

STAT 330

Personal Notes



Chapter 2.1:

Introduction

- Review for
- probability models;
 - random variables.

PROBABILITY MODELS

A "probability model" is used to describe a random experiment.

It consists of 3 components:

- "Sample space" — the collection of all possible outcomes of a random experiment.
 - we denote the sample space by " S ".
 - eg tossing a coin twice:

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

- "Event" — a subset of the sample space S .
 - we usually use capitals (eg A, B, C) to denote events.
 - eg A : 1st toss is a tail. (with S as earlier)
 - $\Rightarrow A = \{(T,H), (T,T)\}$

- "Probability function" — a function of events P which satisfies the following:

- $0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$ for any event A ;
- $P(S) = 1$;
- P satisfies "countable additivity"; ie if $A_1, A_2, \dots$ are pairwise, mutually exclusive events, ie if $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset, i \neq j$, then this always holds:

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i).$$

If $A_1, \dots, A_n$ are pairwise mutually exclusive events, then necessarily

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i). \quad \text{"finite additivity"}$$

Proof: If $P(\emptyset) = 0$, then consider

$$A_1, \dots, A_n, \text{ and } A_i = \emptyset \quad \forall i > n.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) &= P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) + \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} P(A_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i). \end{aligned}$$

- From the above 3 properties, we can derive the following:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad P(\emptyset) = 0.$$

Proof. Let $A_1 = S$, and $A_2, A_3, \dots = \emptyset$.

$A_1, A_2, \dots$ are pairwise mutually exclusive, so we know

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i) = P(A_1) + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} P(A_i) \\ = P(S) + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} P(\emptyset)$$

Thus

$$P(S) = P(S) + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} P(\emptyset),$$

and $0 \leq P(\emptyset) \leq 1$ by defⁿ.

It follows that we must have that $P(\emptyset) = 0$, as needed. $\square$

- Let $\bar{A}$ be the "complementary" event of A ; ie $A \cup \bar{A} = S$ & $A \cap \bar{A} = \emptyset$.
 * convention: we use $\bar{A}$ for complementary events.

$$\text{Then } P(A) + P(\bar{A}) = 1.$$

Proof. Let $A_1 = A$, & $A_2 = \bar{A}$, and $A_i = \emptyset \quad \forall i \geq 3$.

By defⁿ, A_i are pairwise & mutually exclusive events.

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i) \\ P(A \cup \bar{A}) &= P(A) + P(\bar{A}) + 0 + 0 + \dots \\ = P(S) &= P(A) + P(\bar{A}). \\ = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Proof follows. $\square$

- If A_1 & A_2 are mutually exclusive, then necessarily

$$P(A_1 \cup A_2) = P(A_1) + P(A_2).$$

Proof: Similar to $\textcircled{2}$.

- In general,

$$P(A_1 \cup A_2) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) - P(A_1 \cap A_2).$$

Proof. Let $B_1 = A_1 \setminus (A_1 \cap A_2)$; & $B_2 = A_2 \setminus (A_1 \cap A_2)$.

Then B_1, B_2 & $A_1 \cap A_2$ are mutually exclusive pairwise events.

Note that $A_1 \cup A_2 = A_2 \cup B_1$. A_2 & B_1 are mutually exclusive; thus

$$P(A_1 \cup A_2) = P(A_2 \cup B_1) = P(A_2) + P(B_1).$$

Then, since $A_1 = B_1 \cup (A_1 \cap A_2)$, & these two events are mutually exclusive, thus

$$P(A_1) = P(B_1) + P(A_1 \cap A_2).$$

Therefore $P(B_1) = P(A_1) - P(A_1 \cap A_2)$, and so

$$P(A_1 \cup A_2) = P(A_2) + P(B_1) = P(A_2) + P(A_1) - P(A_1 \cap A_2). \quad \square$$

- If $A_1 \subseteq A_2$, then $P(A_1) \leq P(A_2)$.

Proof.



Let $B_1 = A_2 \setminus A_1$. By defⁿ, $P(B_1) \geq 0$.

A_1 & B_1 are mutually exclusive; thus

$$P(A_2) = P(A_1 \cup B_1) = P(A_1) + P(B_1) \geq P(A_1) \text{ as needed. } \square$$

CONDITIONAL PROBABILITY: $P(A|B)$

Let A, B be two events, where $P(B) > 0$.
Then, the "conditional probability" of A given B is

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

INDEPENDENCE OF TWO EVENTS

Let A & B be two events.

We say A & B are "independent" iff

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

eg Tossing a coin twice. Let

$A = 1^{\text{st}}$ toss is $H = \{(H, T), (H, H)\}$

$B = 2^{\text{nd}}$ toss is $H = \{(T, H), (H, H)\}$.

Then $P(A) = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$ & $P(B) = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$, &

$$P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = P(A)P(B).$$

Thus A & B are independent.

When A & B are independent, then necessarily

$$P(A|B) = P(A).$$

$$\text{Proof: } P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(A)P(B)}{P(B)} = P(A).$$

RANDOM VARIABLE / r.v.

A "random variable" is a function from the sample space to $\mathbb{R}$; ie

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

We usually denote these via X, Y , etc.

For $x \in \mathbb{R}$, we write

$$X \leq x := \{\omega: X(\omega) \leq x\},$$

which is an event.

eg Toss a coin twice.

Denote $X = \#$ of heads in these 2 tosses.

Then

$$\{X=0\} = \{(T, T)\}$$

$$\{X=1\} = \{(H, T), (T, H)\}$$

$$\{X=2\} = \{(H, H)\}$$

Then

$$\{X \leq x\} = \begin{cases} x < 0 \Rightarrow \emptyset \\ 0 \leq x < 1 \Rightarrow \{X=0\} \\ 1 \leq x < 2 \Rightarrow \{X=0\} \cup \{X=1\} \\ 2 \leq x \Rightarrow S \end{cases}$$

CUMULATIVE DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION / CDF

The c.d.f. of a random variable X , denoted as $F(x)$, is defined to be

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Some properties of $F(x)$:

① $F(x)$ is a non-decreasing function;

ie if $x_1 \leq x_2$, then $F(x_1) \leq F(x_2)$.

Proof. Let $A = \{X \leq x_1\}$, $B = \{X \leq x_2\}$. Then $A \subseteq B$,

$$\text{so } P(X \leq x_1) \leq P(X \leq x_2). \quad \square$$

② $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} F(x) = 1$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = 0$.

③ $F(x)$ is a "right-continuous" function; ie

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} F(x) = F(a).$$

④ $P(a < X \leq b) = F(b) - F(a)$.

Proof. Let $A = \{X \leq b\}$ & $B = \{X \leq a\}$, and let $C = \{a < X \leq b\}$.

Then $B \cup C = A$ & $B \cap C = \emptyset$.

Thus

$$P(X \leq b) = P(X \leq a) + P(a < X \leq b),$$

and rearranging gives the desired result. $\square$

⑤ $P(X=a) = F(a) - \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} F(x)$.

$\hookrightarrow$ if F is continuous at a , $P(X=a) = 0$.

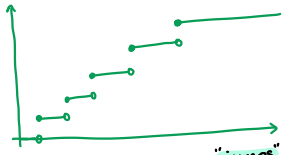
if F is discontinuous at a (ie if it is not left-cts), $P(X=a) \neq 0$.

Chapter 2.2:

Discrete Random Variables

💡 We say X is a "discrete random variable" if it can only take a finite or countable number of values.

CDF OF A DRV



💡 Where there are "jumps", is where X can take values.

💡 For a d.r.v., its cdf is a right continuous step function.

PROBABILITY FUNCTION: $f(x)$

💡 The "probability function" of a d.r.v. X is defined to be

$$f(x) = P(X=x) = \begin{cases} >0, & \text{if } X \text{ can take value } x \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

SUPPORT [OF A DRV]

💡 The "support" of X is

$$A = \{x : f(x) > 0\},$$

ie all the possible values X can take.

PROPERTIES OF $f(x)$

💡 $f(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$.

💡 $\sum_{x \in A} f(x) = 1$.

Proof. let $A_j = \{X = x_j\}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} 1 = P(S) &= P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{|A|} A_i\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{|A|} P(A_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{|A|} P(X=x_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{|A|} f(x_i). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

COMMONLY USED DRV

💡 Bernoulli r.v.: $X \sim \text{Bern}(p)$.

- X can only take 0, 1 as possible values
- $S = \{\omega_1, \omega_2\}$, and we assign $X(\omega_1)=0$, $X(\omega_2)=1$
- $p = P(X=1)$, $1-p = P(X=0)$
- $A = \{0, 1\}$
- $f(x) = \begin{cases} p, & x=1 \\ 1-p, & x=0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- we can verify $f(x) \geq 0$ & $\sum_{x \in A} f(x) = 1$.

eg Toss a coin, $X = \#$ of heads you get.

$X \sim \text{Bern}(p)$, $p = \text{probability we get a head}$.

💡 Binomial r.v.: $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$.

- toss a coin n times
- let $X := \#$ of heads
- assumptions:
 - ① different tosses are independent
 - ② $P(\text{head})$ is fixed
- support of $X = \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$
- Probability function:

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

💡 Geometric r.v.: $X \sim \text{Geo}(p)$.

- $X := \#$ of failures before the 1st success
- $A = \{0, 1, \dots\}$
- $f(x) = P(X=x) = (1-p)^x p$.

(we can prove f is a probability function).

💡 Negative binomial r.v.: $X \sim \text{NegBin}(v, p)$.

- $X := \#$ of failures before the v^{th} success
- $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

💡 Poisson r.v.: $X \sim \text{Poi}(\mu)$.

- $X = \#$ of events in a certain time period.
- $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$
- $f(x) = \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^x}{x!}$

Chapter 2.3:

Continuous Random Variables

💡 If the collection of the possible values of X is an interval or $\mathbb{R}$, then we say X is a "continuous random variable".

💡 Note: If X is a c.r.v., its cdf $F(x)$ is a continuous function, and $F(x)$ is differentiable almost everywhere.
- it is not differentiable for at most a finite/countable # of points.

💡 The pdf is defined to be

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} F'(x), & \text{if } F(x) \text{ is diff at } x \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

SUPPORT

💡 The "support" of a crv X is

$$A = \{x: f(x) > 0\}.$$

PROPERTIES OF $f(x)$

💡 $f(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$

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

Proof: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) - \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x)$
 $= 1 - 0$

$$\text{💡 } F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt = 1. \quad \square$$

$$\text{💡 } P(X=x) = 0.$$

* For crv, $f(x) \neq P(X=x)$.

$$\text{💡 } P(a < X \leq b) = \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

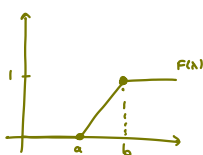
$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow P(a < X \leq b) &= P(a \leq X < b) \\ &= P(a \leq X \leq b) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{💡 } f(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{P(x < X < x+h)}{h}.$$

EXAMPLE 1

Suppose $F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \leq a \\ \frac{x-a}{b-a}, & a < x < b \\ 1, & x \geq b. \end{cases}$
ie F is the cdf of $X \sim \text{Unif}([a, b])$.
Find the pdf of $F(x)$.

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



EXAMPLE 2

Suppose the pdf is

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\theta}{x^{\theta+1}}, & x \geq 1 \\ 0, & x < 1. \end{cases}$$

Find

i) for what values of θ is f a pdf.

ii) $F(x)$

iii) $P(2 < X < 3)$ & $P(-2 < X < 3)$.

i) $f(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \Rightarrow \theta \geq 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx &= \int_{-\infty}^1 f(x) dx + \int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx \\ &= \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\theta}{x^{\theta+1}} dx \\ &= \left[-x^{-\theta} \right]_1^{\infty} (=1). \end{aligned}$$

This is true when $\theta > 0$.

$\Rightarrow \theta > 0$.

ii) $\theta > 0, \quad F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt.$

if $x \leq 1 \Rightarrow F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x 0 dt = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } x > 1 \Rightarrow F(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^1 f(t) dt + \int_1^x f(t) dt \\ &= \int_1^x f(t) dt \\ &= \int_1^x \frac{\theta}{t^{\theta+1}} dt = \dots = 1 - x^{-\theta}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{iii) } P(2 < X < 3) &= F(3) - F(2) \\ &= (1 - 3^{-\theta}) - (1 - 2^{-\theta}) \\ &= 2^{-\theta} - 3^{-\theta}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(-2 < X < 3) &= F(3) - F(-2) \\ &= 1 - 3^{-\theta} - 0 \\ &= 1 - 3^{-\theta}. \end{aligned}$$

GAMMA FUNCTION: $\Gamma(\alpha)$, $\alpha > 0$

The gamma function is defined to be

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

Properties:

- ① $\Gamma(\alpha) = (\alpha-1)\Gamma(\alpha-1)$, $\alpha > 1$
- ② $\Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$
- ③ $\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi}$

GAMMA DISTRIBUTION: $X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$

The "Gamma distribution" is defined by the pdf

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\beta}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^{\alpha}} & x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Verify this is a pdf.

Proof. i) $f(x) \geq 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ii) } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx &= \int_{-\infty}^0 f(x) dx + \int_0^{\infty} f(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\beta}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^{\alpha}} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\beta}}{\beta^{\alpha}} dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{x}{\beta} = y \Rightarrow x = \beta y, dx = \beta dy.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then LHS} &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(\beta y)^{\alpha-1} e^{-y}}{\beta^{\alpha}} \beta dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\infty} y^{\alpha-1} e^{-y} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \Gamma(\alpha) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

WEIBULL DISTN: $X \sim \text{Weibull}(\theta, \beta)$

The "Weibull distribution" is defined by the pdf

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

Verify f is a pdf.

Proof. Clearly $f(x) \geq 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$\text{Then } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\beta}{\theta^{\beta}} x^{\beta-1} e^{-(\frac{x}{\theta})^{\beta}} dx.$$

$$\text{Let } y = (\frac{x}{\theta})^{\beta} \Rightarrow x = \theta y^{1/\beta}, dx = \frac{\theta}{\beta} y^{\frac{1}{\beta}-1} dy.$$

Then LHS becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\beta}{\theta^{\beta}} (\theta y^{1/\beta})^{\beta-1} e^{-y} \cdot \frac{\theta}{\beta} y^{\frac{1}{\beta}-1} dy \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} y^{1-\frac{1}{\beta}} \cdot y^{\frac{1}{\beta}-1} e^{-y} dy \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y} dy \\ &= [-e^{-y}]_0^{\infty} \\ &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

NORMAL DISTRIBUTION

The "normal distribution" has pdf

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}, \quad \mu \in \mathbb{R}, \sigma^2 > 0.$$

Steps to verify f is a pdf:

- ① Check $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$ if $\mu=0, \sigma^2=1$
- ② Check $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$ when $\mu \in \mathbb{R}, \sigma^2 > 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{①: } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \quad (\text{function is symmetrical about the y-axis}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } y = \frac{x^2}{2} \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{2y}, dx = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} y^{-\frac{1}{2}} dy. \text{ Then}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx &= 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-y} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} y^{-\frac{1}{2}} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y} y^{\frac{1}{2}-1} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} (\sqrt{\pi}) = 1. \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{②: Let } z = \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} &= x - \mu + z\sigma, dx = \sigma dz \\ \Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} \sigma dz \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} dz \\ &= 1 \quad (\text{by ①}). \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Chapter 2.3:

Expectation and Variance

DRV DEFINITION OF $E(X)$

Suppose X is a drv, with support A & p.f. $f(x)$.

Then the "expectation" of X is given by

$$E(X) = \sum_{x \in A} x f(x) \quad \text{if} \quad \sum_{x \in A} |x| f(x) < \infty.$$

* this needs to be satisfied for the expectation to exist!

CRV DEFINITION OF $E(X)$

Suppose X is a crv, with support A & pdf $f(x)$.

Then the "expectation" of X is given by

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx \quad \text{if} \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x| f(x) dx < \infty.$$

if this is not satisfied, we say $E(X)$ does not exist!

CAUCHY DISTRIBUTION

The "Cauchy distribution" is defined by the pdf

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi(x^2 + 1)}.$$

Find $E(X)$.

First, see that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x| f(x) dx &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{|x|}{\pi(x^2 + 1)} dx \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x}{\pi(x^2 + 1)} dx \quad (\text{even function}) \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{\pi} \ln(x^2 + 1) \right]_0^{\infty} \\ &= \infty. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, the expectation of X does not exist.

DRV EXAMPLE 1

Suppose $f(x) = \frac{1}{x(x+1)}$, $x=1, 2, \dots$

See that $A = \{1, 2, \dots\}$. Note f is a pdf.

Find $E(X)$.

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \sum_{x \in A} x f(x) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{1}{x(x+1)} \\ &= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x} = \infty, \end{aligned}$$

so the expectation does not exist.

$E(X)$ OF COMMON DISTNS

Bernoulli:

$$E(X) = \sum_{x \in A} x P(X=x) = 0 P(X=0) + 1 P(X=1) = p.$$

Binomial: Let

$$X_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if outcome is success} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \Rightarrow X_i \sim \text{Bern}(p).$$

Then

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow E(X) &= E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n p \\ &= np. \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 2

Suppose X has pdf

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\theta}{x^{\theta+1}}, & x \geq 1 \\ 0, & x < 1, \end{cases}$$

where $\theta > 0$.

For what values of θ does $E(X)$ exist, and find $E(X)$?

Soln. We want to find θ s.t.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x| f(x) dx < \infty.$$

See that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x| f(x) dx &= \int_1^{\infty} x f(x) dx \\ &= \int_1^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{\theta}{x^{\theta+1}} dx \\ &= \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\theta}{x^{\theta}} dx. \end{aligned}$$

This is $< \infty$ iff $\theta > 1$.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\theta}{x^{\theta}} dx = \int_1^{\infty} \theta x^{-\theta} dx \\ &= \left[\frac{\theta}{-\theta+1} x^{-\theta+1} \right]_1^{\infty} \\ &= 0 - \frac{\theta}{-\theta+1} \\ &= \frac{\theta}{\theta-1}. \end{aligned}$$

EXPECTATION OF FUNCTIONS OF RV

Suppose X is a rv. What is $E[g(x)]$ for a real function g ?

① DRV:

$$E[g(X)] = \sum_{x \in A} g(x) f(x) \quad \text{if} \quad \sum_{x \in A} |g(x)| f(x) < \infty.$$

② CRV:

$$E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f(x) dx \quad \text{if} \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(x)| f(x) dx < \infty.$$

Linearity property:

$$E[ag(X) + bh(X)] = aE[g(X)] + bE[h(X)].$$

VARIANCE: $\text{Var}(X)$

The "variance" of X is defined to be

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

MOMENTS

k^{TH} MOMENT ABOUT 0

The " k^{th} moment about 0" is $E(X^k)$.

k^{TH} MOMENT ABOUT MEAN / CENTRAL MOMENT

The " k^{th} moment about mean" is $E((X-\mu)^k)$,
where $\mu = E(X)$.

EXAMPLE 1: $X \sim \text{Poi}(\mu)$

Let $X \sim \text{Poi}(\mu)$; ie $f(x) = \frac{\mu^x}{x!} e^{-\mu}$, $x=0,1,\dots$
Find $\text{Var}(X)$.

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

$$\begin{aligned}E(X) &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{\mu^x}{x!} e^{-\mu}, \quad x=0,1,\dots \\ &= \dots = \mu.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}E(X^2) &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x^2 \cdot \frac{\mu^x}{x!} e^{-\mu} \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x(x-1) \frac{\mu^x}{x!} e^{-\mu} + \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x \frac{\mu^x}{x!} e^{-\mu} \\ &= \dots = \mu^2 + \mu.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \text{Var}(X) &= \mu^2 + \mu - (\mu)^2 \\ &= \mu.\end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 2: GAMMA DISTN

If $X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$, then

$$E(X^k) = \frac{\beta^k \Gamma(\alpha+k)}{\Gamma(\alpha)}.$$

Proof. Note

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{x}{\beta}}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^{\alpha}}, & x > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}E(X^k) &= \int_0^{\infty} x^k \cdot \frac{x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{x}{\beta}}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^{\alpha}} dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{(k+\alpha)-1} e^{-\frac{x}{\beta}}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^{\alpha}} dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{(k+\alpha)-1} e^{-\frac{x}{\beta}}}{\Gamma(\alpha+k) \beta^{\alpha+k}} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+k) \beta^{k+\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^{\alpha}} dx \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+k) \beta^k}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{(k+\alpha)-1} e^{-\frac{x}{\beta}}}{\Gamma(\alpha+k) \beta^{k+\alpha}} dx}_{\text{pdf of } X_1 \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha+k, \beta)} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+k) \beta^k}{\Gamma(\alpha)} (1) \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+k) \beta^k}{\Gamma(\alpha)}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \alpha \beta^2.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Proof. Var}(X) &= E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+2) \beta^2}{\Gamma(\alpha)} - \left(\frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1) \beta}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \right)^2 \\ &= (\alpha+1) \alpha \beta^2 - \alpha^2 \beta^2 \\ &= \alpha \beta^2.\end{aligned}$$

Chapter 2.4:

Moment Generating Functions

Let X be a rv. Then the "moment generating function" of X is defined to be

$$M(t) = E(e^{tX}).$$

if it exists for $t \in (-h, h)$ where $h > 0$.

EXAMPLE 1

Let $X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$. Find $M(t)$.

$$\begin{aligned} M(t) &= E(e^{tX}) \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{tx} \cdot \frac{x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{x}{\beta}}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^\alpha} dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{\alpha-1} e^{-(\frac{1}{\beta}-t)x}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^\alpha} dx \end{aligned}$$

Approach (i): Let $y = (\frac{1}{\beta} - t)x \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\beta} - t} y, dx = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\beta} - t} dy$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } M(t) &= \int_0^\infty \frac{(\frac{1}{\beta} - t)^{\alpha-1} y^{\alpha-1} e^{-y}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^\alpha} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\beta} - t} dy \\ &= \frac{(\frac{\beta}{1-\beta t})^\alpha}{\beta^\alpha} \int_0^\infty \frac{y^{\alpha-1} e^{-y}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} dy \\ &= \frac{(\frac{\beta}{1-\beta t})^\alpha}{\beta^\alpha} (1) \quad \text{gamma function} \\ M(t) &= \left(\frac{1}{1-\beta t} \right)^\alpha \quad \text{(we need } t < \frac{1}{\beta} \text{ for } M(t) > 0). \end{aligned}$$

Approach (2):

$$\begin{aligned} M(t) &= \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{\alpha-1} e^{-(\frac{1}{\beta}-t)x}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^\alpha} dx \\ \text{Let } \delta = \frac{1}{\beta} - t, \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\delta} &= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\beta} - t} = \frac{\beta}{1-\beta t}. \text{ this is the pdf of } \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \frac{1}{\delta}). \\ \text{Then } M(t) &= \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\delta}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^\alpha} dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\delta}}{\Gamma(\alpha) (\frac{1}{\delta})^\alpha} \cdot \frac{(\frac{1}{\delta})^\alpha}{\beta^\alpha} dx \\ &= \delta^\alpha \beta^{-\alpha} \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\delta}}{\Gamma(\alpha) (\frac{1}{\delta})^\alpha} dx \\ &= \left(\frac{\beta}{1-\beta t} \right)^\alpha = \left(\frac{1}{1-\beta t} \right)^\alpha \quad \text{(where } t < \frac{1}{\beta}). \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 2

If $X \sim \text{Poi}(\mu)$, find $M(t)$.

$$\begin{aligned} M(t) &= E(e^{tX}) \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^\infty e^{tx} \cdot \frac{\mu^x}{x!} e^{-\mu} \\ &= e^{-\mu} \sum_{x=0}^\infty \frac{(\mu \cdot e^t)^x}{x!} \\ &= e^{-\mu} e^{\mu \cdot e^t} \\ &= e^{\mu(e^t - 1)} \end{aligned}$$

This is finite $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$.

EXAMPLE 3

Find:

① Let $Z \sim N(0, 1)$. Find $M_Z(t)$.

② Let $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Find $M_X(t)$.

① $Z \sim N(0, 1)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} E(e^{tZ}) &= \int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{tz} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} dz \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2-2tz}{2}} dz \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(z-t)^2}{2}} dz \\ &= e^{\frac{t^2}{2}} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(z-t)^2}{2}} dz \\ &= e^{\frac{t^2}{2}} (1) \quad \text{pdf of } N(t, 1) \\ &= e^{\frac{t^2}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow X = \mu + \sigma Z.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow M_X(t) &= e^{\mu t} M_Z(\sigma t) \quad \text{(by below)} \\ &= e^{\mu t} e^{\frac{\sigma^2 t^2}{2}} \\ &= e^{\mu t + \frac{\sigma^2 t^2}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

MGF OF LINEAR COMBINATIONS OF X

Let mgf of X be $M_X(t)$.

Let $Y = aX + b$. Then

$$M_Y(t) = e^{bt} M_X(at).$$

FINDING MOMENTS FROM MGF

Suppose X has mgf $M(t)$. Then

$$E(X^k) = M^{(k)}(0) = \left. \frac{d^k}{dt^k} M(t) \right|_{t=0}.$$

EXAMPLE 1: $\text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$

$\text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$ has mgf $M(t) = (1-\beta t)^{-\alpha}$ ($t < \frac{1}{\beta}$). Find $E(X)$ & $\text{Var}(X)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof: } E(X) &= \left. \frac{dM(t)}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = \left. (-\alpha)(1-\beta t)^{-\alpha-1} \right|_{t=0} \\ &= \alpha\beta \\ E(X^2) &= \left. \frac{d^2 M(t)}{dt^2} \right|_{t=0} = \left. (-\alpha)(-\alpha-1)(-\beta)^2 (1-\beta t)^{-\alpha-1} \right|_{t=0} \\ &= \alpha(\alpha+1)\beta^2 \\ \Rightarrow \text{Var}(X) &= E(X^2) - E(X)^2 \\ &= \alpha(\alpha+1)\beta^2 - (\alpha\beta)^2 \\ &= \alpha\beta^2. \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 2: Poisson(μ)

💡 Let $X \sim \text{Poi}(\mu)$. Find $E(X)$ & $\text{Var}(X)$.

Proof. $M(t) = e^{\mu(e^t - 1)}$

$$\Rightarrow M'(t) = \mu e^t \cdot e^{\mu(e^t - 1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(X) = M'(0) = \mu(1)e^{\mu(1-1)} = \mu.$$

$$\Rightarrow M^{(2)}(t) = \mu e^t e^{\mu(e^t - 1)} + (\mu e^t)^2 e^{\mu(e^t - 1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(X^2) = M^{(2)}(0) = \mu + \mu^2.$$

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

UNIQUENESS OF MGF

💡 X & Y have the same mgf iff X & Y have the same distribution;
ie they have the same CDF.

EXAMPLE 1

💡 X has mgf $M(t) = e^{\frac{t^2}{2}}$.

- ① Find mgf of $2X - 1$.
- ② Find $E(Y)$ & $\text{Var}(Y)$.
- ③ What is the distⁿ of Y ?

Proof. ① $M_Y(t) = e^{-t} M_X(2t)$
 $= e^{-t} e^{\frac{4t^2}{2}} = e^{-t+2t^2}$

$$\textcircled{2} E(Y) = M_Y'(0) = (-1)e^{-t+2t^2} \Big|_{t=0}$$

$$E(Y^2) = M_Y''(0) = 4e^{-t+2t^2} - (-1)e^{-t+2t^2} \Big|_{t=0}$$

$$\therefore \text{Var}(Y) = E(Y^2) - E(Y)^2 = 5 - 1 = 4.$$

$$\textcircled{3} \text{ mgf of } Y \text{ is } e^{-t} e^{\frac{4t^2}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y \sim N(-1, 4).$$

Chapter 3: Joint Distributions

JOINT CDF (3.1)

JOINT CDF

Suppose X & Y are 2 r.v.s.

The "joint cdf" of X & Y is

$$F(x, y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y), \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

This definition can be extended to n r.v.s

$X_1, \dots, X_n$:

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_n) = P(X_1 \leq x_1, \dots, X_n \leq x_n).$$

↳ for this course we focus on joint cdf for 2 r.v.s.

PROPERTIES OF JOINT CDF

If y is fixed, $F(x, y)$ is a non-decreasing function of x .

If x is fixed, $F(x, y)$ is a non-decreasing function of y .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x, y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow -\infty} F(x, y) = 0.$$

Idea. $\{x \leq x\} \cap \{y \leq y\} \subseteq \{x \leq x\}$.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y) = 1.$$

Idea. If $A_x = \{X \leq x\}$ & $B_y = \{Y \leq y\}$, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} P(A_x) = 1 \quad \& \quad \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} P(B_y) = 1.$$

We note

$$\overline{A_x \cap B_y} = \overline{A_x} \cup \overline{B_y} \quad (\text{by DeMorgan's law})$$

$$F_1(x) = P(X \leq x) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y)$$

$$F_2(y) = P(Y \leq y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x, y)$$

JOINT DRV (3.2)

If both X & Y are discrete r.v., then they are joint discrete r.v.

JOINT PF

The "joint pf" of X & Y is given by

$$f(x, y) = P(X=x, Y=y), \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

The support set is given by

$$A = \{(x, y) : f(x, y) > 0\}.$$

PROPERTIES OF JOINT PF

$$f(x, y) \geq 0$$

$$\sum_{(x, y) \in A} f(x, y) = 1.$$

$$\sum_{(x, y) \in C} f(x, y) = P((x, y) \in C)$$

MARGINAL PF FROM JOINT PF

Let $f(x, y)$ be the joint pdf of X & Y . Then the "marginal probability function" of X is

$$f_1(x) = P(X=x) = P(X=x, Y < \infty) = \sum_{y \in \mathbb{R}} f(x, y).$$

The "marginal probability function" of Y is

$$f_2(y) = P(Y=y) = P(X < \infty, Y=y) = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{R}} f(x, y).$$

EXAMPLE 1

Let X & Y be drv with joint pf

$$f(x, y) = k q^2 p^{x+y}, \quad x, y = 0, 1, \dots, \quad 0 < p < 1, \quad q = 1 - p.$$

- Find k ;
- Find marginal pf of X & Y ;
- Find $P(X \leq Y)$.

Soln.

① Note $f(x, y) \geq 0 \Rightarrow k \geq 0$.

Then

$$\sum_{(x, y) \in A} f(x, y) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} k q^2 p^{x+y} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k q^2 \left(\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} p^x \right) \left(\sum_{y=0}^{\infty} p^y \right) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k q^2}{(1-p)^2} = k = 1.$$

$$\textcircled{2} f_1(x) = P(X=x) = \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} f(x, y) = \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} q^2 p^x p^y = q^2 p^x \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} p^y$$

$$f_2(y) = q p^y \text{ by symmetry} = q p^y, \quad x = 0, 1, \dots$$

$$\textcircled{3} \text{ let } C = \{(x, y) : x \leq y\}. \text{ Then}$$

$$P(X \leq Y) = P((x, y) \in C) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \sum_{y=x}^{\infty} q^2 p^{x+y}$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} q^2 p^x \sum_{y=x}^{\infty} p^y$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} q^2 p^x \left(\frac{p^x}{1-p} \right)$$

$$= q \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} (p^2)^x = q \left(\frac{1}{1-p^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1+p}.$$

JOINT CRV (3-3)

💡 If the joint cdf of (X, Y) can be written as

$$F(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^y f(t, s) dt ds$$

then X & Y are "joint continuous random variables" with joint pdf $f(x, y)$ by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{\partial^2 F(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y}, & \text{if it exists} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

💡 The support set of f is given by

$$A = \{(x, y) : f(x, y) > 0\}.$$

PROPERTIES OF $f(x, y)$

💡 $f(x, y) \geq 0$

💡 $\int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^y f(x, y) dx dy = 1.$

💡 For any region C , we have that

$$P((X, Y) \in C) = \iint_{(x, y) \in C} f(x, y) dx dy.$$

eg $P(X \leq Y) : \text{take } C = \{(x, y) : x \leq y\}$



MARGINAL PDF FROM JOINT PDF

💡 The "marginal pdf for X " is given by

$$f_1(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy,$$

& the "marginal pdf for Y " is given by

$$f_2(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx.$$

EXAMPLE 1

X & Y are joint crv with pdf

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} x+y, & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

① Show f is a joint pdf;

② Find

a) $P(X \leq \frac{1}{3}, Y \leq \frac{1}{2})$

b) $P(X \leq Y)$

c) $P(X+Y \leq \frac{1}{2})$

d) $P(XY < \frac{1}{2})$

③ Find marginal pdfs of X & Y .

Soln. ① We note $f(x,y) \geq 0 \forall x,y \in \mathbb{R}$. ✓

Does $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx dy = 1$?

This equals

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (x+y) dx dy &= \int_0^1 \left[\frac{x^2}{2} + yx \right]_{x=0}^1 dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{2} + y \right) dy \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{2}y + \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_0^1 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

So f is a joint pdf. ✓

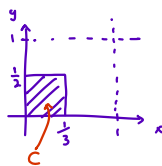
② a) $P(X < \frac{1}{3}, Y < \frac{1}{2}) = P((X,Y) \in C)$

$$= \int_0^{1/2} \int_0^{1/3} (x+y) dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^{1/2} \left[\frac{x^2}{2} + yx \right]_0^{1/3} dy$$

$$= \int_0^{1/2} \left(\frac{1}{18} + \frac{y}{3} \right) dy$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{36} + \frac{y^2}{6} \right]_0^{1/2} = \frac{1}{36} + \frac{1}{24} = \frac{5}{72}$$



b) $P(X < Y) = \int_0^1 \int_x^1 (x+y) dy dx$

$$= \int_0^1 \left[xy + \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_{y=x}^1 dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \left(x + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \left(x^2 + \frac{x^2}{2} \right) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \left(x + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2}x^2 \right) dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x}{2} - \frac{x^3}{2} \right]_0^1$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$



c) $P(X+Y \leq \frac{1}{2})$

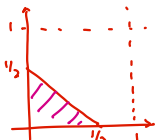
$$= \int_0^{1/2} dx \int_0^{1/2-x} (x+y) dy$$

$$= \int_0^{1/2} \left[xy + \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_{y=0}^{y=1/2-x} dx$$

$$= \int_0^{1/2} x \left(\frac{1}{2} - x \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - x \right)^2 dx$$

$$= \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{24}$$



d) $P(XY \leq \frac{1}{2})$

First, we find

$$P((X,Y) \in A) = \int_{1/2}^1 dx \int_{1/(2x)}^1 (x+y) dy$$

$$= \int_{1/2}^1 \left[xy + \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_{y=1/(2x)}^1 dx$$

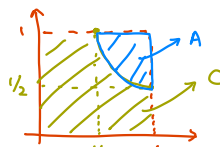
$$= \int_{1/2}^1 \left(x + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8x^2} \right) dx$$

$$= \int_{1/2}^1 \left(x - \frac{1}{8x^2} \right) dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{1}{8x} \right]_{1/2}^1$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Hence $P(XY \leq \frac{1}{2}) = 1 - P((X,Y) \in A) = \frac{3}{4}$.



③ Marginal pdf of X :

$$f_1(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy, \quad 0 < x < 1$$

$$= \int_0^1 (x+y) dy$$

$$= \left[xy + \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_0^1$$

$$= x + \frac{1}{2}, \quad 0 < x < 1$$

(for other x , $f_1(x) = 0$).

$$f_2(y) = y + \frac{1}{2}, \quad 0 < y < 1 \text{ by symmetry.}$$

EXAMPLE 2

Let

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} ke^{-x-y}, & 0 < x < y < \infty \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

be the joint pdf of (X,Y) .

① Find k .

② Find

a) $P(X \leq \frac{1}{3}, Y \leq \frac{1}{2})$

b) $P(X \leq Y)$

c) $P(X+Y \geq 1)$

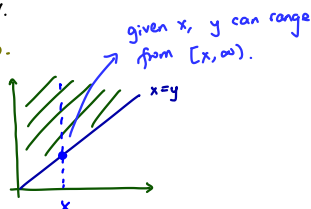
③ Find the marginal pdf of X & Y .

④ Find the distribution of $T = X+Y$.

Solⁿ. ① $f(x,y) \geq 0 \quad \forall x,y \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow k \geq 0$.

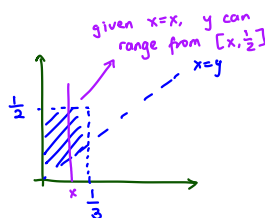
Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx dy &= \int_0^{\infty} dx \int_x^{\infty} ke^{-x-y} dy \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} ke^{-x} [-e^{-y}]_x^{\infty} dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} ke^{-x} e^{-x} dx \\ &= \left[-\frac{k}{2} e^{-2x} \right]_0^{\infty} \\ &= \frac{k}{2} \quad (=1) \Rightarrow \underline{k=2}. \end{aligned}$$



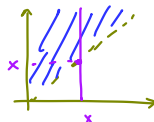
②

$$\begin{aligned} a) P(X \leq \frac{1}{3}, Y \leq \frac{1}{2}) &= \int_0^{1/3} dx \int_x^{1/2} 2e^{-x-y} dy \\ &= \int_0^{1/3} [2e^{-x}(-e^{-y})]_x^{1/2} dx \\ &= \int_0^{1/3} 2e^{-x} (e^{-x} - e^{-1/2}) dx \\ &= \int_0^{1/3} (2e^{-2x} - 2e^{-1/2}e^{-x}) dx \\ &= [-e^{-2x} + 2e^{-1/2}e^{-x}]_0^{1/3} \\ &= (-e^{-2/3} + 2e^{-5/6}) - (-1 + 2e^{-1/2}) \\ &= 1 - e^{-2/3} - 2e^{-1/2} + 2e^{-5/6}. \end{aligned}$$



b) $P(X \leq Y)$

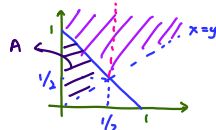
$$= \iint_{x \leq y} f(x,y) dx dy = 1 \quad (\text{by construction}).$$



c) $P(X+Y \geq 1)$

First, consider

$$\begin{aligned} P(X+Y < 1) &= P((X,Y) \in A) \\ &= \int_0^{1/2} dx \int_x^{1-x} 2e^{-x-y} dy \\ &= \int_0^{1/2} 2e^{-x} [-e^{-y}]_x^{1-x} dx \\ &= \int_0^{1/2} 2e^{-x} (e^{-x} - e^{x-1}) dx \\ &= \int_0^{1/2} (2e^{-2x} - 2e^{-1}) dx \\ &= [-e^{-2x} - 2e^{-1}x]_0^{1/2} \\ &= 1 - e^{-1} - e^{-1} = 1 - 2e^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P(X+Y \geq 1) &= 1 - P(X+Y < 1) \\ &= 2e^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

③ Marginal pdf of X is

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy, \quad x > 0 \quad (\text{since support of } X \text{ is } (0, \infty)) \\ &= \int_x^{\infty} f(x,y) dy \quad (\text{since given } x, f(x,y) > 0 \Leftrightarrow y > x) \\ &= \int_x^{\infty} 2e^{-x-y} dy \\ &= 2e^{-x} [-e^{-y}]_x^{\infty} \end{aligned}$$

$$f_1(x) = 2e^{-2x}, \quad x > 0.$$

marginal pdf of Y is

$$\begin{aligned} f_2(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx, \quad y > 0 \\ &= \int_0^y f(x,y) dx \quad (\text{since given } y, f(x,y) > 0 \Leftrightarrow 0 < x \leq y) \\ &= \int_0^y 2e^{-x-y} dx \\ &= 2e^{-y} [e^{-x}]_0^y \\ &= 2e^{-y} (1 - e^{-y}). \end{aligned}$$

④ $T = X+Y$.

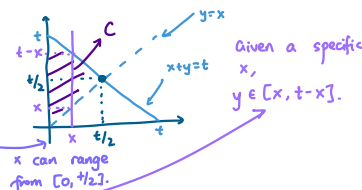
Support of T is $(0, \infty)$.

The CDF of T is

$$F_T(t) = P(T \leq t) = 0 \quad \text{if } t \leq 0.$$

For $t > 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} F_T(t) &= P(T \leq t) \\ &= P(X+Y \leq t) \\ &= P((X,Y) \in C) \\ &= \int_0^{t/2} dx \int_x^{t-x} f(x,y) dy \\ &= \int_0^{t/2} dx \int_x^{t-x} 2e^{-x-y} dy \\ &= \dots \\ &= 1 - e^{-t} - te^{-t}. \end{aligned}$$



* this is a very useful technique!

Thus

$$F_T(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t \leq 0 \\ 1 - e^{-t} - te^{-t}, & t > 0 \end{cases}$$

pdf of T is

$$f_T(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t \leq 0 \\ te^{-t}, & t > 0 \end{cases}$$

INDEPENDENCE (3.4)

💡 For any 2 rv, we say X & Y are "independent" iff

$$P(X \in A, Y \in B) = P(X \in A) P(Y \in B).$$

for any $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$.

EQUIVALENT DEFINITIONS OF INDEPENDENCE

💡 Let $A = (-\infty, x)$, $B = (-\infty, y)$, $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$:

Then our definition becomes

$$F(x, y) = F_1(x) F_2(y)$$

and this is true iff X & Y are independent.

💡 Suppose X, Y have joint pf (discrete case) or pdf (continuous case) $f(x, y)$, & marginal pf/pdfs $f_1(x)$ & $f_2(y)$.

Then X & Y are independent iff

$$f(x, y) = f_1(x) f_2(y) \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Proof. Take $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y}$ of both sides.

PROPERTIES OF INDEPENDENCE

💡 If X & Y are independent, then $g(X)$ & $h(Y)$ are independent for any g, h .

eg if X & Y are independent, then X^2 & Y^2 are independent.

However the converse is not necessarily true!

eg if X^2 & Y^2 are independent, X & Y may not be independent!

eg Consider z , ie $P(z=a)=1$, $P(z \neq a)=0$.

z is independent of any rv.

Let

$$X = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{with prob. } 1/2 \\ -1 & \text{with prob. } 1/2 \end{cases}, \quad Y = X.$$

Then X & Y are not independent, but X^2 & Y^2 are independent

(since $P(X^2=1) = P(Y^2=1) = 1$).

EXAMPLE 1 (DISCRETE)

💡 Let X & Y have joint pdf.

$$f(x, y) = q^2 p^{x+y}, \quad x, y = 0, 1, \dots$$

We showed

$$f_1(x) = q p^x, \quad x = 0, 1, \dots$$

$$f_2(y) = q p^y, \quad y = 0, 1, \dots$$

Thus

$$f(x, y) = f_1(x) f_2(y) \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

and so X & Y are independent.

EXAMPLE 2 (CONTINUOUS)

💡 Let X & Y have joint pdf

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x+y & , 0 \leq x, y \leq 1 \\ 0 & , \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We showed

$$f_1(x) = x + \frac{1}{2}, \quad 1 \geq x \geq 0$$

$$f_2(y) = y + \frac{1}{2}, \quad 1 \geq y \geq 0.$$

Thus

$$f(x, y) \neq f_1(x) f_2(y) \quad \text{if } 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1,$$

and so X & Y are not independent.

FACTORIZATION THEOREM FOR INDEPENDENCE

💡 ① We can express

$$f(x, y) = g(x) h(y).$$

② Let A denote the support of (X, Y) , let A_1 denote the support of X & let A_2 denote the support of Y .

Then

$$A = A_1 \times A_2 = \{(x, y) \mid x \in A_1, y \in A_2\}.$$

$\Leftrightarrow A$ is a rectangle

$\Leftrightarrow$ the range of X does not depend on the value of y

$\Leftrightarrow$ the range of Y does not depend on the value of x

} equiv statements for ②.

Both conditions are true iff X & Y are independent.

💡 Let $f_1(x)$ & $f_2(y)$ be the marginal pdfs/pdfs of X & Y , and say they are independent.

Then there exist constants $c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$f_1(x) = c g(x)$$

$$f_2(y) = d h(y).$$

EXAMPLE 1

💡 Suppose the joint support is $0 \leq x \leq y < \infty$.

This is not a rectangle; thus X & Y cannot be independent by the above.



EXAMPLE 2 : DRV

💡 Let $f(x, y) = \frac{\mu^{x+y} e^{-2\mu}}{x! y!}$, $x, y = 0, 1, \dots$

① Are X & Y independent?

② Find the marginal pdfs of X & Y .

$$\textcircled{1} f(x, y) = \frac{\mu^x e^{-\mu}}{x!} \cdot \frac{\mu^y e^{-\mu}}{y!}.$$

$$\text{Let } g(x) = \frac{\mu^x e^{-\mu}}{x!}, \quad h(y) = \frac{\mu^y e^{-\mu}}{y!}, \quad \text{so } f(x, y) = g(x) h(y).$$

(so condition ① is satisfied).

Then, note the range of X does not depend on the value of Y , and so the second condition holds.

$\therefore X$ & Y are independent.

$$\textcircled{2} f_1(x) = c g(x), \quad \text{for some constant } c \quad \text{* corollary of the theorem!}$$

$$= c \frac{\mu^x e^{-\mu}}{x!}.$$

We know $f_1(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \Rightarrow c \geq 0$.

Then,

$$\sum_{x \in A_1} f_1(x) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} c \cdot \frac{\mu^x e^{-\mu}}{x!} = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow c \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mu^x e^{-\mu}}{x!} = 1$$

$\rightarrow$ pf of Poisson rv.

$$\Leftrightarrow c(1) = 1.$$

Thus

$$f_1(x) = \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^x}{x!}.$$

Using a similar proof,

$$f_2(y) = d h(y) = \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^y}{y!}.$$

EXAMPLE 3 : CRV

⚡ X & Y have joint pdf
 $f(x,y) = \frac{3}{2}y(1-x^2), -1 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1.$
 ① Are X & Y independent?
 ② Find the marginal pdf of X & Y .

① Let $g(x) = 1-x^2$ & $h(y) = \frac{3}{2}y$.
 $\Rightarrow f(x,y) = g(x)h(y)$ (so condition ① is true).
 The range of X does not depend on the value of y (so condition ② is true).

② $f_1(x) = c_1 g(x)$, support of $X = [-1, 1]$.
 $f_1(x) \geq 0 \forall x \Rightarrow c_1 \geq 0$.

Then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(x) dx = c_1 \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2) dx$$

$$= c_1 \left[x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_{-1}^1$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} c_1 \quad (=1).$$

$$\therefore c_1 = \frac{3}{4}.$$

$\therefore f_1(x) = \frac{3}{4}(1-x^2).$
 $f_2(y) = c_2 h(y)$, support of Y is $[0, 1]$.

Then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_2(y) dy = c_2 \int_0^1 \frac{3}{2}y dy$$

$$= \dots (=1)$$

$$\therefore c_2 = \frac{4}{3}.$$

$\therefore f_2(y) = \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{2}y = 2y.$

EXAMPLE 4

⚡ Suppose $f(x,y)$ is constant over the region A , say
 $f(x,y) = c_0.$

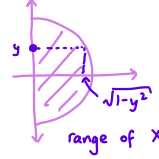


$\Rightarrow \iint_A f(x,y) dx dy = 1.$
 $\Rightarrow c_0 \underbrace{\iint_A 1 dx dy}_{\text{area of } A} = 1.$
 $\Rightarrow c_0 \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1 \quad \therefore c_0 = \frac{2}{\pi}.$
 Thus $f(x,y) = \frac{2}{\pi}.$

① Are X & Y independent?
 ② Find $f_1(x)$ & $f_2(y)$.

① $f(x,y) = \frac{2}{\pi}$. Let $g(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ &
 $h(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{\pi}, & |y| < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

But see that the range of X depends on the value of y .
 X & Y are not independent.



② $f_1(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy$, $0 \leq x \leq 1$
 range of X is $[0, \sqrt{1-y^2}]$.

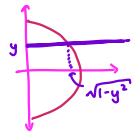
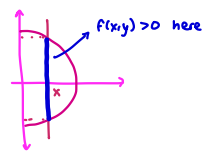
Given $x \in [0, 1]$, we know the support of X possible values y can take is $[\sqrt{1-x^2}, \sqrt{1-x^2}]$.

$\Rightarrow f_1(x) = \int_{\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \frac{2}{\pi} dy = \frac{2}{\pi} \sqrt{1-x^2}.$

Similarly,
 $f_2(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx$, $y \in [-1, 1]$ support of Y .

Given $y \in [-1, 1]$, the possible values x can take is $x \in [0, \sqrt{1-y^2}]$.

$\Rightarrow f_2(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx = \int_0^{\sqrt{1-y^2}} \frac{2}{\pi} dx$
 $= \frac{2}{\pi} \sqrt{1-y^2}.$



JOINT EXPECTATION (3.5)

Let $h(x,y)$ be a bivariate function.
Then we define the "joint expectation" of X & Y to be

$$E(h(X,Y)) = \begin{cases} \sum_x \sum_y h(x,y) f(x,y) & (X \& Y \text{ are joint discrete}) \\ \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} h(x,y) f(x,y) dx dy & (X \& Y \text{ are joint continuous}) \end{cases}$$

PROPERTIES

Linearity:

$$E(a g(X,Y) + b h(X,Y)) = a E(g(X,Y)) + b E(h(X,Y)).$$

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

If X, Y are independent, then

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

$$E(g(X)h(Y)) = E(g(X))E(h(Y))$$

more generally, if $X_1, \dots, X_n$ are independent, then

$$E\left(\prod_{i=1}^n h_i(X_i)\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n E(h_i(X_i)).$$

COVARIANCE: Cov(X,Y)

The "covariance" of X & Y is defined to be

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

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

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

Also note $\text{Cov}(X,X) = \text{Var}(X)$.

VARIANCE FORMULAS

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

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

If $X_1, \dots, X_n$ are independent, then

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

EXAMPLE 1

Suppose the joint pf of X & Y is

$$f(x,y) = \frac{\mu^{x+y} e^{-2\mu}}{x! y!}, \quad x, y = 0, 1, \dots$$

Find $\text{Var}(2X+3Y)$.

Solⁿ. $\text{Var}(2X+3Y) = 4\text{Var}(X) + 9\text{Var}(Y) + 12\text{Cov}(X,Y)$.

Take $X, Y \sim \text{Poi}(\mu)$, so that

pf of X , $g(x) = \frac{\mu^x e^{-\mu}}{x!}, \quad x = 0, 1, \dots$

pf of Y , $h(y) = \frac{\mu^y e^{-\mu}}{y!}, \quad y = 0, 1, \dots$

Note $f(x,y) = g(x)h(y)$, and the support of (X,Y) is independent of the range of X , and so by the factorization theorem X & Y are independent.

$\therefore \text{Cov}(X,Y) = 0$, and so

$$\text{Var}(2X+3Y) = 4\text{Var}(X) + 9\text{Var}(Y)$$

$$= 4\mu + 9\mu$$

$$= 13\mu.$$

EXAMPLE 2

Suppose X & Y have the joint pdf

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} x+y, & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find $\text{Var}(X+Y)$.

Method #1: First, note that

$$f_1(x) = \begin{cases} x+1/2, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \& \quad f_2(y) = \begin{cases} y+1/2, & 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then

$$E(X) = \int_0^1 x(x+1/2) dx = \dots = \frac{7}{12}.$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_0^1 x^2(x+1/2) dx = \dots = \frac{5}{12}.$$

By symmetry, $E(Y) = \frac{7}{12}$ & $E(Y^2) = \frac{5}{12}$.

Then

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

we need to find this.

$$\begin{aligned} E(XY) &= \int_0^1 dx \int_0^1 xy(x+y) dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left[\frac{x^3 y}{3} + \frac{x^2 y^2}{2} \right]_0^1 dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{y}{3} + \frac{y^2}{2} dy \\ &= \left[\frac{y^2}{6} + \frac{y^3}{6} \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{1}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } \text{Var}(X+Y) &= \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y) + 2\text{Cov}(X,Y) \\ &= \dots \\ &= \frac{20}{144}. \end{aligned}$$

Method #2: Let $T = X+Y \Rightarrow \text{Var}(X+Y) = \text{Var}(T)$.

Support of T is $[0, 2]$.

Consider $F_T(t) = P(X+Y \leq t)$.

CORRELATION COEFFICIENT: $\rho(X,Y)$

The "correlation coefficient" of X & Y is

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

PROPERTIES OF ρ

Note $|\rho(X,Y)| \leq 1$.

Proof. Suppose $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, $Y = (Y_1, \dots, Y_n)$.

Recall the inner product is

$$\langle X, Y \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i.$$

& we know $|\langle X, Y \rangle| \leq \sqrt{\langle X, X \rangle} \sqrt{\langle Y, Y \rangle}$

(Cauchy's inequality).

We can write ρ in the form $\frac{\langle X, Y \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle X, X \rangle} \sqrt{\langle Y, Y \rangle}}$, so by the inequality, $\therefore |\rho(X,Y)| \leq 1$.

Note:

- ① If $\rho(X,Y) = 1 \Rightarrow Y = aX + b, \quad a > 0.$
- ② If $\rho(X,Y) = -1 \Rightarrow Y = aX + b, \quad a < 0.$

EXAMPLE 1

Let $Y = Z^2$, $X = Z$, where $Z \sim N(0,1)$.

Then $\rho(Y,Z) = 0$.

EXAMPLE 2

Let

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} x+y, & 0 \leq x, y \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find $\rho(X,Y)$.

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{11}{144} = \text{Var}(Y), \quad \text{Cov}(X,Y) = \frac{-1}{144}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho(X,Y) = \frac{-1/144}{11/144} = \frac{-1}{11}.$$

CONDITIONAL DISTRIBUTION (3.6)

JOINT DISCRETE CASE

Let X, Y be joint drvs with joint pf $f(x, y)$.
Then the "conditional pf of X given $Y=y$ " is

$$f_1(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_2(y)}, \quad f_2(y) > 0.$$

The "conditional pf of Y given $X=x$ " is

$$f_2(y|x) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_1(x)}, \quad f_1(x) > 0.$$

We can prove $f_1(x|y)$ & $f_2(y|x)$ are pfs.

Proof ① First, we need to show $f_1(x|y) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$.

② Then, we need to show $\sum_x f_1(x|y) = 1$.

(Proof for $f_2(y|x)$ is symmetric.)

JOINT CONTINUOUS CASE

Let X & Y be joint crvs with joint pdf $f(x, y)$.

Then the "conditional pdf of X given $Y=y$ " is

$$f_1(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_2(y)}, \quad f_2(y) > 0.$$

The "conditional pdf of Y given $X=x$ " is

$$f_2(y|x) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_1(x)}, \quad f_1(x) > 0.$$

We can also show these are pdfs; that is

① $f_1(x|y) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, f_2(y|x) \geq 0 \quad \forall y \in \mathbb{R};$ &

② $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(x|y) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_2(y|x) dy = 1.$

EXAMPLE 1

Suppose

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 8xy, & 0 < y < x < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find $f_1(x|y)$ & $f_2(y|x)$.

$$\text{Sol}^n. f_1(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy = \int_0^x 8xy dy = 4x^3, \quad x \in (0, 1)$$



$$f_2(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx = \int_y^1 8xy dx = 4y - 4y^3, \quad y \in (0, 1)$$



Then,

$$f_1(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_2(y)}, \quad y \in (0, 1).$$

$$= \frac{8xy}{4y - 4y^3}, \quad y < x < 1.$$

this is the support of this conditional dist.
(since otherwise, $f_2(y) = 0$.)

Similarly, * remember y is fixed.

$$f_2(y|x) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_1(x)}, \quad x \in (0, 1)$$

$$= \frac{8xy}{4x^3}, \quad 0 < y < x. \quad \text{since otherwise } f_1(x) = 0.$$

EXAMPLE 2

Let

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x+y, & 0 \leq x, y \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find $f_1(x|y)$ & $f_2(y|x)$.

Solⁿ. We found $f_1(x) = x + \frac{1}{2}, \quad x \in [0, 1]$ & $f_2(y) = y + \frac{1}{2}, \quad y \in [0, 1]$.

$$\Rightarrow f_1(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_1(x)}, \quad y \in [0, 1]$$

$$= \frac{x+y}{x + \frac{1}{2}}, \quad x \in [0, 1].$$

Similarly,

$$f_2(y|x) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_2(x)}, \quad x \in [0, 1]$$

$$= \frac{x+y}{x + \frac{1}{2}}, \quad y \in [0, 1].$$

EXAMPLE 3

Let $f(x, y) = q^2 p^{x+y}, \quad x, y = 0, 1, \dots, \quad q = 1-p$.

Find $f_1(x|y)$ & $f_2(y|x)$.

Solⁿ. We found

$$f_1(x) = q p^x, \quad x = 0, 1, \dots$$

$$f_2(y) = q p^y, \quad y = 0, 1, \dots$$

Then

$$f_1(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_1(x)}, \quad y = 0, 1, \dots$$

$$= q p^x = f_1(x), \quad x = 0, 1, \dots$$

&

$$f_2(y|x) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_2(x)}, \quad x = 0, 1, \dots$$

$$= q p^y = f_2(y), \quad y = 0, 1, \dots$$

USING CONDITIONAL DISTⁿ TO FIND INDEPENDENCE

X & Y are independent iff

$$f_1(x|y) = f_1(x) \text{ or } f_2(y|x) = f_2(y).$$

USE CONDITIONAL DISTⁿ TO FIND JOINT DISTⁿ

Note by definition,

$$f(x, y) = f_1(x|y) \cdot f_2(y) = f_2(y|x) \cdot f_1(x).$$

EXAMPLE 1: DISCRETE

Let $Y \sim \text{Poi}(\mu)$ & $(X|Y=y) \sim \text{Bin}(y, p)$.

Find $f_1(x)$.

Motivation: Let $Y := \#$ of students going to Tim's in one day.

Let $X := \#$ of female students among y visitors.

We could speculate $X \sim \text{Poi}(\mu p)$?

Note

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= f_1(x|y) f_2(y) \\ &= \binom{y}{x} p^x (1-p)^{y-x} \cdot \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^y}{y!} \\ &= \frac{y!}{x!(y-x)!} p^x (1-p)^{y-x} \cdot \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^y}{y!} \\ &= \frac{1}{x!(y-x)!} p^x (1-p)^{y-x} e^{-\mu} \mu^y \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$f_1(x) = \sum_y f(x, y) \quad \text{given a particular } x, \quad f(x, y) > 0 \Leftrightarrow x \leq y < \infty.$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{y=x}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x!(y-x)!} p^x (1-p)^{y-x} e^{-\mu} \mu^y \\ &= \frac{e^{-\mu} p^x}{x!} \sum_{y=x}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(y-x)!} (1-p)^{y-x} \mu^{y-x} \mu^x \\ &= \frac{1}{x!} p^x \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{r!} (1-p)^r \mu^r \end{aligned}$$

Let $r = y - x$. Then this becomes

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

$$= \frac{e^{-\mu} p^x}{x!} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\mu(1-p)]^r}{r!} \quad \text{Taylor expansion of } e^x$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\mu} p^x}{x!} [e^{\mu(1-p)}] = \frac{e^{-\mu p} (\mu p)^x}{x!} \quad (\text{So } X \sim \text{Poi}(\mu p)).$$

EXAMPLE 2: CONTINUOUS



Let Y have pdf

$$f_2(y) = \frac{y^{\alpha-1} e^{-y}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \quad y > 0$$

ie $Y \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, 1)$.

Let the conditional pdf of X given $Y=y$ be

$$f_1(x|y) = y e^{-xy}, \quad x > 0, y > 0.$$

Find the marginal pdf of X .

Solⁿ: $f(x,y) = f_1(x|y) f_2(y)$

$$= y e^{-xy} \cdot \frac{y^{\alpha-1} e^{-y}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \quad x > 0, y > 0$$
$$= \frac{y^{\alpha} e^{-(x+1)y}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}.$$

The support of X is $(0, \infty)$, given $x > 0$.

Thus for $x > 0$:

$$f_1(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy$$
$$= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{y^{\alpha} e^{-(x+1)y}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} dy$$

Recall for $\text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$, the pdf is $\frac{y^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{y}{\beta}}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^{\alpha}}$.

Let $\beta = \frac{1}{x+1}$, $\alpha^* = \alpha + 1$. Then

$$f_1(x) = \int_0^{\infty} \underbrace{\frac{y^{\alpha^*-1} e^{-\frac{y}{\beta}}}{\Gamma(\alpha^*) \beta^{\alpha^*}}}_{\text{pdf of Gamma}(\alpha^*, \beta)} dy \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\alpha^*)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \beta^{\alpha^*}$$

* note this gamma trick!

$$= 1 \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \beta^{\alpha+1}$$

$$= \alpha \beta^{\alpha+1}$$

$$f_1(x) = \frac{\alpha}{(x+1)^{\alpha+1}}, \quad x > 0.$$

CONDITIONAL EXPECTATION (3.7)

Note $f_2(y|x)$ is a pf if X & Y are joint discrete, & a pdf if X & Y are joint continuous.

So, we can define its expectation wrt $f_2(y|x)$.

The "conditional expectation" of $g(Y)$ given $X=x$ is defined by

$$E[g(Y)|X=x] = \begin{cases} \sum_y g(y) f_2(y|x), & Y \text{ is discrete} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(y) f_2(y|x) dy, & Y \text{ is continuous} \end{cases}$$

we need to check the respective expectations exist first before calculating them.

(ie using the absolute values)

We are interested in:

① $E(Y|X=x)$;

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

③ $E(e^{tY}|X=x)$.

COND. EXPECTATION UNDER INDEPENDENCE

If X & Y are independent, then

$$E[g(Y)|X=x] = E[g(Y)].$$

$$E[h(X)|Y=y] = E[h(X)].$$

In particular, this implies

$$E(Y|X=x) = E(Y) \quad \&$$

$$\text{Var}(Y|X=x) = \text{Var}(Y).$$

SUBSTITUTION RULE

Note that

$$E[h(X,Y)|X=x] = E[h(x,Y)|X=x].$$

eg¹ $E[X+Y|X=x]$

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

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

$$= x + E[Y|X=x].$$

eg² $E(XY|X=x)$

$$= E(xY|X=x)$$

$$= xE(Y|X=x).$$

See that conditional expectation enjoys all properties of normal expectation.

EXAMPLE 1

let

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 8xy & , 0 < y < x < 1 \\ 0 & , \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find $E(X|Y=y)$ & $\text{Var}(X|Y=y)$.

Sol¹. We found that $f_1(x|y) = \frac{2x}{1-y^2}$, $0 < y < 1$, $y < x < 1$.

Thus

$$E(X|Y=y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(x|y) x dx$$

$$= \int_y^1 \frac{2x}{1-y^2} x dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{2}{3} x^3 \right]_y^1 \cdot \frac{1}{1-y^2}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{1-y^3}{1-y^2} \right), \quad 0 < y < 1.$$

Then

$$E(X^2|Y=y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(x|y) x^2 dx, \quad 0 < y < 1$$

$$= \int_y^1 \frac{2x}{1-y^2} x^2 dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{2} x^4 \right]_y^1 \cdot \frac{1}{1-y^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1-y^4}{1-y^2} = \frac{1+y^2}{2}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X|Y=y) &= E(X^2|Y=y) - [E(X|Y=y)]^2 \\ &= \frac{1+y^2}{2} - \left(\frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{1-y^3}{1-y^2} \right) \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 2

Suppose $Y \sim \text{Poi}(\mu)$, & $(X|Y=y) \sim \text{Bin}(y,p)$.
Find $E(X|Y=y)$ & $\text{Var}(X|Y=y)$.

Sol¹. We know $E(X|Y=y) = yp$ & $\text{Var}(X|Y=y) = yp(1-p)$.

$E[g(Y)|X]$

We define the random variable

$$E[g(Y)|X] = h(X),$$

where

$$h(x) = E[g(Y)|X=x].$$

(it is a rv since it is a function of X , denoted by $h(X)$).

To find $h(X)$, we do

① Find $E[g(Y)|X=x] = h(x)$.

② Replace " x " with " X ".

eg $Y \sim \text{Poi}(\mu)$, $(X|Y=y) \sim \text{Bin}(y,p)$.

Then to find $E[X|Y]$:

① Note $E[X|Y=y] = yp$.

② Thus $E[X|Y] = Yp$.

DOUBLE EXPECTATION THEOREM

Note that

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

eg $E(Y) = E(E(Y|X))$. → this is a function of X .

Note also

$$E[g(X,Y)] = E[E(g(X,Y)|Y)] = E[E(g(X,Y)|X)].$$

EXAMPLE 1

Let $Y \sim \text{Poi}(\mu)$ & $(X|Y=y) \sim \text{Bin}(y, p)$.
Find $E(X)$.

Solⁿ. (First method: calculate X 's distⁿ.)
We instead use the double exp theorem.

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

Then, note $E(X|Y=y) = yp$, so $E(X|Y) = Yp$.

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} E[E(X|Y)] &= E[Yp] \\ &= pE[Y] \\ &= p\mu. \end{aligned}$$

DOUBLE EXPECTATION THEOREM FOR VARIANCE

Note that

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

this is a rv, as it is a func of X

* We apply a similar "two-step" method to find $\text{Var}(Y|X)$.

ie ① Calculate $\text{Var}(Y|X=x)$, & ② Replace x with X .

EXAMPLE 1

Let $Y \sim \text{Poi}(\mu)$, $(X|Y=y) \sim \text{Bin}(y, p)$.
Find $\text{Var}(X)$.

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

Note $\text{Var}(X|Y=y) = yp(1-p)$, & so

$$\text{Var}(X|Y) = Yp(1-p).$$

We also know $E(X|Y) = Yp$.

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X) &= E[Yp(1-p)] + \text{Var}(Yp) \\ &= p(1-p)E[Y] + p^2 \text{Var}(Y) \\ &= p(1-p)(\mu) + p^2(\mu) \\ &= p\mu. \end{aligned}$$

* Note: we showed earlier that $X \sim \text{Poi}(\mu p)$, so we would expect $\text{Var}(X) = \mu p$.

EXAMPLE 2

Let $X \sim \text{Unif}[0,1]$, $Y|X=x \sim \text{Bin}(10, x)$.
Find $E(Y)$ & $\text{Var}(Y)$.

Solⁿ. $E(Y) = E(E(Y|X))$.

Apply the 2-step method to find $E(Y|X)$:

① $E(Y|X=x) = 10x$, so ② $E(Y|X) = 10X$.

Then

$$E(Y) = E(10X) = 10E(X) = 10 \cdot \frac{0+1}{2} = 5.$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(Y) &= \text{Var}[E(Y|X)] + E[\text{Var}(Y|X)] \\ &= \text{Var}(10X) + E[\text{Var}(Y|X)]. \end{aligned}$$

Note $\text{Var}(Y|X=x) = 10x(1-x)$, so $\text{Var}(Y|X) = 10X(1-X)$.

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(Y) &= \text{Var}(10X) + E[10X(1-X)] \\ &= 10^2 \text{Var}(X) + 10E[X - X^2] \\ &= 10^2 \text{Var}(X) + 10E[X] - 10E[X^2] \\ &= 10^2 \text{Var}(X) + 10E[X] - 10[\text{Var}(X) + E(X)^2] \\ &= 100 \cdot \frac{1}{12} + 10\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 10\left[\frac{1}{12} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2\right]. \end{aligned}$$

Solⁿ 2. We could also calculate $M_Y(t) = E(e^{tY})$ first.

Then

$$E(e^{tY}) = E[E(e^{tY}|X)].$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{First note } E(e^{tY}|X=x) &= \sum_{y=0}^x e^{ty} \cdot \binom{x}{y} p^y (1-p)^{x-y} \\ &= [pe^t + (1-p)]^x. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus } E(e^{tY}|X) = [pe^t + (1-p)]^X.$$

Finally

$$\begin{aligned} M_X(t) &= E[(pe^t + (1-p))^X] \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} (pe^t + (1-p))^x \cdot \frac{\mu^x}{x!} e^{-\mu} \\ &= e^{-\mu} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\mu(pe^t + (1-p)))^x}{x!} \\ &= e^{-\mu} \cdot e^a, \quad a = \mu[pe^t + (1-p)] \\ &= e^{-\mu + \mu[pe^t + (1-p)]} \\ &= e^{\mu p(e^t - 1)}, \quad \text{so that } X \sim \text{Poi}(\mu p) \\ &\quad \text{by uniqueness of MGFs.} \end{aligned}$$

We can then use this to calculate $E(X)$ & $\text{Var}(X)$.

JOINT MGFs (3.8)

💡 If X & Y are two rvs, then the "joint mgf" of X & Y is

$$M(t_1, t_2) = E(e^{t_1 X + t_2 Y}),$$

if $M(t_1, t_2)$ exists for $|t_1| < h_1$ & $|t_2| < h_2$ for some $h_1, h_2 > 0$.

MARGINAL MGF

💡 Given $M(t_1, t_2)$ is well-defined for $|t_1| < h_1, |t_2| < h_2$, then the "marginal mgf" for X is

$$M_X(t_1) = M(t_1, 0) = E(e^{t_1 X}), \quad |t_1| < h_1.$$

The "marginal mgf" for Y is

$$M_Y(t_2) = M(0, t_2) = E(e^{t_2 Y}), \quad |t_2| < h_2.$$

INDEPENDENCE PROPERTY

💡 X & Y are independent iff

$$M(t_1, t_2) = M_X(t_1) M_Y(t_2)$$

provided M, M_X & M_Y exist.

EXAMPLE 1

💡 Let $f(x, y) = e^{-y}$, $0 < x < y < \infty$.

- Find the joint mgf of X & Y .
- Are they independent?

Soln. a) $M(t_1, t_2) = E(e^{t_1 X + t_2 Y})$.

$$= \iint e^{t_1 x + t_2 y} f(x, y) dx dy$$

$$= \iint_{(x, y) \in A} e^{t_1 x + t_2 y} \cdot e^{-y} dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^\infty dx \int_x^\infty e^{t_1 x + (t_2 - 1)y} dy$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{t_1 x} dx \int_x^\infty e^{(t_2 - 1)y} dy$$

this is only finite if $t_2 - 1 < 0$; ie if $t_2 < 1$.

Suppose $t_2 < 1$. Then

$$M(t_1, t_2) = \int_0^\infty e^{t_1 x} \left[\frac{1}{t_2 - 1} e^{(t_2 - 1)y} \right]_x^\infty dx$$

$$= \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{t_1 x}}{1 - t_2} e^{(t_2 - 1)x} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - t_2} \int_0^\infty e^{(t_1 + t_2 - 1)x} dx$$

this is only finite if $t_1 + t_2 - 1 < 0$.

we also need $1 - t_2 > 0 \Rightarrow t_2 < 1$, for this to be positive.

Suppose $t_1 + t_2 - 1 < 0$. Then

$$M(t_1, t_2) = \frac{1}{1 - t_2} \left[\frac{1}{t_1 + t_2 - 1} e^{(t_1 + t_2 - 1)x} \right]_0^\infty$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - t_2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - t_1 - t_2}, \quad t_1, t_2 < 1, \quad t_1 + t_2 < 1.$$

b) Then, see that

$$M_X(t_1) = M(t_1, 0) = \frac{1}{1 - t_1}, \quad 1 - t_1 > 0 \Rightarrow t_1 < 1$$

$$M_Y(t_2) = M(0, t_2) = \frac{1}{(1 - t_2)^2}, \quad 1 - t_2 > 0 \Rightarrow t_2 < 1.$$

Then since $M(t_1, t_2) \neq M_X(t_1) M_Y(t_2)$, it follows that X & Y are not independent.

(This can also be seen via the factorization theorem, since the joint support is not a rectangle.)

EXAMPLE 2: ADDITIVITY OF POISSON VARIABLES

💡 Let $X \sim \text{Poi}(\mu_1)$, $Y \sim \text{Poi}(\mu_2)$.

Assume X & Y are independent.

Then show $X + Y \sim \text{Poi}(\mu_1 + \mu_2)$.

Soln. Let $Z = X + Y$. Then

$$M_Z(t) = E(e^{tZ})$$

$$= E(e^{t(X+Y)})$$

$$= E(e^{tX+tY}).$$

$$= M_X(t) M_Y(t), \quad \text{since } X \text{ & } Y \text{ are independent}$$

$$= e^{\mu_1(e^t - 1)} \cdot e^{\mu_2(e^t - 1)}$$

$$= e^{(\mu_1 + \mu_2)(e^t - 1)}$$

so by uniqueness of mgfs thus $Z = (X + Y) \sim \text{Poi}(\mu_1 + \mu_2)$, as needed. $\square$

MULTINOMIAL DISTRIBUTION (3.9)

💡 we say $(X_1, \dots, X_k)$ has a "multinomial distribution" if it has joint pf

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_k) = P(X_1=x_1, \dots, X_k=x_k) = \frac{n!}{x_1! \dots x_k!} p_1^{x_1} \dots p_k^{x_k},$$

where $x_i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ & $\sum_{i=1}^k x_i = n$,
& $0 < p_i < 1$ & $\sum_{i=1}^k p_i = 1$,

and write

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

💡 If $k=2$, then if

$X_1 := \#$ of successes
 $X_2 := \#$ of failures,

then (X_1, X_2) follows a multinomial distribution with p_1 being the success probability.

JOINT MGF

💡 Suppose $(X_1, \dots, X_k) \sim \text{Mult}(n, p_1, \dots, p_k)$.

Then the joint mgf is

$$m(t_1, \dots, t_k) = E(e^{t_1 X_1 + \dots + t_k X_k}) \\ = (p_1 e^{t_1} + \dots + p_{k-1} e^{t_{k-1}} + p_k)^n$$

MARGINAL DISTRIBUTION

💡 Suppose $(X_1, \dots, X_k) \sim \text{Mult}(n, p_1, \dots, p_k)$.

Then

$$X_i \sim \text{Bin}(n, p_i).$$

for $i=1, \dots, k$.

💡 why? Suppose we aggregate the outcomes to be

"success" = i th outcome
"failure" = anything else.
This would give a "binomial" distⁿ.

SUMMATION OF X_i

💡 Let $T = X_i + X_j$, where $(X_1, \dots, X_k) \sim \text{Mult}(n, p_1, \dots, p_k)$.

Then

$$T \sim \text{Bin}(n, p_i + p_j).$$

💡 why? We can use a similar proof to the above.

Let
Success := i th or j th outcomes
failure := anything else.

Alternatively, we can find the MGF of T :

$$m_T(t) = E(e^{t(X_i + X_j)}) \\ = E(e^{tX_i + tX_j})$$

WLOG, set $i=1$ & $j=2$.

In particular, see that

$$m(t, t, 0, \dots, 0) = E(e^{tX_1 + tX_2 + 0 + \dots + 0}) \\ \stackrel{\text{mgf of } (X_1, \dots, X_k)}{=} E(e^{tX_1 + tX_2}).$$

Then

$$m(t, t, 0, \dots, 0) = (p_1 e^t + p_2 e^t + 0 + \dots + 0 + (1 - p_1 - p_2 - 0 - \dots - 0))^n \\ = (p_1 + p_2)^n e^{2t} = (1 - p_1 - p_2)^n e^{2t} \quad \leftarrow \text{since } p_k = 1 - p_1 - \dots - p_{k-1}$$

which is the MGF of $\text{Bin}(n, p_1 + p_2)$.

Thus, by uniqueness, the conclusion follows.

JOINT MOMENTS

💡 For $(X_1, \dots, X_k) \sim \text{Mult}(n, p_1, \dots, p_k)$, note

$$E(X_i) = np_i \\ \text{Var}(X_i) = np_i(1-p_i) \\ \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = -np_i p_j.$$

We can do

$$\text{Var}(X_i + X_j) = \text{Var}(X_i) + \text{Var}(X_j) + 2\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j).$$

$$\therefore \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = \frac{1}{2} [\text{Var}(X_i + X_j) - \text{Var}(X_i) - \text{Var}(X_j)] \\ \sim \text{Bin}(n, p_i + p_j) \quad \sim \text{Bin}(n, p_i) \quad \sim \text{Bin}(n, p_j) \\ = \frac{1}{2} [n(p_i + p_j)(1 - p_i - p_j) - np_i(1 - p_i) - np_j(1 - p_j)] \\ = \dots \\ = -np_i p_j.$$

💡 Note $\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) < 0$, so $\rho(X_i, X_j) < 0$.

💡 why? Note $\sum_{i=1}^k X_i = n$.

So when X_i increases, necessarily X_j decreases (to keep the sum = n .)

$X_i | X_i + X_j = t$

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

Then

$$(X_i | X_i + X_j = t) \sim \text{Bin}(t, \frac{p_i}{p_i + p_j}).$$

💡 why? $\rightarrow$ we have t independent trials of " $X_i + X_j = t$ ".

Then success probability is $\frac{\text{success of } X_i}{\text{success of } X_i + X_j}$.

$X_i | X_j = x_j$

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

$$X_i | X_j = x_j \sim \text{Bin}(n - x_j, \frac{p_i}{1 - p_j}).$$

💡 why? If $X_j = x_j$, then consider

Success = i th outcome
failure = everything else but the j th outcome.

Then we have $n - x_j$ independent trials with "outcomes" $1, \dots, j-1, j+1, \dots, n$.

$$\text{success} = \frac{\text{success of } X_i}{\text{success of everything but } X_j} = \frac{p_i}{1 - p_j}.$$

BIVARIATE NORMAL DISTRIBUTION (3.10)

Let X_1, X_2 be joint continuous rvs with joint pdf

$$f(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2\pi|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu)\right\}$$

where $|\Sigma|$ is the determinant of Σ

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}, \mu = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} E(X_1) \\ E(X_2) \end{pmatrix}, \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \rho\sigma_1\sigma_2 \\ \rho\sigma_1\sigma_2 & \sigma_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

& $|\rho| < 1$.

$$|\Sigma| = (1-\rho^2)\sigma_1^2\sigma_2^2.$$

Then $X = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix}$ follows a "bivariate normal distribution",

and we write $X \sim \text{BVN}(\mu, \Sigma)$.

We call

- $\mu = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{pmatrix}$ the "mean vector"; &

- Σ the "covariance matrix".

JOINT MGF

Note

$$\begin{aligned} M(t_1, t_2) &= E(e^{t_1 X_1 + t_2 X_2}) \\ &= E(e^{t^T X}) \\ &= e^{t^T \mu + \frac{1}{2} t^T \Sigma t} \end{aligned}$$

where $t = \begin{pmatrix} t_1 \\ t_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

MARGINAL DISTRIBUTIONS

Note

$$M_{X_1}(t_1) = M(t_1, t_2=0) = \exp\left\{t_1 \mu_1 + \frac{\sigma_1^2}{2} t_1^2\right\},$$

so $X_1 \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$ (by uniqueness of MGFs).

Similarly,

$$M_{X_2}(t_2) = M(t_1=0, t_2) = \exp\left\{t_2 \mu_2 + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{2} t_2^2\right\}$$

so $X_2 \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$.

CONDITIONAL DISTRIBUTION

Note

$$(X_2 | X_1 = x_1) \sim N\left(\mu_2 + \frac{\rho\sigma_2(x_1 - \mu_1)}{\sigma_1}, \sigma_2^2(1-\rho^2)\right).$$

In particular, $(X_1 | X_2 = x_2)$ is normal.

Similarly,

$$(X_1 | X_2 = x_2) \sim N\left(\mu_1 + \frac{\rho\sigma_1(x_2 - \mu_2)}{\sigma_2}, \sigma_1^2(1-\rho^2)\right).$$

$\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2)$

Note

$$\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2) = \rho\sigma_1\sigma_2.$$

Proof. Note

$$E(X_1 X_2) = E[E(X_1 X_2 | X_1)] \quad (\text{by double expectation theorem})$$

To find $E(X_1 X_2 | X_1)$, we use the 2-step method.

① $E(X_1 X_2 | X_1 = x_1) = E(X_1 X_2 | X_1 = x_1)$ (by the substitution rule)

$$\begin{aligned} &= x_1 E(X_2 | X_1 = x_1) \\ &= x_1 \left[\mu_2 + \frac{\rho\sigma_2(x_1 - \mu_1)}{\sigma_1} \right] \\ &= x_1 \mu_2 + \frac{\rho\sigma_2(x_1 - \mu_1)x_1}{\sigma_1} \end{aligned}$$

② Replace $x_1 \rightarrow X_1$ to get

$$E(X_1 X_2 | X_1) = \mu_2 X_1 + \frac{\rho\sigma_2(X_1 - \mu_1)X_1}{\sigma_1}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} E(X_1 X_2) &= E\left(\mu_2 X_1 + \frac{\rho\sigma_2(X_1 - \mu_1)X_1}{\sigma_1}\right) \\ &= \mu_2 E(X_1) + \frac{\rho\sigma_2}{\sigma_1} E(X_1^2 - \mu_1 X_1) \\ &= \mu_2(\mu_1) + \frac{\rho\sigma_2}{\sigma_1} \underbrace{E(X_1^2 - \mu_1^2)}_{\text{Var}(X_1)} \\ &= \mu_1 \mu_2 + \frac{\rho\sigma_2}{\sigma_1} \sigma_1^2 \\ &= \mu_1 \mu_2 + \rho\sigma_1\sigma_2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(X_1, X_2) &= E(X_1 X_2) - E(X_1)E(X_2) \\ &= \mu_1 \mu_2 + \rho\sigma_1\sigma_2 - \mu_1 \mu_2 \\ &= \rho\sigma_1\sigma_2. \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\rho(X_1, X_2) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X_1)\text{Var}(X_2)}} = \frac{\rho\sigma_1\sigma_2}{\sigma_1\sigma_2} = \rho.$$

So

- the diagonal elements of Σ are variances of X_1 & X_2 ;
- the non-diagonal elements of Σ is $\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2)$; &
- ρ is $\rho(X_1, X_2)$.

INDEPENDENCE OF X_1 & X_2

Note if $X = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \text{BVN}(\mu, \Sigma)$, then

$$\rho = 0 \Leftrightarrow X_1 \text{ \& } X_2 \text{ are independent.}$$

* It is not true that if X_1 & X_2 are normally distributed, then X_1 & X_2 are independent iff $\rho(X_1, X_2) = 0$!

We need the stronger condition that $\begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \text{BVN}(\mu, \Sigma)$; ie the joint pdf of X_1 & X_2 is normal.

We cannot make this conclusion if we only know the marginal pdfs are normal.

$c^T X$

Let $c = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}$, where c_1 & c_2 are constants.

Then if $X = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \text{BVN}(\mu, \Sigma)$, then

$$c^T X = c_1 X_1 + c_2 X_2 \sim N(c^T \mu, c^T \Sigma c).$$

* Again, this does not hold if we only know

$X_1 \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$, $X_2 \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$, but we don't know if

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \text{BVN}(\mu, \Sigma).$$

$$AX + b \sim \text{BVN}(A\mu + b, A\Sigma A^T)$$

💡 If $A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ & $b \in \mathbb{R}^2$, then

$$Y = AX + b \sim \text{BVN}(A\mu + b, A\Sigma A^T)$$

if $X \sim \text{BVN}(\mu, \Sigma)$.

χ^2 -DISTRIBUTION

💡 χ^2 is defined by

$$\chi_1^2 = z^2, \quad \text{where } z \sim N(0, 1).$$

$$\chi_n^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n z_i^2, \quad \text{where } z_i \sim N(0, 1) \text{ and are iid.}$$

💡 If $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then

$$\left(\frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \right)^2 \sim \chi_1^2.$$

$$(X - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (X - \mu) \sim \chi_2^2$$

💡 Let $X \sim \text{BVN}(\mu, \Sigma)$. Then

$$(X - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (X - \mu) \sim \chi_2^2.$$

Proof. To show this, we need to show

$$(X - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (X - \mu) = \sum_{i=1}^2 z_i^2,$$

where $z_1, z_2 \sim N(0, 1)$ are iid.

Sketch: We can write

$$\Sigma^{-1} = \Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}} \Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}},$$

where we define $\Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ as follows:

If A is positive definite, then define

$$A^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sum_{j=1}^d \lambda_j^{\frac{1}{2}} x_j x_j^T, \quad \begin{array}{l} \lambda_j = \text{eigenvalues of } A, \\ x_j = \text{corresponding eigenvectors.} \end{array}$$

Then we show $\sum_{i=1}^2 (X - \mu)_i \sim \text{BVN}(0, I_{2 \times 2})$.

Chapter 4:

Functions of Random Variables

Given the r.v.s $X_1, \dots, X_n$ with known joint distribution, we are interested to find the distribution of

$$Y = h(X_1, \dots, X_n).$$

Three methods:

- ① cdf technique
- ② 1-1 bivariate transformation
- ③ mgf technique

CDF TECHNIQUE (4.1)

Method:

- ① Find the cdf of $Y = h(X_1, \dots, X_n)$.

$$P(Y \leq y) = P(h(X_1, \dots, X_n) \leq y)$$

- ② Get the pdf of Y :

$$f_Y(y) = F_Y'(y).$$

EXAMPLE 1 (Y IS UNIVARIATE)

If $X \sim N(0,1)$, find the pdf of $Y = X^2$.

Soln. If $y \leq 0$, $P(Y \leq y) = 0$.

If $y > 0$, $P(Y \leq y) = P(X^2 \leq y)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(-\sqrt{y} \leq X \leq \sqrt{y}) \\ &= F_X(\sqrt{y}) - F_X(-\sqrt{y}) \\ &= \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^{\sqrt{y}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^{\sqrt{y}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the pdf of Y is 0 if $y \leq 0$, & for $y > 0$, it is

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= \frac{dF_Y(y)}{dy} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{y}{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} y^{-\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{y}{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} y^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{y}{2}} y^{-\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, also notice that $\chi_1^2 \sim \text{Gamma}(\frac{1}{2}, 2)$

EXAMPLE 2 (Y IS UNIVARIATE)

The pdf of X is

$$f(x) = \frac{\theta}{x^{\theta+1}}, \quad x \geq 1, \theta > 0.$$

Find the pdf of $Y = \log X$.

Soln. Support of Y is $[0, \infty)$.

If $y \leq 0$, $F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = 0$.

If $y > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} F_Y(y) &= P(Y \leq y) \\ &= P(\log X \leq y) \\ &= P(X \leq e^y) \\ &= \int_1^{e^y} \frac{\theta}{x^{\theta+1}} dx \quad (\text{since support of } X \text{ is } 1 \leq x < \infty) \\ &= \left[-x^{-\theta} \right]_1^{e^y} \\ &= 1 - e^{-y\theta}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the pdf of Y is

$$f_Y(y) = \theta e^{-y\theta}, \quad \text{for } y > 0.$$

EXAMPLE 3 (Y IS A FUNC OF ≥ 1 RV)

The joint pdf of X, Y is

$$f(x, y) = 3y, \quad 0 \leq x \leq y \leq 1.$$

Find the marginal pdf of $T = XY$ & $S = \frac{Y}{X}$.

Soln. The support of T is $[0, 1]$.

If $t < 0$, $P(T \leq t) = 0$, & if $t > 1$, $P(T \leq t) = 1$.

If $0 \leq t \leq 1$, then

$$P(T \leq t) = P(XY \leq t).$$

Consider $P((X, Y) \in C')$.

Given a particular y , x can range from $[\frac{t}{y}, y]$.

y can range from $\sqrt{t}$ to 1.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} P((X, Y) \in C') &= \int_{\sqrt{t}}^1 dy \int_{\frac{t}{y}}^y 3y dx \\ &= \int_{\sqrt{t}}^1 [3yx]_{x=\frac{t}{y}}^{x=y} dy \\ &= \int_{\sqrt{t}}^1 (3y^2 - 3t) dy \\ &= [y^3 - 3ty]_{y=\sqrt{t}}^{y=1} \\ &= (1 - 3t) - (t^{3/2} - 3t^{t/2}) \\ &= 1 + 2t^{3/2} - 3t. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore P((X, Y) \in C) = 1 - P((X, Y) \in C')$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(XY \leq t) &= 1 - (1 + 2t^{3/2} - 3t) \\ &= 3t - 2t^{3/2}. \end{aligned}$$

So the pdf of T is

$$f_T(t) = \frac{d}{dt}(3t - 2t^{3/2}) = 3 - 3t^{1/2}, \quad 0 < t < 1.$$

The support of S is $(1, \infty)$.

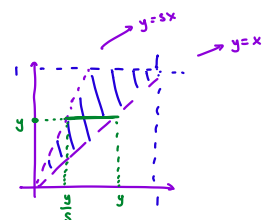
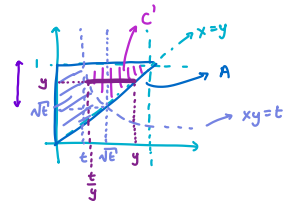
When $s \leq 1$, $P(S \leq s) = 0$.

When $s \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} P(S \leq s) &= P\left(\frac{Y}{X} \leq s\right) \\ &= P(Y \leq sX). \\ &= \int_0^1 dy \int_{y/s}^y 3y dx \\ &= \int_0^1 3y \left(y - \frac{y}{s}\right) dy \\ &= \int_0^1 3y^2 - \frac{3y^2}{s} dy \\ &= \left[y^3 - \frac{y^3}{s} \right]_0^1 = 1 - \frac{1}{s}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\text{pdf} :: f(s) = \frac{1}{s^2}, \quad s \geq 1, \quad \& \ 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$



EXAMPLE 4 (FIND DISTRN OF MAX/MIN)

Q: Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ are iid $\text{Unif}[0, \theta]$. Find the pdf of

$$\textcircled{1} X_{(n)} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i$$

$$\textcircled{2} X_{(1)} = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i.$$

$\textcircled{1}$ $X_{(n)}$: support of $X_{(n)}$ is $[0, \theta]$.

i) When $x \leq 0$, $P(X_{(n)} \leq x) = 0$.

ii) When $x \geq \theta$, $P(X_{(n)} \leq x) = 1$.

iii) When $0 < x < \theta$,

$$P(X_{(n)} \leq x) = P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n (X_i \leq x)\right)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i \leq x) \quad (\text{since } X_i \text{ are iid})$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{x}{\theta} = \frac{x^n}{\theta^n}.$$

$\therefore$ pdf of $X_{(n)}$ is $f_{X_{(n)}} = \frac{nx^{n-1}}{\theta^n}$, $0 \leq x \leq \theta$

$\textcircled{2}$ Support of $X_{(1)}$ is $[0, \theta]$.

i) If $x \leq 0$, $P(X_{(1)} \leq x) = 0$

ii) If $x \geq \theta$, $P(X_{(1)} \leq x) = 1$.

iii) If $0 < x < \theta$,

$$P(X_{(1)} \leq x) = 1 - P(X_{(1)} > x)$$

$$= 1 - P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n (X_i > x)\right)$$

$$= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i > x) \quad (\text{since } X_i \text{ are iid})$$

$$= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 - \frac{x}{\theta}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \left(1 - \frac{x}{\theta}\right)^n$$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{\theta - x}{\theta}\right)^n.$$

$\therefore$ pdf of $X_{(1)}$ is $f_{X_{(1)}} = \frac{n(\theta - x)^{n-1}}{\theta^n}$, $0 \leq x \leq \theta$.

1-1 BIVARIATE TRANSFORMATION (4.2)

Given the joint pdf $f(x,y)$ of X,Y , we want to find the joint pdf of

$$U = h_1(X,Y), \quad V = h_2(X,Y).$$

Then, a "1-1 bivariate transformation" is

$$u = h_1(x,y), \quad v = h_2(x,y).$$

These are 1-1 if there exist another 2 functions such that

$$x = w_1(u,v), \quad y = w_2(u,v).$$

JACOBIAN

The "Jacobian" of (u,v) , where $u = h_1(x,y)$ & $v = h_2(x,y)$, is

$$\frac{\partial(u,v)}{\partial(x,y)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \end{vmatrix}$$

If we can write $x = w_1(u,v)$ & $y = w_2(u,v)$, then we define

$$\frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix}$$

Then, the pdf of (U,V) is

$$g(u,v) = f(x,y) \cdot \left| \frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} \right| \\ = f(w_1(u,v), w_2(u,v)) \left| \frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} \right|.$$

EXAMPLE 1

Let $X, Y \sim N(0,1)$ be independent. Let $U = X+Y$, $V = X-Y$. Find the joint pdf of (U,V) .

$$\text{Sol: } \begin{cases} U = X+Y \\ V = X-Y \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} X = \frac{U+V}{2} \\ Y = \frac{U-V}{2} \end{cases}$$

Jacobian is

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & -1/2 \end{vmatrix} = -1/2.$$

$\therefore$ The joint pdf of U & V is

$$g(u,v) = f(x,y) |J| \\ = f\left(\frac{u+v}{2}, \frac{u-v}{2}\right) \cdot \left| -\frac{1}{2} \right| \\ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{u+v}{2}\right)^2\right\} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{u-v}{2}\right)^2\right\} \cdot \left| -\frac{1}{2} \right| \\ = \frac{1}{4\pi} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{8}[(u+v)^2 + (u-v)^2]\right\} \\ = \frac{1}{4\pi} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{4}(u^2 + v^2)\right\}, \quad -\infty < u, v < \infty.$$

EXAMPLE 2

The joint pdf of X & Y is $f(x,y) = e^{-x-y}$, $0 < x, y < \infty$. Find the pdf of $U = X+Y$.

Sol: Let $V = X$. Then

$$\begin{cases} u = x+y \\ v = x \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = v \\ y = u-v \end{cases}$$

Since $x, y > 0$, the joint support of (u,v) is $0 < v < u < \infty$.

$$\therefore J = \frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -1.$$

Thus the joint pdf of U & V is

$$g(u,v) = |J| f(x,y) = 1 \cdot e^{-x-y} \\ = e^{-(v)-(u-v)} = e^{-u}, \quad 0 < v < u < \infty.$$

Hence the marginal pdf of U is

$$g_1(u) = \int_0^u g(u,v) dv, \quad 0 < u < \infty \\ = \int_0^u e^{-u} dv \\ \therefore g_1(u) = u e^{-u}, \quad 0 < u < \infty.$$

EXAMPLE 3 (SUPPORT)

Let the support of X & Y is $0 < x < y < 1$. Find the support of (U,V) , where

$$\begin{cases} U = X \\ V = XY \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Sol: } \begin{cases} u = x \\ v = xy \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = u \\ y = \frac{v}{u} \end{cases}$$

Since $0 < x < y < 1$, $\therefore 0 < u < \frac{v}{u} < 1$. $\therefore 0 < u < \frac{v}{u}$ & $\frac{v}{u} < 1$. $\Rightarrow 0 < u^2 < v < u < 1$.

EXAMPLE 4 (SUPPORT)

Suppose the joint support of X & Y is $0 < x, y < 1$. Find the joint support of (U,V) , where

$$\begin{cases} U = \frac{x}{y} \\ V = xy \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Sol: } \begin{cases} u = \frac{x}{y} \\ v = xy \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = \sqrt{uv} \\ y = \sqrt{\frac{v}{u}} \end{cases}$$

Then $0 < x, y < 1 \Rightarrow 0 < \sqrt{uv} < 1$, $0 < \sqrt{\frac{v}{u}} < 1$.

$\therefore u, v > 0$, & $uv < 1$ & $\frac{v}{u} < 1$. $\therefore u < \frac{1}{v}$ & $v < u$.

$\therefore$ the joint support of (U,V) is $0 < v < u < \frac{1}{v}$.

MGF TECHNIQUE (4.3)

💡 Idea:

- Find the mgf of a r.v.
- By the uniqueness property of mgfs, we can identify its distribution & the pdf of this r.v.

💡 Suppose $X_1, \dots, X_n$ are independent. Then the mgf of $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is

$$M_T(t) = \prod_{i=1}^n M_{X_i}(t).$$

Proof $M_T(t) = E(e^{t \sum_{i=1}^n X_i})$
 $= E(e^{\sum_{i=1}^n t X_i})$
 $= E(\prod_{i=1}^n e^{t X_i})$
 $= \prod_{i=1}^n E(e^{t X_i})$ (since X_i are independent)
 $= \prod_{i=1}^n M_{X_i}(t).$

💡 If $X_1, \dots, X_n$ are iid, then

$$M_T(t) = [M_{X_1}(t)]^n.$$

NORMAL DISTRIBUTION

💡 If $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then $aX+b \sim N(a\mu+b, a^2\sigma^2)$.

Proof. Let $Y = aX+b$. Then

$$m_Y(t) = e^{bt} M_X(at)$$

$$= \dots$$

$$= e^{(a\mu+b)t + \frac{a^2\sigma^2}{2}t^2}$$

so $Y \sim N(a\mu+b, a^2\sigma^2)$.

💡 So, if $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then $Z = \frac{X-\mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0,1)$.

Proof. This follows from the previous result.

💡 If $X_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2)$, $i=1, \dots, n$ are independent, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i \sim N\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mu_i, \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \sigma_i^2\right).$$

Proof. Let $T = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i$. Then

$$M_T(t) = \prod_{i=1}^n M_{a_i X_i}(t)$$

(since $X_1, \dots, X_n$ are independent)

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n M_{X_i}(a_i t)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n e^{(a_i t) \mu_i + \frac{\sigma_i^2}{2} (a_i t)^2}$$

$$= \exp\left\{t \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mu_i + \frac{t^2}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \sigma_i^2\right\},$$

so that $T \sim N\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mu_i, \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \sigma_i^2\right)$. *

💡 If $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then

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

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

We call $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ the "sample mean".

χ^2 -DISTRIBUTION

💡 Recall $\chi_1^2 \equiv [N(0,1)]^2$.

Then if $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, thus $\left(\frac{X-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2 \sim \chi_1^2$.

💡 Additivity of χ^2 :

If $Y_i \sim \chi_{k_i}^2$, $1 \leq i \leq n$, & $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$ are independent, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i \sim \chi_d^2, \quad d = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i.$$

Proof. We know

$$\chi_1^2 = \text{Gamma}\left(\frac{1}{2}, 2\right).$$

We can then show

$$\chi_v^2 = \text{Gamma}\left(\frac{v}{2}, 2\right).$$

Then it follows $Y_i \sim \text{Gamma}\left(\frac{k_i}{2}, 2\right)$, and so

$$m_{Y_i}(t) = (1-2t)^{-\frac{k_i}{2}}.$$

Let $T = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i$. Then

$$M_T(t) = \prod_{i=1}^n M_{Y_i}(t)$$

(as Y_i are independent)

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n (1-2t)^{-\frac{k_i}{2}}$$

$$= (1-2t)^{-\frac{d}{2}}, \quad d = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i.$$

This is exactly the mgf of $\text{Gamma}\left(\frac{d}{2}, 2\right) = \chi_d^2$, so it follows $T \sim \chi_d^2$ by uniqueness.

💡 We can similarly show

$$\chi_v^2 = \sum_{i=1}^v Z_i^2, \quad Z_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0,1).$$

💡 In particular, if $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{X_i - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2 \sim \chi_n^2.$$

t DISTRIBUTION

💡 If $X \sim N(0,1)$, $Y \sim \chi_n^2$ are independent, then we say

$$\frac{X}{\sqrt{Y/n}} \sim t_n.$$

The support of t_n is $(-\infty, \infty)$.

F DISTRIBUTION

💡 If $X \sim \chi_n^2$, $Y \sim \chi_m^2$ are independent, then

$$\frac{(X/n)}{(Y/m)} \sim F_{n,m}.$$

n, m are the two degrees of freedom parameters.

The support of $F_{n,m}$ is $(0, \infty)$.

EXAMPLE 1

💡 Let $X \sim \chi_n^2$, $Y \sim \chi_m^2$ are independent.

Then we know $X+Y \sim \chi_{n+m}^2$.

Does $\frac{X/n}{(X+Y)/n} \sim F_{n,n+m}$?

Solⁿ. No, because X & $X+Y$ are not independent.

To see this, see that

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

$$> 0.$$

EXAMPLE 2 (χ^2)

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$.

Then we know

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{X_i - \mu}{\sigma} \right)^2 \sim \chi_n^2.$$

When μ is unknown, we replace μ by

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i.$$

Then we can show

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2.$$

Proof. First, we show $\bar{X}$ is independent of

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2.$$

To do this, we observe that if X is independent of (Y, Z) , then X is independent of $g(Y, Z)$.

Then, consider

$$(\bar{X}, \underbrace{X_1 - \bar{X}, \dots, X_n - \bar{X}}_Y).$$

We claim $\text{Cov}(\bar{X}, X_i - \bar{X}) = 0$. To do this, see that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j, X_i\right) &= E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j X_i\right) - E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j\right) E(X_i) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left[\sum_{j \neq i} E(X_j) E(X_i) + E(X_i^2) \right] \\ &\quad - \sum_{j \neq i} E(X_j) E(X_i) - E(X_i)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \text{Var}(X_i). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\bar{X}$ is independent of S^2 .

We then show $\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$. See that

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_n^2.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X} + \bar{X} - \mu)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 + n(\bar{X} - \mu)^2 \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(\bar{X} - \mu). \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2} &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{\sigma^2} + \frac{n(\bar{X} - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}. \\ \text{mgf: } (1-2t)^{-\frac{n}{2}} &= \underbrace{\quad}_{M(t)} \quad \text{since } \bar{X} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right), \\ &\quad \therefore \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1). \\ &\quad \therefore \left(\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma} \right)^2 \sim \chi_1^2 \\ &\quad = \text{Gamma}\left(\frac{1}{2}, 2\right). \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{mgf} = (1-2t)^{-\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Taking MAFs of both sides, we see that

$$(1-2t)^{-\frac{n}{2}} = M(t) (1-2t)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

and so

$$M(t) = (1-2t)^{-\frac{(n-1)}{2}},$$

which is the mgf of χ_{n-1}^2 . Thus

$$\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2 = \text{Gamma}\left(\frac{n-1}{2}, 2\right).$$

Let

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2.$$

Then

$$\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2.$$

EXAMPLE 3 (t)

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Then

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim t_{n-1}.$$

Proof. $\frac{(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$ & $\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$ are independent.

Therefore

$$\frac{\left[\frac{(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \right]}{\sqrt{\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} / (n-1)}} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{S} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim t_{n-1}$$

by definition of t-distribution.

EXAMPLE 4 (F)

If $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$, & $Y_1, \dots, Y_m \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$, & these 2 samples are independent, define

$$\begin{aligned} S_1^2 &= \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \\ S_2^2 &= \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{i=1}^m (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Then } \frac{S_1^2/\sigma_1^2}{S_2^2/\sigma_2^2} \sim F_{n-1, m-1}.$$

Proof. We know $\frac{(n-1)S_1^2}{\sigma_1^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$ & $\frac{(m-1)S_2^2}{\sigma_2^2} \sim \chi_{m-1}^2$, and these are independent.

Thus, by defⁿ of F distⁿ,

$$\frac{\frac{(n-1)S_1^2}{\sigma_1^2} / (n-1)}{\frac{(m-1)S_2^2}{\sigma_2^2} / (m-1)} \sim F_{n-1, m-1}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{S_1^2/\sigma_1^2}{S_2^2/\sigma_2^2} \sim F_{n-1, m-1}, \text{ as needed.}$$

Chapter 5:

Limiting Distributions

💡 The main problem to be solved:
we are interested in the distribution of $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)$,
where $X_1, \dots, X_n$ are iid, & $E(X_i) = \mu$, $\text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$,
& $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.

💡 We don't know the distribution of X_i ;
thus, it is impossible to know the exact distribution
of $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)$.

💡 Instead, we find an approximate distribution for
 $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)$.

LIMITING / ASYMPTOTIC DISTRIBUTION

💡 Let $F_n(x)$ be the true cdf of $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)$.

By definition,

$$F_n(x) = P(\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu) \leq x).$$

💡 Consider $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = F(x)$, where F is a known
cdf.

Then we can use $F(x)$ to approximate $F_n(x)$.

CONVERGENCE IN DISTRIBUTION: $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$ (S.1)

💡 Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be a sequence of rvs such that

X_n has cdf $F_n(x)$.

Then, let X be another rv with cdf $F(x)$.

If

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = F(x) \text{ for all } x \text{ such that } F(x) \text{ is continuous}$$

then we say X_n "converges in distribution" to X ,

and write $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$.

💡 Note:

① $F(x)$ is called the "limiting distribution" or
"asymptotic distribution" of X_n .

② The cdf of X_n converges, rather than just
the rv X_n .

↳ we don't actually know that the actual rv X_n
converges to X ! We only know the cdf
converges.

③ $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = F(x)$ only holds for the continuous points
of $F(x)$.

④ This definition applies to both discrete & cts rvs.

EXAMPLE 1

💡 If

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \geq a \\ 0, & x < a \end{cases}$$



We note F is not cts at $x=a$.

If you want to show $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$, we are not interested
of $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(a)$.

💡 We only need to show

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(a) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < a \\ 1, & x > a. \end{cases}$$

EXAMPLE 2



Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Unif}[0,1]$.

Let

$$X_{(1)} = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i, \quad X_{(n)} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i.$$

Find the limiting distribution of

a) $nX_{(1)}$ & $n(1-X_{(n)})$; &

b) $X_{(1)}$ & $X_{(n)}$.

Sol: a) $nX_{(1)}$: support is $[0, n]$.

Then the cdf of $nX_{(1)}$ is

$$P(nX_{(1)} \leq x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x \leq 0 \\ P(X_{(1)} \leq \frac{x}{n}) & , \quad 0 < x < n \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq n \end{cases}$$

For $0 < x < n$,

$$P(X_{(1)} \leq \frac{x}{n}) = 1 - P(X_{(1)} > \frac{x}{n})$$

$$= 1 - P(X_1 > \frac{x}{n}, \dots, X_n > \frac{x}{n})$$

$$= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i > \frac{x}{n})$$

(by independence of X_i)

$$= 1 - (1 - \frac{x}{n})^n.$$

Therefore,

$$P(nX_{(1)} \leq x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x \leq 0 \\ 1 - (1 - \frac{x}{n})^n & , \quad 0 < x < n \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq n. \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(nX_{(1)} \leq x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x \leq 0 \\ 1 - e^{-x} & , \quad 0 < x < \infty \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq \infty. \end{cases}$$

This is the cdf of $\text{Exp}(1)$.

$n(1-X_{(n)})$: support is $[0, n]$.

When $x \leq 0$, $P(n(1-X_{(n)}) \leq x) = 0$, & when $x \geq n$, $P(n(1-X_{(n)}) \leq x) = 1$.

Then, when $0 < x < n$,

$$P(n(1-X_{(n)}) \leq x) = P(1-X_{(n)} \leq \frac{x}{n})$$

$$= P(X_{(n)} \geq 1 - \frac{x}{n})$$

$$= 1 - P(X_{(n)} \leq 1 - \frac{x}{n})$$

$$= 1 - P(X_1 \leq 1 - \frac{x}{n}, \dots, X_n \leq 1 - \frac{x}{n})$$

$$= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i \leq 1 - \frac{x}{n})$$

(since X_i are iid)

$$= 1 - (1 - \frac{x}{n})^n.$$

$$\therefore F_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x \leq 0 \\ 1 - (1 - \frac{x}{n})^n & , \quad 0 < x < n \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq n. \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$F(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x < 0 \\ 1 - e^{-x} & , \quad x \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

In particular, $F(x)$ is the cdf of $\text{Exp}(1)$.

b) $X_{(1)}$: support is $[0, 1]$.

When $x \leq 0$, $P(X_{(1)} \leq x) = 0$, & when $x \geq 1$, $P(X_{(1)} \leq x) = 1$.
When $0 < x < 1$,

$$P(X_{(1)} \leq x) = 1 - P(X_{(1)} > x)$$

$$= 1 - P(X_1 > x, \dots, X_n > x)$$

$$= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i > x)$$

(by iid of X_i 's)

$$= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - P(X_i \leq x))$$

$$= 1 - (1 - x)^n.$$

Thus

$$F_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x \leq 0 \\ 1 - (1 - x)^n & , \quad 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x \leq 0 \\ 1 & , \quad 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq 1. \end{cases} \quad \text{ie } x > 0.$$

This is not a cdf since this is not right continuous at $x=0$!

Instead, the limiting cdf is

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x < 0 \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

This is right continuous, but is not continuous at $x=0$.

$X_{(n)}$: support is $[0, 1]$. Then

$P(X_{(n)} \leq x) = 0$ if $x \leq 0$, $P(X_{(n)} \leq x) = 1$ if $x \geq 1$.

For $0 < x < 1$,

$$P(X_{(n)} \leq x) = P(X_1 \leq x, \dots, X_n \leq x)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i \leq x)$$

(by iid of X_i)

$$= x^n.$$

Thus

$$F_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x \leq 0 \\ x^n & , \quad 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x \leq 0 \\ 0 & , \quad 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Thus, the limiting cdf is

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x < 1 \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

CONVERGENCE IN PROBABILITY: $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ (S.2)

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be a sequence of rvs such that X_n has cdf $F_n(x)$.
Let X be another rv with cdf $F(x)$.
If

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

or equivalently if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n - X| < \varepsilon) = 1$$

for any given $\varepsilon > 0$,

then we say X_n "converges in probability" to X

and write $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$.

Note that here, it is the convergence/limit for a probability rather than a cdf (like in convergence in distribution).

In particular, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, X_n cannot be " ε " away from X .

That is to say, X_n gets pretty "close" to X as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

So, we expect that $F_n(x)$ becomes very close to $F(x)$.

If $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$, then $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$;

ie convergence in probability implies convergence in distribution.

CONVERGENCE IN PROBABILITY TO A CONSTANT

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be a sequence of rvs, & let c be a constant.

If

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

then we say X_n converges in probability to c ,

and write $X_n \xrightarrow{P} c$.

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be a sequence of rvs with cdf $F_n(x)$.

Then, if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x < c \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq c \end{cases}$$

* note: we don't need to consider when $x = c$.

or in other words if the limiting distribution of X_n is

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x < c \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq c \end{cases}$$

ie if $X_n \xrightarrow{d} c$,

then necessarily $X_n \xrightarrow{P} c$.

In other words, $X_n \xrightarrow{P} c \Leftrightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{d} c$, where c is a constant.

Proof. We need to show for any $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n - c| > \varepsilon) = 0.$$

Then, note $P(|X_n - c| > \varepsilon) \geq 0$.

Next, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, note

$$\begin{aligned} P(|X_n - c| > \varepsilon) &= P(\{X_n - c > \varepsilon\} \cup \{X_n - c < -\varepsilon\}) \\ &= P(X_n - c > \varepsilon) + P(X_n - c < -\varepsilon) \quad (\text{since events are mutually exclusive}) \\ &= P(X_n > c + \varepsilon) + P(X_n < c - \varepsilon) \\ &= 1 - P(X_n \leq c + \varepsilon) + P(X_n \leq c - \varepsilon) \\ &= 1 - F_n(c + \varepsilon) + F_n(c - \varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

Intuitively, see that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(c + \varepsilon) = F(c + \varepsilon) = 1$$

&

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(c - \varepsilon) = F(c - \varepsilon) = 0.$$

So

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n - c| > \varepsilon) = 1 - 1 + 0 = 0,$$

which suffices to prove the claim. $\square$

EXAMPLE 1

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Unif}[0, 1]$.

We showed

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_{(1)} \leq x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ 1, & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_{(n)} \leq x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 1 \\ 1, & x > 1 \end{cases};$$

$$\text{ie } X_{(1)} \xrightarrow{d} 0 \quad \& \quad X_{(n)} \xrightarrow{d} 1.$$

Thus by the theorem, $X_{(1)} \xrightarrow{P} 0$ & $X_{(n)} \xrightarrow{P} 1$.

EXAMPLE 2

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be iid with pdf

$$f(x) = e^{-(x-\theta)}, \quad x \geq \theta.$$

Let $X_{(1)} = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i$. Show $X_{(1)} \xrightarrow{P} \theta$.

Proof. We could show this by defⁿ of convergence in probability.

Alternatively, we show $X_{(1)} \xrightarrow{d} \theta$, as that implies $X_{(1)} \xrightarrow{P} \theta$.

In other words, we want to show

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_{(1)} \leq x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x < \theta \\ 1 & , \quad x > \theta. \end{cases}$$

The support of $X_{(1)}$ is $[\theta, \infty)$.

So, if $x < \theta$, $P(X_{(1)} \leq x) = 0$.

If $x > \theta$,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_{(1)} \leq x) &= 1 - P(X_{(1)} > x) \\ &= 1 - P(X_1 > x, \dots, X_n > x) \\ &= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i > x) \quad (\text{by iid of } X_i\text{'s}) \\ &= 1 - \left[\int_x^\infty e^{-(t-\theta)} dt \right]^n \\ &= 1 - \left[e^{-(x-\theta)} \right]^n \\ &= 1 - e^{-n(x-\theta)}. \end{aligned}$$

When $x > \theta$, $x - \theta > 0$, so $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{-n(x-\theta)} = 0$.

Thus $P(X_{(1)} \leq x) \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Hence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_{(1)} \leq x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < \theta \\ 1, & x > \theta, \end{cases}$$

as required. (So $X_{(1)} \xrightarrow{d} \theta$, $\Rightarrow X_{(1)} \xrightarrow{P} \theta$).

MARKOV'S INEQUALITY

Let X be a r.v. Then, for $k, c > 0$, we have

$$P(|X| \geq c) \leq \frac{E(|X|^k)}{c^k}.$$

* this bounds probability by a moment of X .

Proof. Idea: Use the fact that

$$P(X > c) = \int_c^\infty f(x) dx \leq \int_c^\infty \frac{|x|^k}{c^k} f(x) dx$$

$$\leq \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{|x|^k}{c^k} f(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{E(|X|^k)}{c^k}.$$

Often, we will take $k=2$, and

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

where $\mu = E(X)$.

* This is known as Chebyshev's inequality.

WEAK LAW OF LARGE NUMBERS (WLLN)

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be independent with a common mean μ & common variance σ^2 .

Then

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow{P} \mu.$$

Proof. By definition, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, we want to show

$$P\left(\left|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mu\right| > \varepsilon\right) \rightarrow 0$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

i) We know $P\left(\left|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mu\right| > \varepsilon\right) > 0$.

ii) So, if we can show

$$P\left(\left|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mu\right| > \varepsilon\right) \leq a_n$$

& $a_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, by squeeze theorem we would be done.

So, by Chebyshev's inequality,

$$P\left(\left|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mu\right| > \varepsilon\right) \leq \frac{E\left[\left|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mu\right|^2\right]}{\varepsilon^2} = \frac{\text{Var}(\bar{X})}{\varepsilon^2}$$

We know $E(\bar{X}) = \mu$ & $\text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$. Thus

$$P(|\bar{X} - \mu| > \varepsilon) \leq \frac{\sigma^2/n}{\varepsilon^2} = \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{\varepsilon^2}\right).$$

This converges to 0 as $n \rightarrow \infty$ since $\frac{\sigma^2}{\varepsilon^2}$ is fixed.

So we are done. $\square$

EXAMPLE 1

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \chi_1^2$.

Then we can show

$$\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow{P} 1.$$

Soln. Note $E(X_i) = E(Z^2) = \text{Var}(Z) + E(Z)^2 = 1$,

where $Z \sim N(0, 1)$.

We can also show

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X_i) &= \text{Var}(Z_1^2) \\ &= \text{Var}(\text{Gamma}(\tfrac{1}{2}, 2)) \\ &= \tfrac{1}{2}(2)^2 = 2. \end{aligned}$$

Since $E(X_i), \text{Var}(X_i) < \infty$, we can apply WLLN.

Thus $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{P} E(X_i) = 1$.

EXAMPLE 2

Suppose $Y_n \sim \chi_n^2$. Then

$$\frac{Y_n}{n} \xrightarrow{P} 1.$$

Soln. Note $Y_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \chi_1^2$.

Thus $\frac{Y_n}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$; the result follows from the previous example.

EXAMPLE 3

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{Poi}(\mu)$. Then

$$\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow{P} E(X_i) = \mu.$$

Soln. We need to show the conditions for WLLN is satisfied; after that the conclusion follows.

We note $E(\bar{X}_n) = \mu$ & $\text{Var}(\bar{X}_n) = \frac{\mu}{n}$, which are both finite. The conclusion thus follows.

SOME USEFUL LIMIT THEOREMS (5.3)

CONVERGENCE OF MGFs

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be a sequence of rvs such that X_n has mgf $M_n(t)$.
Let X be a rv with mgf $M(t)$.
If there exists an $h > 0$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n(t) = M(t) \quad \forall t \in (-h, h),$$

then $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$.

CENTRAL LIMIT THEOREM (CLT)

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be iid with common mean μ & common variance $\sigma^2 < \infty$. *note they need to be iid !!

$$\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i.$$

Then the limiting distribution of $\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma}$ is $N(0, 1)$, ie

$$\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1).$$

Proof: We will use the above theorem to prove CLT.

① First, we find mgf of $\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma}$, $M_n(t)$

$$\text{mgf of } N(0, 1), M(t) = e^{t^2/2}.$$

② Show $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n(t) = e^{t^2/2}$ for $|t| < h$, where $h > 0$.

Step 1: Find mgf of $\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma}$.

First, see that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma} &= \frac{\sqrt{n}(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mu)}{\sigma} \\ &= \sqrt{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i - \mu}{\sigma}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } Y_i = \frac{X_i - \mu}{\sigma}. \text{ Then } E(Y_i) = 0 \text{ \& } \text{Var}(Y_i) = 1.$$

So

$$\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma} = \sqrt{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i.$$

Assume Y_i has mgf $M(t)$, & $M^{(k)}(t)$ exists for any k .

The mgf of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{Y_i}{\sqrt{n}}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} M_n(t) &= \prod_{i=1}^n M_{\frac{Y_i}{\sqrt{n}}}(t) \quad (\text{as } Y_i \text{ are independent}) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n M_{Y_i}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \\ &= [M(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}})]^n. \end{aligned}$$

Then we know

$$M(0) = 1 \quad (\text{by definition of } M(t))$$

$$M'(0) = E(Y_i) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} M''(0) &= E(Y_i^2) \\ &= \text{Var}(Y_i) + E(Y_i)^2 \\ &= 1 + 0^2 = 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{We want to show } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [M(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}})]^n = e^{t^2/2}.$$

Consider the Taylor expansion

$$\begin{aligned} M(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}) &= \frac{M(0)}{0!} + \frac{t}{\sqrt{n}} \frac{M'(0)}{1!} + \frac{t^2}{2n} \frac{M''(0)}{2!} + O(\frac{1}{n}) \\ &= 1 + \frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}(0) + \frac{t^2}{2n}(1) + O(\frac{1}{n}) \\ &= 1 + \frac{t^2}{2n} + O(\frac{1}{n}). \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [M(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}})]^n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [1 + \frac{t^2}{2n} + O(\frac{1}{n})]^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [1 + (\frac{t^2}{2}) \frac{1}{n} + O(\frac{1}{n})]^n \\ &= e^{t^2/2}. \quad (\text{by defn of } e^x) \end{aligned}$$

Since the mgf of $\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma}$ converges to that of $N(0, 1)$ for any $t \in \mathbb{R}$,

it follows that $\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$.

EXAMPLE 1

Suppose $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \chi_1^2$, $Y_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.

Show that

$$\frac{Y_n - n}{\sqrt{2n}} \xrightarrow{d} Z \sim N(0, 1).$$

Soln. We know

$$\frac{\sqrt{n}(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - E(X_i))}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X_i)}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1).$$

Previously, we showed $E(X_i) = E(\chi_1^2) = 1$ & $\text{Var}(X_i) = 2$.

Then

$$\frac{\sqrt{n}(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - E(X_i))}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X_i)}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \frac{Y_n - n}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{Y_n - n}{\sqrt{2n}},$$

and so

$$\frac{Y_n - n}{\sqrt{2n}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1).$$

EXAMPLE 2

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Poi}(\mu)$, & $Y_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.

Find the limiting distribution of $\frac{Y_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n\mu}}$.

Soln. We can directly apply CLT to solve this.

Note

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Y_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n\mu}} &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - n\mu}{\sqrt{n\mu}} = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mu)}{\sqrt{\mu}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - E(X_i))}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X_i)}} \end{aligned}$$

which $\xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$ by CLT.

CONTINUOUS MAPPING THEOREM

Let g be a continuous function.

Then

① If $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$, then $g(X_n) \xrightarrow{P} g(X)$.

② If $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$, then $g(X_n) \xrightarrow{d} g(X)$.

SLUTSKY'S THEOREM

Let $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$, $Y_n \xrightarrow{P} a$ (or $Y_n \xrightarrow{d} a$), where " a " is a constant.

Then

① $X_n + Y_n \xrightarrow{d} X + a$; &

② $X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{d} aX$

③ $\frac{X_n}{Y_n} \xrightarrow{d} \frac{X}{a}$ (if $a \neq 0$).

* If $Y_n \xrightarrow{d} Y$, we cannot say $X_n + Y_n \xrightarrow{d} X + Y$!

eg Take $X_1 = \dots = X_n = \dots = Z \sim N(0, 1)$, & $Y_n = X_n$.

Take $X = Z$, $Y = -Z$.

Then $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$ & $Y_n \xrightarrow{d} Y$.

But $X + Y = 0$ & $X_n - Y_n \sim N(0, 2)$. So $X_n - Y_n \not\xrightarrow{d} X + Y$.

EXAMPLE 4

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Poi}(\mu)$. Find the limiting distribution of $U_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sqrt{\bar{X}_n}}$ & $V_n = \sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)$.

Solⁿ. We showed

$$Z_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sqrt{\mu}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1).$$

By WLLN, $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{P} \mu$.

Thus, by cts mapping theorem, it follows that

$$\sqrt{\bar{X}_n} \xrightarrow{P} \sqrt{\mu}.$$

So, by Slutsky's theorem,

$$U_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sqrt{\bar{X}_n}} = \underbrace{\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sqrt{\mu}}}_{Z_n} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\mu}}{\sqrt{\bar{X}_n}}$$

Then $Z_n \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$, & by CLT, $\frac{\sqrt{\mu}}{\sqrt{\bar{X}_n}} \xrightarrow{P} 1$ as $\sqrt{\bar{X}_n} \xrightarrow{P} \sqrt{\mu}$.

Thus, by Slutsky's theorem,

$$U_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sqrt{\bar{X}_n}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1).$$

Next, consider

$$V_n = \sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu) = \underbrace{\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sqrt{\mu}}}_{Z_n} \cdot \sqrt{\mu}.$$

Then $Z_n \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$. So, by Slutsky's theorem,

$$V_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sqrt{\mu}} \cdot \sqrt{\mu} = \sqrt{\mu} \cdot Z_n \xrightarrow{d} \sqrt{\mu} \cdot Z.$$

Then $Z \sim N(0, 1) \Rightarrow \sqrt{\mu} Z \sim N(0, \mu)$.

EXAMPLE 5

Note

① $X_n \xrightarrow{P} a \Rightarrow X_n^2 \xrightarrow{P} a^2$ & $\sqrt{X_n} \xrightarrow{P} \sqrt{a}$ (if $a, X_n \geq 0$)

② If $X_n \xrightarrow{d} Z \sim N(0, 1)$, then

$$2X_n \xrightarrow{d} 2Z \sim N(0, 4) \text{ & }$$

$$X_n^2 \xrightarrow{d} Z^2 \sim \chi_1^2.$$

③ If $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X \sim N(0, 1)$, $Y_n \xrightarrow{P} b \neq 0$, then

$$X_n + Y_n \xrightarrow{d} X + b \sim N(b, 1)$$

$$X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{d} bX \sim N(0, b^2)$$

$$\frac{X_n}{Y_n} \xrightarrow{d} \frac{X}{b} \sim N(0, \frac{1}{b^2}).$$

EXAMPLE 6

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Unif}[0, 1]$, & $U_n = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i$.

Find the limiting distribution of

① e^{U_n}

② $\sin(1 - U_n)$

③ $e^{-n(1 - U_n)}$

④ $(U_n + 1)^2 [n(1 - U_n)]$.

① We know $U_n \xrightarrow{P} 1$ (from earlier); ie $U_n \xrightarrow{d} 1$.

So, by cts mapping thm, $e^{U_n} \xrightarrow{d} e^1 = e$.

② Since $U_n \xrightarrow{d} 1$, so by cts mapping thm

$$\sin(1 - U_n) \xrightarrow{d} \sin(1 - 1) = 0.$$

③ We have shown

$$n(1 - U_n) \xrightarrow{d} X, \quad X \sim \text{Exp}(1).$$

So, by cts mapping thm,

$$e^{-n(1 - U_n)} \xrightarrow{d} e^{-X}, \quad X \sim \text{Exp}(1).$$

Let $Y = e^{-X}$. The support of Y is $(0, 1)$, as $X \in (0, \infty)$.

So, when $y \leq 0$, $P(Y \leq y) = 0$, & $y \geq 1$, $P(Y \leq y) = 1$.

When $0 < y < 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y \leq y) &= P(e^{-X} \leq y) \\ &= P(X \geq -\ln(y)) \\ &= \int_{-\ln(y)}^{\infty} e^{-x} dx \\ &= [-e^{-x}]_{-\ln(y)}^{\infty} \\ &= e^{-\ln(y)} - 0 \\ &= y. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the pdf of Y is

$$g(y) = \begin{cases} 1 & , 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & , \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$$

ie $Y \sim \text{Unif}[0, 1]$.

④ Since $U_n \xrightarrow{d} 1$, thus by cts mapping thm

$$(U_n + 1)^2 \xrightarrow{d} (1 + 1)^2 = 4.$$

Thus $(U_n + 1)^2 \xrightarrow{P} 4$ as well.

Then $n(1 - U_n) \xrightarrow{d} X$, where $X \sim \text{Exp}(1)$.

So, by Slutsky's theorem,

$$(U_n + 1)^2 [n(1 - U_n)] \xrightarrow{d} 4X.$$

Let $Y = 4X$. The support of Y is $[0, \infty)$.

So when $y \leq 0$, $P(Y \leq y) = 0$.

When $y > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y \leq y) &= P(4X \leq y) \\ &= P(X \leq \frac{y}{4}) \\ &= \int_0^{y/4} e^{-x} dx \\ &= [-e^{-x}]_0^{y/4} \\ &= 1 - e^{-\frac{y}{4}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the pdf of Y is $\frac{1}{4} e^{-\frac{y}{4}}$, $y > 0$.

In particular $Y \sim \text{Exp}(4)$.

DELTA METHOD

1. We use this to find the limiting distribution of $g(\bar{X})$, $\sqrt{n}(g(\bar{X}) - g(\mu))$

2. Suppose that $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu) \xrightarrow{d} X \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$, and g is differentiable at $x = \mu$, $g'(\mu) \neq 0$.

Then

$$\sqrt{n}(g(\bar{X}) - g(\mu)) \xrightarrow{d} W \sim N(0, (g'(\mu))^2 \sigma^2).$$

How to understand this result?

Using first-order Taylor expansion,

$$g(\bar{X}) = g(\mu) + g'(\mu)(\bar{X} - \mu) + \text{high order}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{n}[g(\bar{X}) - g(\mu)] = \sqrt{n}[g'(\mu)(\bar{X} - \mu)] + \underbrace{\sqrt{n}[\text{high order}]}_{\text{negligible}}$$

So

$$\sqrt{n}[g(\bar{X}) - g(\mu)] \approx \underbrace{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}_{\xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2)} \cdot \underbrace{g'(\mu)}_{\text{constant}}.$$

Thus, by cts mapping thm,

$$g'(\mu) N(0, \sigma^2) = N(0, [g'(\mu)]^2 \sigma^2),$$

which shows the result.

3. Thus

$$g(\bar{X}) \sim N(g(\mu), \frac{g'(\mu)^2 \sigma^2}{n}) \text{ approximately}$$

Idea: Since $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2)$,

equivalently, $\bar{X} \approx N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$ approximately.

approx mean
approx variance

What is the approximate distribution of $g(\bar{X})$?

↳ Delta Method tells us that

$$\sqrt{n}(g(\bar{X}) - g(\mu)) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, (g'(\mu))^2 \sigma^2).$$

In other words,

$$g(\bar{X}) \approx N(g(\mu), \frac{g'(\mu)^2 \sigma^2}{n}).$$

EXAMPLE 1

1. Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Poi}(\mu)$. Find the limiting distribution of $Z_n = \sqrt{n}(\sqrt{\bar{X}_n} - \sqrt{\mu})$.

soln. From prev results, $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \mu)$.

Take $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$. By Delta method,

$$\sqrt{n}(\sqrt{\bar{X}_n} - \sqrt{\mu}) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, [g'(\mu)]^2 \sigma^2),$$

$$\text{where } g'(\mu) = \frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \Big|_{x=\mu} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\mu}}.$$

Since $\sigma^2 = \mu$, thus $[g'(\mu)]^2 \cdot \sigma^2 = \frac{1}{4}$.

$$\therefore \sqrt{n}(\sqrt{\bar{X}_n} - \sqrt{\mu}) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \frac{1}{4}).$$

EXAMPLE 2

1. Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Exp}(\text{mean} = \theta)$.

$$* \text{pdf} = \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}}, x \geq 0$$

Find the limiting distribution of

$$\textcircled{1} \bar{X}_n;$$

$$\textcircled{2} Z_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \theta)}{\bar{X}_n};$$

$$\textcircled{3} U_n = \sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \theta); \quad \&$$

$$\textcircled{4} V_n = \sqrt{n}(\log \bar{X}_n - \log \theta).$$

$$\textcircled{1} \bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i. \quad E(X_i) = \theta, \quad \text{Var}(X_i) = \theta^2 < \infty.$$

$\therefore$ By WLLN, $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{P} \theta$.

$$\textcircled{2} Z_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \theta)}{\underbrace{\bar{X}_n}_{\xrightarrow{P} \theta}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{\theta}{\bar{X}_n}}_{\xrightarrow{P} 1 \text{ (by below)}}.$$

$\xrightarrow{d} N(0,1)$ by CLT

If you take $g(x) = \frac{\theta}{x}$, by cts mapping thm $g(\bar{X}_n) \xrightarrow{P} g(\theta) = 1$.

So, by Slutsky's thm,

$$Z_n \xrightarrow{d} Z \cdot 1 = Z \sim N(0, 1).$$

$$\textcircled{3} U_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \theta)}{\underbrace{\bar{X}_n}_{\xrightarrow{d} N(0,1) \text{ by CLT}}} \cdot \theta.$$

Thus, by cts mapping theorem, if we take $g(x) = \theta x$,

$$U_n \xrightarrow{d} \theta Z \sim N(0, \theta^2), \quad \text{where } Z \sim N(0, 1).$$

$$\textcircled{4} V_n = \sqrt{n}(\log \bar{X}_n - \log \theta).$$

We know

$$\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \theta^2)$$

$$\text{Take } g(x) = \log x. \Rightarrow g'(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta}.$$

So, by Delta method,

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{n}(\log \bar{X}_n - \log \theta) &\xrightarrow{d} N(0, (g'(\theta))^2 \theta^2) \\ &= N(0, \frac{1}{\theta^2} \theta^2) \\ &= N(0, 1). \end{aligned}$$

Chapter 6:

Point Estimation

💡₁ Suppose $X_1, \dots, X_n$ are iid rv from $f(x; \theta)$.
 either a pf for discrete rvs, or pdf for continuous rvs).

💡₂ Here θ is unknown & consists of a finite number of unknown parameters, ie $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)^T$.
 θ could be a scalar ($k=1$) or vector ($k>1$).

eg¹ $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, 1)$, then $\theta = \mu$, a scalar.

eg² $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then $\theta = (\mu, \sigma^2)^T$, a vector.

we use column vector in statistics (convention).

PARAMETER SPACE: (H)

💡₁ (H) is the parameter space; it contains all possible values of θ .

eg¹ if $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, 1)$: $(H) = \{\mu: -\infty < \mu < \infty\}$

eg² if $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$: $(H) = \{\mu, \sigma^2\}^T: -\infty < \mu < \infty, \sigma^2 > 0\}$

DATA & OBSERVATION

💡₁ If $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} f(x; \theta)$, these are the data.

💡₂ Let $x_1, \dots, x_n$ be the observed values of $X_1, \dots, X_n$; these are not random.

STATISTIC

💡₁ A "statistic" is a function of data & does not depend on θ .

💡₂ We denote it by $T = T(X_1, \dots, X_n)$.

eg $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, 1)$.

$\Rightarrow \bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is a statistic.

But

$\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)$ is not a statistic.

ESTIMATOR & ESTIMATE

💡₁ If a statistic $T = T(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is used to estimate an unknown parameter θ , then

T is called an "estimator" of θ .

💡₂ An "estimate" is the observed value of T ;

ie $t = T(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is an estimate of θ .

eg $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, 1)$ & observed data $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$.

Then

$\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ (an estimator)

$\bar{x}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ (an estimate; an observed value of $\bar{X}_n$).

💡₃ We use $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ to denote an estimator for θ .

eg $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ & $E(X_i)$ are estimators of μ .

💡₄ We may also write $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ to be an estimate for θ .

METHOD OF MOMENTS (6.2)

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be iid with pdf $f(x; \theta)$, or pdf $f(x; \theta)$.

We want to estimate $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)^T$.

This will be a "method of moments" (MM) estimator.

Method:

① Let $\mu_j = E(X_i^j)$, $j=1, \dots, k$ be the j^{th} population moment.

Then μ_j is a function of $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)^T$.

② Let $\hat{\mu}_j = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^j$, $j=1, \dots, k$.

This is the " j^{th} sample moment".

- note $\hat{\mu}_j$ is an unbiased estimator of μ_j .
- $\hat{\theta}$ is an unbiased estimator of θ if $E(\hat{\theta}) = \theta$.

③ Then, we want to choose estimators $\hat{\theta}$ of θ such that

$$\mu_j(\hat{\theta}) = \mu_j((\hat{\theta}_1, \dots, \hat{\theta}_k)^T) = \hat{\mu}_j, \quad j=1, \dots, k.$$

$\hat{\theta}$ will be the MM estimator of θ .

EXAMPLE 1 (1-D CASE)

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be iid from

- $\text{Poi}(\theta)$
- $\text{Unif}[0, \theta]$; &
- $f(x; \theta) = \theta x^{\theta-1}$, $0 < x < 1$, $\theta > 0$.

Find the MM estimator of θ for each of them.

a) $\mu_1 = E(X_i) = \theta$. $\hat{\mu}_1 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.

Then, the MM estimator $\hat{\theta}$ satisfies

$$\mu_1(\hat{\theta}) = \hat{\mu}_1 \Rightarrow \hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \bar{X}.$$

b) $X_i \sim \text{Unif}[0, \theta]$.

Then $\mu_1 = E(X_i) = \frac{\theta}{2}$ & $\hat{\mu}_1 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.

Hence, the MM estimator of θ , $\hat{\theta}$, satisfies

$$\mu_1(\hat{\theta}) = \hat{\mu}_1 \Rightarrow \frac{\hat{\theta}}{2} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i.$$

Thus $\hat{\theta} = \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = 2\bar{X}$.

c) The pdf of X_i is $\theta x^{\theta-1}$, $0 < x < 1$.

Then
$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1 = E(X_i) &= \int_0^1 x \cdot \theta x^{\theta-1} dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \theta x^{\theta} dx \\ &= \left[\frac{\theta}{\theta+1} x^{\theta+1} \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{\theta}{\theta+1}, \end{aligned}$$

& $\hat{\mu}_1 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.

Hence, the MM estimator of θ , $\hat{\theta}$, satisfies

$$\mu_1(\hat{\theta}) = \hat{\mu}_1.$$

In other words,

$$\frac{\hat{\theta}}{\hat{\theta}+1} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \Rightarrow \hat{\theta} = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{1 - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i} = \frac{\bar{X}}{1-\bar{X}}.$$

EXAMPLE 2 (2-D CASE)

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, ie $\theta = (\mu, \sigma^2)^T$, $k=2$.

Find the MM estimator of θ .

Solⁿ. $\mu_1 = E(X_i) = \mu$. $\hat{\mu}_1 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

$$\mu_2 = E(X_i^2) = \mu^2 + \sigma^2.$$

$$\hat{\mu}_2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2.$$

The MM estimator of μ & σ^2 satisfies

$$\mu_1(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\sigma}^2) = \hat{\mu}_1$$

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i.$$

$$\mu_2(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\sigma}^2) = \hat{\mu}_2.$$

$$\Rightarrow (\hat{\mu})^2 + \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2.$$

Thus

$$\hat{\mu} = \bar{X}, \text{ \& }$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2.$$

MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD METHOD (6.3)

💡 This is the most commonly used method for estimating the unknown parameter θ .

LIKELIHOOD FUNCTION

💡₁ Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be iid with pf or pdf $f(x; \theta)$.

Let $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be the observed values of

$(X_1, \dots, X_n)$.

We calculate the joint pf or pdf of $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ at observed value $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$.

💡₂ Discrete case:

We want the joint pdf of $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ at $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$:

$$P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X = x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \theta)$$

(since X_i are iid)

💡₃ Continuous case:

We want the joint pdf of $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ at $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$:

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_{X_i}(x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \theta)$$

since X_i 's are iid

💡₄ We use $L(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n)$, or simply $L(\theta)$, to denote the likelihood function.

That is,

$$L(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \theta).$$

- the derivation is different in discrete vs cts
- but result is the same.

L is called the "likelihood function of θ ".

💡₅ Remark:

- ① "Likelihood" measures the possibility we get the observed value for a given θ .
- ② Smaller $L(\theta)$ indicates θ is less likely to generate the observed data;
- ③ Larger $L(\theta)$ indicates θ is more likely to generate the observed data.

METHOD

💡 Idea: Pick θ to maximize $L(\theta)$; ie pick θ such that it is most likely to generate the observed data.

MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD (ML) ESTIMATOR/ ESTIMATE

💡₁ The ML estimate maximizes $L(\theta)$;

we use $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ to denote the estimate.

💡₂ In particular,

$$\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \underset{\theta \in \Theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} L(\theta).$$

💡₃ The ML estimator is

$$\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(X_1, \dots, X_n).$$

LOG LIKELIHOOD FUNCTION

💡₁ The "log-likelihood function" is

$$\ell(\theta) = \log L(\theta).$$

💡₂ Then,

$$\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \underset{\theta \in \Theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \ell(\theta) = \underset{\theta \in \Theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} L(\theta).$$

INVARIANCE PRINCIPLE OF ML ESTIMATOR

💡 Let $\tau = g(\theta)$. Then the ML estimator of τ is

$$\hat{\tau} = g(\hat{\theta}),$$

where $\hat{\theta}$ is the ML estimator of θ .

EXAMPLE 1

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be iid from

- $\text{Poi}(\theta)$;
- $\text{Unif}[0, n]$;
- $f(x; \theta) = \theta x^{\theta-1}$, $0 < x < 1$, $\theta > 0$
- $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$.

Find the ML estimator of θ .

Soln. a) $L(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \theta)$
 $= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{-\theta} \theta^{x_i}}{x_i!}$
 $= \frac{\theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!} e^{-n\theta}$

Thus, the log likelihood function is

$$\ell(\theta) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) \log \theta - \sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i!) - n\theta$$

Then

$$\ell'(\theta) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) \frac{1}{\theta} - n$$

Set

$$\ell'(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{1}{\hat{\theta}} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - n = 0$$

Thus

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

Then, note

$$\ell''(\theta) = -\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta^2} < 0$$

which shows ℓ is concave, and so

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

is the ML estimator (MLE) of θ .

b) $X_i \sim \text{Unif}[0, \theta]$, $i=1, \dots, n$.

The likelihood function is

$$L(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \theta)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta} \mathbb{1}(0 \leq x_i \leq \theta)$$

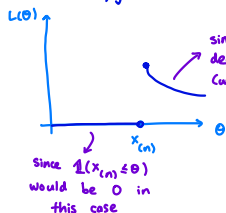
This is 1 if $0 \leq x_i \leq \theta$,
& 0 otherwise

$$= \frac{1}{\theta^n} \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(0 \leq x_i \leq \theta)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\theta^n} \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq 0) \mathbb{1}(x_{(n)} \leq \theta)$$

$x_{(1)} = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i$ $x_{(n)} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i$

Draw a figure:



Thus, $L(\theta)$ is maximized at $\hat{\theta} = x_{(n)}$.

$\therefore$ The ML estimator of θ

is

$$\hat{\theta} = X_{(n)} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i$$

* this is different from the MM estimator of θ .

c) $X_i \sim f(x; \theta) = \theta x^{\theta-1}$, $0 < x < 1$.

Thus, the likelihood function is

$$L(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \theta)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \theta x_i^{\theta-1}$$

$$= \theta^n \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^{\theta-1}$$

The log-likelihood function is

$$\ell(\theta) = n \log \theta + (\theta-1) \sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i)$$

Then

$$\ell'(\theta) = \frac{n}{\theta} + \sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i)$$

Find $\hat{\theta}$ that satisfies

$$\ell'(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{n}{\hat{\theta}} + \sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i) = 0$$

ie

$$\hat{\theta} = -\frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i)}$$

Then $\ell''(\theta) = -\frac{n}{\theta^2} < 0$, so ℓ is concave.

Thus $\hat{\theta} = -\frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i)}$ is the MLE of θ .

d) Likelihood function is

$$L(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$= (2\pi)^{-\frac{n}{2}} (\sigma^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

Then, the log-likelihood function is

$$\ell(\theta) = \log L(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{n}{2} \log(\sigma^2) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

Then

$$\frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial \mu} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)}{\sigma^2}, \quad \frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial (\sigma^2)} = -\frac{n}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}{2(\sigma^2)^2}$$

$$= -\frac{n}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^4}$$

We want to find $\hat{\mu}$ & $\hat{\sigma}^2$ s.t.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d\ell}{d\mu} \Big|_{\mu=\hat{\mu}, \sigma^2=\hat{\sigma}^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \hat{\mu})}{\hat{\sigma}^2} = 0 \\ \frac{d\ell}{d(\sigma^2)} \Big|_{\mu=\hat{\mu}, \sigma^2=\hat{\sigma}^2} = -\frac{n}{2\hat{\sigma}^2} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \hat{\mu})^2}{2(\hat{\sigma}^2)^2} = 0 \end{cases}$$

This evaluates to

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \hat{\mu})^2$$

So, the MLE of μ, σ^2 is

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \quad \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \hat{\mu})^2}{n}$$

PROPERTIES OF ML ESTIMATOR (6.4)

Here,

- ① We consider θ to be a scalar ($k=1$)
- ② We consider the ML estimator (a r.v.)
- ③ The support of X_i does not depend on θ .
eg we cannot apply the thms here to $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Unif}[0, \theta]$.

SCORE FUNCTION: $S(\theta)$

The "score function" is

$$S(\theta) = S(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{dL(\theta)}{d\theta} = \frac{d \log L(\theta)}{d\theta}$$

If the support of X_i does not depend on θ , then

$$S(\hat{\theta}) = 0,$$

where $\hat{\theta}$ is the ML estimate.

INFORMATION FUNCTION: $I(\theta)$

The "information function" is

$$I(\theta) = - \frac{d^2 L(\theta)}{d\theta^2} = - \frac{dS(\theta)}{d\theta}.$$

* I depends on $x_1, \dots, x_n$.

FISHER INFORMATION: $J(\theta)$

The "fisher information" is

$$J(\theta) = E[I(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n)].$$

When $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} f(x; \theta)$, then

$$L(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(x_i; \theta),$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} S(\theta) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{d \log f(x_i; \theta)}{d\theta} \\ I(\theta) &= - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{d^2 \log f(x_i; \theta)}{d\theta^2} \\ J(\theta) &= E[I(\theta; X_1, \dots, X_n)] = -nE\left[\frac{d^2 \log f(X_1; \theta)}{d\theta^2}\right]. \end{aligned}$$

Let these are rvs!

$$J_1(\theta) = -E\left[\frac{d^2 \log f(X_1; \theta)}{d\theta^2}\right];$$

this is the information contained in one observation.

Then $J(\theta) = nJ_1(\theta)$; the information in n observations.

EXAMPLE 1

Recall: $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Poi}(\theta)$.
We showed the MLE of θ is $\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.
So $\text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{\theta}{n}$.
Find $J(\hat{\theta})$.

Soln. Note

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\theta^{x_i}}{x_i!} e^{-\theta} \\ \therefore L(\theta) &= - \sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i!) - n\theta + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) \log \theta. \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\Rightarrow S(\theta) = \frac{dL(\theta)}{d\theta} = \frac{1}{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - n.$$

$$\Rightarrow I(\theta) = - \frac{dS(\theta)}{d\theta} = \frac{1}{\theta^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

So,

$$J(\theta) = E[I(\theta; X_1, \dots, X_n)]$$

$$= E\left(\frac{1}{\theta^2} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right)$$

$$= n \cdot E\left(\frac{X_1}{\theta^2}\right) = \frac{n}{\theta^2} E(X_1) = \frac{n}{\theta}.$$

Since $\text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{\theta}{n}$, thus $\text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{1}{J(\theta)}$.

UNBIASED ESTIMATOR

An estimator T is said to be an "unbiased" estimator of $\tau = g(\theta)$ if

$$E(T) = \tau \quad \forall \theta \in \mathcal{R}.$$

If $E(T) \neq \tau$, then T is a "biased" estimator of τ .

The "bias" of T is

$$\text{Bias}(T) = E(T) - \tau.$$

CRAMER-RAO (CR) LOWER BOUND

If T is an unbiased estimator of τ , then necessarily

$$\text{Var}(T) \geq \frac{[g'(\theta)]^2}{J(\theta)}, \quad T = T(X_1, \dots, X_n).$$

MEAN SQUARED ERROR

The "mean squared error" of $\hat{\theta}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MSE}(\hat{\theta}) &= E[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2] \\ &= [\text{Bias}(\hat{\theta})]^2 + \text{Var}(\hat{\theta}). \end{aligned}$$

ASYMPTOTIC NORMALITY OF MLE

Under some regularity conditions (one of these conditions

is the support of X_i does not depend on θ):

if $\hat{\theta}$ is the MLE of θ , then

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \hat{\theta} \xrightarrow{P} \theta \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad \text{consistency}$$

$\hookrightarrow$ this shows $\hat{\theta}$ is close to θ when n is sufficiently large.

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} N\left(0, \frac{1}{J_1(\theta)}\right)$$

By Delta method,

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\tau} - \tau) \xrightarrow{d} N\left(0, \frac{[g'(\theta)]^2}{J_1(\theta)}\right),$$

where $\tau = g(\theta)$, & $\hat{\tau}$ is the MLE of τ .

④ In particular, ② implies

$$\hat{\theta} \approx N\left(\theta, \frac{1}{nJ_1(\theta)}\right).$$

so that $E(\hat{\theta}) = \theta$ & $\text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) \approx \frac{1}{nJ_1(\theta)} = \frac{1}{J(\theta)}$.

$\hookrightarrow$ this is the CR lower bound!

⑤ Thus,

$$\hat{\tau} = g(\hat{\theta}) \approx N\left(\tau, \frac{[g'(\theta)]^2}{nJ_1(\theta)}\right).$$

so that $E(\hat{\tau}) \approx \tau$ & $\text{Var}(\hat{\tau}) \approx \frac{[g'(\theta)]^2}{nJ_1(\theta)} = \frac{[g'(\theta)]^2}{J(\theta)}$.

EXAMPLE 1

- Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Poi}(\theta)$. Find
- the MLE of θ , $\hat{\theta}$;
 - the ML estimator of $\tau = P(X_1=0)$, $\hat{\tau}$;
 - the limiting distribution of $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}-\theta)$;
 - the limiting distribution of $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\tau}-\tau)$; &
 - $E(\hat{\tau})$ & $E(\hat{\theta})$.

Solⁿ. ① From previous results,

$$\hat{\theta} = \bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i.$$

$$\tau = P(X_1=0) = e^{-\theta}.$$

So, by the invariance property of ML estimator,

$$\hat{\tau} = e^{-\hat{\theta}}.$$

$$\textcircled{2} \sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}-\theta).$$

Method 1: Under regularity conditions (which $\text{Poi}(\theta)$ satisfies):

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}-\theta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \frac{1}{J_1(\theta)}).$$

$$\text{As } J(\theta) = \frac{n}{\theta} = n J_1(\theta) \Rightarrow J_1(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta}.$$

So

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}-\theta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \theta).$$

Method 2: Use CLT:

$$\frac{\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}-\theta)}{\sqrt{\theta}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1) \Rightarrow \sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}-\theta) \xrightarrow{d} \sqrt{\theta} \cdot N(0,1) = N(0, \theta).$$

$$\textcircled{4} \sqrt{n}(\hat{\tau}-\tau).$$

Method 1: Under regularity conditions,

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\tau}-\tau) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \frac{[g'(\theta)]^2}{n J_1(\theta)}).$$

$$\text{Then } \tau = g(\theta) = e^{-\theta} \Rightarrow [g'(\theta)]^2 = (-e^{-\theta})^2 = e^{-2\theta}.$$

$$\text{Also } J_1(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} \text{ from earlier. Thus}$$

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\tau}-\tau) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \theta e^{-2\theta}).$$

Method 2: Delta method.

Take $g(\theta) = e^{-\theta}$. Then

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\tau}-\tau) = \sqrt{n}(g(\hat{\theta})-g(\theta)) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, [g'(\theta)]^2 \cdot \theta) = N(0, \theta \cdot e^{-2\theta}).$$

$$\textcircled{5} \hat{\theta} = \bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

$$\Rightarrow E(\hat{\theta}) = E(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i) = \theta.$$

$$E(\hat{\tau}) = E(e^{-\bar{X}_n})$$

$$= E(e^{-\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}).$$

$$\text{Let } T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i. \Rightarrow T \sim \text{Poi}(n\theta). \text{ So}$$

$$E(\hat{\tau}) = E(e^{-T/n}).$$

We could then calculate $E(e^{-T/n}) = M_T(\frac{1}{n})$, or

alternatively

$$\begin{aligned} E(e^{-T/n}) &= \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{t}{n}} \frac{1}{n!} P(T=t) \\ &= \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{t}{n}} \frac{(n\theta)^t}{t!} e^{-n\theta} \\ &= e^{-n\theta} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \frac{(e^{-\frac{1}{n}} n\theta)^t}{t!} \\ &= e^{-n\theta} e^{e^{-\frac{1}{n}} n\theta - n\theta} \end{aligned}$$

😊 good luck!