

4113 Review (w/o exple)

Sections 2.1-2.3

Events

$A =$ "[some declarative sentence w/a truth value]."

← How we think about events

$A =$ {outcomes where that sentence is true}

← How we work with events

<u>Translation:</u>	<u>sentences</u>	<u>sets</u>
	not - A	A^c
	A & B	$A \cap B$
	A or B	$A \cup B$
	$A \Rightarrow B$	$A \subseteq B$

$\Omega =$ "[assumptions of model]"
 $=$ {all possible outcomes}

Probability model: (Ω, P)

↑
function mapping A, B to $P(A|B)$

ALL PROBABILITIES ARE RELATIVE
(or conditional)

Shorthand: $P(A) = P(A|\Omega)$, $P(A|B) = P(A|B \& \Omega)$

Intuitive version of axioms :

$$\text{Ax. I: } 0 \leq P(A|B) \leq 1$$

$$\text{Ax. II: If } B \subseteq A, \text{ then } P(A|B) = 1$$

$$\text{Ax. III: If } C \subseteq (A \cap B)^c, \text{ then}$$

$$P(A \cup B|C) = P(A|C) + P(B|C) \quad (\text{addition rule})$$

$$\text{Ax. IV: If } P(A|C) > 0, \text{ then}$$

$$P(A \cap B|C) = P(A|C) P(B|A \cap C) \quad (\text{mult. rule})$$

$$\text{Ax. V: If } A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq A_3 \subseteq \dots, \text{ then}$$

$$P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) \quad (\text{continuity rule})$$

Classical version of axioms :

$$\text{Ax. 1: } 0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$$

$$\text{Ax. 2: } P(\Omega) = 1$$

$$\text{Ax. 3: If } A_1, A_2, \dots \text{ are mut. excl., then}$$

$$P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) \quad (\text{gives add. rule and cont. rule})$$

$$\text{Defn: If } P(B) > 0, \text{ then}$$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \quad (\text{gives mult. rule})$$

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Ch. 1

$n!$: # of ways to permute n objects

$\frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$: # of ways to choose r from n ,
when order matters

$\binom{n}{r}$: # of ways to choose r from n ,
when order doesn't matter

$\binom{n}{n_1, \dots, n_r}$: # of ways to break n objects into
 r distinct groups of sizes n_1, \dots, n_r
(requires $n_1 + \dots + n_r = n$)

Properties

$$0! = 1$$

$$n! = n \cdot (n-1)! \text{ for integers } n > 1$$

If n, r are integers,

$$\binom{n}{r} = \begin{cases} \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!} & \text{if } 0 \leq r \leq n, \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$\binom{n}{n_1, \dots, n_r} = \frac{n!}{n_1! \dots n_r!}$$

$$\binom{n}{n-r} = \binom{n}{r}$$

$$\binom{n}{0} = \binom{n}{n} = 1, \quad \binom{n}{1} = \binom{n}{n-1} = n$$

$$(x+y)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} x^r y^{n-r} \quad (\text{binomial theorem})$$

$$\binom{n}{n_1, n_2} = \binom{n}{n_1} = \binom{n}{n_2}$$

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Sections 2.4-2.5

Prop. 2.4.1 $P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$

Prop. 2.4.2 $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow P(A) \leq P(B)$

Prop. 2.4.3

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

Can do w/ more than 2 events:

$$P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_4) = \sum_{j=1}^4 P(A_j) - \sum_{i < j} P(A_i \cap A_j) + \sum_{i < j < k} P(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k) - P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3 \cap A_4)$$

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If Ω is finite and all outcomes are equ. likely, then

$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|}$$

of elements in A

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Chapter 3

Defn of cond. prob: $P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$

Mult. rule: $P(A \cap B) = P(A) P(B|A)$

Extensions of mult. rule:

$$P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A) P(B|A) P(C|A \cap B) \quad (\text{can do more than 3 also})$$

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

Law of total prob.: If B_1, \dots, B_n is a partition, then

$$P(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n P(B_j) P(A|B_j)$$

Special case: $P(A) = P(B) P(A|B) + P(B^c) P(A|B^c)$

Defn of "independent":

A, B indep. if $P(A \cap B) = P(A) P(B)$

Alternative conditions:

• A, B indep. if $P(A|B) = P(A)$

• A, B indep. if $P(B|A) = P(B)$

A_1, \dots, A_n indep. if, for every subset $J \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$,

$$P\left(\bigcap_{j \in J} A_j\right) = \prod_{j \in J} P(A_j).$$

A_1, A_2, \dots indep. if, for every n , A_1, \dots, A_n indep.

Combos of different indep. events are indep. E.g.,

if A_1, \dots, A_7 are indep, and

$$B_1 = A_1 \cap (A_4 \cap A_6)^c$$

$$B_2 = A_2 \cup A_7$$

then B_1 and B_2 are indep.

The function $P(\cdot | C)$ satisfies the axioms.

\therefore can add conditioning to any theorem. E.g.,

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

becomes

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

A and B are conditionally indep. given C if

$$P(A \cap B | C) = P(A|C)P(B|C).$$

← extends to multiple events as above

OR • $P(A|B \cap C) = P(A|C)$

• $P(B|A \cap C) = P(B|C)$

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Chapter 4

Random Variables (Sections 4.1, 4.10)

a quantity whose
value is uncertain

Expl: $X =$ "the number of water molecules
in my body"

describe by a noun phrase
denoting a number

Formal defn:

A random variable is a function $X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Shorthand:

$$P(X \in A) = P(\{X \in A\}) = P(\underbrace{\{\omega \in \Omega \mid X(\omega) \in A\}}_{\text{also called } X^{-1}(A)})$$

distribution function: $F_X(x) = P(X \leq x)$

defined for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Notation: $F(\infty) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} F(s)$

$$F(-\infty) = \lim_{s \rightarrow -\infty} F(s)$$

$$F(x-) = \lim_{s \rightarrow x^-} F(s)$$

Properties

- F is nondecreasing and right-continuous
- $F(\infty) = 1$, $F(-\infty) = 0$
- $P(X < x) = F(x^-)$
- $P(X = x) = F(x) - F(x^-)$

Discrete r.v.s (Sections 4.2-4.5, 4.9)

X is discrete if $\underbrace{R(X)}$ is countable
range of X

mass function: $P_X(x) = P(X=x)$
defined for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$

expected value: $E[X] = \sum_{x \in R(X)} x P(X=x)$

indicator r.v.: $\underbrace{1_A}_{\text{a r.v.}} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } A \text{ is true} \\ 0 & \text{if } A \text{ is false} \end{cases}$
an event

$$E[1_A] = P(A)$$

alternate

formula: $E[X] = \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} X(\omega) P(\{\omega\})$

Properties

- $E[g(X)] = \sum_{x \in R(X)} g(x) P(X=x)$

- $E[cX] = c E[X]$

- $E[X + Y] = E[X] + E[Y]$

variance: $\text{Var}(X) = E[(X - E[X])^2]$

alternate formula: $\text{Var}(X) = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$

standard deviation: $SD(X) = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)}$

Properties

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

- $\text{Var}(X + c) = \text{Var}(X)$

- $\text{Var}(X + Y) \neq \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y)$

In Ch. 6, we learn how to expand $\text{Var}(X+Y)$

true even when not discrete

Named distributions (Sections 4.6-4.8)

↙ trial w/prob. of success p

$$X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p) : \begin{array}{l} P(X=1) = p \\ \downarrow \\ [0,1] \\ P(X=0) = 1-p \end{array}$$

↙ # of successes in n indep. trials

$$X \sim \text{Binom}(n, p):$$

$$P(X=k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}, \quad k=0, 1, \dots, n$$

$$E[X] = np \quad \text{Var}(X) = np(1-p)$$

$$X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda):$$

$$P(X=k) = e^{-\lambda} \cdot \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}, \quad k=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$E[X] = \lambda \quad \text{Var}(X) = \lambda$$

Poisson approximation:

$$\text{Binom}(n, p) \approx \text{Poisson}(np)$$

↑ large ↙ small

of trials until first success
 $X \sim \text{Geom}(p): P(X=k) = (1-p)^{k-1} p, k=1,2,3,\dots$

$\rightarrow (0,1)$
 $E[X] = \frac{1}{p} \quad \text{Var}(X) = \frac{1-p}{p^2}$

Poisson process (in Section 4.7)

Counting rare events

$\lambda = \text{rate}$ (# of occurrences per unit time)

$N(t) = \#$ of occurrences in time interval $[0, t]$

$$N = \{N(t) \mid t \geq 0\}$$

N is a Poisson process w/ rate λ if

- $N(0) = 0$

- $\underbrace{N(t) - N(s)}_{\text{\# of occurrences in } (s, t]} \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda(t-s))$

- N has independent increments

(occurrences in nonoverlapping time intervals are independent)

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Chapter 5

Continuous r.v.s (Sections 5.1-5.2, 5.7)

X is continuous if it has a density:

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

nonneg. & integrates to 1

$$P(X \in [x, x + \Delta x]) \approx f_X(x) \Delta x$$

$$F_X' = f_X$$

can find f by finding F and differentiating

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

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

$$\text{If } X \geq 0 : E[X] = \int_0^{\infty} P(X > t) dt$$

$$\text{If } R(X) = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} : E[X] = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(X \geq n)$$

Named distributions (Sections 5.3-5.6)

Uniform distribution

← equally likely to be anywhere in (α, β)

$X \sim \text{Unif}(\alpha, \beta)$:

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} & \text{if } \alpha < x < \beta, \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$E[X] = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{(\beta - \alpha)^2}{12}$$

Standard normal distribution

$Z \sim \text{Norm}(0, 1)$:

$$f_Z(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2}$$

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distribution function: $\Phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-u^2/2} du$

$$\Phi(0) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \Phi(-x) = 1 - \Phi(x)$$

$$E[Z] = 0$$

$$\text{Var}(Z) = 1$$

Normal distribution

$X \sim \text{Norm}(\mu, \sigma^2)$: $\sigma \neq 0$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

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

$$Z \sim N(0, 1) \iff \mu + \sigma Z \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

Normal approximation

$X \sim \text{Binom}(n, p)$:
large \uparrow moderate

$$X \stackrel{d}{\approx} \mu + \sigma Z \leftarrow N(0, 1)$$

\uparrow \uparrow
 $E[X]$ $SD(X)$

Need to use a continuity correction

Exponential distribution

time between consecutive occurrences
in a Poisson process w/ rate λ

$X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$: $\lambda > 0$

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & \text{if } x > 0, \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$E[X] = \frac{1}{\lambda} \quad \text{Var}(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$$

$$P(X > t) = e^{-\lambda t} \quad \text{if } t > 0$$

memory less

property:

$$P(X > t_0 + t \mid X > t_0) = P(X > t)$$

Gamma function

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$$\Gamma(\alpha) = \int_0^{\infty} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x} dx$$

\uparrow
 $\alpha > 0$

$$\Gamma(1) = 1, \quad \Gamma(\alpha+1) = \alpha \Gamma(\alpha), \quad \Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$$

Gamma distribution

$$X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \lambda):$$

\downarrow
 $(0, \infty)$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} C x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda x} & \text{if } x > 0, \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

where $C = \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)}$

$$E[X] = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda} \quad \text{Var}(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda^2}$$

$$\text{Gamma}(1, \lambda) = \text{Exp}(\lambda)$$

$$\text{Gamma}(n, \lambda) = \text{sum of } n \text{ indep. Exp}(\lambda)$$

covered in
Section 6.3.2

Hazard Rates (in Section 5.5)

lifetime of something

$X \geq 0$, density f , dist. func. F

hazard rate function: $\lambda(t) = \frac{f(t)}{1 - F(t)}$

$$P(X < t + \Delta t \mid X > t) \approx \lambda(t) \Delta t$$

$$P(X > t) = \exp\left(-\int_0^t \lambda(s) ds\right) \text{ if } t > 0$$

$$\lambda(t) = \lambda \text{ for all } t \iff X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$$

Chapter 6

Joint distributions (Section 6.1)

Any two r.v.s

joint distribution function:

$$F(x, y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y)$$

$$F_X(x) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y)$$

$$F_Y(y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y)$$

Discrete case

Both X, Y discrete.

joint mass function:

$$p(x, y) = P(X=x, Y=y)$$

$$p_X(x) = \sum_{y \in R(Y)} p(x, y)$$

$$p_Y(y) = \sum_{x \in R(X)} p(x, y)$$

Continuous case

X, Y jointly continuous.

joint density function

$$P((X, Y) \in D) = \iint_D f(x, y) dA$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x \partial y} = f$$

$$P(X \in [x, x + \Delta x], Y \in [y, y + \Delta y]) \approx f(x, y) \Delta x \Delta y$$

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx$$

Mixed case

X discrete, Y cont.

$$P(X = x_i, Y \in A) = \int_A f(x_i, y) dy$$

$$P_X(x_i) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x_i, y) dy$$

$$f_Y(y) = \sum_{x_i \in R(X)} f(x_i, y)$$

Independent r.v.s (Sections 6.2, 6.3)

X_1, X_2, \dots are independent if

$\{X_1 \in A_1\}, \{X_2 \in A_2\}, \dots$ are independent

for every choice of A_1, A_2, \dots

Compos of different indep. r.v.s are indep. E.g.,

if X_1, \dots, X_7 are indep, and

$$Y_1 = f(X_1, X_6, X_7)$$

$$Y_2 = g(X_2, X_5)$$

then Y_1 and Y_2 are indep.

All of these are equivalent to independence:

- $F(x, y) = F_X(x) F_Y(y)$ any two r.v.s
- $p(x, y) = p_X(x) p_Y(y)$ discrete case
- $f(x, y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$ } continuous case
- $f(x, y) = g(x) h(y)$ }
- $f(x_i, y) = p_X(x_i) f_Y(y)$ mixed case

X, Y cont. and indep:

$$f_{X+Y}(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(z-y) f_Y(y) dy$$

$$\begin{aligned} X &\sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \lambda) \\ Y &\sim \text{Gamma}(\beta, \lambda) \\ \text{indep} \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X+Y \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha+\beta, \lambda)$$

$$\begin{aligned} X_1, \dots, X_n &\sim \text{Exp}(\lambda) \\ \text{indep} \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X_1 + \dots + X_n \sim \text{Gamma}(n, \lambda)$$

$$\begin{aligned} X &\sim N(\mu_X, \sigma_X^2) \\ Y &\sim N(\mu_Y, \sigma_Y^2) \\ \text{indep} \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X+Y \sim N(\mu_X + \mu_Y, \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} X &\sim \text{Binom}(n, p) \\ Y &\sim \text{Binom}(m, p) \\ \text{indep} \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X+Y \sim \text{Binom}(n+m, p)$$

$$\begin{aligned} X &\sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_1) \\ Y &\sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_2) \\ \text{indep} \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X+Y \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)$$

Covariance and correlation (in Section 6.5)

covariance : $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])]$

alt. formula: $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]$

special case: $\text{Cov}(X, X) = \text{Var}(X)$

correlation: $\rho(X, Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X)\text{Var}(Y)}}$

→ always in $[-1, 1]$

X, Y uncorrelated if $\rho(X, Y) = 0$

independent \Rightarrow uncorrelated

Joint normal distribution (in Section 6.5)

X and Y are jointly normal if

$aX + bY$ has a normal distribution

whenever a and b are real #'s, not both 0.

• X and Y jointly norm. \Rightarrow $\begin{cases} X \text{ is normal and} \\ Y \text{ is normal} \end{cases}$

• indep. normals are jointly normal

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X, Y joint normal

joint density:

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} \left[\left(\frac{x-\mu_x}{\sigma_x} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{y-\mu_y}{\sigma_y} \right)^2 - 2\rho \frac{(x-\mu_x)(y-\mu_y)}{\sigma_x\sigma_y} \right] \right\}$$

alternate form:

$$f(\vec{v}) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{\det Q}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} (\vec{v} - \vec{m})^T Q^{-1} (\vec{v} - \vec{m}) \right)$$

where $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$, $\vec{m} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_x \\ \mu_y \end{pmatrix}$, $Q = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_x^2 & \sigma_x\sigma_y\rho \\ \sigma_x\sigma_y\rho & \sigma_y^2 \end{pmatrix}$

conditional density:

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

where $\mu = \mu_x + \rho \frac{\sigma_x}{\sigma_y} (y - \mu_y)$, $\sigma = \sigma_x \sqrt{1-\rho^2}$

Conditional distributions (Sections 6.4, 6.5)

$$P_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{p(x, y)}{p_Y(y)} \quad \text{discrete case}$$

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_Y(y)} \quad \text{continuous case}$$

$$P_{X|Y}(x_i|y) = \frac{f(x_i, y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x_i) = \frac{f(x_i, y)}{p_X(x_i)}$$

} mixed case
(X discrete, Y cont.)

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7.2 Expectations of Sums

$$E[g(X, Y)] = \begin{cases} \sum_{x \in R(X)} \sum_{y \in R(Y)} g(x, y) p(x, y) & \text{(both discrete)} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) f(x, y) dx dy & \text{(jointly continuous)} \\ \sum_{x \in R(X)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) f(x, y) dy & \text{(mixed)} \end{cases}$$

other related facts:

- $X \leq Y \Rightarrow E[X] \leq E[Y]$
- $X \leq a \Rightarrow E[X] \leq a$

7.4 Covariance, Variance of Sums, and Correlation

- X, Y indep $\Rightarrow E[XY] = E[X]E[Y]$
- $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \text{Cov}(Y, X)$
- $\text{Cov}(X, X) = \text{Var}(X)$

- $\text{Cov}(aX, Y) = a \text{Cov}(X, Y)$

- $\text{Cov}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \sum_{j=1}^m Y_j\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m \text{Cov}(X_i, Y_j)$

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

Special Case:

$$\text{Var}(X+Y) = \text{Var}(X) + 2 \text{Cov}(X, Y) + \text{Var}(Y)$$

If X_1, \dots, X_n are uncorrelated, then

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

7.5 Conditional Expectation

$$E[X|Y=y] = \begin{cases} \sum_{x \in R(X)} x P(X=x|Y=y) & \text{if } X \text{ is discrete,} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx & \text{if } X \text{ is continuous.} \end{cases}$$

$E[X|Y=y]$ is a function of y

$$E[X|Y] = g(Y), \text{ where } g(y) = E[X|Y=y]$$

Warning: $g(Y) \neq E[X|Y=Y]$

Have to compute $E[X|Y=y]$ to get an actual function.

$$P(A|X=x) = E[\mathbb{1}_A | X=x]$$

$$P(A|X) = E[\mathbb{1}_A | X]$$

Law of total probability:

$$E[X] = E[E[X|Y]]$$

$$E[E[X|Y]] = E[g(Y)], \text{ where}$$

$$g(y) = E[X|Y=y]$$

will be a sum if Y is discrete,
integral if Y is continuous

Y discrete:

$$E[X] = \sum_{y \in R(Y)} E[X|Y=y] P(Y=y)$$

Y continuous:

$$E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[X|Y=y] f_Y(y) dy$$

Versions for probabilities:

$$P(A) = \sum_{y \in R(Y)} P(A|Y=y) P(Y=y) \quad \text{if } Y \text{ discrete}$$

(original law of total probability)

$$P(A) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(A|Y=y) f_Y(y) dy$$

(if X, Y indep, drop the conditioning and turn Y into y .)

If X, Y indep., then

$$E[f(X, Y) | Y=y] = E[f(X, y)]$$

Special cases:

• X, Y indep $\Rightarrow E[X|Y] = E[X]$

• X, Y indep $\Rightarrow P((X, Y) \in D | Y=y) = P((X, y) \in D)$

Other helpful facts

- $E[cX|Y] = c E[X|Y]$
- $E[X+Y|Z] = E[X|Z] + E[Y|Z]$
- Can pull out known quantities:

$$E[X f(Y)|Y] = f(Y) E[X|Y]$$

$$\text{Special case: } E[f(Y)|Y] = f(Y)$$

- Rules for nested conditioning

$$E[E[Z|X,Y] | X] = E[Z|X]$$

$$E[E[Z|X] | X,Y] = E[Z|X]$$

- $X \geq 0 \Rightarrow E[X|Y] \geq 0$ (doesn't require independence)
- $E[f(X,Y) | Y=y] = E[f(X,y) | Y=y]$

7.5.4 Conditional Variance

$$\text{Var}(X|Y) = E[(X - E[X|Y])^2 | Y] \quad (\text{defn})$$

$$\text{Var}(X|Y) = E[X^2|Y] - (E[X|Y])^2 \quad (\text{alt. formula})$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E[\text{Var}(X|Y)] + \text{Var}(E[X|Y])$$

7.7 Moment generating functions

$$M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{moment generating func.} \\ \text{(MGF)} \end{array}$$

domain of M_X is all t 's such that the expected value exists (it fails to exist when the series or integral is divergent)

Always exists for $t=0$ and $M_X(0) = 1$.

$$\boxed{E[X^n] = M_X^{(n)}(0)}$$

n^{th} derivative of M_X

the "moments" of X

If X and Y are indep., then

$$M_{X+Y}(t) = M_X(t)M_Y(t)$$

Key thm: If X and Y have the same MGF, then they have the same distribution

\therefore Can use MGF to figure out distribution.
(compute MGF and look it up on the tables)

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	Probability mass function, $p(x)$	Moment generating function, $M(t)$	Mean	Variance
Binomial with parameters n, p; $0 \leq p \leq 1$	$\binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$ $x = 0, 1, \dots, n$	$(pe^t + 1 - p)^n$	np	$np(1-p)$
Poisson with parameter $\lambda > 0$	$e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^x}{x!}$ $x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$	$\exp\{\lambda(e^t - 1)\}$	λ	λ
Geometric with parameter $0 \leq p \leq 1$	$p(1-p)^{x-1}$ $x = 1, 2, \dots$	$\frac{pe^t}{1 - (1-p)e^t}$	$\frac{1}{p}$	$\frac{1-p}{p^2}$
Negative binomial with parameters r, p; $0 \leq p \leq 1$	$\binom{n-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^{n-r}$ $n = r, r+1, \dots$	$\left[\frac{pe^t}{1 - (1-p)e^t} \right]^r$	$\frac{r}{p}$	$\frac{r(1-p)}{p^2}$

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	Probability density function, $f(x)$	Moment generating function, $M(t)$	Mean	Variance
Uniform over (a, b)	$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & a < x < b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	$\frac{e^{tb} - e^{ta}}{t(b-a)}$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$
Exponential with parameter $\lambda > 0$	$f(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$	$\frac{\lambda}{\lambda - t}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda^2}$
Gamma with parameters $(s, \lambda), \lambda > 0$	$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda e^{-\lambda x} (\lambda x)^{s-1}}{\Gamma(s)} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$	$\left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda - t} \right)^s$	$\frac{s}{\lambda}$	$\frac{s}{\lambda^2}$
Normal with parameters (μ, σ^2)	$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-(x-\mu)^2/2\sigma^2} \quad -\infty < x < \infty$	$\exp\left\{ \mu t + \frac{\sigma^2 t^2}{2} \right\}$	μ	σ^2

8. Limit Theorems

Modes of convergence

- $X_n \rightarrow X$ pointwise means:

$$\forall \omega \in \Omega, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n(\omega) = X(\omega)$$

- $X_n \rightarrow X$ almost surely (or a.s.) means:

$$P\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = X\right) = 1$$

- $X_n \rightarrow X$ in probability means:

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n - X| > \varepsilon) = 0$$

- $X_n \rightarrow X$ in distribution means:

$\forall x$ at which F_X is continuous,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(x) = F_X(x) \text{ whenever } F$$

Thm: Consider the 4 possibilities:

(a) $X_n \rightarrow X$ pointwise

(b) $X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s.

(c) $X_n \rightarrow X$ in probability

(d) $X_n \rightarrow X$ in distribution

Then $(a) \Rightarrow (b) \Rightarrow (c) \Rightarrow (d)$

Thm If $M_{X_n}(t) \rightarrow M_X(t)$, then
 $X_n \rightarrow X$ in distribution.

Prop. 2.1 (Markov's inequality)

If $X \geq 0$ and $a > 0$, then

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

Prop. 2.2 (Chebyshev's inequality)

Suppose X has a finite mean. Let $\mu = E[X]$.

Then for all $k > 0$,

$$P(|X - \mu| \geq k) \leq \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{k^2}$$

Prop 2.3 If $\text{Var}(X) = 0$, then $P(X = E[X]) = 1$.

Thm 2.1 (The weak law of large numbers) (LLN)

Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots are i.i.d. and have a finite mean. Let $\mu = E[X_n]$. Then

$$\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \rightarrow \mu \text{ in probability.}$$

Thm 4.1 (The strong law of large numbers)

Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots are i.i.d. and have a finite mean. Let $\mu = E[X_n]$. Then

$$\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \rightarrow \mu \text{ almost surely}$$

Thm 3.1 (The central limit theorem) (CLT)

Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots are i.i.d., have a finite mean, and a finite positive variance. Let $\mu = E[X_n]$ and $\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X_n)$. Let $Z \sim N(0,1)$. Then

$$\sqrt{n} \left(\frac{S_n}{n} - \mu \right) \rightarrow \sigma Z \text{ in distribution.}$$

Alternate form: $\frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} \rightarrow Z \text{ in distribution}$

LLN says $\frac{S_n}{n} \approx \mu \Rightarrow S_n \approx n\mu$ (n large)

CLT says $\frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \stackrel{d}{\approx} Z \Rightarrow S_n \stackrel{d}{\approx} n\mu + \sqrt{n}\sigma Z$

CLT is a higher order approximation.

- Can now use normal approx. on more than binomial.
- Only use cont. correction when approximating discrete r.v.s