

Ex 1. There are two drawers in each of the
3 boxes that are identical in appearance.
The 1st box contains a gold coin in
each of the drawers. The 2nd one contains
a silver coin in each drawer & the
3rd contain a gold coin in one drawer
& a silver coin in the other. A box is
chosen, one of its drawers opened &
a gold coin is found. What is the prob.
that the other drawer contains a gold.

Ex 2. In answering a question in a multiple choice test, an examinee either knows the answer with prob. p or he guesses with prob. $q = 1 - p$. Let the prob. of answering the question correctly be $\frac{1}{4}$ for an examinee who knows the answer and $\frac{1}{4}$ for one who guesses. Suppose an examinee answers a question correctly. What is the prob. that he really knows the answer?

Ex 3 The flow of traffic at a certain street crossing is s.t. the prob. of a car's passing during a second is p and there is no interaction between the passing of cars at different seconds. Treating seconds as indivisible & supposing a pedestrian can cross the street only if no car passes during the next 3 seconds. Find the prob. that the pedestrian has to wait for exactly $k=0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ seconds.

Defⁿ. A function whose domain is a sample space & whose range is a finite or countably infinite set of real nos is called a discrete random variable.

Ex. The sum of the points on the 2 dice thrown simultaneously is a discrete random variable.

$$X(i, j) = i + j$$

$$\Omega = \{(i, j) \mid 1 \leq i, j \leq 6\}$$

$$\text{range of } X = \{2, 3, \dots, 12\}$$

Consider n independent Bernoulli trials. Then the no. of successes is an example of a discrete r.v.

Defⁿ. (Ω, \mathcal{P}) a prob. space.

Let X be a discrete r.v. on Ω .

With each X , we associate a prob.,

denoted by p_X and called a prob. density fⁿ

(pdf) ~~is~~ is defined by

$$p_X(k) = P(\{\omega \in \Omega : X(\omega) = k\}) = \boxed{P(X=k)}$$

Defⁿ (Ω, \mathcal{P}) . X : discrete r.v.

We define the distribution F_X or P prob. distribution of the r.v. X , denoted by F/F_X , is defined as follows:

$$F(x) = \boxed{P(X \leq x) = P(\{\omega \in \Omega : X(\omega) \leq x\})}$$

e.g. X a Binomial r.v. The p.d.f. of X is

$$p_X(k) = P(X=k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k q^{n-k}$$

Thm

(a) $F \uparrow$

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

(c) $F(+\infty) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1.$

(d.) $F(x+0) = F(x)$ i.e. F is right cts.

Pf (a)

Let $x \leq y$

$$A_x = \{\omega \in \Omega : X(\omega) \leq x\} \subseteq A_y = \{\omega \in \Omega : X(\omega) \leq y\}$$

$$P(X \leq x) \leq P(X \leq y).$$

i.e. $F(x) \leq F(y).$

(b) Let $A_n = \{s \in \Omega : X(s) \leq -n\}$.

$$A_n \downarrow \quad \& \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = \emptyset$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) = P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n) = P(\emptyset) = 0.$$

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

(d.) Fix x Let $A_n = \{ \omega \in \Omega : X(\omega) \leq x + \frac{1}{n} \}$.

$A_n \downarrow$ & $\lim A_n = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = (X \leq x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim F(x + \frac{1}{n}) &= \lim P(A_n) \\ &= P(\lim A_n) = P(X \leq x) = F(x) \end{aligned}$$

Defⁿ. Let X be a discrete r.v.

The expectation of X , denoted by $E(X)$ or μ_x is defined as

follows:

$$E(X) = \sum_k k P(X=k).$$

e.g.

$X \sim$

Binomial r.v.

$$E(X) = \sum_{k=0}^n k \cdot P(X=k)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^n k \cdot \binom{n}{k} p^k q^{n-k} = \sum_{k=1}^n k \cdot \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} p^k q^{n-k}$$

$$= np \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(n-1)!}{(k-1)!(n-k)!} p^{k-1} q^{n-k}$$

$$= np (p+q)^{n-1} = np$$

Two dice & r.v. Sum up the pts on the dice.

$$E(X) = \sum_k k P(X=k)$$

$$= 2 \cdot P(X=2) + 3 P(X=3) + \dots + 12 P(X=12)$$

$$P(X=2) = \frac{1}{36} \quad P(X=5) = \frac{4}{36} \quad \text{etc.}$$

$$P(X=3) = \frac{2}{36}$$

$$P(X=4) = \frac{3}{36}$$

$$\rightarrow 2 \times \frac{1}{36} + 3 \times \frac{2}{36} + 4 \times \frac{3}{36} + \dots$$

$$\dots + 12 \times \frac{1}{36} = 7$$

Thm (a) If the r.v. X takes const. value c , then $E(X) = c$.

(b) If $X \leq Y$, then $E(X) \leq E(Y)$.

(c) Let X, Y be 2 discrete r.v.s.
 & $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$E(aX + bY) = aE(X) + bE(Y).$$

Pf (c) Enough to show that
 $E(X+Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$.
 $E(aX) = a E(X)$. (E_X)

$$E(X+Y) = \sum_{x,y} (x+y) P(X=x \text{ and } Y=y)$$

$$= \sum_{x,y} x P(X=x; Y=y) + \sum_{x,y} y P(X=x; Y=y)$$

$$= \sum_x x \sum_y P(X=x; Y=y) + \sum_y y \sum_x P(X=x; Y=y)$$

$$= \sum_x x P(X=x) + \sum_y y P(Y=y)$$

$$= E(X) + E(Y)$$

e. s. Consider n Bernoulli trials where
prob. of success in each trial is p .

Let X_i be the d.v. on the i th trial
defined as follows:

$$X_i(s) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } s \text{ is a success} \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$X = \sum X_i$ = counts the no. of successes in n Bernoulli trials.

$$E(X) = \sum E(X_i)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n p = np.$$

Ex Let X and Y be independent r.v.s.

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

$$E(X \cdot Y) = E(X)E(Y)$$

Defⁿ The median of X is a pt. m s.t.

$$P(X < m) = P(X > m)$$

∃ two pt. m and m' s.t.

$$P(X \leq m) = P(X \geq m') = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ the}$$

$\frac{m+m'}{2}$ is taken to be the median.

Thm Let X be a discrete r.v.
and g be any fcn. Then

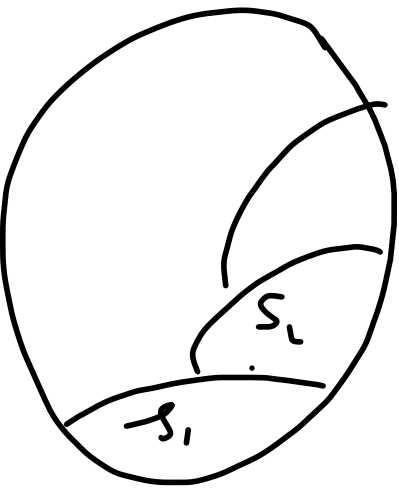
$$E(g(X)) = \sum_k g(k) P(X=k).$$

Pf Let $W = g(X)$. & let w_1, w_2, \dots
be the possible values of W .
Let $S_j = \{k : g(k) = w_j\}$.

$$P(W=w_j) = P(X \in S_j)$$

$$E(W) = \sum w_j P(W=w_j).$$

Ω .



$$= \sum_{j=1}^J w_j P(X \in S_j).$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{k \in S_j} g(k) P(X=k)$$

$$= \sum_k g(k) P(X=k).$$

In particular

$$E(X^2) = \sum_x x^2 P(X=x)$$

Defⁿ X : discrete r.v.
The variance of X , denoted by $\text{Var}(X)$ is

defined by

$$\text{Var}(X) = E\left((X - \mu)^2\right), \text{ where } \mu = E(X).$$

Thm $\text{Var}(X)$ exists iff $E(X)$ and $E(X^2)$ exist
and

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

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

$$= E(X^2 - 2\mu X + \mu^2)$$

$$= E(X^2) - 2\mu E(X) + \mu^2$$

$$= E(X^2) - 2\mu^2 + \mu^2 = E(X^2) - \mu^2$$

Standard Deviation: $\sqrt{\text{Var}(X)}$.

Thm Let $Y = a + bX$. $E(Y) = a + b\mu$.

$$\text{Var}(Y) = b^2 \text{Var}(X)$$

Pf.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(Y) &= E\left(Y - (a + b\mu)\right)^2 \\ &= E\left(b(X - \mu)\right)^2 = b^2 E\left(X - \mu\right)^2 \\ &= b^2 \text{Var}(X) \end{aligned}$$