

# Review Notes

3 definitions      frequency  
classical - equally likely outcomes  
Subjective

## Experiments + events

set  $S$  - all outcomes of the experiment  
events are subsets.

Union / intersection / complement  
 $A \cup B$        $A \cap B$        $A^c$

$A \cap B = \emptyset$  - disjoint

$\checkmark S$  is an event.

$\checkmark A$  is an event  $\Rightarrow A^c$  is an event

$\checkmark$  Countable union of events is an event.

De Morgan       $(A_1 \cup A_2)^c = A_1^c \cap A_2^c$   
 $(A_1 \cap A_2)^c = A_1^c \cup A_2^c$

## classical prob. - counting

$$P(A) = \frac{\# \text{ favourable outcomes}}{\# \text{ outcomes}}$$

multiplication rule for # outcomes

$\binom{n}{k}$  # ways of choosing  $k$  items from  $n$   
where order does not matter.

Full house      
$$\frac{13 \times \binom{4}{3} \times 12 \times \binom{4}{2}}{\binom{52}{5}}$$

Carole  
~~for~~ Balls example on Quiz 1.

identities      
$$\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n}{n-k}$$

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

$$\binom{m+n}{k} = \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{m}{j} \binom{n}{k-j}$$

choose  $k$  out of  $n$ .

		order	
	match	doesn't	
	$n^k$	$\binom{n+k-1}{k}$	
replacement	with		
	without	$n(n-1)\dots(n-k+1)$	$\binom{n}{k}$



$k$  indistinguishable balls in  $n$  distinguishable boxes

$k$  balls  
 $n-1$  separators.

hence  $\binom{n+k-1}{k}$

### Birthday Problem

$P(\text{no two share a bday})$

$$= \frac{365}{365} \times \frac{364}{365} \times \dots \times \frac{365-n+1}{365}$$

$$P(\text{match}) = 1 - P(\text{no match})$$

### Non-measure Definition.

$S$  - sample space.

$P$  - fn that takes event  $A \subseteq S$   
and returns  $P(A) \in [0, 1]$

$$P(\emptyset) = 0$$

$$P(S) = 1$$

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i) \quad \text{if } A_i \text{ disjoint}$$

$$P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$$

$$A \subseteq B \quad P(A) \leq P(B)$$

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \quad \text{if } A, B \text{ not disjoint.}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(A \cup B \cup C) &= P(A) + P(B) + P(C) \\
 &\quad - P(A \cap B) - P(A \cap C) - P(B \cap C) \\
 &\quad + P(A \cap B \cap C)
 \end{aligned}$$

$P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \dots \cup A_n)$  - by inclusion/exclusion

$$(-1)^{n+1} P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3 \dots \cap A_n)$$

Matching problem

$$P(\text{at least one person gets right letter}) \approx 1 - \frac{1}{e}$$

Independence.

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B) \quad \text{-- not the same as disjoint}$$

A, B, C - all pairs must be independent  
triple

conditional Prob.

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

all probs are conditional  
eg

$$P(k \text{ successes}) = \binom{n}{k} p^k q^{n-k}$$

or rally  $P(k \text{ successes} | n, p)$

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

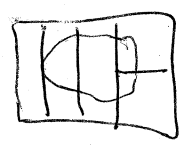
$$\Rightarrow \text{Bayes Thm} \quad P(B|A) = \frac{P(A|B)P(B)}{P(A)}$$

$$P(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n) = P(A_1)P(A_2|A_1)P(A_3|A_1, A_2) \dots P(A_n|A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{n-1})$$

P(A) - LTP.

$$P(A) = P(A \cap B_1) + P(A \cap B_2) + P(A \cap B_3) + \dots + P(A \cap B_n) \\ = P(A|B_1)P(B_1) + P(A|B_2)P(B_2) + \dots + P(A|B_n)P(B_n)$$

testing for disease example.



$P(\text{both aces} | \text{have ace})$

$P(\text{both aces} | \text{have ace of spades})$

Common errors

$P(A|B) \neq P(B|A)$

$P(A)$  - prior, not  $P(A|B)$  posterior

given  $A$  occurs implies  $P(A|A) = 1$  not  $P(A) = 1$

confusing independence + conditional independence.

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

opponent of unknown strength

Marty Hall problem.

tree

LOIP

Bayes

Gambler's Ruin

Random walk

$P_i = P(A \text{ wins game} | A \text{ has } \$i)$

$P_i = p \times P_{i+1} + q \times P_{i-1}$  LOIP

$P_0 = 0$

$P_N = 1$

$P_i = \frac{1 - (\frac{q}{p})^i}{1 - (\frac{q}{p})^N}$   $q \neq p$

$= \frac{i}{N}$   $q = p$

# Random Variables

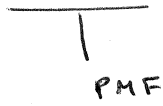
function from sample space  $\rightarrow$  real line

RV  $X$

realization  $x$

Bernoulli RV  $P(X=1) = p$   $P(X=0) = 1-p$

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



- sum of  $n$  iid Bernoulli  $(p)$ .

CDF.

event  $X \leq x$

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x)$$

increasing  
right continuous  
 $F(x) \rightarrow 0$   $x \rightarrow -\infty$   
 $\rightarrow 1$   $x \rightarrow \infty$



$$P(a \leq X \leq b) = F(b) - F(a)$$

PMF - fn that gives prob of RV taking at each of allowed values.

$$P(X = a_j) \quad \text{all } j$$

$$p_j \geq 0$$

$$\sum_j p_j = 1$$

Sum of 2 Binomials.

- thinking about # trials.
- thinking about sums of Bernoulli
- manipulating PMFs.

$$\text{LOTP} \quad \sum_{j=0}^k P(X+Y=k | X=j) P(X=j)$$

Hypergeometric - sampling without replacement

$$P(X=k | w, b) = \frac{\binom{w}{k} \binom{b}{n-k}}{\binom{w+b}{n}}$$

Independence of RVs.

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

discrete  $P(X=x, Y=y) = P(X=x)P(Y=y)$  PMF.

Expectations  $E(X) = \sum_x x P(X=x)$

linearity  
 $E(X+Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$   
even if not independent  
 $E(cX) = cE(X)$

indicator RVs.  $X = \begin{cases} 1 & A \text{ occurs} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$   
 $E(X) = P(A)$

Binomial  $E(X) = np$  via sum of Bernoulli's

Hypergeometric.  $E(X) = E(X_1 + \dots + X_n)$  n draws  
 $= E(X_1) + \dots + E(X_n)$   
 $= np$

Geometric(p). # failures before 1st success.

$P(X=k) = q^k p$   
 $E(X) = \frac{q}{p}$  directly: use  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} q^k = (1-q)^{-1}$

$E(X) = p \cdot 0 + q(1 + E(X))$   
(consider 1st flip)  
solve for  $E(X)$

take deriv w.r.t q.  
mult by q.  
 $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} kq^k = \frac{q}{(1-q)^2}$

Linearity of Expectation.

$E[X] = \sum_x x P(X=x)$   
 $= \sum_s x(s) P(\omega_s)$

$T = X+Y$   $E[T] = \sum_s (x+y)(s) P(\omega_s) = \sum_s x(s) P(\omega_s) + \sum_s y(s) P(\omega_s) = E[X] + E[Y]$

### Negative Binomial.

# failures before  $r^{\text{th}}$  success.

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

$E(X)$  by sum of  $r$  Geometric( $p$ )

$$\Rightarrow r \frac{q}{p}$$

$r^{\text{th}}$  success distribution.

$$X \sim FS(p)$$

$$Y = X - 1 \sim \text{Geometric}(p)$$

$$E(X) = E(Y) + 1 = \frac{q}{p} + 1 = \frac{1}{p} \quad \text{- intuitive.}$$

### [St Petersburg Random]

### Poisson.

$$P(X=k | \lambda) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!}$$

~~total prob = 1~~

$$E(X) = \lambda$$

large # trials, each with small prob of success

### Poisson Approx

# Ajs that occur approx Poisson( $\lambda$ ) with  $\lambda = \sum_{j=1}^n p_j$

derive as limit of Binomial as  $n \rightarrow \infty$   
 $p \rightarrow 0$   
s.t. that  $np = \lambda$

## Continuous Distributions

PDF -  $f_X(x)$  if  $P(a \leq X \leq b) = \int_a^b f_X(x) dx$ .  $\forall a, b$

valid -  $f_X(x) \geq 0$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) = 1$$

CDF.  $F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(t) dt = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(t) dt$

PDF.  $f_X(x) = F'(x)$ .

## Variance

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X) &= E((X - E(X))^2) \\ &= E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 \end{aligned}$$

## Continuous Uniform Dist

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & a \leq x \leq b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < a \\ \frac{x-a}{b-a} & a \leq x \leq b \\ 1 & x > b \end{cases}$$

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

$$E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f_X(x) dx \quad \rightarrow \text{LOTUS. } E(g(x)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_X(x) dx.$$

uniform  $E(X^2) = \frac{1}{3}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}(X) = \frac{1}{3} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{12}$$



universality

$$U \sim \text{unif}(0, 1).$$

$$X = F^{-1}(U)$$

$$X \sim F$$

independence.

$$P(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = P(x_1)P(x_2)P(x_3) \dots$$

$$P(x_1 \leq x_1, x_2 \leq x_2, \dots) = P(x_1 \leq x_1)P(x_2 \leq x_2) \dots$$

Normal Dist.

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

$$E(z) = 0$$

$$v(z) = 1$$

$$\Phi(z) \text{ cdf of } N(0, 1).$$