

In the last class we observed that whenever  $P[X=x] \neq 0$ , the distribution function  $F_X(x)$  is not continuous at  $x$ . Now we want to study such class of distribution functions which are discontinuous at countable number of points. Here goes the formal definition:

### DISCRETE RANDOM VARIABLE:

A random variable  $X$  is called a discrete random variable if ~~if~~ there exists a countable set  $E$  such that:

$$P[X \in E] = 1$$

In other words  $P[X \notin E] = 0$ .

Let the set  $E$  be  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ . Now without loss of generality we can assume  $x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots$  and also assume  $P[X=x_i] \neq 0 \forall x_i \in E$ .

Now by the very defn. of discrete r.v. we have:  $\sum_{x_i \in E} P[X=x_i] = 1$ .

It is easy to see that the distribution function of  $X$  can now be written in terms of  $P[X=x_i]$  as follows:

$$F_X(x) = \sum_{\substack{x_i: x_i \leq x, \\ x_i \in E}} P[X=x_i]$$

This shows that given the values of  $P[X=x_i]$ , the distribution function gets uniquely determined.

$$\text{Hence, } P\{X=x_i\} = P\{X \leq x_i\} - P\{X < x_i\}$$

$$\downarrow F_X(x_i) \quad \downarrow F_X(x_i^-) \rightarrow (\text{the left limit})$$

Hence specifying  $P\{X=x_i\} \forall x_i \in E$  is equivalent to specifying the distribution function  $F_X(x)$  and vice-versa.

We give a name to the  $P\{X=x_i\}$  as probability mass function :

$$f_X(x_i) \equiv \begin{cases} P\{X=x_i\} & \text{if } x_i \in E \\ 0 & \text{if } x_i \notin E \end{cases}$$

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} P\{X=x_i\} & \text{if } x=x_i \in E \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin E \end{cases}$$

In case of discrete r.v. we always specify the prob. mass function (p.m.f.) i.e.  $f_X(x)$  instead of distribution function  $F_X(x)$ .

Now, the only constraints on  $f_X$  are as follows:

- i)  $0 \leq f_X(x_i) \leq 1 \quad \forall x_i \in E \quad (\because \text{defn. of } f_X) \quad (I)$
- ii)  $\sum_{x_i \in E} f_X(x_i) = 1 \quad (\because P\{X \in E\} = 1)$

Recall that this is exactly what we did when we looked for "valid" probability functions on countable sets! (So we already know some e.g. like geometric series etc. do the job)

We explore some special discrete r.v. now:

### (Discrete) Uniform R.V.

Our first eg. is as follows:

Consider the set  $E = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  & the pmf:  $f_X(i) = \frac{1}{n}, \forall i \in E$

It is easy to verify  $f_X$  is a valid p.m.f. ( $n$  is a parameter)

Now this can be applied to any situation where we know the outcomes are "equally likely". This basically "models" the classical probability. e.g. coin toss, throwing die etc.

### Bernoulli R.V.

Consider the set  $E = \{0, 1\}$  & the pmf:  $f_X(1) = p, f_X(0) = 1-p$

Here  $0 \leq p \leq 1$  is a parameter. Again  $f_X$  satisfies (I) and hence is a valid p.m.f.

This r.v. models all random expts. with two outcomes. For e.g. coin toss, manufacture of good/bad parts etc. Such expts. are known as Bernoulli trials (i.e. expts. with two outcomes). Usually in a Bernoulli trial one of the two outcomes is called success and the other failure ( $X=0$ ). Hence prob. of success is  $p$ .

### Binomial R.V.

Consider the set  $E = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1, n\}$  & the pmf:  $f_X(i) = {}^n C_i p^i (1-p)^{n-i} \quad \forall i \in E$

Here  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  &  $0 \leq p \leq 1$  are two parameters to the Binomial random variable. Now lets check if  $f_X$  is a p.m.f:

It is obvious that  $f_X(i) \geq 0 \quad \forall i \in E$

So we need to verify if  $\sum_{i=0}^n {}^n C_i p^i (1-p)^{n-i} = 1$ . This is indeed true because  $\sum = (p + (1-p))^n = 1^n = 1$ . Hence  $f_X$  is a valid p.m.f.

Binomial r.v. can be employed to "model" probability of 'k' successes in n independent Bernoulli trials. Recall the defn. of Bernoulli trial: it is a rand. expt with two outcomes: success (prob. p) and failure (prob. 1-p). Now let us denote why a binomial r.v. the prob. space of ~~the~~<sup>the i<sup>th</sup></sup> Bernoulli trial by  $(\Omega_i, \mathcal{F}_i, P_i)$ . Here  $\Omega_i = \{\text{Success}(S), \text{Failure}(F)\}$ ,  $P_i(S) = p$  &  $P_i(F) = 1-p$ .  $\forall i = 1 \text{ to } n$  Bernoulli trials.

Now consider the combined expt of all the n Bernoulli trials. The sample space of this is  $\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 \times \dots \times \Omega_n$ . Now consider this singleton event of the combined expt:  $\{( \underbrace{S, S, \dots, S}_k, \underbrace{F, F, \dots, F}_{n-k} )\} = A$ . In words this event is nothing but the event where first k trials were a success & the remaining n-k trials were failures.

Now consider the event: We want to calculate prob. of events in combined expt. using probabilities  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$ .

$$A_1 = \{ (S, w_2, w_3, \dots, w_n) \mid w_2 \in \Omega_2, w_3 \in \Omega_3, \dots, w_n \in \Omega_n \}$$

In words, this event is the event of a success in 1st trial. Similarly define  $A_i$  for  $i = 1 \text{ to } n$ . Note that  $A_i: i=1 \text{ to } k$  represent success in  $i^{\text{th}}$  trial.  $A_i: i=k+1 \text{ to } n$  failures in  $i^{\text{th}}$  trial.

$$\text{It is easy to see that } A = A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_n$$

Now let P be a prob. function of the sample space

$$\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 \times \dots \times \Omega_n$$

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$$\text{So, } P(A) = P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_n)$$

$= P(A_1) P(A_2) \dots P(A_n) \rightarrow$  we assume each trial is independent of others so the event  $A_i$  are independent of each other

This is the assumption of Independent trials.

Now we take  $P(A_1) = P_1(\{S\})$ ,  $P(A_2) = P_2(\{S\}) \dots P_{n+1}(\{S\}) = P_n(\{S\})$  and so on

i.e. we construct the prob. in the combined exp. with  $\Omega = \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 \times \dots \times \Omega_n$  such that it is "consistent" with the probabilities  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n$  in the individual trials!

~~Using similar argument~~

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence we have } P(A) &= P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_n) \\ &= P(A_1) P(A_2) \dots P(A_n) \\ &= P_1(\{S\}) P_2(\{S\}) \dots P_k(\{S\}) P_{k+1}(\{F\}) \dots P_n(\{F\}) \\ &= \underbrace{p^k}_{\substack{\text{Assumption of identical trials} \\ \left\{ \vphantom{\frac{1}{1}} \right.}} \cdot \underbrace{(1-p)^{n-k}}_{\substack{\text{Assumption of consistency} \\ \left. \vphantom{\frac{1}{1}} \right\}}} \end{aligned}$$

Now we have that prob. of first  $k$  trials a success & next ' $n-k$ ' trials failure  $= p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$ . Now actually prob. of any  $k$  trials success & remaining failures is again  $p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$ . But there are exactly  ${}^n C_k$  ways  $k$  successes can happen in  $n$  trials.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence prob. of } k \text{ successes} &= \underbrace{p^k (1-p)^{n-k} + \dots + p^k (1-p)^{n-k}}_{\substack{\text{in } n \text{ trials}}} \\ &= {}^n C_k p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \end{aligned}$$

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Now let us ask a slightly different but related question: "what is prob. that the number of trials ~~that can take place~~<sup>for realizing</sup> the first success is 'k'." As we shall see below a geometric r.v. helps us to model this:

### Geometric R.V.

Consider the set  $E = \{1, 2, \dots\}$ , i.e.  $E = \mathbb{N}$ . (Note that this is the first ex. for the countably infinite discrete r.v.). Define pmf as  $f_X(x_i) = p(1-p)^{x_i-1}$  for  $x_i \in E$ . It is routine to verify this  $f_X$  is indeed a valid pmf.

This random variable models the trial at which the first success occurs in a sequence of ~~dependent~~<sup>identical and independent</sup> Bernoulli trials. (1IB trials)

$X$  = trial at which the first success occurred

It is easy to  $X$  can take values of  $\{1, 2, \dots\}$  which is exactly the set  $E$  for geometric r.v. Also, using the ideas discussed in the previous section for analyzing 1IB trials, we have:

$$P\{X=k\} = p(1-p)^{k-1}$$

Hence a geometric variable is suitable to model "trial at which first success occurs". Now, let us look at:

$$P\{X \geq m\} = 1 - P\{X \leq m\} = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^m p(1-p)^{i-1} = 1 - p \frac{1-(1-p)^m}{1-(1-p)} = (1-p)^m$$

Also,  $P\{X > k+m / X \geq k\} = P\{(k+m, \infty) / (k, \infty)\} = P\{(k+m, \infty) \cap (k, \infty)\}$

This important observation that,  $P\{X > k+m / X > k\} = P\{X > m\}$  is called the 'memory less' property. In words it says that prob. of achieving success after  $m$  steps is same irrespective of how many trials have been performed.

$$= \frac{P_X((k, \infty))}{P_X((k+m, \infty))} = \frac{(1-p)^{\infty-k}}{(1-p)^{\infty-(k+m)}} = \frac{(1-p)^m}{(1-p)^{m+k}} = P\{X > m\}$$

In this lecture we will first complete our discussions on discrete r.v. by presenting the Poisson r.v. Then we will move on to continuous r.v. - their definition, examples and applications.

### Poisson R.V.

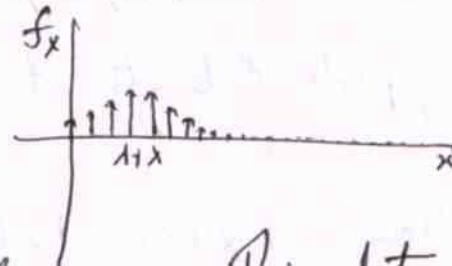
$E = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ , the set of whole numbers.

pmf:  $f_x(x_i) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^{x_i}}{x_i!}$  for  $x_i \in E$ , where  $\lambda > 0$  is a parameter.

It's easy to verify  $f_x$  is non-negative &  $\sum_{x_i=0}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda} \left( \frac{\lambda^{x_i}}{x_i!} \right) = e^{-\lambda} \left( 1 + \underbrace{\lambda + \frac{\lambda^2}{2!} + \dots} \right) = 1$

Hence  $f_x$  is indeed a valid pmf. Now let's plot this pmf: for that let's try to look at the ratio of pmf values at two consecutive numbers:

$$\frac{f_x(k+1)}{f_x(k)} = \frac{\lambda}{k+1}$$



In other words,  $f_x$  increases till  $\lambda-1$  & then decreases. This plot is similar to the binomial case; the difference being that this extends to all (whole) numbers. The distribution function again is an (infinite) staircase of equal length steps by heights proportional to  $f_x$  values.

In fact, after the study of concept of convergence of r.v., one can show that the binomial distribution "converges" to the poisson distribution in the case  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $p \rightarrow 0$  such that  $np = \lambda$ ,

In other words,

$P[X_b=k]$ $\downarrow$ $n C_k p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$	$P[X_p=k]$ $\downarrow$ $e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}$	$X_b \rightarrow$ binomial r.v. $X_p \rightarrow$ poisson r.v.
$\xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty, p \rightarrow 0]{np = \lambda}$		
<small>(no. terms large) (no. of successions each trial is low)</small>		

Recall that Binomial r.v. can model "no. successes in Bernoulli trials".

Hence, by the above relation, we can say that the Poisson R.V. can be used to model 'no. of ~~successes~~<sup>occurrences</sup> of a rare event in large no. B. trials.'

Eg: A person keeps buying lottery tickets. The no. times he wins a lottery follows Poisson distribution (why?)

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Till now we have looked at random variable which took discrete values and had discontinuous distribution functions. Now lets turn our attention to r.v. whose distribution functions are continuous (infact absolutely conts.) who we already discussed:

In other words r.v. with continuous distribution functions cannot have  $P\{X=x\} \neq 0$  for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  ! Hence we cannot have a "pmf" function in this case. The idea is to have a prob. density function (pdf) instead ~~and~~ and finding area under the density function would give probabilities.

More formally we define Continuous r.v. as follows:

## CONTINUOUS R.V.

A r.v.  $X$  is called a continuous r.v. if there exists a function  $f_X : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , called the probability density function (pdf), such that:

$$P_X(B) = \int_B f_X(x) dx \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}$$

↓  
we know how to calculate  
integrals when  $B$  are intervals etc.

induced prob. function  
with r.v.  $X$

Boolean-algebra.

Here goes an intuition why  $f_X$  is called a pdf:

Suppose we consider  $B = (x - \varepsilon_L, x + \varepsilon_R)$  where  $\varepsilon$  is tiny, i.e.  $B$  is a small interval around  $x$ . Then,  $P_X((x - \varepsilon_L, x + \varepsilon_R)) = \int_{x-\varepsilon_L}^{x+\varepsilon_R} f_X(y) dy = \varepsilon f_X(x)$

In other words  $f_X(x) = \frac{P_X((x - \varepsilon_L, x + \varepsilon_R))}{\varepsilon}$  for  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . Since  $f_X$  is ratio of prob. & lengths it is called as 'prob. density'.

$$\text{Now, } F_X(x) = P_X(-\infty, x] = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(y) dy \quad \text{(I)}$$

In other words, given the p.d.f., the dist. func.  $F_X(x)$  is fixed. Functions like  $F_X$  which are expressible as integral over functions like  $f_X$  are known as absolutely continuous functions. Absolute continuity is a stricter condition than continuity. In fact, we even know that  $F_X$  is differentiable:

$$\frac{dF_X(x)}{dx} = f_X(x) \quad \forall x \text{ at which } f_X \text{ is continuous.} \quad \text{(II)}$$

Now since one can obtain the dist. function  $F_X$  given  $f_X$  (pdf) and vice-versa, we characterize continuous r.v. using pdfs.

Let's look at some properties of the pdf:

pdf ( $f_x$ ) satisfies:

(i) Non-negativity: i.e.  $f_x(x) \geq 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ . This follows from the monotonicity of  $F_x$ . Since  $F_x$  is an order  $f_x$ , there is no way the  $F_x$  (area) can monotonically increase if  $f_x < 0$ . Mathematically:

$$x_1 \leq x_2 \Rightarrow F_x(x_2) - F_x(x_1) = P_x(f_x, x_2) = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f_x(y) dy \geq 0 \quad \forall x_1 \leq x_2 \\ \Rightarrow f_x(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x.$$

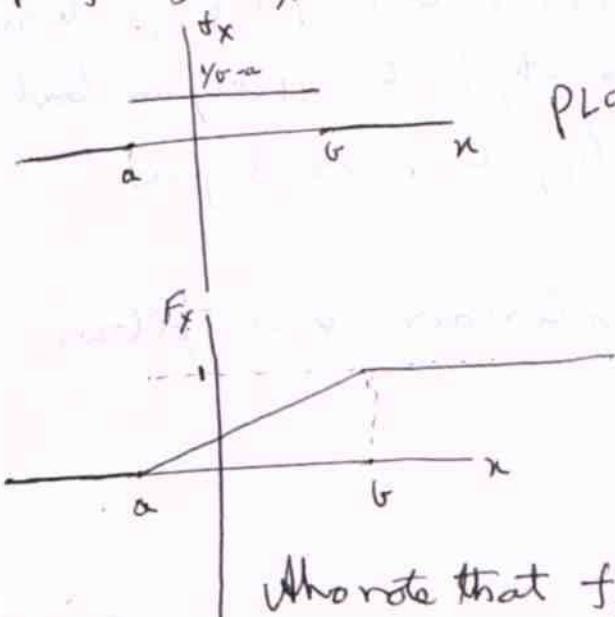
(ii) Unit-area: We have,  $1 = P_x(\mathbb{R}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_x(u) du$ . Hence the area under  $f_x$  must be unity.

Any function which satisfies these two conditions we called it a prob. density function (pdf). Let us look at some eg. of conts. r.v.

(conts.) Uniform R.V.

pdf:  $f_x(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & \text{if } x \in [a, b] \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin [a, b] \end{cases}$  Here ~~a, b~~  <sup>$a < b$</sup>  are two parameters.

It is trivial to check  $f_x$  is indeed a pdf. Now the plots of pdf &  $F_x$  are:



Note the relations (I), (II) from the ~~plots~~ graphs. The points where  $F_x$  is not differentiable is exactly where  $f_x$  is discontinuous.

Observe that  $1/(b-a)$  can be  $> 1$ . So there is no reason to believe in general that  $f_x(x) \leq 1$ . (So  $f_x(x)$  need not be  $\leq 1$ )

Also note that  $f_x(a)$ ,  $f_x(b)$  ~~can be defined as non-zero~~ can be changed to arbitrary values without changing  $F_x$ !

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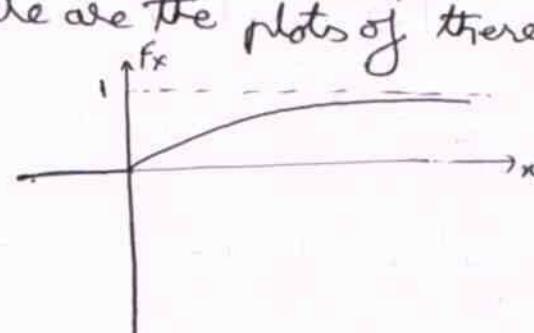
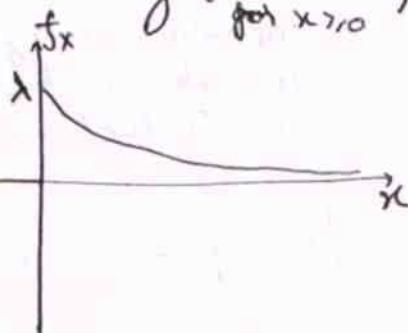
Exponential R.V.

pdf:  $f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$   $\lambda > 0$  is a parameter

Again  $f_X(x) \geq 0$ . Also,  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = -e^{-\lambda x} \Big|_0^{\infty} = 1$ . Hence  $f_X(x)$  is a valid pdf.

Now,  $F_X(x) = \int P[X \leq x] = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(y) dy = \int_0^x \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy = e^{-\lambda y} \Big|_0^x = 1 - e^{-\lambda x}$ .

$f_X(x)$  is an exponential decay function of  $x$  for  $x \geq 0$ , whereas  $F_X$  is a negative exp. decay (no concave). Here are the plots of these functions:



Now, similar to the geometric r.v. in discrete case, exponential d.s.v. satisfies the memory-less property:

TST  $P[X > x+y | X > y] = P[X > x] \quad \forall x, y \geq 0$ .

Proof:  $P[X > x] = 1 - F_X(x) = e^{-\lambda x} \quad \forall x \geq 0$ .

$$P[X > x+y | X > y] = \frac{P[X > x+y \cap X > y]}{P[X > y]} = \frac{P[X > x+y]}{P[X > y]} = \frac{e^{-\lambda(x+y)}}{e^{-\lambda y}} = e^{-\lambda x} = P[X > x]$$

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One can show the converse also i.e. if  $X$  is a conts. r.v. which is non-negative and satisfies memory-less property then  $X$  MUST be exponential r.v.

Proof: From above proof we have that memory-less property is same as:

$$P[X > x+y] = P[X > x]P[X > y] \quad \forall x, y \geq 0$$

Now use the fact that  $X$  is a r.v., this gives:

$$[1 - F_X(x+y)] = [1 - F_X(x)][1 - F_X(y)]$$

Note this does not say the events  $X > x, X > y$  are "independent" ⑤

Now call  $G_{\bar{X}}(n) \equiv 1 - F_X(n)$ . We know that  $F_X(n)$  is a continuous function, hence  $G_{\bar{X}}(n)$  is a conts. function which satisfies:

$$G_{\bar{X}}(n+y) = G_{\bar{X}}(n) G_{\bar{X}}(y) \quad \forall n, y \geq 0. \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now,  
 $G_{\bar{X}}\left(\frac{m}{n}\right) = G_{\bar{X}}\left(\underbrace{\frac{1}{n} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}}_{m \text{ times}}\right) = G_{\bar{X}}^m\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \quad (\because \text{repeated application of (1)})$

Also, if  $m=n$ , we have  $G_{\bar{X}}(1) = G_{\bar{X}}^n(1/n) \Rightarrow G_{\bar{X}}(1/n) = (G_{\bar{X}}(1))^{1/n}$

Hence,  $G_{\bar{X}}\left(\frac{m}{n}\right) = (G_{\bar{X}}(1))^{\frac{m}{n}}$ .

So we proved that  $G_{\bar{X}}$  is a power function for all rationals  $\frac{m}{n}$ .  
 By continuity of  $G_{\bar{X}}$ ,  $G_{\bar{X}}$  must be a power function for all reals  $(\geq 0)$ .

$$\Rightarrow G_{\bar{X}}(n) = (G_{\bar{X}}(1))^n \quad \forall n \geq 0.$$

Now  $G_{\bar{X}}(1) = P_{\bar{X}}[X > 1]$ . Hence  $0 < G_{\bar{X}}(1) < 1$ . Because of this I can choose a  $\lambda > 0$  such that  $\lambda = -\log(G_{\bar{X}}(1))$ .

$$\Rightarrow G_{\bar{X}}(n) = e^{-\lambda n}, \quad \lambda > 0. \quad \forall n \geq 0.$$

$\Rightarrow F_X(x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda x} \quad \forall x \geq 0 \quad (\lambda > 0)$ . Which is nothing but the distribution function of an exponential r.v. Hence proved.

Thus in non-negative conts. r.v., memory-less property is unique to Exponential r.v. Now, encouraged by this, we can apply exp. r.v. to model all cases (conts. versions) for which geometric r.v. was applicable. (Recall that geometric r.v. also is the only memory-less discrete r.v.)  
 $\therefore$  Exp. r.v. can model waiting time for a successful event.

However care needs to taken (as in case of geometric r.v.) that the physical situation make not support the memory-less property.

For eg.: Suppose we model the time to failure of a T.V. by an exponential random variable. Then we will be making an absurd statement as follows:

"Let prob. of T.V. working for 10 yrs. be 0.7. Then given that it already worked for 10 years, the prob. that it works for 10 more yrs. is again 0.7".

### Normal R.V.

$$\text{pdf: } f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Appears in many many applications. And needs no introduction.

$f_X$  is indeed non-negative. To show that  $f_X$  is a valid pdf, we need to show that:

$$I \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} dx = 1.$$

Proof: Consider the integral,

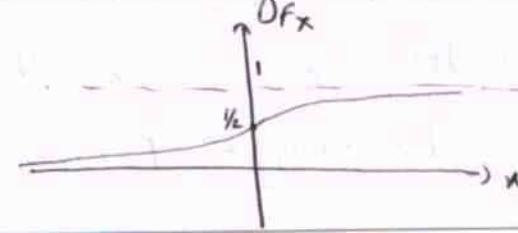
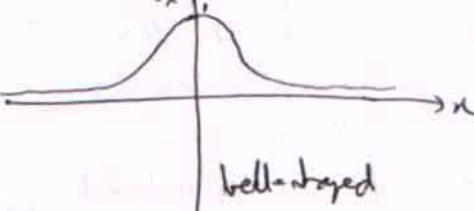
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-(x^2+y^2)/2} dy dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} dx \right] \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-y^2/2} dy = I^2.$$

Now transform the integral  $I^2$  using polar coordinates:

$$I^2 = \int_0^{2\pi} \left[ \int_0^{\infty} e^{-r^2/2} r dr \right] \frac{1}{2\pi} d\theta = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-r^2/2} dr = -e^{-r^2/2} \Big|_0^{\infty} = 1$$

$\Rightarrow I = 1$  ~~because~~ ( $I \neq 1$  because  $I$  is integral of non-negative function).

Unfortunately  $F_X(u) = \int_{-\infty}^u \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} dx$  cannot be computed in closed form. However can be computed using numerical integration. Here are the graphs:



Consider the following random experiment: "Choose a random circle centered at origin and having radius between 0 & 1. Assume all radii are equally likely". Let the probability space for this exp. be  $P = (\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ .

Now, consider a random variable "R" defined on this probability space, which in words is "radius of the circle". In other words, R is a r.v. following uniform distribution between  $[0, 1]$ .

Consider another mapping from  $\Omega$  onto  $\mathbb{R}$ , which is "A": "area of the circle". ~~Is this~~ Now Note that for each circle  $\omega \in \Omega$ , we have:

$$A(\omega) = \pi(R(\omega))^2.$$

~~Getting~~ Defining a new function  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $g(x) = \pi x^2$ , it is easy to see that  $A = g \circ R$ , where ' $\circ$ ' denotes composition of functions. In other words,  $A(\omega) = g(g \circ R(\omega)) = g(R(\omega)) + \text{well}$ .

We denote this as  $A = g(R)$  (abuse of notation?)

Now obvious questions are:

- i) Given that R is a r.v., Is  $A = g(R)$  ~~also~~ a "valid" r.v?
- ii) If no, what is the distribution of the new random variable A, which is defined in terms of ~~another~~ r.v. R? (In particular, what is the distribution of the r.v "Area of circle", given that "R: radius of circle" follows uniform distribution in  $[0, 1]$ ?)

In this lecture, we try to answer the above question and in general, study the notion of functions of R.V.s.

Now, let's answer question(i):

The only thing we need to check is whether:

$$A^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{F} \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{L}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (g \circ R)^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{F} \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{L}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow R^{-1}(g^{-1}(B)) \in \mathcal{F} \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{L}$$

Now suppose  $g^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{F} \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{L}$ , then since  $R^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{L} \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{L}$ , by the very fact that  $R$  is a RV, we have that

(I)  $g^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{L}, \forall B \in \mathcal{L}$  is sufficient for  $A$  being a valid rv.

Now  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . One can show (not in this class) that if  $g$  is conts. then the above contd. is met. In other word if  $g$  is conts then  $A$  is assured to be rv.

(In our case,  $g(x) = \pi x^2$ , so indeed  $A$  is a rv.)

Also note that contd. (I) itself implies that  $g$  is a valid rv. with initial probability space as  $P_R = (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{L}, P_R)$ !

So now we exploit this fact and attempt defining prob. wrt.  $A$  using  $P_R$  (same thing as we did in case of defining rv!)

We define  $P_A(B) = P_R(g^{-1}(B)) \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{L}$

It is easy to check that  $P_A$  is a valid prob. function because  $g$  is itself a rv. on  $P_R$  (as noted above).

To give an overall picture:

$$P = (r, \theta, P)$$

→ something like picking circles at random

$$P_x = (R, \beta, P_x)$$

→  $X$  is something like "radius of circle"  
 $X$  is a r.v.

$$P_y = (R, \beta, P_y)$$

→  $Y$  is something like "area of circle"  
 $g$  is like  $\pi R^2$   
 $g$  relates  $Y$  &  $X$  thru:  $Y = g(X)$ .

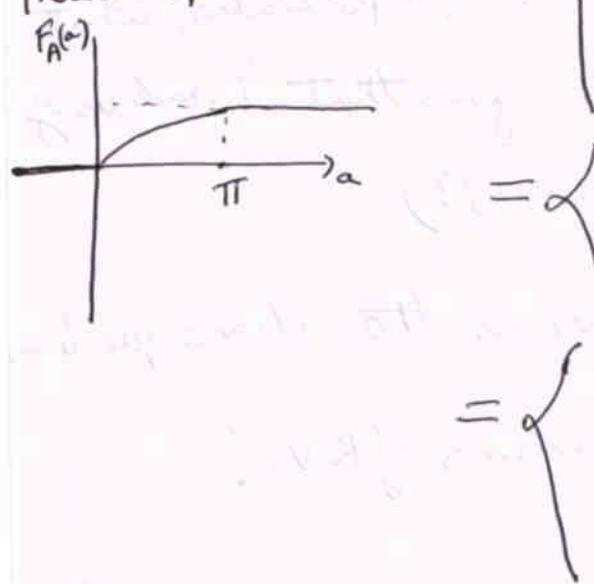
and the idea is to compute  $P_y(B) = P_x(g^{-1}(B)) \rightarrow$  this is already known!

Now let's answer the question "what is the distribution of "Area of circle" given radius follows uniform dist. between  $[0, 1]$ ? "

~~(skipped)~~ Let dist. function of  $A$  be  $F_A$  & that of  $R$  be  $F_R$ .

$$\begin{aligned} F_A(a) &= P[A \leq a] = P[g(R) \leq a] \\ &= P[\pi R^2 \leq a] \quad [= P_{R \sim U[0,1]}(\{\pi n^2 \leq a\})] \\ &= P[-\sqrt{\frac{a}{\pi}} \leq R \leq \sqrt{\frac{a}{\pi}}] \quad a \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Here's the plot:



$$\begin{array}{lll} F_A(a) & & \\ \begin{cases} 0 & a < 0 \\ \frac{a}{\pi} & 0 \leq a < \pi \\ 1 & a \geq \pi \end{cases} & \begin{cases} 0 & a < 0 \\ \sqrt{\frac{a}{\pi}} & 0 \leq a < \pi \\ 1 & a \geq \pi \end{cases} & \begin{cases} a > 0 & \\ a < 0 & \\ 0 \leq a < \pi & \\ a \geq \pi & \end{cases} \\ F_R(\sqrt{a/\pi}) & a > 0 & (\because R \geq 0) \end{array}$$

$$\text{Now } f_A(a) = \frac{d F_A(a)}{da} \quad (\forall a \text{ at which } f_A \text{ is conts})$$

$$= a \begin{cases} 0 & a < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} & 0 \leq a < \pi \\ 0 & a > \pi \end{cases}$$

Note that the distribution of "A: area of circle" is nowhere near uniform distribution. Also, from the pdf it looks like the values near zero are "preferred" i.e. have more prob. density. This is also intuitive as R is uniform & more importantly  $\leq 1$ ! (By now, the Bertrand's Paradox also must be resolved!)

Note that the only trick is in writing the dist. function of  $Y=g(X)$  in terms of dist. function of  $X$ . The above example would have showed that the care in doing this really depends on ~~on~~ how "simple" is  $g'(-\infty, \infty)$  for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

This immediately hints on considering ~~cases~~ where ' $g$ ' is monotonic; because if  $g$  is monotonic, then: ~~eq~~

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &\leq a \\ \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x \leq g^{-1}(a) & \text{if } g \uparrow \text{ (monotonically increasing)} \\ x \geq g^{-1}(a) & \text{if } g \downarrow \text{ ( " decreasing)} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

The following result is immediate:

Result 1: If  $X$  is a r.v &  $g$  is conts, monotonic, then  ~~$F_Y(y)$~~  the above following is true for the r.v  $Y=g(X)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} F_Y(y) &= P\{Y \leq y\} = P\{g(X) \leq y\} \\ &= \begin{cases} P\{X \leq g^{-1}(y)\} & \text{if } g \uparrow \\ P\{X \geq g^{-1}(y)\} & \text{if } g \downarrow \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

(4)

$$f_y(y) = \begin{cases} f_x(g'(y)) & \text{if } g' \neq 0 \\ 1 - F_x(g'(y)) + P[X = g'(y)] & \text{if } g' = 0 \end{cases}$$

Also, the following result is true :

result 2: Suppose further that  $g$  is diff. &  $X$  is conts. rv., then:

$$f_y(y) = \frac{dF_y(y)}{dy} \quad (\text{at } y \text{ at which } f_y \text{ is conts.})$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{d}{dy} f_x(g'(y)) & \text{if } g' \neq 0 \\ -\frac{d}{dy} f_x(g'(y)) & \text{if } g' = 0 \end{cases} \quad (\because X \text{ is conts.})$$

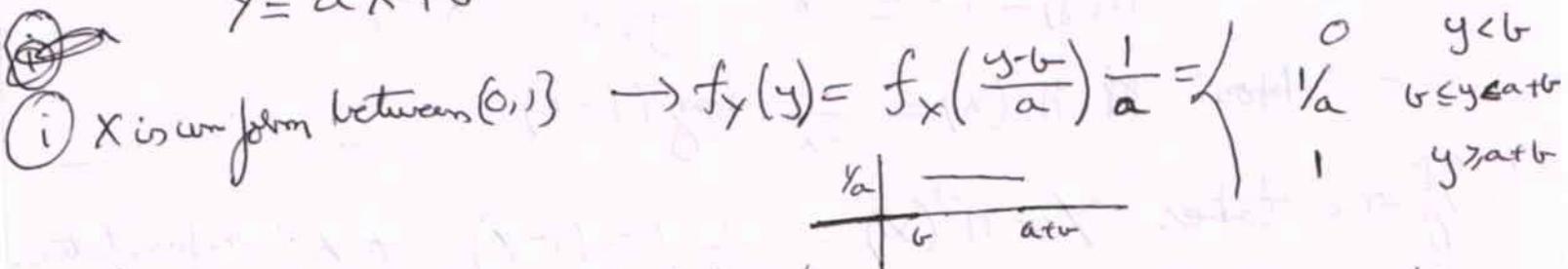
$P[X = g'(y)] = 0$

$$= \begin{cases} f_x(g'(y)) \frac{d g'(y)}{dy} & \text{if } g' \neq 0 \\ -f_x(g'(y)) \frac{d g'(y)}{dy} & \text{if } g' = 0 \end{cases} \quad (\because \text{chain rule})$$

$$f_y(y) = f_x(g'(y)) \left| \frac{d g'(y)}{dy} \right|$$

We can apply these results to various  $g$ . Let us take the case of  $g(u) = au + b$  ( $a > 0$ ), which is a monotonically increasing diff. function.

$$Y = aX + b$$



Again models "equally likely". So we can call  $Y$  as uniform distribution between  $[b, a+b]$ .

$$\frac{(y-b)^2}{2a^2}$$

(ii) If  $X$  is Normal, then  $f_y(y) = \frac{1}{a\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-b)^2}{2a^2}}$ .

(iii)  $X$  is uniform between  $[0, 1]$  &  $g = H^{-1}$ , where  $H$  is any distribution function.

Note that, indeed  $g$  is monotonically increasing (since  $H$  is dist. func.) & ~~is also differentiable at most points~~ and  $g$  is also conts.

$$Y = H^{-1}(X)$$

From result 1,  $F_Y(y) = F_X(g^{-1}(y)) = F_X(H(y))$

$$= H(y) \quad (\because X \text{ is uniform between } [0, 1] \text{ & } H \text{ is a dist. func. & hence } 0 \leq H(y) \leq 1 + \infty)$$

In other words, if  $Y = H^{-1}(X)$  where  $H$  is a dist. func., then dist. of  $Y$  is itself  $H$ ! This is way of generating random variables from a uniform rv itself. This can be used to generate random numbers with diff. distributions using random numbers from uniform distribution. This technique of random number generation is called "Prob. Inverse" Technique. However it may not be useful in practice always because  $H^{-1}$  may not be easily computable (for e.g. for Normal dist.).

Here is an ex. where  $H^{-1}$  has closed form solution:

Consider  $H$  as dist. of exponential r.v.

$$H(y) = 1 - e^{-\lambda y} \quad y \geq 0 \quad (\lambda > 0).$$

$$\text{Now } H^{-1}(x) = \frac{-1}{\lambda} \log(1-x)$$

$\therefore$  If one takes  $Y = H^{-1}(x) = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \log(1-x)$  &  $x$  is uniform between  $[0, 1]$ , then

$$F_Y(y) = H(y) = 1 - e^{-\lambda y} !$$

This lecture introduces the concept of expectation of a r.v. or expected value or mean value of a r.v. It is denoted as  $E[x]$  for a r.v.  $X$ .

Intuition: We know that <sup>in a random</sup> one cannot predict which exact value a random variable takes. However ~~in practice we usually talk about~~ one can talk about an average value of an expected value for the r.v. The ~~notion~~ <sup>concept</sup> of expected value will help us to relate to notions like "if we toss a coin repeatedly on an average <sup>fair</sup> we will see heads for half no. times" etc.

Here goes the definition:

$$E[X] = \sum_{x_i \in E} x_i f_x(x_i) \quad (\text{Discrete case})$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_x(x) dx \quad (\text{Conts. case})$$

(I)

Note that,  $E[X]$  is either a series sum (possibly infinite sum) of numbers which are not necessarily +ve or an improper integral over functions which are " " +ve. ~~Cross analysis knowledge~~ In such cases, the value of sum/improper integral might depend on the way we compute them. For eg. consider the Cauchy ~~r.v.~~ r.v. defined in Assignment problem (7a). There we showed that if one computes  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_x(x) dx$  by splitting it into  $\int_{-\infty}^0 x f_x(x) dx + \int_0^{\infty} x f_x(x) dx$ , then the value is undefined. Whereas if we compute it taking  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_x(x) dx = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \int_{-a}^a x f_x(x) dx = 0$ . Hence one additionally puts the condition that  $E[X]$  is defined

①

if the corresponding sum/integral is absolutely convergent.

In other words, if

- if  $\sum_{x_i \in E} |x_i| f_X(x_i)$  converges then  $E[X] = \sum_{x_i \in E} x_i f_X(x_i)$
- if  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x| f_X(x) dx$  converges then  $E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx$ .

Once a sum/integral is absolutely convergent many properties satisfied by "usual" sums/integrals also get satisfied. We will indicate those as and when they are used.

e.g. Consider  $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$ ,  $x > 1$ .

$$\text{Here } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx = \infty.$$

In this case the improper integral is defined and is equal to  $\infty$  (unlike the case of Cauchy rv, where integral itself was undefined!) However we may choose to consider whether to include the case

$E[X] = \infty$  as "well-defined" or not. For the purposes of this class we can choose  $E[X] = \infty$  as being "well-defined".

It is a straight-forward exercise to show that: (prob. do this exercise)

- i)  $E[X] = np$  for binomial rv.      iv)  $E[X] = 1/2$  for Uniform(0,1)
- ii)  $E[X] = \frac{1}{p}$  for geometric rv      v)  $E[X] = \frac{1}{\lambda}$  for exponential
- iii)  $E[X] = \lambda$  for Poisson rv.      vi)  $E[X] = 0$  for Normal rv.

In all cases, note the intuition behind each value: (let success prob. be  $p$ )

- i) Avg. no. of successes in  $n$  trials is  $np$       iv) Center of gravity of uniform dist is at mid-point
- ii) Avg. no. trials needed for a success is  $1/p$       v) Avg. waiting time  $= \lambda^{-1}$  where  $\lambda$  is the success rate
- iii)  $\lambda$  is the avg. no. successes      vi) Avg. diff in measurements are zero. (2)

Now say  $Y = g(X)$ . One way to compute  $E[Y]$  is to use the defn. ① after computing the pmf/pdf of  $Y$ . Assignment prob. 9④ shows this can be tedious (and unnecessary).

One can directly compute  $E[Y]$  using the distri. of  $X$ , itself:

Theorem: If  $X$  is discrete,  $E[g(x)] = \sum_{x_i \in E} g(x_i) f_x(x_i)$

$X$  is contns,  $E[g(x)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_x(x) dx$

The proof is simple in the discrete case:

$$E[Y] = E[g(x)] = P \sum_{y_i} y_i f_y(y_i) \quad (\text{let } y_i \text{ be the values } Y \text{ takes on})$$

$$= \sum_{y_i} y_i P[g(x) = y_i]$$

$$= \sum_{y_i} y_i \sum_{x_i: g(x_i) = y_i} P[X = x_i]$$

$$= \sum_{y_i} \sum_{x_i: g(x_i) = y_i} g(x_i) \underbrace{P[X = x_i]}_{f_x(x_i)}$$

$$= \sum_{x_i} g(x_i) f_x(x_i)$$

$\therefore$  We assume  
 $E[g(x)]$  whenever  
defined, the sum  
is absolutely convergent  
no order in which  
summation is  
done, does not matter!

Properties of  $E[X]$ : (we show them for continuous but also true for discrete rv)

①  $E$  is a linear operator:  $E[ax+b] = aE[X] + b$

$$E[ax+b] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (ax+b) f_x(x) dx = a \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_x(x) dx + b \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_x(x) dx = aE[X] + b$$

by above thm.

abs. convergence of  
improper integral &  
integral is linear  
operator

$$② L \leq X \leq U \Rightarrow L \leq E[X] \leq U$$

$$P[L \leq X \leq U] = 1$$

Proof of

$$X \leq U \Rightarrow E[X] \leq U :$$

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

abs. conv. of integral  
of monotonicity of integral  
prop.

iii by  $L \leq X \Rightarrow L \leq E[X]$ .

here  $L \leq X \leq U \Rightarrow L \leq E[X] \leq U$

Now it's easy to prove:

$$P\{L \leq X \leq U\} = 1 \Rightarrow L \leq E[X] \leq U$$

$X$  is almost surely between  $[L, U]$ .

③ The "best" (optimal) constant value approximation of a r.v.  $X$  which minimizes the "average squared error" in approximation is  $E[X]$ .

$$\text{In other words } E[X] = \underset{c}{\operatorname{arg\min}} E[(X-c)^2]$$

Proof

$$\underset{c}{\operatorname{arg\min}} E[(X-c)^2] = \underset{c}{\operatorname{arg\min}} E[X^2 - 2cX + c^2]$$

$$= \underset{c}{\operatorname{arg\min}} E[X^2] - 2cE[X] + c^2$$

$$= \underset{c}{\operatorname{arg\min}} (c - E[X])^2 + E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$$

$$= E[X]$$

repeated application of linearity property of  $E$

denoted by

Now, the minimized error is called as variance of  $X$   $\text{var}(X)$ .

$$\text{i.e. } \text{var}(X) = \underset{c}{\operatorname{min}} E[(X-c)^2] = E[(X-E[X])^2] \quad \text{by above proof}$$

$$= E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$$

Now one can compute  $\text{var}(X)$  of various r.v.s discussed in this course:

$$i) \text{var}(X) = np(1-p) \text{ for binomial}$$

$$ii) \text{var}(X) = \frac{1-p}{p^2} \text{ for geometric}$$

$$iii) \text{var}(X) = \lambda \text{ for Poisson}$$

$$iv) \text{var}(X) = 1/3 \text{ for Uniform } \{0, 1\}$$

$$v) \text{var}(X) = 1/2 \text{ for exponential r.v.}$$

$$vi) \text{var}(X) = 1 \text{ for Normal r.v.}$$

## Properties of $\text{var}(x)$ :

① By the very definition of  $\text{var}(x)$ , it is  $E$  of a non-negative rv (which is  $(x - E[x])^2$ ). Hence  $\underline{\text{var}(x) \geq 0}$ .

$$\text{Now, } \text{var}(x) = E[(x - E[x])^2] = E[x^2] - (E[x])^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{E[x^2] \geq (E[x])^2}. \quad — \textcircled{A}$$

This is a very important inequality and is a specific case of the following inequality:

$$\underline{E[g(x)] \geq g(E[x])} \quad \text{if } g \text{ convex}$$

which is known as the Jensen's inequality. (<sup>9n</sup>①,  ~~$g(x) = x^2$~~ )

(fundamental inequalities like AM  $\geq$  GM are special cases of this inequality)

$$② \text{var}(x+b) = E[(x+b - E[x+b])^2] = E[(x - E[x])^2] = \text{var}(x)$$

$\overbrace{\quad\quad\quad\quad\quad}$   
law of  $E$

$$③ \text{var}(ax) = E[(ax - E[ax])^2] = E[a^2(x - E[x])^2] = a^2 \text{var}(x)$$

$\overbrace{\quad\quad\quad\quad\quad}$   
law of  $E$   $\overbrace{\quad\quad\quad\quad\quad}$

Variance  
not a linear  
operator

Now let  $Y = ax + \mu$  where  $x$  is a Normal rv. ( $a, \mu$  are some numbers)

$$E[Y] = E[ax + \mu] = aE[x] + \mu = \mu \quad (\because E[x] = 0)$$

$$\text{var}(Y) = \text{var}(ax + \mu) = \text{var}(ax) = a^2 \text{var}(x) = a^2 \quad (\because \text{var}(x) = 1)$$

$$\text{We also know, } f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} a} e^{-\frac{(y-\mu)^2}{2a^2}} \quad y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

This is our new defn of Normal (Gaussian) r.v. with mean  $\mu$  & variance  $a^2$ . We call the case  $\mu = 0$  &  $a^2 = 1$  as std. Normal rv.

Median of a r.v. is that number for which  $P\{X \leq M\} = \frac{1}{2}$ .

A rigorous problem shows that

$$M = \operatorname{argmin}_c E[|X - c|]$$

In other words median is that value that minimizes the absolute error in approximating a r.v by a constant.

Mode of a r.v. is the "most frequently taken value" of a r.v.

Let Mode of  $X$  be  $m$ . Mathematically,

$$m = \operatorname{argmin}_c E[1_{\{X \neq c\}}].$$

$$1_{\{X \neq c\}} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X \neq c \\ 0 & \text{if } X = c \end{cases}$$

mode minimizes the average number of times  $X$  does not take its value. In other words, maximizes the avg. no. times  $X$  takes the particular value.

$$\text{Now, } E[1_{\{X \neq c\}}] = 1P\{X \neq c\} + 0P\{X = c\} = P\{X \neq c\}$$

In discrete case,

$$m = \operatorname{argmin}_c P\{X \neq c\} = \operatorname{argmax}_c P\{X = c\}$$

i.e. Mode is the value with highest prob. of occurring.

Analogously for the conts. case we have  $m = \operatorname{argmax}_c f_X(c)$ .

For e.g. std. Normal r.v. is "Unimodal" with  $m = 0$ .

(has one max  $f_X(c)$ )

Each such peak in pdf/pmf is called mode (loosely).

Mean, median need not be values taken by  $X$ , whereas mode must be a value taken by  $X$ .

This lecture completes our discussion on single RVs by discussing concepts of generic moments, moment generating function and few important inequalities like Jensen's, Markov and Chebyshev's inequalities.

### Moments & Moment Generating Function

Encouraged by the notions of mean & variance etc. we now define some higher/odd moments of RV. as follows:

$E[X^n]$  is called the ' $n^{\text{th}}$  moment of  $X$ ' (first moment is mean/center, second " is ~~mean~~ gravity, third " is moment of inertia etc.)

$E[(X-E[X])^n]$  is called the ' $n^{\text{th}}$  central moment of  $X$  ( $n=2$  is variance, central moment of inertia etc.)

$E[(X-a)^n]$  is the ' $n^{\text{th}}$  generalized moment of  $X$  about 'a' (e.g. moment of inertia abt some axis)

We can define the absolute value versions of these:

$E[|X|^n] \rightarrow n^{\text{th}}$  absolute moment

$E[|X-E[X]|^n] \rightarrow n^{\text{th}}$  absolute central moment

$E[|X-\text{---}|^n] \rightarrow n^{\text{th}}$  absolute moment about 'a'. and so on...

Now consider a function  $M_X$  defined as follows:

$$M_X(s) = E[e^{sX}]$$

This function is known as the moment generating function (where it exists!) among  $E[e^{sX}]$  exists. (e.g. if cont. case:)

$$\begin{aligned} M_X(s) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{sx} f_X(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(1 + sx + \frac{s^2 x^2}{2!} + \dots\right) f_X(x) dx \xrightarrow[\text{abs. convergence of } E[e^{sx}]]{} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) dx + s \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx + \frac{s^2}{2!} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f_X(x) dx + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_X(s) = 1 + sE[X] + \frac{s^2}{2!} E[X^2] + \dots + \frac{s^n}{n!} E[X^n] + \dots \quad (2)$$

(This is why it is called as moment generating function!)

Also it is easy to see that  $\left. \frac{d}{ds} M_X(s) \right|_{s=0} = E[X]$

$$\left. \frac{d^2}{ds^2} M_X(s) \right|_{s=0} = E[X^2] \text{ and so on...}$$

In general,  $\left. \frac{d^n}{ds^n} M_X(s) \right|_{s=0} = E[X^n]$ .

In other words, mgf is a MacLaurin series with diff. given by

In general, mgf may not exist (for e.g. take case of Cauchy distribution where we know first moment truly does not exist!). But whenever it exists, by the above relations all moments exist (and are finite).

However, the converse statement that if all moment exist then the mgf also exists may not be true in general.

(Take the log Normal dist defined as  $Xe^X$  where  $X$  is N(0, 1). You will notice that all moments exist but mgf does not.)

Let's compute mgf for Poisson rv:

$$M_X(s) = E[e^{sx}] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e^{sk} e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} = e^{-\lambda} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(se\lambda)^k}{k!} = e^{-\lambda} e^{se\lambda} \quad (s\lambda = \lambda)$$

mgf for std. Normal rv:

$$M_X(s) = E[e^{sx}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{sx} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\frac{s^2}{2} - \frac{(s-x)^2}{2}} dx = \frac{e^{s^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t^2/2} dt$$

Completing quadratic
 $t = s-x$ 
 $= e^{s^2/2}$

$\left( \because \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t^2/2} dt = 1 \right)$

$$\therefore M_X(s) = e^{s^2/2}$$

for std. Normal

mgt for Normal rv:  $Y = \sigma X + \mu$

$$M_Y(t) = E[e^{tY}] = E[e^{\sigma tX + \mu t}] = E[e^{\sigma tX}] e^{\mu t} = e^{\frac{t^2\sigma^2}{2}} e^{\mu t} = e^{\mu t + \frac{t^2\sigma^2}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_Y(t) = e^{\mu t + \frac{t^2\sigma^2}{2}} \quad \text{I}$$

mgt of std. Normal

Apart from fact that mgt "generates" moments there is an important application of it: mgt also characterizes rv! In other words if somebody ~~says~~ that ~~claims~~ places/asserts that a certain claim rv has mgt for eg as  $e^{\mu t + \frac{t^2\sigma^2}{2}}$ , then certainly that claim rv must be a Normal rv.

Intuitively, here's the reason why mgt characterizes a rv:

Take  $n = j\omega$  then mgt is nothing but the Fourier transform of  $f_x(n)$ !  $\rightarrow M_X(j\omega) = E[e^{j\omega X}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j\omega x} f_x(x) dx$ . Hence characterizing  $f_x$  is equivalent to characterizing mgt's]

Let's calculate  $n^{\text{th}}$  moment of a log-Normal rv:  $Y = e^X$ ,  $X$  is Normal rv.

$$E\{Y^n\} = E\{(e^X)^n\} = E\{e^{nX}\} = e^{\mu n + \frac{n^2\sigma^2}{2}}$$

by I

This shows that log-Normal has all moments! (but as said earlier doesn't have an mgt)

### Temmen's Inequality

$$E[f(x)] \geq f(E[x]) \quad \text{if } f \text{ convex on R.}$$

In assignment we saw a lengthy and restricted proof of this inequality following from the very defn. of a convex function. Now let's look at diff characterization of convex function which leads to a simple proof.

## Characterization of convex functions

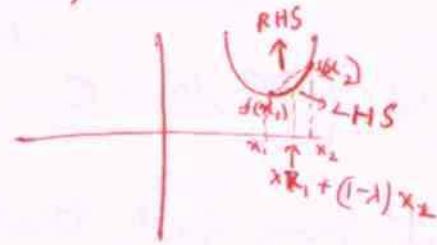
(4)

$$\rightarrow f(\lambda x_1 + (1-\lambda)x_2) \leq \lambda f(x_1) + (1-\lambda)f(x_2)$$

This is the definition.

intuition

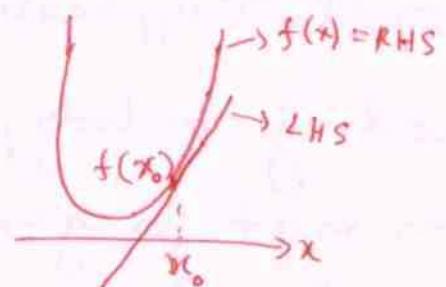
$$\lambda \in [0, 1]$$



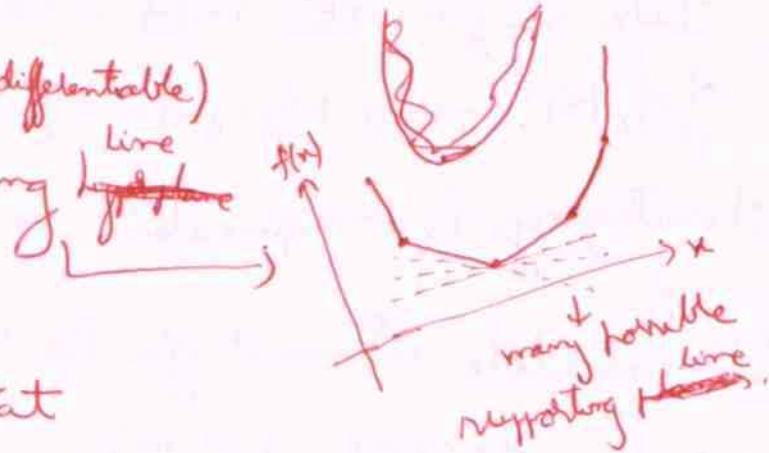
$$\rightarrow f(x) \geq f(x_0) + \frac{df(x_0)}{dx}(x - x_0)$$

In holds, the linear approx. at  $x_0$  always under-estimates the function

~~At every pt.~~ But this view is limited to differentiable convex functions only.



Above intuition holds in all convex function (even though not differentiable)  
i.e. at every pt. there is a supporting line



Mathematically,

$f$  is convex  $\Leftrightarrow \exists$  a  $\lambda(x)$  such that

$$f(x) \geq f(x_0) + \lambda(x_0)(x - x_0) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$



This is the characterization which we use now:

$X$  is a r.v.  $\rightarrow$  in other words a mapping from  $\omega \in \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Hence take  $x = X(\omega)$ .

Take  $x_0 = E[x]$ .

$$\Rightarrow f(X(\omega)) \geq f(E[X]) + \lambda(E[X])(X(\omega) - E[X]) \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega$$

Now we know that expectation maintains order relations

$$\Rightarrow E[f(X)] \geq E\left[f(E[X]) + \lambda(E[X])(X - E[X])\right] \\ = f(E[X]) + \lambda E[X](E[X] - E[X]) = f(E[X])$$

Hence Proved.

## Applications of Jensen's inequality:

- i) Take  $f(x) = -\log(x)$   $\rightarrow$  convex. Take  $X$  as discrete rv taking values  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ .  
 $f(E[X]) \leq E[f(X)]$  & Uniform distribution.  $\geq 0$
- $$\Rightarrow -\log\left(\frac{x_1+x_2+\dots+x_n}{n}\right) \leq \frac{-\log(x_1)+\dots+\log(x_n)}{n}$$
- $$= -\frac{1}{n} \log(x_1 x_2 \dots x_n)$$
- $$= -\log \sqrt[n]{x_1 x_2 \dots x_n}$$
- $$\Rightarrow \frac{x_1+x_2+\dots+x_n}{n} \geq \sqrt[n]{x_1 x_2 \dots x_n} \quad (\because -\log \text{ is a monotonically decr. function})$$
- $$\text{AM} \geq \text{GM}.$$

So Jensen's inequality is a generalization of AM-GM inequality.

- ii) TST  $|\mu - M| \leq \sigma$  ( $\mu$  is mean,  $\sigma$  is std. dev.,  $M$  is median).

$$|\mu - M| = |E[X] - M| = |E[X - M]| \leq E[|X - M|]$$

~~$= E[\sqrt{(X-M)^2}]$~~

↓

Jensen's Ineq.  
with  $|.|$  as convex  
function!

~~$E[|X-M|]$~~

$$= \min_c E[|X - c|] \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{we now this} \\ \text{in assignment} \end{array}$$

$$\leq E[|X - c|] \quad \forall c \text{ in particular}$$

take  $c = \mu = E[X]$

$$= E[|X - E[X]|]$$

$$= E[\sqrt{(X - E[X])^2}] \leq \sqrt{E[(X - E[X])^2]} = \sigma$$

Jensen's Ineq.  
with  $\sqrt{.}$  as concave function!

Hence Proved.

It occurs frequently in many places for eg: Information theory  
 (Cross-entropy etc.)

Till now we have been looking at random variables which take on real values. In other words, the range of r.v. was always  $\mathbb{R}$ . Now, we will generalize the notion of r.v.s to include ones taking on vectorial values i.e. r.v.s for which the range is  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean Space.

i.e. We define functions of the form  $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . Such functions from some sample space to  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (with additional restrictions as we shall see as we proceed) are called as Multivariate Random variable. Other names are random vector, multi-valued random variable etc...

Intuitively a (usual) random ~~vector~~<sup>variable</sup> quantifies outcomes in terms of numbers (scalars) whereas a ~~random vector~~<sup>multi-valued</sup> r.v. (m.r.v.) quantifies outcomes in terms of  $n$ -tuples (vectors). Once this view is clear, the applications where an m.r.v. can be employed are obvious; e.g. whenever the outcome of a random experiment can be defined in terms of vectorial values rather than scalar values.

To give a ~~realistic~~ example, let us consider the random experiment where people in IITB are clinically examined for prevalence of Swine-Flu. Here it is immediate that each person (an outcome in our case) ~~can~~<sup>health</sup> cannot be described by a single quantity such as temperature or cough etc., but can be described using a collection of all these data!

Let us run through this example:

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Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be the set of all people (living) in IITB (say  $N$  of them).  
 An event in  $\mathcal{R}$  is nothing but group of people (take  $\mathcal{F} = 2^{\mathcal{R}}$ ).  
 Now define  $P(\{x_i\}) = \frac{1}{N} \quad \forall x_i \in \mathcal{R}$  ( $x_i$  is the  $i^{th}$  person).  
 This gives a valid prob. space  $\mathbb{P} = (\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{F}, P)$ .

Now define a r.v.  $X_i$ , which is nothing but a 'thermometer'.  
 (Thermometer takes input as a patient gives output as a number, specifically the body temperature of that patient). Let  $B_1$  be the set of all "high temperatures" i.e.  $B_1 = \{x \in \mathbb{R} / x > 103\}$

Now we know, that,  $P_{X_i}(B_1) = P(X_i^{-1}(B_1)) = P(\underbrace{\{\omega \in \mathcal{R} / X_i(\omega) > 103\}}_{\text{set of all people with high temp.}})$   
 This gives us the induced prob. space  $\mathbb{P}_X = (\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{F}, P_{X_i})$ .

By ~~for~~ each symptom of swine flu (which is of course quantifiable as a number) we can represent it with a r.v.

Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n-1}$  be r.v.s representing "clinical details" quantifying each symptom of swine-flu disease. Now consider an expert doctor who looks at the diagnostic report of patient  $\omega$  (i.e. looks at  $X_1(\omega), \dots, X_{n-1}(\omega)$ ) and certifies presence of swine flu or not. ~~in other words,~~ Let  $X_n$  r.v. represent the expert doctor (again he takes as input a patient  $\omega \in \mathcal{R}$  & gives as output a number 1 (if swine-flu present) or 0 (if normal patient)).

In other words  $X_n$  is the indicator function of presence of disease.

(Note that  $X_n$  depends "implicitly" on all  $X_1, \dots, X_{n-1}$ ). (2)  
 Let  $B_n \in \mathcal{F}$  be an event of having swine flu i.e.  $B_n = \{x \in \mathcal{R} / X_n(x) = 1\}$ .

Now let us define a m.r.v.  $X$  as follows:

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

$$X(\omega) = (X_1(\omega), X_2(\omega), X_3(\omega), \dots, X_{n-1}(\omega), X_n(\omega)) \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega.$$

\* Note that intuitively  $X(\omega)$  is nothing but an analysed diagnostic report of patient  $\omega$ .

Note that  $X$  (which is a m.r.v.) not only helps in representing a "complicated" outcome like health of a person, but also helps in analyzing relationships between  $X_i, X_j$  <sup>r.v.'s</sup> !!

~~Now let us see if there is a concept of induced probability for a r.v.?~~

Let us see how do events in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  look like:

~~In order to do that let~~ An event in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  looks like:

$$\begin{aligned} B &= B_1 \times B_2 \times \dots \times B_n \quad \text{where } B_i \in \mathcal{B} \quad \forall i \\ &= \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) / x_i \in B_i, B_i \in \mathcal{B}\} \end{aligned}$$

In our medical eg:  $B$  is nothing but ~~high~~ temperature values in first coordinate, presence of urine free i.e. 1 in the last coordinate.

Now collection of all such events  $B$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is the Boole- $\sigma$ -algebra in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$\mathcal{L}^n = \{ B / B = B_1 \times B_2 \times \dots \times B_n, B_i \in \mathcal{B} \quad \forall i \}$$

(Boole- $\sigma$ -algebra)  
in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

Let us now see if there exists a concept of induced probability for a m.r.v.:

i.e. can we define  $P_X(B)$ ?

~~Following a strategy similar to the case of (real) r.v. we have:~~ ③

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_X(B) &\equiv P(\{\omega \in \Omega \mid X(\omega) \in B\}) \\
 &= P(\{\omega \in \Omega \mid (X_1(\omega), X_2(\omega), \dots, X_n(\omega)) \in B\}) \\
 &= P(\{\omega \in \Omega \mid X_1(\omega) \in B_1, X_2(\omega) \in B_2, \dots, X_n(\omega) \in B_n\}) \\
 &= P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n \{\omega \in \Omega \mid X_i(\omega) \in B_i\}\right) \\
 &= P[X_1 \in B_1, X_2 \in B_2, \dots, X_n \in B_n]
 \end{aligned}$$

Noting that  
separate bracket  
rotation

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In words, (in case of medical ex.)  $P_X(B)$  is nothing but prob. of observing high temp (first coordinate), ..., rare flu (last coordinate).

~~$P(\bigcap_{i=1}^n \{\omega \in \Omega \mid X_i(\omega) \in B_i\})$~~  is nothing but the prob. of a person having high temp, ..., & having rare flu. This is indeed intuitive. Since 'P' models classical prob' in our medical ex., this is exactly the "fraction of people in IITB having all symptoms of rare-flu & also have rare-flu!". So <sup>based on this</sup> in future classes, we will try to ~~answer~~ which questions like which symptoms are crucial for rare-flu, how to predict presence of rare-flu given a raw diagnostic report (i.e. given values of  $X_n$  given say values of  $X_1, \dots, X_{n-1}$ ) and so on & so forth!

MATH. detail:

~~Fact. quest.~~:

Q: Why does  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n \{\omega \in \Omega \mid X_i \in B_i\} \in \mathcal{F}$ ? (unless this happens my induced prob. def. is invalid!)

A: I know each of  $\{ \text{for fixed } i \in \mathcal{F} \mid X_i \text{ is a rv} \}$

So intersection of them also  $\in \mathcal{F}$  ( $\because \mathcal{F}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra)

④

Now that we have correctly defined Induced prob. of a m.g.v., let us extend the concept of "distribution function" to an m.g.v.:

### Distribution functions of m.g.v.

In case of n.v. we defined  $F_x : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$F_x(u) = P[X \leq u].$$

Now we will define in an analogous way for an m.g.v.  
(Note that range of m.g.v. is  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ):

$$f_x : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow F_x(\underline{x}) = P[X \leq \underline{x}]$$

$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ \hookrightarrow \underline{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{array}$

Following (I) we get:

$$F_x(\underline{x}) = P[X \leq \underline{x}] = P[x_1 \leq x_1, x_2 \leq x_2, \dots, x_n \leq x_n].$$

↳ called the prob. dist. func. of m.g.v.  $X$  & it is also called as joint prob. dist. func. of  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  (in this case it is represented as  $F_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n}(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n)$ )

Now as in case of ~~n.v.~~ m.g.v. we can show the following 4 prop. for  $F_x$  of a m.g.v. also:

i)  $F_x(\underline{x}) \geq 0 \quad \forall \underline{x}$  (after all its a prob.)

ii)  $F_x(\underline{\infty}) = P[x_1 \leq \infty, x_2 \leq \infty, \dots, x_n \leq \infty] = P[X \in \mathbb{R}^n] = P(u) = 1.$

$F_x(\underline{-\infty}) = P[x_1 \leq -\infty, x_2 \leq -\infty, \dots, x_n \leq -\infty] = P(\emptyset) = 0.$

↳ represents vector with all values  $\infty/-\infty$ .

(5)

This not only shows that ~~prob. of events~~ prob. of events can be computed in terms of dist. function but also the extra cond. that  $F_{X_1 X_2}(b_1, b_2) - F_{X_1 X_2}(a_1, b_2) - F_{X_1 X_2}(b_1, a_2) + F_{X_1 X_2}(a_1, a_2) \geq 0$ .

Now (II) ~~can be proved that~~ (containing) values ~~of these~~ is a generalization of this to a n-dimensional case.

Now using set algebra we can show (not in this class) that  $P(X \in B)$  can be written in terms of  $F_X$ . So we from

$\xrightarrow{D^n}$  now onwards characterize a m.r.v.  $X = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n]$  using  $(F_X \text{ or } F_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n})$  dist. function.

Let's look at the case where all  $X_i$ 's are discrete. Then we can define a prob. mass function (pmf) for the m.r.v.  $X$  (analogous to discrete r.v.'s case):

$$f_X(\underline{x}) = f_X(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \stackrel{\text{pmf of } X}{=} f_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \stackrel{\text{joint pmf of } X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}{=} P[X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2, \dots, X_n = x_n]$$

Now let  $\mathbb{E}$  be the set of (discrete) values in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  taken by  $X$ , then following two properties of pmf are immediate:

$$f_X(\underline{x}) \geq 0 \quad (\because \frac{f_X(\underline{x})}{\text{all atoms}} \text{ is a probability})$$

$$\sum_{\underline{x} \in \mathbb{E}} f_X(\underline{x}) = 1 \quad (\because P(\Omega) = 1)$$

Now again any function ~~satisfying~~  $f_X: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfying

If these two properties are called a pmf. & also given a pmf, if  $x$ , dist. of  $X(F_x)$  is fixed and vice-versa. So we can characterize discrete m.r.v. using pmf. (from now onwards).

Let's look at an ex. of a discrete m.r.v. (which is a generalization of the binomial r.v.):

### Multinomial R.V.

Suppose we define the following  $f_x: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$f_x(\underline{x}) = P[X_1=x_1, X_2=x_2, \dots, X_n=x_n] = \frac{n!}{x_1! x_2! \dots x_n!} p_1^{x_1} p_2^{x_2} \dots p_n^{x_n} \quad \text{--- (III)}$$

$$\forall \underline{x}, x_i \geq 0, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = n$$

and  $(n, p_1, \dots, p_n)$  are parameters such that  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $p_i \geq 0, \sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$ .

(It is an exercise to first check if this is a valid pmf!)

At first look this might look weird but consider the following <sup>random</sup> expt: Suppose I throw a die  $n$  times. In each throw I ~~can~~ have ( $n=6$ ) outcomes. Suppose  $p_i$  is probability of seeing no. 'i' ( $i=1$  to 6). Now the answer to the question: what is the prob. of seeing  $x_1$  1s,  $x_2$  2s, ...,  $x_6$  6s is exactly given by (III) ! (why?)

Now that we know none 'physical' interpretation of multinomial R.V. lets see (if at all) what kind of R.V.'s are  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  individually?

In the die throwing case,  $X_i = \# \text{throws in which } i \text{ was observed}$

Now it is easy to see that  $X_i$  is a binomial R.V. with parameters  $(n, p_i)$  !.

So  $X = \{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$  follows multinomial distribution then each of  $X_i$  ( $i=1 \text{ to } n$ ) follow binomial distri. (with diff. parameters)

Now we can compute prob like

$$P[X_i = x_i] \quad * \text{ using the pmf of } X_i,$$

But note that  $P[X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n]$  (which is nothing but the joint pmf of  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ ), cannot be computed merely from the knowledge of  $P[X_i = x_i]$ 's. (at most you can give bounds on joint pmf using inequalities like Bertrand's inequality you proved in the assignments.)

However the pmf of  $X_i$  can be computed given the pmf of  $X$  (i.e. the joint pmf of  $X_i$ 's):

$$\sum_{\substack{x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n \\ \Rightarrow x_i \geq 0, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = n}} f_X(x_1, \underbrace{x_2, \dots, x_n}_{\substack{\text{fixed} \\ \text{all values}}} \dots) = f_{X_i}(x_i).$$

all values for all allowed values

No ~~prob~~ specifying joint pmf is a "richer" information!  
(than specifying pmf of  $X_i$ 's alone)

⑨

iii) "  $F_X$  is right conts. & left has left limit"

(we don't know this here)

iv) Monotonicity: (but in all variables)

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$$\begin{aligned} F_X(x_1 + \Delta x_1, x_2 + \Delta x_2, \dots, x_n + \Delta x_n) - F_X(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ = P[x_1 \leq x_1 + \Delta x_1, \dots, x_n \leq x_n + \Delta x_n] \\ - P[x_1 \leq x_1, \dots, x_n \leq x_n] \\ = P[x_1 \leq x_1 \leq x_1 + \Delta x_1, \dots, x_n \leq x_n \leq x_n + \Delta x_n] \end{aligned}$$

$\geq 0$  ( $\because$  it is a prob. of some event).

analogous to those in case of r.v.

→ Till this all prop. are common to those in case of r.v.

But in case of m.r.v. an extra condition needs to be satisfied:

v)

$$F_X(x_1 + \varepsilon_1, x_2 + \varepsilon_2, \dots, x_n + \varepsilon_n) = \sum_i F_X(x_1, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_n + \varepsilon_n)$$

$$+ \sum_i \sum_{j>i} F_X(x_1, \dots, x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_j, x_{j+1} + \varepsilon_{j+1}, \dots, x_n + \varepsilon_n)$$

$$(-1)^n F_X(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \geq 0 \quad \forall x_i, \varepsilon_i \geq 0. \quad \text{II}$$

We can get an intuition for this by looking at a r.v. taking values ~~prob.~~ in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :

Let  $X = [x_1 \ x_2]$  Let  $F_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2)$  be the joint prob. dist. function at  $(x_1, x_2)$ .

Now suppose I want to compute

$0 \leq P[a_1 < x_1 \leq b_1, a_2 < x_2 \leq b_2]$  in terms of then:

$$= F_{X_1, X_2}(b_1, b_2) - F_{X_1, X_2}(a_1, b_2) - F_{X_1, X_2}(b_1, a_2) + F_{X_1, X_2}(a_1, a_2)$$

(how we get this was explained in class)

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## Lecture-11

Let  $X = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$  be a m.r.v.  $X$  is called a continuous m.r.v. (or equivalently  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  are said to be "jointly continuous" iff there exists a function  $f_X : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that:

$$P[X \in B] = \underbrace{\int_B f_X(x) dx}_{\substack{\text{multidimensional} \\ \text{integral}}} \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}^n.$$

Such a function  $f_X$  is called the prob. density function of  $X$  or joint prob. density function of  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ .

For e.g. if  $n=2$ ,  $P[X \in B] = \iint_B f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2$ .

Now take  $B = \{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \mid a_i \in (-\infty, x_i]\}$

$$\Rightarrow P[X_1 \leq x_1, X_2 \leq x_2, \dots, X_n \leq x_n] = \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \int_{-\infty}^{x_2} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{x_n} f_X(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) dx_n dx_{n-1} \dots dx_1$$

Hence  $F_X$  is fixed if  $f_X$  is known. ~~Because the same value is also we have:~~

$$\frac{\delta^n F_X(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)}{\delta x_1 \delta x_2 \dots \delta x_n} = f_X(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \quad (\text{because } f_X \text{ is continuous})$$

As in case of 1-d r.v., the values of  $f_X$  (while  $f_X$  is discrete) doesn't matter (they do not account for the area). One can show that (again, not here) that such points are "few", so we can make the statement  ~~$f_X$~~  "given  $F_X$ , we have  $f_X$  fixed and vice-versa".

So from now on we characterize  $X$  by  $f_X$  (pdf)

Now let's look at some properties of  $f_x$ :

we have, (i)  $1 = P(\Omega) = P[X \in \mathbb{R}^n] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_x(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_n$

(ii) we can show  $f_x(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Recall that an analogous statement in case of r.v. followed from "monotonicity property of  $F_x$ ". Here it follows from the "(v)" prop. of  $F_x$ " which in 2-d case is illustrated below:

We know,  $F_{X_1, X_2}(b_1, b_2) - F_{X_1, X_2}(a_1, b_2) - F_{X_1, X_2}(b_1, a_2) + F_{X_1, X_2}(a_1, a_2) \geq 0$ .

$$\Leftrightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{b_1} \int_{-\infty}^{b_2} f_x(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2 - \int_{-\infty}^{a_1} \int_{-\infty}^{b_2} f_x(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2 - \int_{-\infty}^{b_1} \int_{-\infty}^{a_2} f_x(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2 + \int_{-\infty}^{a_1} \int_{-\infty}^{a_2} f_x(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2 \geq 0$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$        $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$        $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$        $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$

$a_1 \leq b_1, a_2 \leq b_2$   
 $a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2$

$$\Leftrightarrow \int_{a_1}^{b_1} \int_{a_2}^{b_2} f_x(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2 - \int_{a_1}^{b_1} \int_{a_2}^{a_2} f_x(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2 \geq 0$$

$a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2$

$$\Leftrightarrow \int_{a_1}^{b_1} \int_{a_2}^{b_2} f_x(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2 \geq 0 \quad \forall a_1 \leq b_1, a_2 \leq b_2 \Leftrightarrow f_x(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x$$

Hence, pdf is any function that satisfies:

(i)  $f_x(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x$

(ii)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_x(x) dx = 1$

Now let's look at a particular eg. of a conts. r.v.:

$$f_x(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} x^T x} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

(I)

(2)

First lets check if it is pdf?

$f_x$  is indeed non-negative. Only non-trivial thing to verify is if it integrates to unity:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_n$$
$$= \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} x_1^2} dx_1 \right) \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} x_2^2} dx_2 \right) \cdots \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} x_n^2} dx_n \right) = 1$$

(each of integral is 1).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } F_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &= \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \int_{-\infty}^{x_2} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_n} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_n \\ &= \left( \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} x_1^2} dx_1 \right) \cdots \left( \int_{-\infty}^{x_n} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} x_n^2} dx_n \right) \\ &= \underbrace{F_{X_1}(x_1) F_{X_2}(x_2) \cdots F_{X_n}(x_n)}_{\text{each is the distribution function}} \end{aligned}$$

of the rtd. Normal n.v. !!

There are two things to note about ①:

- i) Its distribution func. is product of dist. func. of individual r.v.s
- ii) Each Dist. func. of each individual r.v.  
is the rtd. Normal dist.

(Later on we will see that such r.v.'s are called as independent r.v.s)

③

Now both in case of discrete and conts. r.v.'s, we know that the distribution functions or pmfs or pdfs of individual r.v.'s can be obtained from their joint-distribution. This leads to the notion of ~~of~~ Marginal distributions:

~~Now~~ From now onwards to simplify the notation, we will consider collections of two r.v.'s. However keep in mind that the analogous results do hold in the generic n-d case also.  
So from now onwards consider two r.v.  $X, Y$ ,  $F_{XY}(x, y)$  is the joint dist. function of  $X$  and  $Y$ .

$$\text{Now, } F_X(x) = P[X \leq x] = P[X \leq x, Y \leq \infty] = F_{XY}(x, \infty) \quad \forall x$$

i.e.,  $F_Y(y) = F_{XY}(\infty, y) \quad \forall y$ .

The dist. functions of  $X/Y$  are also known as the marginal dist. of  $X/Y$  wrt the joint dist. function of  $X$  and  $Y$ .

Now if  $X, Y$  are discrete,

$$f_X(x) = P[X=x] = \sum_{y \in Y} P[X=x, Y=y] = \sum_{y \in Y} f_{XY}(x, y) \quad \forall x$$

$$\text{i.e., } f_Y(y) = \sum_{x \in X} f_{XY}(x, y) \quad \forall y$$

Again  $f_X, f_Y$  are known as the marginal pmfs of  $X$  and  $Y$  wrt. to the joint pmf of  $X, Y$  i.e.  $f_{XY}$ .

Now suppose  $X, Y$  are jointly conts:

$$\Rightarrow F_{XY}(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^y f_{XY}(x', y') dx' dy'.$$

Now  $F_{XY}(x, \infty) = \int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x', y') dy' dx'$

||  $F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(x') dx'$  (II)

Since the pdf is fixed (except at "few" points) given the dist. func., we have that  $f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dy$  from (II)

|| by  $f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dx$

Again  $f_X, f_Y$  are known as the marginal pdfs of  $X, Y$  wrt. to the joint-pdf of  $X$  and  $Y$  i.e.  $f_{XY}$ .

Now, it is easy to see that in example (I), the following holds:

$$f_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = f_{X_1}(x_1) f_{X_2}(x_2) \dots f_{X_n}(x_n)$$

$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$   
each is pdf of  
std. Normal.

Now lets go through the calculation of marginal pdfs using a toy-example:

Let  $f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 24xy & \text{if } 0 < x, 0 < y, 0 < x+y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

be the joint pdf of  $X$  and  $Y$ . Let us compute the marginals: (5)

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

$$= \begin{cases} \int_0^{1-x} 24xy dy & \text{if } x \in [0, 1] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(we know that  $0 < x, 0 < y$   
 $0 < x+y < 1$ )

$$= \begin{cases} 12x(1-x)^2 & x \in [0, 1] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Since expression of  $f_{xy}$  is symmetric w.r.t.  $x, y$ , we will get that

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 12y(1-y^2) & y \in [0, 1] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Also,  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{xy}(x, y) dx dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) dx = \int_0^1 12x(1-x)^2 dx$

$$= \int_0^1 12x^2(1-x) dx = 4x^3 - 3x^4 \Big|_0^1$$

This verifies that both the marginals and in turn the joint pdf are indeed "valid" pdfs!

Now recall the example of "swine-flu" analysis done in a previous lecture. Suppose we want to evaluate the truth in the statement that ~~the~~ given "symptoms of swine-flu are indeed good indicators of presence of disease". To answer such question we would (say) consider the set of all ppl. who have the symptoms and then look at frac. of ppl. in that set who also have high swine-flu. (if this value is high, then symptoms are indeed indicators). In other words, we need to ask questions abt. probabilities ~~considering the~~ <sup>as if</sup> the original ~~prob.~~ ~~is~~ is reckoned to the set of all people having the symptoms. As we explained in one of the early lectures, conditional probability is a mechanism which facilitates this "linkage of ~~data~~:  $\rightarrow$  Let's now look at <sup>the</sup> concept of cond. prob. mass function defined in terms of <sup>conditional prob. aspects</sup> joint pmf.

Consider two discrete RVs  $X, Y$  with joint pmf given by  $f_{XY}$ . Suppose  $\Rightarrow f_Y(y_i) = P[Y=y_i] \neq 0$  for some fixed value of  $y_i$ . Now define a new prob. mass function:

$$f_{X|Y}(x_i|y_i) = \frac{f_{XY}(x_i, y_i)}{f_Y(y_i)}$$

↑  
notation for conditional  
probability mass function  
of  $X$  given  $Y=y_i$

$x_i \rightarrow$  values which random variable  $X$  takes.

First of all, let's check if (this) is a valid pmf?

First of all it's a ratio of values of pmf so ad hence is  $> 0$ . Secondly,

$$\sum_{\forall x_i} f_{X|Y}(x_i/y_i) = \sum_{\forall x_i} \frac{f_{XY}(x_i, y_i)}{f_Y(y_i)} = \frac{\sum_{\forall x_i} f_{XY}(x_i, y_i)}{\sum_{\forall y_i} f_Y(y_i)} = \frac{f_Y(y_i)}{f_Y(y_i)} = 1$$

marginal pmf  
definition.

Now for each value of  $y_i$  such that  $f_Y(y_i) \neq 0$ , we can define a different pmf. Hence we have a family of pmf. derived from the joint pmf of  $X, Y$ .

$$\text{Note that, } f_{X|Y}(x_i/y_i) = \frac{f_{XY}(x_i, y_i)}{f_Y(y_i)} = \frac{P\{X=x_i, Y=y_i\}}{P\{Y=y_i\}}$$

def. of cond.  
prob. of over events  
which is familiar to all of us.

In other words, the conditional pmf is defined in terms of cond. prob. over events.

Now once we have a pmf we can also define conditional joint distribution function:  $F_{X|Y}$

$$F_{X|Y}(x_0/y_i) = \sum_{\forall x_i \leq x_0} f_{X|Y}(x_i/y_i) = \sum_{\forall x_i \leq x_0} P\{X=x_i/y_i\} = P\{X \leq x_0/y_i\}$$

Let's try to put down the cond. prob. for a toy example:

(Note that, instead we could have started by defining cond. distr. first and later discovered the same defn. of cond. pmf!)

Consider the ~~too~~ usual prob. space associated with tossing of a coin (with prob. of getting a head =  $p$ ) for  $n$  times (identical & independent Bernoulli trials).  $\Downarrow \text{say } (n \geq 2)$

Now define two r.v.s

$X$ : trial at which first head appears ( $X$  takes values 1 to  $n$ )

$Y$ : no. of heads in the  $n$  tosses ( $Y$  takes values 0 to  $n$ )

$\rightarrow$  Note that  $X$  is not a valid r.v. as per the defn. since there is "no trial id" which handles the case of all tails in  $n$  tosses. As a collecting factor lets also include a dummy value (say "0") which  $X$  takes on to represent the case of all tails.

Here is the marginal pmf of  $X$ :

$$f_X(x_i) = \begin{cases} (1-p)^n & x_i = 0 \text{ (dummy value representing all tails)} \\ (1-p)^{x_i-1} p & x_i = 1 \text{ to } n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

→ Now this is a valid pmf

marginal pmf of  $Y$ : → Binomial r.v.

$$f_Y(y_i) = {}^n C_{y_i} p^{y_i} (1-p)^{n-y_i} \quad y_i = 0 \text{ to } n.$$

~~joint pmf of~~ Let's write down the conditional prob. mass function of  $X/Y=i$

$$\textcircled{a} \underline{i=0}: f_{X/Y}(x_i|0) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_i = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \rightarrow \text{valid pmf}$$

$$\textcircled{b} \underline{i=1}: f_{X/Y}(x_i|1) = \begin{cases} \frac{f_{XY}(x_i, 1)}{f_Y(1)} = \frac{(1-p)^{x_i-1} p}{n C_1 p (1-p)^{n-1}} = \frac{1}{n} & \text{if } x_i = 1 \text{ to } n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(3)

$$\textcircled{C} \quad i=2 : f_{X/Y}(x_i/y_2) = \begin{cases} \frac{n \cdot x_i}{n} \binom{n}{x_i} p^2 (1-p)^{n-2} & \text{if } x_i = 1 \text{ to } n-1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{This is also a valid pmf.}$$

No one value of  $x_i$  can be taken more than once.

~~Now we have already put down values of joint pmf for  $i=1$  to  $n-1$~~

In the process of writing down the cond. pmf we have also put down the joint pmf for few value pairs of  $(x_i, y_i)$ .

In the next lecture we will look at the case of cond. prob. for jointly conts. r.v. etc.

For example when a die is thrown and a coin is tossed

and if we want to find the probability of getting a head and a 3 on the die.

Explain how to do given problem.

Ans: If we consider the sample space as  $\Omega = \{(H, 1), (H, 2), (H, 3), (H, 4), (H, 5), (H, 6), (T, 1), (T, 2), (T, 3), (T, 4), (T, 5), (T, 6)\}$

then  $P(H) = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $P(3) = \frac{1}{6}$

$$P(H \cap 3) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{12}$$

or  $P(3|H) = \frac{1}{6}$

# Lecture Notes - 13

①

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Suppose  $X, Y$  are jointly conts. r.v. Now we want to define notion of say cond. dist. and cond. pdf ("probable"), indepdn. using the familiar notion of cond. prob. over events (which is very familiar to us). Now pdf has "no direct link" with prob. So maybe its better to start from by defining cond. dist. function using cond. prob. over events.

Suppose we attempt the following:  $F_{X|Y}(x|y) = P\{X \leq x | Y = y\}$

note this was the defn for  
discrete r.v. case.

We are bound to fail since  $P\{Y = y\} = 0 \forall y$ . The work around is to define as follows: (which intuitively means the same!)

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{X|Y}(x|y) &= \cancel{\lim_{\Delta y \downarrow 0}} P\{X \leq x | y \leq Y \leq y + \Delta y\} \rightarrow (\text{This is the definition we go with}) \\
 &= \lim_{\Delta y \downarrow 0} \frac{P\{X \leq x, y \leq Y \leq y + \Delta y\}}{P\{y \leq Y \leq y + \Delta y\}} \rightarrow (\text{familiar notion of cond. prob. over events}) \\
 &= \lim_{\Delta y \downarrow 0} \frac{\int_{-\infty}^x \int_y^{y+\Delta y} f_{XY}(x, y') dy' dx'}{\int_y^{y+\Delta y} f_Y(y') dy'} \rightarrow (\text{Since } X, Y \text{ are jointly conts. there is a pdf}) \\
 &= \lim_{\Delta y \downarrow 0} \frac{\int_{-\infty}^x f_X(x') \Delta y dx'}{f_Y(y) \Delta y} \rightarrow (\text{over small intervals we assume pdf doesn't change so area is height } x \text{ interval length})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^x f_{XY}(x',y) dx'}{f_Y(y)} = \int_{-\infty}^x \left[ \frac{f_{XY}(x',y)}{f_Y(y)} \right] dx' \quad (2)$$

↓  
this must be cond. pdf!!

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{XY}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}} \quad (\text{Conditional pdf})$$

→ Note the similarity in the expression even in the discrete case.

Now for this defn. is first of all valid if  $y$  is such that  $f_Y(y) \neq 0$ . (i.e. prob. density of  $Y$  at  $y$  is non-zero).

Now let us check if for a fixed  $y$ , the  $f_{X|Y}$  is indeed a pdf or not. (This check will complete the defn.)

i) firstly  $f_{X|Y}$  is  $\geq 0$ .

$$\text{ii) } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{f_{XY}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} dx = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x,y) dx}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{f_Y(y)}{f_Y(y)} = 1$$

Hence for a fixed value of  $y$  such that  $f_Y(y) \neq 0$ ,  $f_{X|Y}$  is indeed a pdf and with different values of  $y$  (satisfying  $f_Y(y) \neq 0$ ) we get different pdf's!

Let look at an ex. given in one of prev. lectures:

$$\text{eg } f_{XY}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 24xy & x>0, y>0, x+y<1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

We already know that

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x,y) dy = \begin{cases} 12x(1-x)^2 & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Hence } f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 12y(1-y)^2 & 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Now let's compute

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \begin{cases} \frac{24xy}{12y(1-y)^2} = \frac{2x}{(1-y)^2} & 0 < x < 1-y \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for some  $y \in (0,1)$

where I am  
rule  $f_Y(y) \neq 0$  (it is an easy exercise to check if  $\uparrow$  is valid pdf)

$$\text{Foldeg. } f_{X|Y}(x|0.25) = \begin{cases} \frac{32x}{9} & 0 < x < 0.75 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f_{X|Y}(x|0.75) = \begin{cases} 32x & 0 < x < 0.25 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Do we can get a family of pdf using different values of  $y \in (0,1)$ .

Now let's take <sup>another</sup> eg of a jointly carts pdf we saw in last class

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$$\text{Q2 } f_X(x) = f_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

We also say that each of  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  have std. Normal dist.

(iv)  $f_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = f_{x_1}(x_1) f_{x_2}(x_2) \dots f_{x_n}(x_n)$

(why?)  $\leftarrow$

$$f_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = f_{x_1}(x_1) f_{x_2}(x_2) \dots f_{x_n}(x_n)$$

Now let's take  $n=2$ , then calculate

$$f_{x_1, x_2}(x_1, x_2) = \frac{f_{x_1, x_2}(x_1, x_2)}{\cancel{f_{x_1}(x_1) f_{x_2}(x_2)}} = \frac{\cancel{f_{x_1}(x_1) f_{x_2}(x_2)}}{f_{x_1}(x_1) f_{x_2}(x_2)} = f_X(x_1).$$

In other words knowledge abt.  $x_2$  is not effect pdf of  $x_1$ !

Similar This notion was discussed while discussing notion of independent events!

Let's formalizing this notion of independence;

Independence of rvs

$X, Y$  are said to be independent

$\iff \forall B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}$  it happens that:

$$P[X \in B_1, Y \in B_2] = P[X \in B_1] P[Y \in B_2]$$

in other words the events

$[X \in B_1] \text{ & } [Y \in B_2]$

III

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$\{w \in \Omega / X(w) \in B_1\}$

$\{w \in \Omega / Y(w) \in B_2\}$

are independent

(I)

(5)

Now let's choose  $B_1 = (-\infty, u]$  &  $B_2 = (-\infty, v]$

then ①  $\Rightarrow \cancel{F_{XY}(x, y) = F_X(x) F_Y(y)}$

(the converse is also true & beyond scope of this course)

→ This means the joint dist factors into marginals or in case of independent r.v.s the marginals completely determine the joint dist. !!

→ Now if  $X, Y$  are discrete r.v.s, then:

Take  $B_1 = \{x\}, B_2 = \{y\}$  ①  $\Rightarrow f_{XY}(x, y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$

→ If  $X, Y$  are jointly cont. r.v.s, then we anyway have:

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial F_{XY}(x, y)}{\partial y} = F_X(x) \frac{\partial f_Y(y)}{\partial y} = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2 F_{XY}(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{d}{dx} F_X(x) f_Y(y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y).$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{XY}(x, y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y).$$

So joint functions, pmf, pdf's factorize !!

~~We can extend~~ Also for independent r.v.'s:  $f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{XY}(x, y)}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{f_X(x) f_Y(y)}{f_Y(y)} = f_X(x)$

Conditional = marginal!

The notion of independence of r.v.'s can be extended to any  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ :

We say  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are independent if for all sub-collections  $X_i, \dots, X_j$  are independent (in other words  $X_i, X_j$  are independent,  $X_i, X_j, X_k$  are independent, so on ...) and  $F_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  factors into integrals.  
(So there are  $2^n - n - 1$  conditions to be checked!)

↑  
against one of the conditions is  $F_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

$$= F_{X_1}(x_1) F_{X_2}(x_2) \cdots F_{X_n}(x_n).$$

Note that the r.v.'s in eq 1 are not independent and those in eq 2 are independent r.v.'s!

Moreover the r.v.'s in eq 2 are also identically distributed.  
In other words, each of the  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  has the same Ntd. Normal distribution.

Such a collection of r.v.'s which are independent and are identically distributed are called as iid r.v.s.

Let's look at a quick eg:

Suppose  $X, Y$  are iid. & conts. r.v's.  
Calculate  $P[X > Y]$ .

Intuitive answer is:

$$\begin{aligned} P[\text{[X, Y] } \in \mathbb{R}^2] &= P[X > Y \cup X < Y \cup X = Y] \\ &= P[X > Y] + P[X < Y] + P[X = Y] \end{aligned}$$

each are mutually  
exclusive events

$\downarrow$

~~$P[X = x, Y = y]$~~

$\downarrow$

~~$P[X = x, Y = y]$~~

$\downarrow$

zero

Now there is no reason to believe  $X > Y$  or  $Y < X$  (since  $X, Y$  are conts. r.v's!) are independent & contributions of same distribution) so  $P[X > Y]$  must be equal to  $P[Y < X]$

$$\Rightarrow P[X > Y] = \frac{1}{2}$$

$\nearrow$  now all are iid.

III An argument shows  $P[X_1 > X_2 > \dots > X_n] = \frac{1}{n!}$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{\text{because this is just one ordering}}$   
among all  $n!$  orderings !!

Now lets look at a more rigorous answer and we will see that our intuition is right!

$$P[X > Y] = \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dy dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) f_Y(y) dy dx$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{X, Y \text{ are independent}}$

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$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) f_X(y) dy dx \quad (\because X, Y \text{ are identically distributed})$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) \left[ \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(y) dy \right] dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) F_X(x) dx \quad (\text{two ways of computing it})$$

(by parts method)

$$= F_X(x) F_X(x) \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_X(x) f_X(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) dF_X(x) dx = \frac{F_X(\infty) F_X(\infty)}{2} \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} = \frac{1}{2}$$

(substitution method)

$$\text{Put } u \rightarrow F_X(x)$$

$$= \int_0^1 F_X(u) dF_X(u) = \frac{F_X(u)^2}{2} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

BAYE'S Theorem (extension to n.v).

Let X, Y are discrete/jointly conts. n.v's

Let  $f_{XY}, f_X, f_Y$  represent their joint & marginal pmf/pdf.  
(which ever is the case)

We know:  $f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{XY}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} \Rightarrow f_{Y|X}(y|x) = f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y)$

also,  $f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{XY}(x,y)}{f_X(x)} = \frac{f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y)}{f_X(x)}$

(9)

Now if  $X, Y$  are discrete r.v.s, then:

$$f_X(u) = \sum_{y \in Y} f_{XY}(u, y) = \sum_{y \in Y} f_{X|Y}(u|y) f_Y(y)$$

Now substituting back we get:

$$f_{Y|X}(y|u) = \frac{f_{X|Y}(u|y) f_Y(y)}{\sum_{y'} f_{X|Y}(u|y') f_Y(y')} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Bayes' theorem} \\ \text{for} \\ \text{discrete r.v.s.} \end{array} \right\}$$

If  $X, Y$  are jointly conts., then:

$$f_X(u) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(u, y) dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X|Y}(u|y) f_Y(y) dy$$

Substituting back we get:

$$f_{Y|X}(y|u) = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X|Y}(u|y) f_Y(y) dy}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X|Y}(u|y) f_Y(y) dy} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Bayes' theorem} \\ \text{for} \\ \text{jointly conts. r.v.s.} \end{array} \right\}$$

The advantage is that without knowing joint pmf  
~~In the next class~~ or joint pdf we are able to calculate cond. prob  
 on one side using cond. prob on the other side i.e.  $f_{X|Y}$

$\uparrow f_{Y|X}$  and of course we also are using  $f_Y(y)$  or  $f_X(u)$  i.e.  
 marginals.  
 $\therefore$  Use whatever joint-pmf/pdf is difficult to compute !!  
 (unecessary)

This lecture begins with some applications of the Baye's theorem.

e.g. 1 Suppose we are told that a person picks up a coin at random from a set of  $m$  coins. It is also given to us that that the prob. of picking the  $i^{\text{th}}$  coin is  $q_i$  (i.e.  $q_i > 0$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^m q_i = 1$ ). Now just given this information suppose we are asked to guess what coin was picked up by the person, intuitively our answer would be  $\operatorname{argmax} q_i$ , i.e. the coin which has the maximum prob. of being picked. Note that we are using ~~no~~ absolutely no information regarding the particular coin picked ~~up~~ but some "generic" information about  $q_i$ .

Now suppose the person is generous to reveal some partial information regarding the coin in his hand and then asks us to guess. ~~In particular, if~~ In particular, suppose he reveals the number of heads he got by tossing the coin in his hand for  $n$  times and he also reveals the prob. of getting heads with each of the coin (i.e.  $p_i > 0$ ,  $p_i \leq 1$ ,  $i=1 \text{ to } m$ ).

Now, ~~a~~ a little bit of thinking will show that given the partial information, we can come up with a better guess. (Think abt two extreme cases where all  $q_i$  are same &  $q_i$  highly distinct)

Let us formalize our ideas: define two r.v.s

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$X$ : # Heads in 'n' tosses (with the coin picked up)

$\rightarrow$

$$E \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

$Y$ : 'id' of the coin picked up  $\rightarrow E \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$

Now ~~the~~ pmf of  $Y$  is given:  $f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} a_y & y \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

~~Surely there is an interpretation given prior to the information regarding the coin ~~selected~~, this interpretation is~~

Also, the following cond. pmf is given:

$$f_{X/Y}(x/y) = \begin{cases} {}^n C_x p_y^x (1-p_y)^{n-x} & x \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Now we wish to calculate the prob. that the coin picked up is ' $y$ ' given that there were ' $x$ ' heads:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{Y/X}(y/x) &= \frac{f_{X/Y}(x/y) f_Y(y)}{\sum_{y'} f_{X/Y}(x/y') f_Y(y')} \quad (\because \text{Bayes theorem}) \\ &= \frac{{}^n C_x p_y^x (1-p_y)^{n-x} q_y}{\sum_{y'} {}^n C_x p_{y'}^x (1-p_{y'})^{n-x} q_{y'}} \end{aligned}$$

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Now given a 'x' by the person, for different values of  $y$  we can calculate this quantity. Again (intuitively) the guess is to pick the coin which maximizes  $f_{Y|X}$ !

Note that if all  $V_j = \frac{1}{m}$  ( $\forall j, y=1 to m$ ), then  $f_{Y|X}$  is same as  $f_Y$  (and our guess wouldn't change). In other words, if all coins have same prob. of getting heads, the partial information regarding the coin picked up does not give any ~~any~~<sup>additional</sup> insight to it!  
 i.e. no. heads in  
 $'n'$  tosses

Since  $f_{Y|X}$  is prob. of ~~picking~~<sup>a coin</sup> being picked after looking off at the partial information abit X, it is usually called as posterior prob. &  $f_Y$  is called as prior probability.  
 (The same idea is extensively used in prob. model known as ~~Markov chain through the~~ Hidden Markov model (HMM) which are # state of the art models for automated speech recognition systems!)

Hence the idea of cond. prob. & Baye's theorem have far reaching consequences.

Now lets look at another eg. illustrating the utility of the Baye's theorem. The reader is encouraged to see # at every step the analogy between these two examples.

eg<sup>2</sup> Suppose  $X$  represents the diagnostic report of a patient (for the sake of simplicity assume it represents the body temp. of the patient) and suppose  $Y$  represents whether he has a disease or not.

↓      ↓  
(normal) (sick)

Now (again) the task is to predict (given) whether a patient has disease or not! Assume the following information is given:

- i  $f_Y$  (pmf) is given. (This is the prior information). In words, the fraction of normal & diseased people in a population is given. (I)
- ii  $f_{XY}$  (pdf) is given. In words, the body temp. distribution of normal as well as patients with disease are given. Note that  $X/Y$  is a conts. r.v.  $\Rightarrow F_{X/Y}(y) \equiv P\{X \leq x | Y = y\} = \int_{-\infty}^x f_{XY}(x/y) dx$ .

Again we ~~need~~ <sup>with</sup> to compute  $f_{Y/X}$  (pmf) which ~~is~~ <sup>in words</sup> is the prob. of the patient is normal or has disease given his diagnostic report (body temp.)

Before this ~~suppose~~ let us answer a simple question "what is  $f_X(x)$ ?". In words, what is the body temp. dist. of the entire population? Since we have not assumed anything abt  $X$ , let us compute its dist. function:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_X(x) &= P[X \leq x] = \sum_y P[X \leq x, Y=y] \quad (\because \text{marginal funda}) \\
 &= \sum_y P[X \leq x | Y=y] P[Y=y] \quad (\because \text{cond. prob.}) \\
 &= \sum_y F_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y) \quad (\because \text{defn. of cond. dist.}) \\
 &= \sum_y \int_{-\infty}^x f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y) dy \quad (\because X|Y \text{ is a cont. r.v.}) \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^x \left[ \sum_y f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y) \right] dx \quad (\because \text{interchange } \int \text{ & } \sum)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_X(x) = \sum_y f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y) \quad (\because \text{defn. of pdf})$$

Recall that this resembles the total prob. rule (for the case  $X, Y$  are both discrete). However note that  $f_X$  and  $f_{X|Y}$  are pdf's and  $f_Y$  is a pmf. Also, it looks like  $f_X$  is a convex combination of conditional pdf's ( $f_{X|Y}$ ). In other words, it looks like  $X$  is a 'mixture' of two kinds of r.v.s ( $X|Y=0, X|Y=1$  here).  $f_X$  is also sometimes called a mixture density.  $f_Y$  are called as mixing prob. &  $f_{X|Y}$  as class conditional density!

Models satisfying (i) in (I) hence are called as Mixture Models.

Now let's try to compute :

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \lim_{\Delta x \downarrow 0} P\{Y=y | X \in [x, x+\Delta x]\}$$

( 11th to def. in  
case of X, Y conts rv.)

$$\downarrow \text{pmf for fixed } x \text{ such that } f_X(x) \neq 0 = \lim_{\Delta x \downarrow 0} \frac{P[x \leq X \leq x+\Delta x, Y=y]}{P[x \leq X \leq x+\Delta x]}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \downarrow 0} \frac{P[x \leq X \leq x+\Delta x | Y=y] P[Y=y]}{P[x \leq X \leq x+\Delta x]}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \downarrow 0} \frac{\int_x^{x+\Delta x} f_{X|Y}(x'|y) dx' f_Y(y)}{\int_x^{x+\Delta x} f_X(x') dx'}$$

( ∵  $X/Y$  and  
therefore  $X$   
are conts rvs)

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \downarrow 0} \frac{f_{X|Y}(y) \Delta x f_Y(y)}{f_X(x) \Delta x}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y)}{f_X(x)} = \frac{f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y)}{\sum_{y'} f_{X|Y}(x|y') f_Y(y')}$$

Again, this looks like Baye's theorem in case of X, Y both discrete rvs! But here  $f_{Y|X}$  and  $f_Y$  are pmfs whereas  $f_{X|Y}$  is apdf!

Again  $f_{Y|X}$  is posterior pmf / pmf after looking at partial information i.e. diagnostic report of the patient)  
 $f_Y$  is simply the prior information.

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In general, there are two ways to guess:

algebra  $f_Y(y)$

y that

→ maximizing the prob.  
Not. (without looking at  
the particular patient!)

algebra  $f_{Y|X}(y|x)$

→ given diagnostic report x  
of patient guess his  
status of health

max. prob.

max. posterior prob. → it is easy to leave out this  
gives a better guess.

Suppose we want to design a chair which withstands the  
weight of people who sit on it as well as is not built from  
too costly or heavy (strong) material! One way is to design it  
for the heaviest person on earth. But this is too pessimistic  
and will lead to a chair perhaps too heavy to even move :)  
On the other hand we want chair to be 'robust' enough  
to handle healthy people.

One way to put this is ~~is~~ to design chair such  
that it withstands the weight of any '100' random  
people who sit on it. i.e. design for:

$$M = \max\{X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n\}$$

Here  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  represents weights of  $n$  people. It is easy to see that they are i.i.d. r.v.s (why??).

Also note that  $M$  is a r.v. and is in fact a function of collection of r.v.s  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ !

Let compute the dt of  $M$ :

$$\begin{aligned} F_M(x) &= P[M \leq x] = P[\max\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\} \leq x] \\ &= P[X_1 \leq x, X_2 \leq x, \dots, X_n \leq x] \\ &= P[X_1 \leq x] P[X_2 \leq x] \dots P[X_n \leq x] \quad (\because \text{they are independent}) \\ &= F_{X_1}(x) F_{X_2}(x) \dots F_{X_n}(x) \\ &= (F(x))^n \quad (\text{def. } F \text{ is the common dist. function of all the identically distributed r.v.s } X_1, \dots, X_n) \\ \Rightarrow f_M(x) &= n(F(x))^{n-1} f(x) \quad (\text{Lde } f \text{ is the common pdf of } X_1, \dots, X_n) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  In words  $F(f)$  represent the dt. of body weight among humans!

||| by one can consider:

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$$N = \min\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\} . \quad N \text{ is another function}$$

of collections of RVs.

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_N(x) &= P\{N \leq x\} = P\{\min\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\} \leq x\} \\
 &= 1 - P\{\min\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\} > x\} \\
 &= 1 - P\{X_1 > x, X_2 > x, \dots, X_n > x\} \\
 &= 1 - (1 - F(x))^n \quad (\text{again by iid})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_N(x) = n(1 - F(x))^{n-1} f(x).$$

Now one can consider the joint dist. of collection of  $M, N$  RVs which are in turn function of collections of RVs!

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{MN}(x, y) &= P\{M \leq x, N \leq y\} \\
 &= P\{M \leq x\} - P\{M \leq x, N > y\} \\
 &= (F(x))^n - P\{y < X_1 \leq x, y < X_2 \leq x, \dots, y < X_n \leq x\} \\
 &= (F(x))^n - (F(x) - F(y))^n \quad (\because \text{iid arguments})
 \end{aligned}$$

In future classes we will look into more eg. of functions of RVs.

This lecture formalizes the notion of functions of multivariate r.v.s. (in other words functions of collections of r.v.s).

Suppose  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  are r.v.s defined on  $\Omega = (\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ . Also,  $g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given. Consider a new function  $Z: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined as

$$Z(\omega) = g(X_1(\omega), X_2(\omega), \dots, X_n(\omega)) \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega.$$

The left hand representation of  $Z$  is  $Z = g(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ .

Now  $Z$  is indeed a function from  $\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , so it is a r.v. if:

$$Z'(B) \in \mathcal{F} \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}.$$

i.e.  $\{\omega \in \Omega \mid g(X_1(\omega), X_2(\omega), \dots, X_n(\omega)) \in B\} \in \mathcal{F} \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}$

Consider the condition  $\underline{g'(B) \in \mathcal{B}}$  in other words  $\underline{g'(B)} = B_1 \times B_2 \times \dots \times B_n$  each  $B_i \in \mathcal{B}$ .

It is easy to see that  $Z'(B) = \bigcap_{i=1}^n \{\omega \in \Omega \mid X_i(\omega) \in B_i\} \in \mathcal{F}$

Hence  $\underline{g'(B) \in \mathcal{B}}$  is the condition on  $g'$  which makes  $Z$  a valid r.v.

Nice each  $X_i$  is a valid r.v!

Again (not in this class) we can show that if  $g$  is a continuous function then  $\underline{g Z = g(X_1, \dots, X_n)}$  is also a valid r.v.

Let's consider an example:

$$\underline{\text{Eq1}} \quad Z = X + Y \quad (\text{here } g(x,y) = x+y)$$

Suppose joint pdf of  $X, Y$  is known. Compute  $f_Z$ .

$$F_Z(z) = P\{Z \leq z\} = P\{X+Y \leq z\}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{z-x} f_{XY}(x,y) dy dx$$

$$\text{Now } f_Z(z) = \frac{dF_Z(z)}{dz} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dz} \int_{-\infty}^{z-x} f_{XY}(x,y) dy dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, z-x) dx$$

$\rightarrow$  Assume now that  $X, Y$  are independent rvs.

$$\Rightarrow f_Z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(u) f_Y(z-u) du \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{nothing but} \\ \text{convolution of } f_X, f_Y \text{ at } z \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= f_X(z) * f_Y(z)$$

Hence, pdf of sum of two rvs is the convolution of the individual pdf's!

Let's now take the special case  $f_X(x) = f_Y(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & -1 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

In other words we are assuming  $X, Y$  are both  $\sim U[-1, 1]$  (uniform rvs in  $[-1, 1]$ ).

$$f_2(z) = f_x(z) * f_y(z)$$

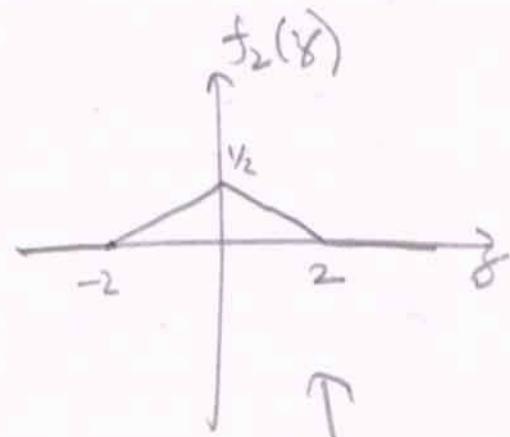
(X, Y are i.i.d and are uniform r.v. in  $(-1, 1)$ )

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_x(x) f_y(z-x) dx$$

$$= \begin{cases} \int_{-1}^{z+1} \frac{1}{4} dx & z \leq -2 \\ \int_{z-1}^1 \frac{1}{4} dx & -2 < z \leq 0 \\ 0 & 0 < z \leq 2 \\ 0 & z > 2 \end{cases}$$

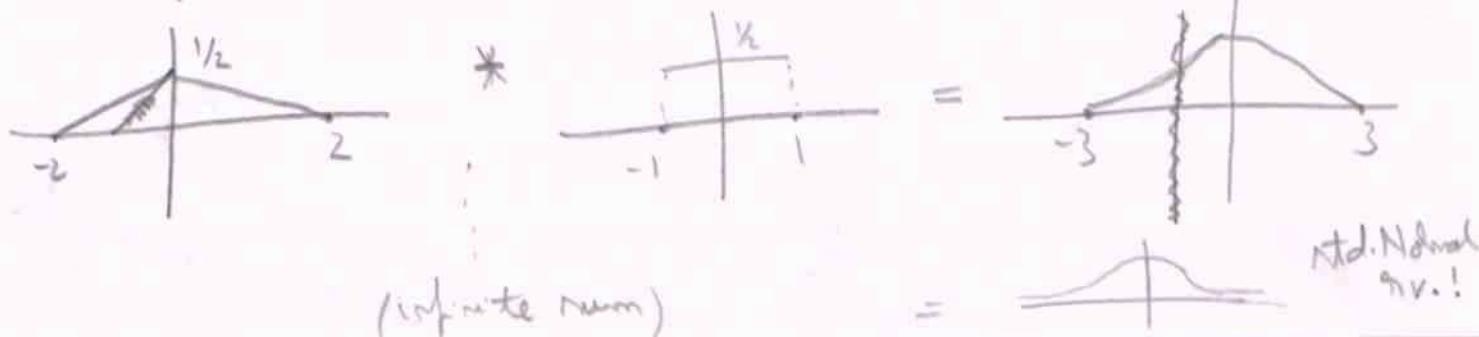
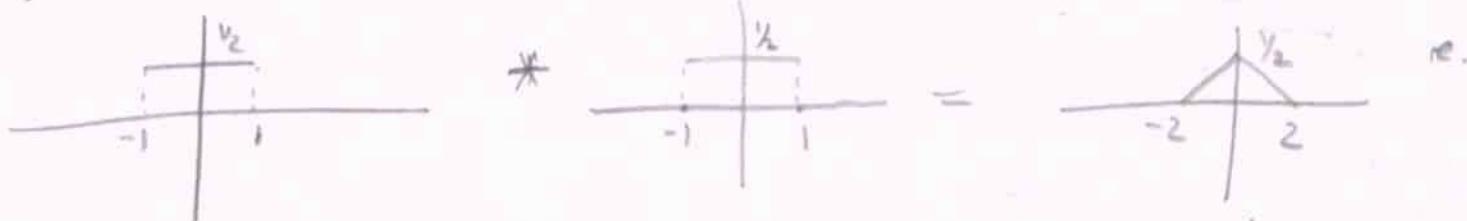
$f_x(x)$  and  $f_y(z-x)$  are non-zero iff  
 $-1 < x < 1$   
 $-1 < z-x < 1$   
i.e.,  $-1 < x < 1$   
 $z-1 < x < z+1$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & z \leq -2 \\ \frac{z+2}{4} & -2 < z \leq 0 \\ \frac{2-z}{4} & 0 < z \leq 2 \\ 0 & z > 2 \end{cases}$$



So sum of two i.i.d  $U[-1, 1]$  r.v.s is not  $U[-1, 1]$  but infat.

Similarly we can sum three, four, ... r.v.s which are  $U[-1, 1]$ :



This is an intuition for a special case of Central Limit Theorem.

Ex (Here sum of infinite iid rvs all  $\sim N(-1, 1)$  is converging to std. Normal rv.)

eq2 Let  $X, Y$  be iid and ~~be~~ <sup>be</sup> std. Normal rvs.

by above argument if  $Z = X + Y$  has the pdf as convolution of pdfs of  $X, Y$ . It is a well-known result that convolution of any two Gaussian functions is a Gaussian function.

Using this result we can say  $Z$  is again Normal rv!

(we will see a generic result of this kind later)

(A Gaussian function is any function of the form:

$$f(x) = a e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{c^2}} \quad a, c > 0. \text{ Note that the}$$

Normal rv has a pdf as a Gaussian func. Hence Normal rvs are also known as Gaussian rvs!)

eq3  $Z = \frac{X}{Y}$ .

$$F_Z(z) = P\{Z \leq z\} = P\left\{\frac{X}{Y} \leq z\right\}$$

$$= P\{X \leq zY, Y > 0\} + P\{X \geq zY, Y < 0\}$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{zY} f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy + \int_{-\infty}^{0} \int_{zY}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow f_2(z) &= \frac{dF_2(y)}{dy} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dz} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{zy} f_{xy}(x,y) dx dy + \int_{zy}^{\infty} f_{xy}(x,y) dx dy \right) dy \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_{xy}(zy,y) dy + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} -y f_{xy}(zy,y) dy \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y| f_{xy}(zy,y) dy
 \end{aligned}$$

→ Now let's take  $x, y$  as iid and std. Normal r.v.s.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{then } f_2(z) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y| \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} y^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} z^2} dy = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y e^{-\frac{(z^2+1)y^2}{2}} dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{c}{-\frac{(z^2+1)t}{2}} \right]_0^{\infty} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\pi(1+z^2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

∴  $Z$  is a Cauchy r.v. !

→ Now, Consider the collection of r.v.s  $Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n$  <sup>each</sup>  
~~of which are~~ <sup>in turn</sup> ~~joint~~ probability functions of  
the r.v.s:  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ .

i.e. Consider

$$\begin{aligned}
 Z_1 &= g_1(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) \\
 Z_2 &= g_2(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) \\
 Z_n &= g_n(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)
 \end{aligned}$$

we already saw that each  $Z_i$  is a rv (from the same initial P). Hence the collection of  $\{Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n\}$  is indeed a valid multivariate rv. Hence we can talk about its dist. fnc. & equivalently, the joint distribution of  $Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n$  which are collections of functions of  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  rvs.

$$F_Z(\underline{z}) = F_{Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n}(z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_n)$$

$$= P[Z \leq \underline{z}]$$

$$= P[Z \in B] \quad \text{where } B = (-\infty, z_1] \times (-\infty, z_2] \times \dots \times (-\infty, z_n]$$

~~⇒~~ Now  $Z = \underline{g}(X)$  where  $\underline{g} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  &

$$\underline{g}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = (g_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), g_2(x_1, \dots, x_n), \dots, g_n(x_1, \dots, x_n))$$

$$\Rightarrow F_Z(\underline{z}) = P[\underline{g}(X) \in B]$$

$$= P[X \in \underline{g}^{-1}(B)]$$

$$= \iint \cdots \int_{\underline{g}^{-1}(B)} f_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_n$$

Now suppose ~~we do the follow~~ that  $\underline{g}$  is invertible:

$$\Rightarrow \exists \underline{h} \ni \underline{x} = \underline{h}(\underline{z}) .$$

Also suppose  $\underline{g}, \underline{h}$  are continuously differentiable.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} F_Z(\underline{z}) &= \iint_{\underline{g}^{-1}(\Omega)} \cdots \int f_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_n \\ &= \iint_{\Omega} \cdots \int f_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n}(h_1(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n), h_2(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n), \dots, h_n(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n)) \\ &\quad |\mathcal{J}| dz_1 dz_2 \cdots dz_n \\ \Rightarrow f_Z(\underline{z}) &= f_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n}(h_1(z_1, \dots, z_n), \dots, h_n(z_1, \dots, z_n)) / |\mathcal{J}| \end{aligned}$$

abs. value of the Jacobian.

$$|\mathcal{J}| = \text{abs. of det. of} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial z_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial z_n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial h_n}{\partial z_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial h_n}{\partial z_n} \end{bmatrix} .$$

We will see an explanation in the next lecture.

We will continue the discussion at end previous lecture (now restricting ourselves to 2-d case):

Consider two rvs:  $Z_1 = g_1(x_1, x_2)$        $g_1: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$Z_2 = g_2(x_1, x_2)$        $g_2: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Let  $Z$  be the multivariate rv representing  $Z_1, Z_2$   
 $X$       "      "       $x_1, x_2$

Also let,  $\underline{g}: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be defined as  $\underline{g}(x, y) = (g_1(x, y), g_2(x, y))$ .  
It is easy to see that  $Z = \underline{g}(X)$ .

Now assume:

i)  $\underline{g}$  is invertible ( $\underline{g}$  is bijection). Let  $\underline{h} = \underline{g}^{-1}$ .

It is easy to see  $X = \underline{h}(Z)$ . Also let  $\underline{h}(z_1, z_2) = (h_1(z_1, z_2), h_2(z_1, z_2))$ .

ii) Assume  $\underline{g}, \underline{h}$  are continuously differentiable.

iii) Assume  $Z, X$  are conts. (multivariate) rvs.

We wish to write down the joint pdf of  $Z_1, Z_2$  (i.e. pdf of  $Z$ ) in terms of joint-pdf of  $X_1, X_2$  (i.e., df of  $X$ ). To this end:

$$\begin{aligned} F_Z(\underline{z}) &= P[Z \leq \underline{z}] \\ &= P[Z \in B] \quad \text{where } B = (-\infty, z_1] \times (-\infty, z_2]. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_2(\underline{x}) = P[\underline{g}(x) \in B]$$

$$= P[x \in h(B)]$$

$$= \iint_{h(B)} f_{x_1 x_2}(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2$$

(I)

Now suppose I do change of dummy variables  $x_1, x_2$  in the double integral:

$$x_1 = h_1(y_1, y_2)$$

(remember that  
 $h_1 = g_1^{-1}$   
 $h_2 = g_2^{-1}$ )

$$x_2 = h_2(y_1, y_2)$$

Now  $(x_1, x_2) \in h(B)$  from the integral limits

$$\Rightarrow (h_1(y_1, y_2), h_2(y_1, y_2)) \in h(B)$$

$$\Rightarrow h(y_1, y_2) \in h(B) \Rightarrow (y_1, y_2) \in B$$

(II)

Now in order to proceed with change of variables, I need to figure out how elementary area in  $y_1, y_2$  coordinate looks like! Before doing that my elementary area is  $|J| dy_1 dy_2$  (we will justify now what is  $|J|$ )

Then:  $F_2(\underline{x}) = \iint \boxed{f_{x_1 x_2}(h_1(y_1, y_2), h_2(y_1, y_2)) |J|} dy_1 dy_2$

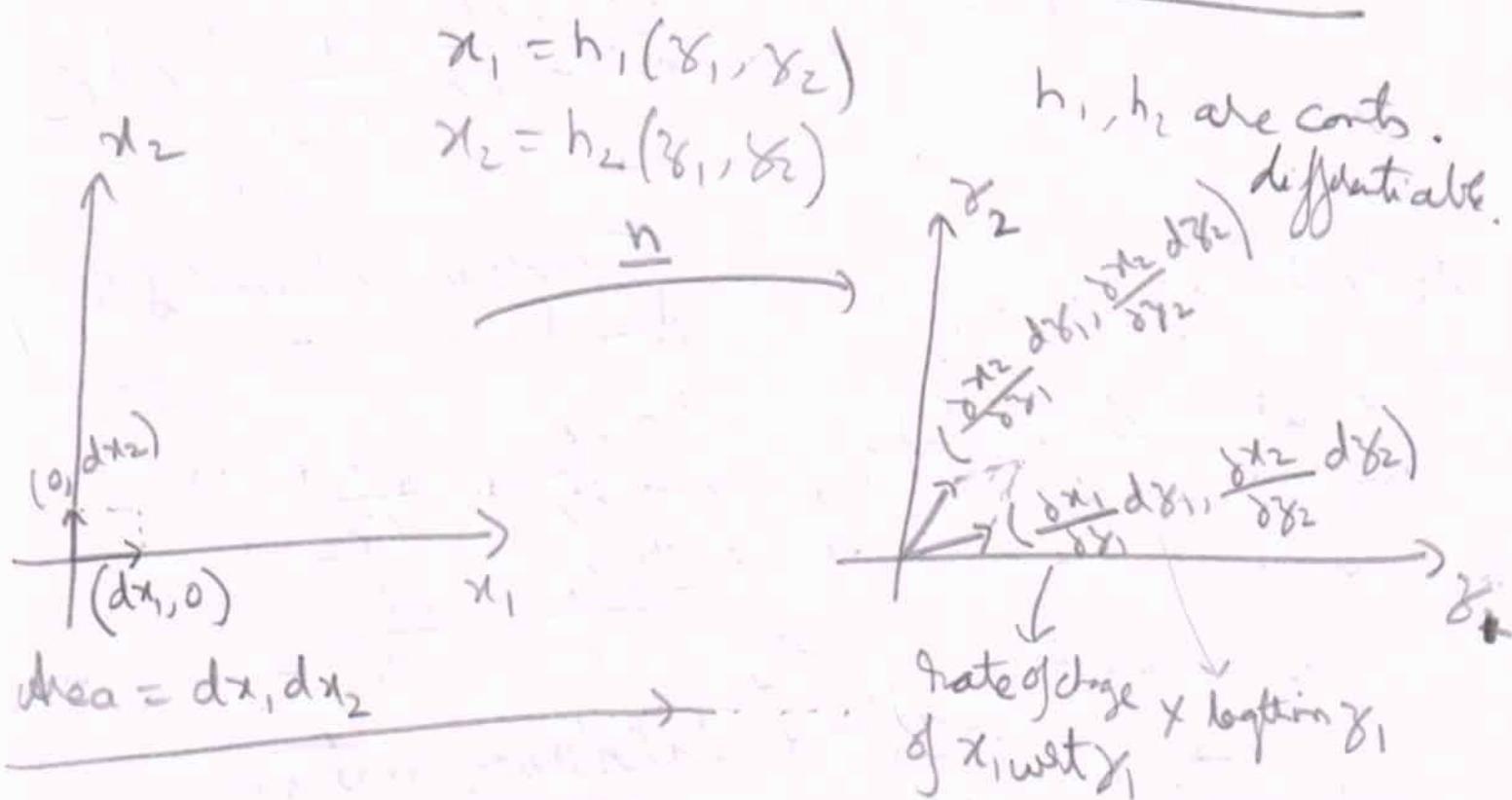
From (II)  $\leftarrow B$   $\rightarrow$  must be  $f_{x_1 x_2}$ !! (why?) (2)

Since dist. of  $Z$  can be computed by integrating a function (over relevant  $\mathbb{R}$ -interval), that same function must be the pdf of  $Z$ !

$$\Rightarrow f_{Z_1, Z_2}(z_1, z_2) = f_{X_1, X_2}(h_1(z_1, z_2), h_2(z_1, z_2)) |J|$$

Hence we are successful in the derivation. Now let us see how  $|J|$  can be computed as:

### Change of Variables in Multiple integrals



Area in  $y_1, y_2$  coordinates is area of parallelogram (for which we know the vectors of sides!)

Area of Ilgm is nothing but cross-product of the vectors of boundaries:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area vector} &= \begin{pmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_1} dy_1, \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_2} dy_2 & 0 \\ \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_1}, \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_1} dy_1 \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_2} - \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_1} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_2} \right) \hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Area} = \left| \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_1} \\ \hline \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_2} & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_2} \\ \hline \end{array} \right| = \left| \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_1} \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_2} - \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_1} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_2} \right| dy_1 dy_2$$

Note that,

$$|\mathcal{J}| \text{ is also abs. of det. of } \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_2} \\ \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Called as Jacobian matrix

In n-dimensional case:

$$\text{Jacobian matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_n} \\ \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial y_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial y_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

(4)

Let's take an eg and work out details:

Q1 Let  $Z_1 = X + Y$   
 $Z_2 = X - Y$  joint pdf of  $X, Y$  given

Compute joint pdf of  $Z_1, Z_2$ .

We know,  $f_{Z_1, Z_2}(z_1, z_2) = f_{X, Y}(h_1(z_1, z_2), h_2(z_1, z_2)) |J|$

1) We ~~just~~ need to figure out what are  $h_1, h_2$ :  
i.e. express  $X, Y$  in terms of  $Z_1, Z_2$ :

$$X = \frac{Z_1 + Z_2}{2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad h_1(z_1, z_2) = \frac{z_1 + z_2}{2}$$

$$Y = \frac{Z_1 - Z_2}{2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad h_2(z_1, z_2) = \frac{z_1 - z_2}{2}$$

Now  $|J| = \text{abs} \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial(\frac{z_1+z_2}{2})}{\partial z_1} & \frac{\partial(\frac{z_1+z_2}{2})}{\partial z_2} \\ \frac{\partial(\frac{z_1-z_2}{2})}{\partial z_1} & \frac{\partial(\frac{z_1-z_2}{2})}{\partial z_2} \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \text{abs} \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{Z_1, Z_2}(z_1, z_2) = \frac{1}{2} f_{XY}\left(\frac{z_1+z_2}{2}, \frac{z_1-z_2}{2}\right)$$

Now lets compute marginal  $Z_1$ :

$$f_{Z_1}(z_1) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} f_{XY}\left(\frac{z_1+z_2}{2}, \frac{z_1-z_2}{2}\right) dz_2$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(t, z_1-t) dt \quad \left(\text{Put } t = \frac{z_1+z_2}{2}\right)$$

→ This expression is familiar from prev. lecture.

This shows we are constant.



$$\underline{\text{eq2}} \quad Z_1 = X/Y$$

$$Z_2 = Y$$

again  $X = Z_1 Z_2$       (i.e.  $h_1(z_1, z_2) = z_1 z_2$ )  
 $Y = Z_2$        $h_2(z_1, z_2) = z_2$

$$|J| = \text{abs.} \begin{vmatrix} z_2 & z_1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = |z_2|$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{Z_1, Z_2}(z_1, z_2) = |z_2| f_{XY}(z_1 z_2, z_2)$$

Now again

$$f_{z_1}(z_1) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |z_2| f_{xy}(x_1 z_2, z_2) dz_2$$



This expression is also familiar from prev. lecture!

## EXPECTATIONS

Now lets return to the topic of expectations.

Consider  $Z = g(x, y)$

we know  $Z$  is a rv.

So we know :  $E[Z] = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z f_Z(z) dz & \text{if } Z \text{ is contin.} \\ \sum_{\forall z_i} z_i f_Z(z_i) & \text{if } Z \text{ is discrete rv.} \end{cases}$

But one can also show:

Theorem:  $E[Z] = E[g(x, y)] = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) f_{xy}(x, y) dx dy \\ \sum_{\forall x_i} \sum_{\forall y_i} g(x_i, y_i) f_{xy}(x_i, y_i) \end{cases}$

Recall that we proved a similar theorem for  $Z = g(x)$  also.

Again like prev. time we will show <sup>the</sup> only for the discrete case:

$$\underline{\text{Proof}}: E[z] = \sum_{\forall y_i} z_i f_z(y_i)$$

$$= \sum_{\forall y_i} z_i \sum_{\substack{(x_i, y_i): \\ g(x_i, y_i) = y_i}} f_{xy}(x_i, y_i)$$

$$= \sum_{\forall y_i} \sum_{\substack{(x_i, y_i): \\ g(x_i, y_i) = y_i}} g(x_i, y_i) f_{xy}(x_i, y_i)$$

$$= \sum_{\forall (x_i, y_i)} g(x_i, y_i) f_{xy}(x_i, y_i)$$

If  $E[z]$  exists then relies sum is abs. convergent so it doesn't matter in which order we take the sum!

In summary, we know how to compute expectation of function of two (or general  $n$ ) rvs!

In this lecture we will proceed with discussion of expectation in case of collections of r.v.s.

We already showed that:

$$E[g(x,y)] = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x,y) f_{xy}(x,y) dx dy & (\text{if } X, Y \text{ are jointly cont.}) \\ \sum_{x_i} \sum_{y_i} g(x_i, y_i) f_{xy}(x_i, y_i) & (\text{if } X, Y \text{ are discrete}) \end{cases}$$

~~Note~~ (All derivations from now on (unless specified explicitly) take care of  $X, Y$  jointly cont. and prove results on expectation using integrals, however the general results do hold of for discrete r.v.s case also).

Consider  $Z = g(x,y) = x + y$

$$\begin{aligned} E[Z] &= E[X+Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x+y) f_{xy}(x,y) dx dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{xy}(x,y) dy dx + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_{xy}(x,y) dx dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{xy}(x,y) dy \right] dx + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{xy}(x,y) dx \right] dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_x(x) dx + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_y(y) dy \\ &= E[X] + E[Y] \end{aligned}$$

In general,  $E[X_1 + \dots + X_n] = \sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i]$ .

i.e. ~~Sum~~ Expectation of sum of r.v.s = sum of expectation of r.v.s  
 (Note that we did NOT assume these r.v.s are independent) (1)

~~for~~ ~~the~~

at  $i^{\text{th}}$  trial among

independent and identical

eg1 Let  $X_i$  = indicator of success in ~~Bernoulli~~ Bernoulli trials.

i.e. each  $X_i$  is a (independent) Bernoulli r.v. with  $P\{X_i=1\} = p$

$$P\{X_i=0\} = 1-p$$

$$\text{Now } E\{X_i\} = 1 \cdot P\{X_i=1\} + 0 \cdot P\{X_i=0\} = p$$

Consider the r.v.  $X = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$ . In words,  $X$  is no. successes in  $n$  iid Bernoulli trials. Of course  $X$  follows a binomial distribution with parameters  $(n, p)$ .

Let compute  $E\{X\}$  using (1):

$$E\{X\} = \sum_{i=1}^n E\{X_i\} = \sum_{i=1}^n p = np \rightarrow \text{we know this is } E\{X\} \text{ of binomial r.v.}$$

eg2 Let  $X_i$  = indicator of change at  $i^{\text{th}}$  interline between two consecutive tosses in  $n$  independent coin tosses of the same coin.

We have already seen that  $P\{X_i=1\} = 2p(1-p)$

$$\Rightarrow E\{X_i\} = P\{X_i=1\} = 2p(1-p)$$

Now consider  $X = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{n-1}$ . In words,  $X$  is the number of changes in  $n$  tosses!

$$\Rightarrow E\{X\} = \sum_{i=1}^n E\{X_i\} = 2(n-1)p(1-p).$$

(Note that here  $X_i$  are not independent Bernoulli r.v.s. so  $X$  is not binomial distributed. However the expectation matches to that of a binomial r.v. !)

Now nothing particular abt  $g(x, y) = x + y$ , this linearity prop. of  $E$  is followed from the linearity prop. of integrals and summations. So in general one has:

eg  $\textcircled{B}$  Consider  $g(x, y, z) = \sum_{i=1}^l a_i f_i(x, y, z) + \sum_{i=1}^m b_i g_i(x, z)$

$\downarrow$   
linear combination of functions  
of  $x, y, z$ .

$+ \sum_{i=1}^n c_i h_i(x) + d$

It is easy to see that:

$$E[g(x, y, z)] = \sum_{i=1}^l a_i E[f_i(x, y, z)] + \sum_{i=1}^m b_i E[g_i(x, z)] + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i E[h_i(x)] + d,$$

$\downarrow$   
to compute we will  
need joint dist of  $x, y, z$

$\downarrow$   
to compute we need  
joint dist of  $x, z$

$\downarrow$   
we already  
have dist of  $x$ .

This (Also this can be further generalized to functions of n rvs)

This is the linearity property of Expectation.

We can show another property of Expectation:

Suppose  $X, Y$  are independent rvs. Then:

$$E[\underbrace{g(x) h(y)}_{f(x, y)}] = E[g(x)] E[h(y)] \quad \textcircled{II}$$

Proof LHS =  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(u) h(v) f_{X,Y}(u, v) dudv = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(u) h(v) f_X(u) f_Y(v) dudv$

$= \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(u) f_X(u) du \right) \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(v) f_Y(v) dv \right) = \text{RHS.}$

LHS involves double integral/summation whereas RHS involves two single integrals/summations. So it is useful observation.

Also, in general, we can show if  $X, Y$  are independent then

$g(x), h(y)$  are also independent (provided  $g(x), h(y)$  are well defined rvs!)

Prf:  $g(x), h(y)$  are independent rvs

$\Leftrightarrow [g(x) \in B_1], [h(y) \in B_2]$  are independent events  
+  $B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}$

$\Leftrightarrow [X \in g^{-1}(B_1)], [Y \in h^{-1}(B_2)]$

but  $g^{-1}(B_1)$  and  $h^{-1}(B_2)$   
are non bdd sets!

which is true since  $X, Y$  are themselves independent rvs!

### Moments of Functions of rvs

While discussing rvs we defined moments, absolute moments etc.

Now we can extend these definitions:

$M_{m,n} = E[x^m y^n] \rightarrow m, n^{\text{th}}$  moment of  $X, Y$   
(this is non-func of  $X, Y$  hence we can compute its expectation!)

e.g.  $\mu_{1,0} = E\{x\} = \mu_x, \mu_{0,1} = E\{y\} = \mu_y, \mu_{1,1} = E\{xy\} = \mu_{xy}, \dots$

Similarly, one can extend the concept of central moments:

$\sigma_{m,n} = E[(X - E[X])^m (Y - E[Y])^n] \rightarrow m^{th}$  central moment of  $X, Y$ .

e.g.  $\sigma_{10} = 0 = \sigma_{01}$ ,  $\sigma_{20} \doteq \text{var}(x) = \sigma_x^2$ ,  $\sigma_{02} = \text{var}(y) = \sigma_y^2$ ,

$$\sigma_{11} = E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])] \equiv \text{Cov}(X, Y)$$

$\sigma_{11}$  is called as covariance of  $X, Y$ . (of course  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \text{Cov}(Y, X)$ ).

$\text{Cov}(X, Y)$  has some connection with the notion of "how correlated two r.v.s  $X, Y$  are". Let's explore this connection now:

i) Suppose  $X, Y$  are independent. Then we can show  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$

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

$$= E[(XY + E[X]E[Y] - XE[Y] - YE[X])]$$
$$= E[XY] - E[X]E[Y] \quad \rightarrow \text{linearity prop. of } E$$
$$= E[X]E[Y] - E[X]E[Y] \quad \rightarrow \because X, Y \text{ are independent (by II)}$$
$$= 0$$

So  $X, Y$  are independent  $\Rightarrow \text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$

However,  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0 \not\Rightarrow X, Y$  are independent.

Here is the counter eg:

Consider  $Y = X^2$  and  $X$  is such that  $E[X] = E[X^3] = 0$ .  
Note that  $Y, X$  are merely dependent (not independent!)

However, for this eq:  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \text{Cov}(X, X^2)$

$$= E[X^3] - E[X]E[X^2] = 0$$

So  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0 \not\Rightarrow X, Y \text{ are independent.}$

(Note that an eq. of  $X$  such that  $E[X] = E[X^3] = 0$  is the std. Normal rv. In fact in assignment you showed that all odd moments of a std. Normal rv are zero.) Also you showed that  $Y = X^2$  has chi-square distribution if  $X$  is std. Normal)

→ For  $X, Y$  Normal rv's ~~such that  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$~~  it turns out that indeed  $X, Y$  are independent! So Normal rv's are an exception! and the converse holds!!

We say  $X, Y$  are uncorrelated if  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$ .

(uncorrelated is less in some sense weaker cond. than independence)

In fact we can quantify the "correlation" between two rv's using what is known as the correlation coefficient defined as:

$$\rho_{XY} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$

Since  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0 \Rightarrow X, Y \text{ are uncorrelated}$

Also one can show that:

$|\rho_{XY}| \leq 1$  &  $\rho_{XY} = \pm 1$  implies "perfect" correlation in the sense that  $X, Y$  are linearly dependent!

Prof: TST  $|S_{xy}| \leq 1$

$$\text{i.e. TST } (S_{xy})^2 \leq 1$$

$$\text{i.e. TST } (\text{cov}(x,y))^2 \leq \sigma_x^2 \sigma_y^2$$

$$\text{i.e. TST } (E\{(x-E[x])(y-E[y])\})^2 \leq E\{(x-E[x])^2\} E\{(y-E[y])^2\}$$

(lets put  $x' = x - E[x]$ ,  $y' = y - E[y]$ )

$$\text{i.e. TST } (E[x'y'])^2 \leq E[x'^2] E[y'^2] \quad \text{III}$$

→ This is known as Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

This inequality also appears in linear algebra (vector spaces) and is a fundamental inequality. In fact this being satisfied in III form motivates the study of vector spaces of rvs!!

→ Here is some intuition:

Suppose there exists  $\neq$  some vector space in which inner product is given by  $E[x'y']$  i.e.  $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = E[x'y']$

$$\text{It is easy to see, } \langle v_1, v_1 \rangle = E[x'^2]$$

$$\langle v_2, v_2 \rangle = E[y'^2]$$

but we know that  $(\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle)^2 \leq \langle v_1, v_1 \rangle \langle v_2, v_2 \rangle$

$$\Leftrightarrow (||v_1|| ||v_2|| \cos\theta)^2 \leq ||v_1||^2 ||v_2||^2$$

$$\rightarrow |\cos\theta| \leq 1 \text{ which is true of course.}$$

So III is extension of Cauchy-Schwarz inequality in case of Euclidean vectors!

Proof of (III) is simple (as typical whenever Cauchy-Swartz appears!)

Proof Consider  $E[(\bar{a}x + y)^2]$ . we know it is  $\geq 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow \bar{a}^2 E\{\bar{x}^2\} + 2\bar{a} E\{x'y'\} + E\{y'^2\} \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (E\{x'y'\})^2 \leq E\{x'^2\} E\{y'^2\}$$

(discriminant  $\leq 0$ )

Also note that strict equality appears if and only if  $a\bar{x}' + y' = 0$  i.e.  $X, Y$  are linearly dependent!

This proves overall claim that  $|\beta_{xy}| \leq 1$

$$\beta_{xy} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{is case where } X, Y \text{ are uncorrelated} \\ \pm 1 & \text{is case of "highest" correlation} \\ & \text{i.e. } X, Y \text{ are linearly related!} \end{cases}$$

Now go back to the example of swine flu. We want to know which of symptoms  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  is most important symptom that characterizes  $Y$  (disease of swine flu or not).

→ One answer)

$$\text{Compute } |\beta_{x_1y}|, |\beta_{x_2y}|, \dots, |\beta_{x_ny}|$$

whatever symptom has max  $|\beta|$  we can say it has "highest correlation" with disease and we can hence declare it to be the most important symptom for the disease!

Now let's compute  $\text{var}(Z)$  where  $Z = X + Y$ , in terms of  $\text{var}$  &  $\text{cov}$  of  $X, Y$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\text{var}(Z) &= \text{var}(X+Y) = E\{(X+Y - E[X+Y])^2\} \\ &= E\{((X - E[X]) + (Y - E[Y]))^2\} \\ &= E[(X - E[X])^2] + E[(Y - E[Y])^2] + 2E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])] \\ &= \text{var}(X) + \text{var}(Y) + 2\text{cov}(X, Y).\end{aligned}$$

IV

Note that  $\text{var}(X+Y) = \text{var}(X) + \text{var}(Y) + 2\text{cov}(X, Y)$  can be written in the following (second) way:

~~$\text{var}(X+Y)$~~

→ Apart from this sometimes "vectorial" versions of mean & variance are defined. Here's the motivation:

Suppose we want to find  $E[a^T X]$ .  $a^T X = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i$ .

$$E[a^T X] = E\left\{\sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i\right\} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i E[x_i] \rightarrow \text{by linearity prop. of } E.$$

$$= a^T \underbrace{E[X]}$$

$$\text{new notation } E[X] = \begin{bmatrix} E[X_1] \\ \vdots \\ E[X_n] \end{bmatrix}$$

This  $E[X]$  (exp. of multivariate rv) is nothing but the vector of expectations of the individual rvs. This is also sometimes called as the 'mean vector' of the multivariate rv  $X$ .

Now suppose we wish to find  $\text{var}(a^T X)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\text{var}(a^T X) &= E[(a^T X - E[a^T X])^2] = E[(a^T X - a^T E[X])^2] \\ &= E[a^T (X - E[X]) a^T (X - E[X])]\end{aligned}$$

Now transpose of a number is the number itself we get

$$\text{Var}(a^T x) = E \left[ a^T \underbrace{(x - E[x])(x - E[x])^T}_{n \times n \text{ matrix}} a \right]$$

by linearity prop. of  $E$  we can show  $= a^T \Sigma a$  where

$\Sigma$  is called as the covariance matrix whose entries are given by  $\Sigma_{ij} = \text{Cov}(x_i, x_j)$   
if  $i, j$  th element of the covariance matrix.

→ for a 2-d case we can go through the steps easily:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2) &= E \{ (a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 - E[a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2])^2 \} \\ &= a_1^2 \text{Var}(x_1) + a_2^2 \text{Var}(x_2) + 2 a_1 a_2 \text{Cov}(x_1, x_2) \end{aligned}$$

(By repeated appl. of linearity prop. of  $E$ , similar to (IV))

$$\begin{aligned} &= [a_1 \ a_2] \begin{bmatrix} \text{Var}(x_1) & \text{Cov}(x_1, x_2) \\ \text{Cov}(x_1, x_2) & \text{Var}(x_2) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= a^T \Sigma a \end{aligned}$$

→ Hence sometimes instead ~~of talking~~ of talking about moments and central moments of collections of r.v.s, people talk abt mean vector and covariance matrix of the corresponding multivariate r.v.

## CONDITIONAL EXPECTATION

Suppose  $X, Y$  are two random variables. Now in all cases

- i)  $X, Y$  are discrete
- ii)  $X, Y$  are jointly conts
- iii) one of them is conts. other is discrete,

we defined  $f_{X/Y}(x/y)$  → either conditional pmf or conditional pdf  
 given  $y=y$  ↓ ~~if~~ ↓  
 if  $X$  is discrete      if  $X$  is conts.

Now the rv for which ↑ is the pmf or pdf is denoted by:

$$Z = X/Y = y$$

We already know that  $Z$  exactly takes those values which  $X$  takes and its pmf/pdf is given by  $f_{X/Y}(x/y)$ .

Since  $Z$  is a random variable we can talk about its expectation:

$$\$ E[Z] = E[X/Y=y] = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X/Y}(x/y) dx & \text{if } X \text{ is continuous.} \\ \sum_{x \in \Omega} x_i f_{X/Y}(x_i/y) & \text{if } X \text{ is discrete rv.} \end{cases}$$

This is called as conditional expectation of  $X$  given that  $Y=y$ .

→ Now we can further extend this concept:

$$X, Y \text{ are vs } \& \text{ now } Z=g(x,y)$$

we can talk abt.  $\$ f_{X/Z}(x/z)$  i.e.  $f_{X/g(x,y)}(x/z)$

and in turn talk abt.  $E[X/g(x,y)=z]$  and more....