial Coefficient

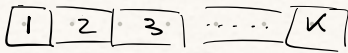
① How many ways we can choose a sequence r from n objects?
 n^r

② How many ways are there to organize n object?
 $n! = n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdot \dots \cdot 1$

③ How many subset $\{1, \dots, n\}$ of counting n are there?
 $\binom{n}{k}$

④ How many ways are there to draw k balls out of n with replacement but without order?
 $\binom{k+n-1}{k}$

lets consider a lock with k digits



① how many combinations does the lock has?

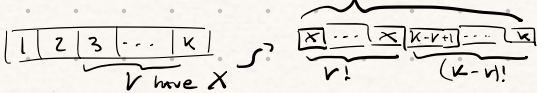
We have 10 values for each digit, hence

$$\underbrace{10 \cdot 10 \cdot 10 \cdot \dots \cdot 10}_k \Rightarrow 10^k$$

③ how many ways can we have a value X appearing r times?

If r are taken, then the remaining $k-r$ digits can be filled with the remaining 9 values.

thus



$r!$:= # of ways to organize a sequence of r elements

$(k-r)!$:= # of $k-r$ elements

$\Rightarrow \frac{k!}{r!(k-r)!} = \binom{k}{r}$ otherwise we count twice!

② If we don't have repetition and we have 10 digits?

\rightarrow 1st: 10 \rightarrow 3rd: $10-2$

\rightarrow 2nd: $10-1$ \rightarrow 10th: 1

If each digit must be ! from those next to it, how many combination?

\rightarrow 1st: 10 possibilities,

\rightarrow 2nd: $10-1$

\rightarrow 3rd: $(10-1) - 1 + 1$
THE ONE FROM FIRST

\rightarrow 4th: $10-1$

\vdots
 $\Rightarrow 10^2 \cdot (10-1)^{k-2}$

\rightarrow kth: 10

Extra Exercise week 1

① You are supervising 250 students. You assign them at random into 50 groups consisting of 5 students each.

What is the probability that in at least one of the 50 groups all students have a BSN starting with the same two digits (assuming all digits combinations are equally likely)?

② you are presented with a box containing 9 locks and 9 associated keys.

You take a lock and a key at random. What is the probability that you have picked at least one lock together with the correct key?

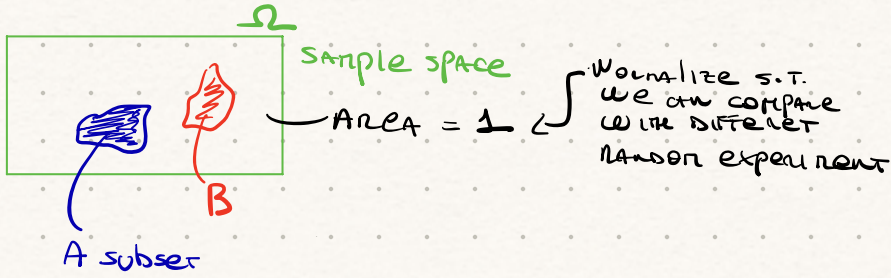
③ (a)

Anna, Ben, Mike and Jellen play a card game. The deck consist of 52 cards containing precisely 4 Queens and 4 Kings. The cards are shuffled at random and then each player receives exactly 13 cards. What is the probability that each player receives exactly one Queen and exactly one King?

(b) Assume that Anna receives indeed precisely one Queen and precisely one King. Ann holds all the cards in her hands in a random order. What is the probability that the Queen and King are adjacent positions?

TUTORIAL 2

→ Review and extra



$P: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 Collection of subset
 Measure Function \rightarrow Function to compute the size "measure" of a set.

we want:

1. $P(\Omega) = 1$ & $P(\emptyset) = 0$
2. $P(A) \in [0, 1]$
3. $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$ if A, B disjoint
4. $P(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P(A_j)$ if we have pairwise disjoint sets

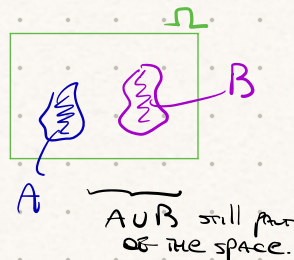
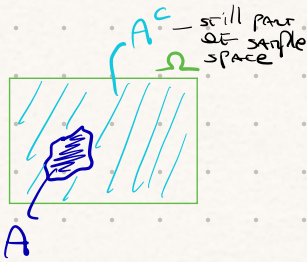
} Kolmogorov's Axioms

we need a σ -Algebra

Definition: A collection \mathcal{A} of subsets of a set Ω is an algebra if

- (1) $\Omega \in \mathcal{A}$ (2) $A \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow A^c \in \mathcal{A}$ (3) $A, B \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow A \cup B \in \mathcal{A}$

we want to be in the sample space



σ -algebra if $A_i \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j \in \mathcal{A}$
 pairwise disjoint

Thus, the probability function can be defined by the following definition:

Definition: Let $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$ be a σ -algebra. A map $\mu: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called a measure if

- (1) $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$
- (2) $A_j \in \mathcal{A}$ pairwise disjoint $\Rightarrow \mu(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_j)$

Definition: A probability measure is a reasonable map

$P: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ where $P(\Omega) = 1$.

A probability space, is a triple $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ where

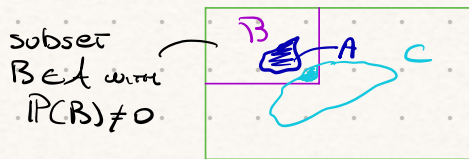
Ω is the sample space, \mathcal{A} a σ -algebra and μ a probability measure.

TUTORIAL 3

- Review & extra

- material:
- Conditional probabilities
 - Law of total probability
 - Bayes formula

CONDITIONAL PROBABILITY: $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P})$ probability space



\Rightarrow New probability space $(B, \tilde{\mathcal{A}}, \mu)$ where $\mu(A) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A)}{\mathbb{P}(B)}$

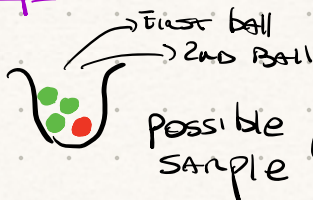
new because we do not care to "focus" on $B \Rightarrow$ only $A \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}$ s.t. $A \subseteq B$

\Rightarrow new probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P}_B)$ where $\frac{\mathbb{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbb{P}(B)}$

def: $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P})$ probability space, $B \in \mathcal{A}$ with $\mathbb{P}(B) \neq 0$ then

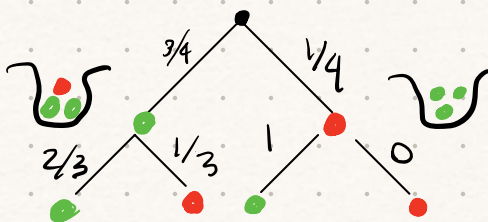
$\mathbb{P}(A|B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbb{P}(B)}$ is called conditional probability of A under B

$\mathbb{P}(\cdot|B): \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is called conditional probability measure given B

Example

$G = \{g, r\}$, $\Omega = G \times G$, $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$

\mathbb{P} given by probability mass function



$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\{(g, g)\}) = \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\{(g, r)\}) = \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\{(r, g)\}) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot 1$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\{(r, r)\}) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0$$

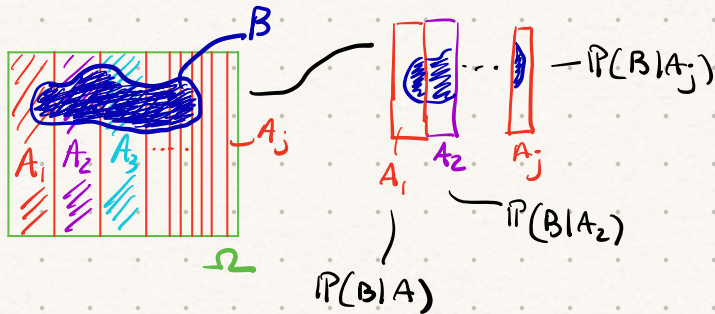
event: $B :=$ First ball green
 $= \{(g, g), (g, r)\}$

$$\mathbb{P}(\{(g, r)\}|B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\{(g, r)\})}{\mathbb{P}(B)} = \frac{1}{3}$$

LAW OF TOTAL PROBABILITY

DEF: Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P})$ a probability space. Assume $B \in \mathcal{A}$ have $\mathbb{P}(B) > 0$ AND A_1, A_2, \dots are pairwise disjoint AND $\cup A_j = \Omega$ Then,

$$\mathbb{P}(B) = \sum \mathbb{P}(B|A_j) \cdot \mathbb{P}(A_j)$$



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{measure of } B \\ \text{w.r.t. } A_j \\ \mathbb{P}(B|A_j) \cdot \mathbb{P}(A_j) \\ \text{measure of } B \text{ w.r.t. } \Omega \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(B) = \sum \mathbb{P}(B|A_j) \cdot \mathbb{P}(A_j)$$

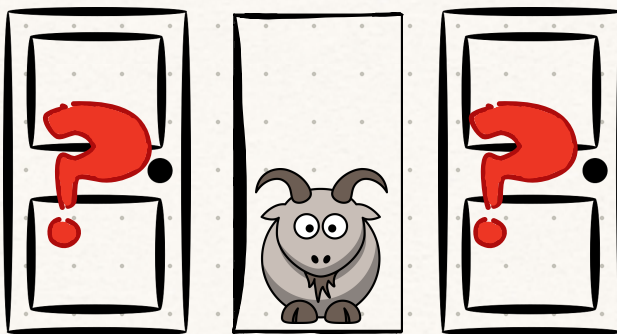
Bayes Formula

DEF: Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P})$ a probability space. Assume $B \in \mathcal{A}$ have $\mathbb{P}(B) > 0$ AND A_1, A_2, \dots are pairwise disjoint AND $\cup A_j = \Omega$ Then,

$$\mathbb{P}(A_i | B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A_i \cap B)}{\mathbb{P}(B)} = \frac{\mathbb{P}(B|A_i) \cdot \mathbb{P}(A_i)}{\sum \mathbb{P}(B|A_j) \cdot \mathbb{P}(A_j)}$$

REMARK: really important in statistics. All fields called Bayes inference AND it is all based upon this formula.

Example: Monty Hall problem \rightarrow 3 doors: 2 goats, 1 winning prize



- 1) you choose a door
- 2) The conductor open a door with a goat, and ask you if you want to change.
- 3) Do you change?

\rightarrow Extra problems

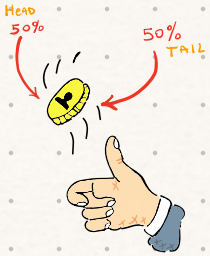
Week 2

-> review & extra

- material:
- Random Variable
 - Distribution
 - CDF
 - PMF: Discrete
 - PDF: Continuous
 - Exp & Variance

Random Variable $X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Example: Tossing a coin 3 times

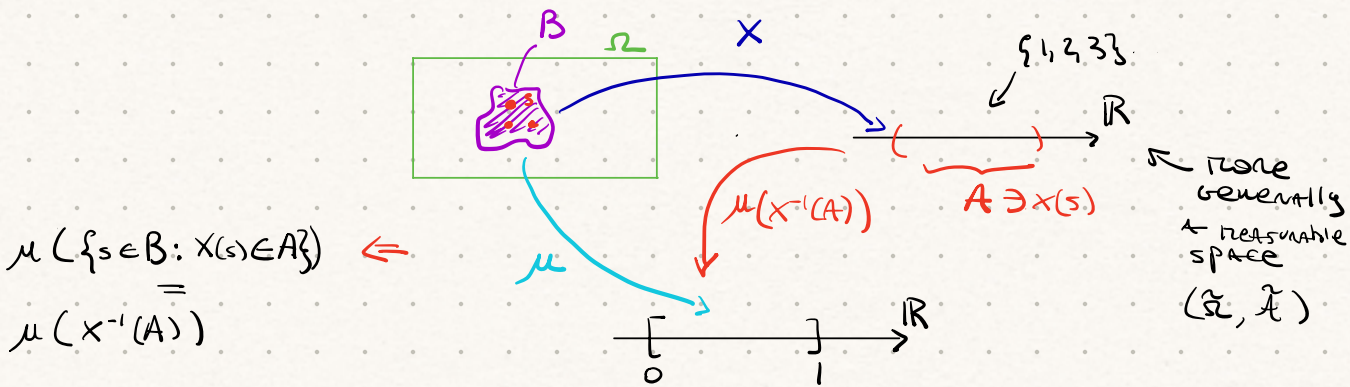


Let $X := \#$ OF HEADS OBTAIN IN 3 TOSSES

s	HHH	HHT	HTH	THH	TTH	THT	HTT	TTT
$X(s)$	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	0

sample space

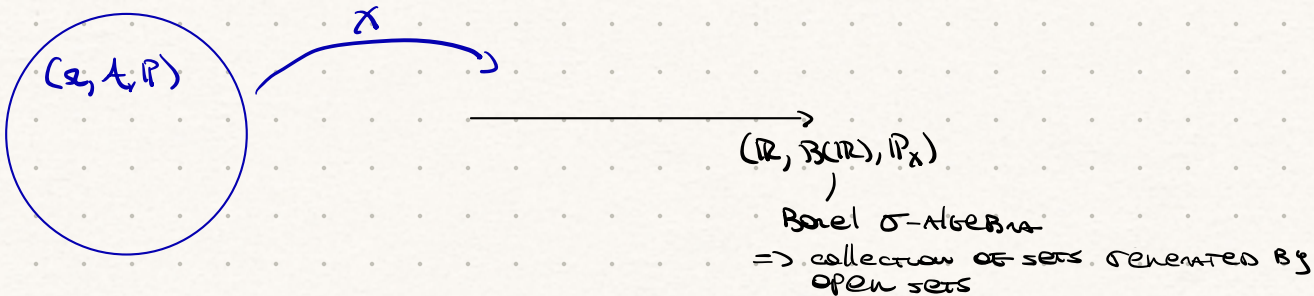
The range of X is $\mathcal{R} := \{1, 2, 3\}$ subsets of Ω of 8.



DEF: Let (Ω, \mathcal{A}) and $(\tilde{\Omega}, \tilde{\mathcal{A}})$ be measurable spaces. A map $X: \Omega \rightarrow \tilde{\Omega}$ is called a **RANDOM VARIABLE** if

$$X^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{A} \text{ for all } B \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}$$

DISTRIBUTIONS



DEF: Let (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) be a probability space, $X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a random variable. Then $P_X: \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ defined by $P_X(B) := P(X^{-1}(B))$ is called a **PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION** of X .

→ Example



n tosses of the same coin $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P})$

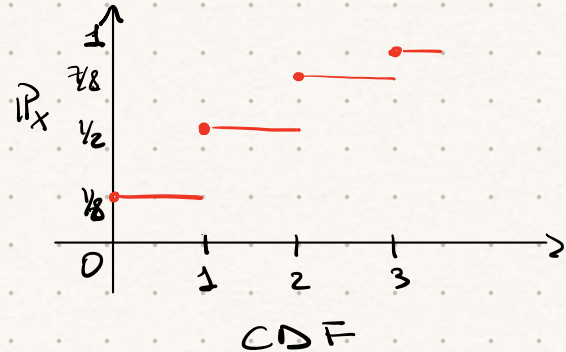
$$\{0, 1\}^n \quad \mathbb{P}(\Omega) \quad \mathbb{P}(\{\omega\}) = p^{\#\text{1s}} \cdot (1-p)^{\#\text{0s}}$$

← BINARY DISTRIBUTION

$X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $X(\omega) :=$ number of 1s in $\omega \Rightarrow X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$

If we go back and we toss 3 coins again we would get

$$P_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } -\infty < x < 0 \\ 1/8 & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 3/8 & \text{if } 1 \leq x < 2 \\ 3/8 & \text{if } 2 \leq x < 3 \\ 1 & \text{if } 3 \leq x < \infty \end{cases}$$



Discrete & Continuous

Discrete

- Finite many outcomes

σ -Algebra $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$

prob. measure $\mathbb{P}: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, 1]$

probability mass function $(p_\omega)_{\omega \in \Omega}$ with $p_\omega \geq 0$ and $\sum_{\omega \in \Omega} p_\omega = 1$

$$\hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}(A) := \sum_{\omega \in A} p_\omega$$

Continuous

- Uncountably many outcomes

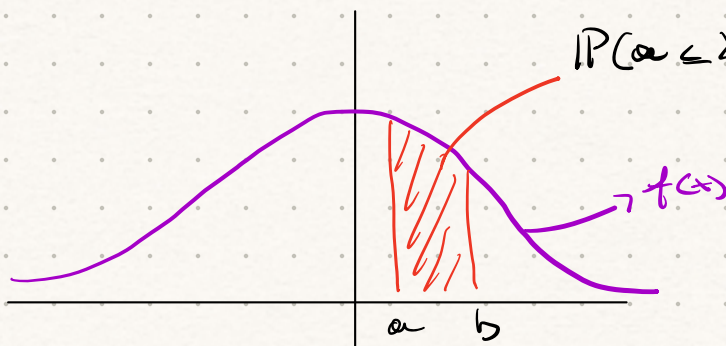
$\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$

$\mathbb{P}: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, 1]$

probability density function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $f(x) \geq 0$ and $\int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) dx = 1$

$$\hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}(A) = \int_A f(x) dx$$

→ Example normal curve



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

$$= F_X(b) - F_X(a)$$

↑ CDF ↑ CDF

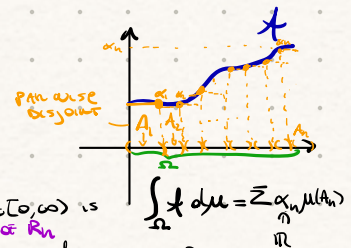
Expected Value & Variance

Let Ω a probability space (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) and a Random Variable $X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 Then we denote $E(X) \in \mathbb{R}$ the expected value of X .

DEF: (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) probability space, $X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ random variable

$E(X) := \int_{\Omega} X dP := \text{Lebesgue measure}$

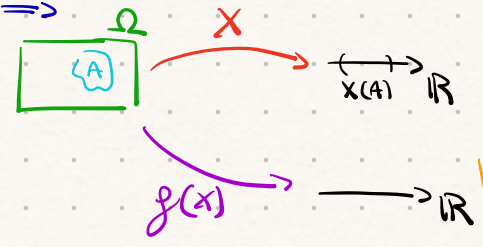
$\int_{\Omega} \mathbb{1}_A dP = P(A)$
Indicator Function



DEF: Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ then $P(A) \in [0, \infty)$ is volume of R_n
 $P(A) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(R_n) : R_n \text{ closed rectangles, } A \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} R_n \right\}$
THIS FORMULA COVER

R_n cover of A and $P(A)$ infimum of the total volumes of all possible covers R_n

change of variable \Rightarrow



$\int_A g(x(\omega)) dP(\omega) = \int_{X(A)} g(x) d(P \circ X^{-1})(x)$
ONLY REMAINS THAT WE ARE COMPUTING THE INTEGRAL WITH RESPECT TO THE MEASURE $P(\cdot)$
DENSITY FUNCTION
 is equivalent to

Discrete

$\sum_{x \in X(A)} g(x) P_{X(A)}(x)$
PHF

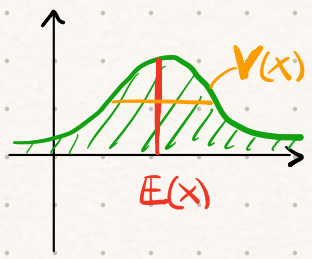
Continuous

$\int_{X(A)} g(x) f_{X(A)}(x) dx$
PDF

Note

The E is a linear function,
 $E(aX + b) = aE(X) + b$

Expected Value \rightarrow Variance (minimize distance)



how spread we are?
 \sim The expected value of the distance between a quantity b (i.e., $E(X)$) & the value of our random variable.

$Var(X) = \min_b E(X-b)^2 = E(X - E(X))^2 = \dots = E(X^2) - E(X)^2$

Note $Var(aX + b) = a^2 Var(X)$

JUST A TRANSLATION THE DISTANCE REMAIN UNCHANGE
 $\sim E(aX + b - aE(X) - b)^2$
 E linear $\rightarrow = a^2 E(X - E(X))^2 = a^2 Var(X)$

COMMON DISTRIBUTIONS

~ SUMMARY

"What is TP of getting x success in n trials?"

$$P(X=x | n, p) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

$$P(X=x | p) = p^x (1-p)^{1-x}$$

$X = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{success } p \\ 0 & \text{failure } 1-p \end{cases} \quad 0 \leq p \leq 1$
 only 2 outcomes 1 trial

n Trials

ways of ordering x success out n

Bernoulli

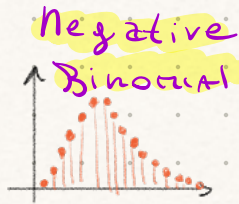
Binomial

$$P(X=x | N) = \frac{1}{N}$$

Uniform

Discrete

"how many trials do we need for r success?"



Negative Binomial

Trial at which r success occurs

$$P(Y=y | r, p) = \binom{y-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^{y-r}$$

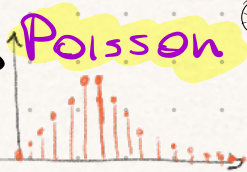
$r=1$



Geometric

$$P(X=x | p) = p(1-p)^{x-1}$$

$X :=$ trial at which the first success occurs



Poisson

$$P(X=x | \lambda) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} \quad x=0, 1, \dots$$

The most used for waiting times

like $X :=$ # calls in a minute

$\lambda :=$ E value of calls

As $t \rightarrow \infty$ minute $P \downarrow 0$

$t \in \mathcal{B}(0) \sim$ almost uniform distribution i.e. same probability

Memoryless

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

waiting for a success

Used to model "lifetimes", "Time until failure"

COMMON DISTRIBUTIONS

~ SUMMARY

IF n is big & p not close to 0 or 1 then
 $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p) \approx Y \sim \mathcal{N}(np, np(1-p))$
 Normal & Binomial

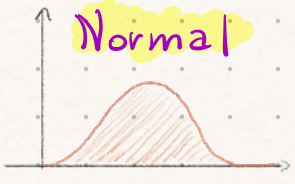
a. $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$(x+b) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu+b, \sigma^2)$
 TRANSLATION

PROPERTIES

Let $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

Normalize Area
 $f(x|\mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$
 Center at μ
 symmetry
 $-\infty < x < \infty$



Normal

More concentrated
 $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$
 GREAT TO APPROX
 MANY shapes
 SYMMETRIC
 $\alpha = \beta = 1$
 UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION

$f(x|\alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1}$ $x \in (0, 1)$
 $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0$



Beta

Beta Function
 $\int_0^1 x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} dx$

↓ GAMMA FUNCTION RELATIONSHIP

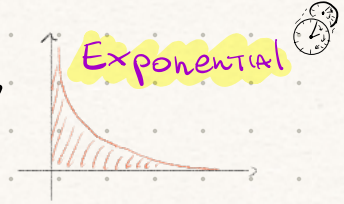
$B(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}$

Continuous



Uniform

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



Exponential

$f(x|\lambda) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Exponential Families

memoryless
 PARTICULAR CASE OF GAMMA DISTRIBUTION
 ANALOGUE TO GEOMETRIC DISTRIBUTION

A pdf/pmf is called AN EXPONENTIAL FAMILY IFF.

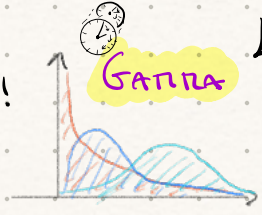
$f(x|\theta) = h(x) c(\theta) \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^K \omega_i(\theta) t_i(x)\right)$

$h(x) \geq 0, c(\theta) \geq 0, \omega_i \in \mathbb{R}; t_i: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$\Gamma(x+1) = x\Gamma(x) \Rightarrow \Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$

$\Gamma(x) = \int_0^\infty t^{x-1} e^{-t} dt$

GAMMA FUNCTION



GAMMA

$\alpha = 1$

$f(x|\alpha, \beta) = \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta x}$

$x \in (0, \infty), \alpha, \beta > 0$

Shape RATE

memoryless

IF $X \sim \text{GAMMA}(\alpha, \beta)$
 $P(X \leq x) = P(Y \geq \alpha)$
 $Y \sim \text{POISSON}(x/\beta)$

Variance is the 2nd central moment

The n th central moment of $X, \mu_n = \mathbb{E}(X - \mu)^n$

For each integer n , the n th moment of $X, \mu'_n = \mathbb{E}(X^n)$

WEIGHT AVERAGE OF 1 EXP. FUNCTION

$$M_X(t) = \sum_x e^{tx} p_X(x) \quad \text{DISCRETE}$$

$$M_X(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} f_X(x) dx \quad \text{CONTINUOUS}$$

The MOMENT GENERATING FUNCTION OF X IS DEFINED BY

$$M_X(t) = \mathbb{E}(e^{tx})$$

DEF

Moments & Moment Generating Functions

$M_X(0) = 1$

Properties

$M'_X(0) = \mathbb{E}(X)$

$M^{(n)}_X(0) = \mathbb{E}(X^n)$

$$e^{tx} = 1 + tx + \frac{t^2 x^2}{2!} + \dots$$

$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}(e^{tx}) = 1 + t(m_1) + \frac{t^2(m_2)}{2!} + \dots$

1st moment \downarrow 2nd moment

Independencies Random variables X_1, \dots, X_n Then

$M_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(t) = \prod_{i=1}^n M_{X_i}(t)$

$M_{aX}(t) = M_X(at)$

$M_{X+tb}(t) = e^{bt} M_X(t)$

$F_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \mathbb{P}(X_1 \leq x_1, \dots, X_n \leq x_n)$

CDF

$\mathbb{P}(X \in A) = \int_A f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \dots dx_n$

A n -dimensional random vector

$X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

DEF

JOINT

PDF

$\mathbb{P}(X \in A) = \sum_A f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

$f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_{X_i}(x_i)$

INDEPENDENCE

Multivariate Distributions

Bayes Theorem

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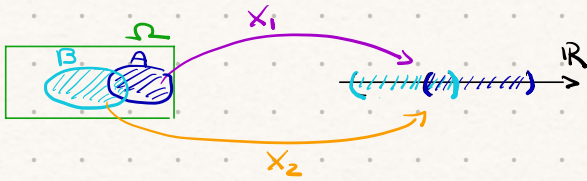
$f_{X_1, \dots, X_m | X_{m+1}, \dots, X_n} = \frac{f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}}{f_{X_{m+1}, \dots, X_n}}$

$M_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(t) = \begin{cases} \sum e^{\sum t_i x_i} f_X(x) \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\sum t_i x_i} f_X(x) dx_1 \dots dx_n \end{cases}$

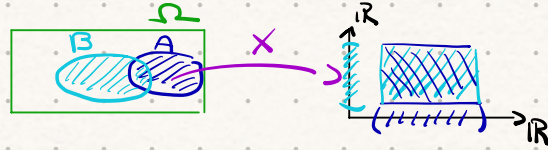
Random Vectors

A set of 2 or more random variables constitutes a **Random Vector**.

Ex: If $X_i: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad i=1,2$ is a random variable



Then,



$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{bmatrix}: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

~ Characterization Same idea as $\int 1-D$!

Continuous

PDF/PIF $f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = \frac{\partial^2 F_X(x)}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2}$

CDF $F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \int_{-\infty}^{x_2} f_X(u) du_1 du_2$

Discrete

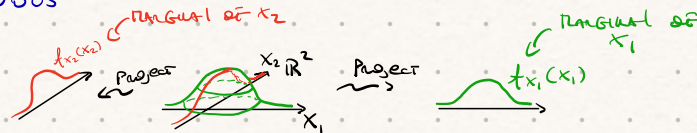
$IP(\{X_1 = x_1\} \cap \{X_2 = x_2\})$

$IP(\{X_1 \in x_1\} \cap \{X_2 \in x_2\}) = \sum_{u_1 \in x_1} \sum_{u_2 \in x_2} f_{X_1, X_2}(u_1, u_2)$

~ Marginal Distribution

Let $X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a random vector

Continuous

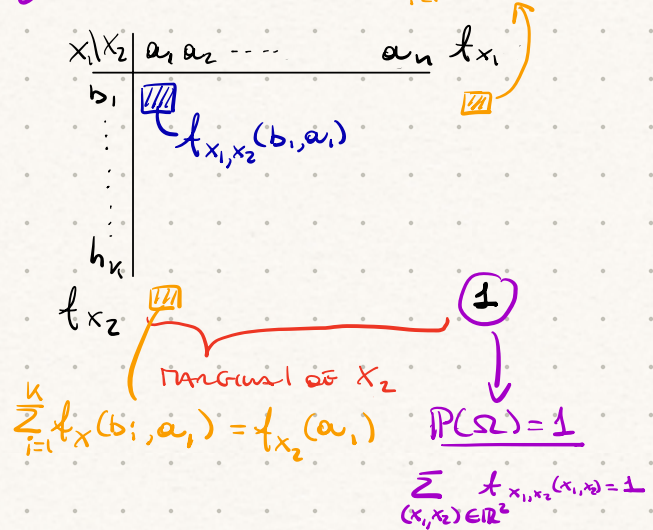


$$f_{X_1}(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-1}} f_X(t, x_2, \dots, x_n) d(x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

Discrete

$$f_{X_1}(t) = \sum_{x_2, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}} f_X(t, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

~ Joint table $f_{X_1}(b_i) = \sum_{a_j} f_{X_1, X_2}(b_i, a_j)$



~ Independence & Conditional

Ind: $f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = f_{X_1}(x_1) f_{X_2}(x_2)$ } Independence of events

Cond: $f_{X_1|X_2}(x_1|x_2) = \frac{f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2)}{f_{X_2}(x_2)}$ } Bayes Theorem



The multidimensional case have the same idea of $\int 1-D \Rightarrow$ We are still computing the "Area" of a set $A \in \Omega$

Covariance & Correlation

Def: $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P})$ probability space. $X, Y: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ random variables

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}((X - \mathbb{E}(X))(Y - \mathbb{E}(Y)))$$

$$= \mathbb{E}(XY) - \mathbb{E}(Y)\mathbb{E}(X)$$

"How close are the two variable from independence"

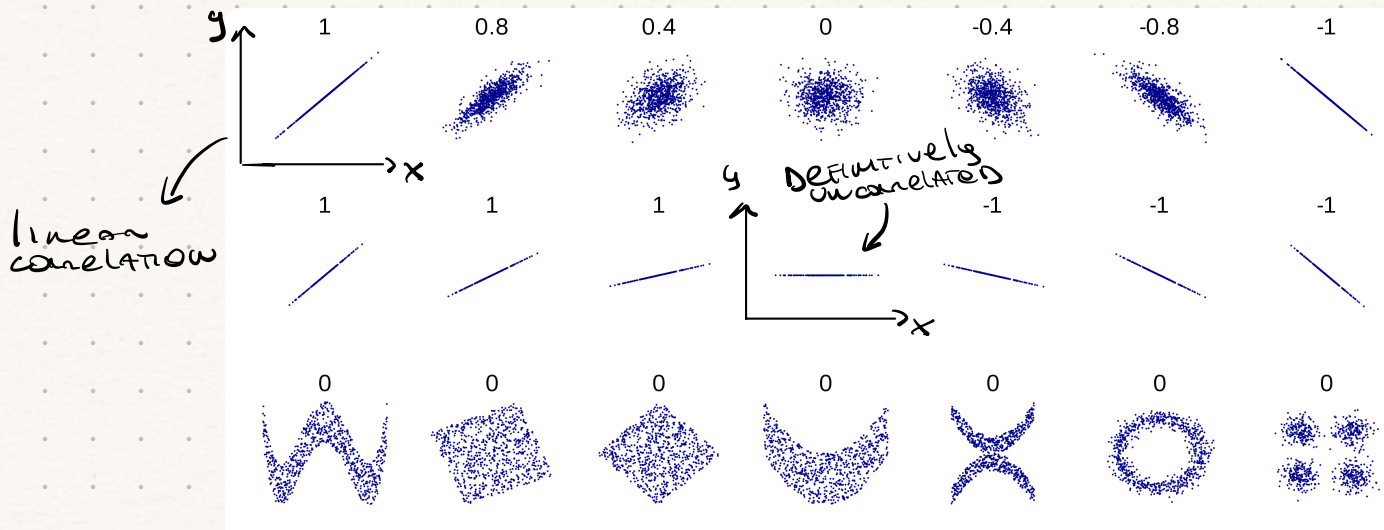
$\leadsto X, Y$ ind $\Rightarrow \text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0 \sim X, Y$ uncorrelated

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Usually FALSE

Def: Correlation coefficient $\rho_{X, Y} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma(X)\sigma(Y)} \in [-1, 1]$

\leadsto IF $\rho_{X, Y}$ closer to $\pm 1 \Rightarrow$ correlated.

Ex: Consider the following sets (X, Y) with different values of correlation



In Application is often more to find data that are completely uncorrelated, thus there exists methods to study "how strong" is the relationship. One of the methods uses the **BAYES Theorem** basically you construct a graph called DAG through means of the BT.

