

Math 3235 Probability Theory  
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Family of discrete r.v.

e.g.  $X, Y, Z$

or  $X_i \quad i = 1 \dots N$

$$p(x, y, z) = \mathbb{P}[X=x \& Y=y \& Z=z]$$

joint p.m.f of  $X, Y, Z$

similarly

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \mathbb{P}[X_1=x_1 \& \dots \& X_n=x_n]$$

joint p.m.f of the  $X_i$

Marginals:

$$p_{X,Y}(x,y) = \sum_z p(x,y,z)$$

$x, y$ -marginal

$$p_X(x) = \sum_{y,z} p(x,y,z)$$

$x$ -marginal

$$f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$W = f(X, Y, Z) \text{ is a r.v.}$$

$$P_W(w) = \sum_{(x,y,z) \in f^{-1}(w)} p(x,y,z)$$

$$\mathbb{E}(W) = \sum_{x,y,z} f(x,y,z) p(x,y,z)$$

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

$a_i \in \mathbb{R}$

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If  $X_i$  are positive and  $a_i \geq 0$

Then I can take  $N = \infty$  above.

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Independence

$$p(x,y,z) = p_X(x) p_Y(y) p_Z(z)$$

$\forall x,y,z.$

If I have a family  $X_i$

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n p_i(x_i)$$

if you have a family of  $X_i$   
such that

a) all  $X_i$  have the same  
distribution

b) They are independent  
 $X_i$  are called i.i.d.

i.i.d. : independent and  
identically distributed

Ex. : coin flip.

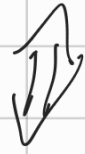
$X_i$  are Bernoulli

Rem : in Statistics an i.i.d.

family is called a Random  
Sample

$$E(XY) = E(X)E(Y) \quad \text{if } X \perp Y$$

$X$  and  $Y$  are independent



$$\forall f, g \quad E(f(X)g(Y)) = E(f(X))E(g(Y))$$

Defect from independence

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

if  $X, Y$  are independent



$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0$$

if  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0$  Then

$X, Y$  are said

uncorrelated.

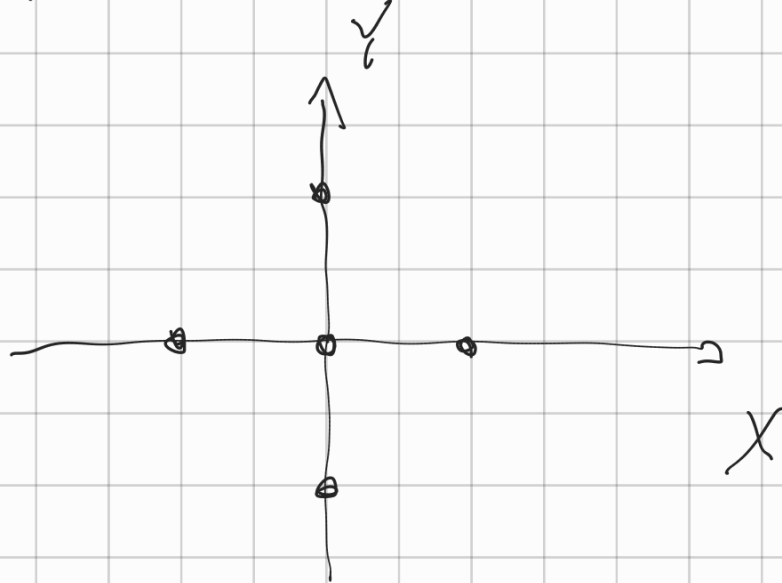


uncorrelated  $\not\Rightarrow$  independent

$X, Y$  can take the  
as value

$(1, 0)$   $(-1, 0)$   $(0, 0)$

$(0, 1)$   $(0, -1)$



each with prob  $\frac{1}{5}$

$$P_X(1) = P_X(-1) = \frac{1}{5} \quad P_X(0) = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$P_Y(1) = P_Y(-1) = \frac{1}{5} \quad P_Y(0) = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\mathbb{E}(X) = \mathbb{E}(Y) = 0$$

$$\mathbb{E}(XY) = 0$$

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$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0$$

uncorrelated

$$p(0, 0) = \frac{1}{5} \neq p_X(0) p_Y(0) = \frac{9}{25}$$

not independent

Correlation coeff.

$$\rho_{X,Y} = \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$

$$\rho_{aX, bY} = \rho_{X,Y} \quad a, b \geq 0$$

$$-1 \leq \rho_{X,Y} \leq 1$$

Sum of r.v.

$X$   $Y$  are jointly distributed  
r.v.

$$Z = X + Y$$

$$\mathbb{E}(X + Y) = \mathbb{E}(X) + \mathbb{E}(Y)$$

$$\text{var}(X + Y) = \text{var}(X) + \text{var}(Y) + 2 \text{cov}(X, Y)$$

If  $X \perp Y$

$$\text{var}(X + Y) = \text{var}(X) + \text{var}(Y)$$

If  $X_i$  are i.i.d

$$\mathbb{E}(X_i) = \mu$$

$$\text{var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$$

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

$$E(\bar{X}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N E(X_i) = \mu$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(\bar{X}) &= \text{var}\left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N X_i\right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{i=1}^N \text{var}(X_i) = \frac{\sigma^2}{N} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N}}$$

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What about The p.m.f of  $X + Y$ ?

$$Z = X + Y$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_Z(z) &= \sum_{x+y=z} P(x, y) = \\ &= \sum_x P(x, z-x) \end{aligned}$$

if  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent

$$P_Z(z) = \sum_x P_X(x) P_Y(z-x)$$

$P_Z$  is The convolution of  
 $P_X$  and  $P_Y$

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$X$  and  $Y$  are Poisson

$\lambda$   $\mu$

$X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$

$Z = X + Y$ , p.m.f of  $P_Z$  of  $Z$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} P(Z=z) &= \sum_{x+y=z} P(X=x \text{ and } Y=y) = \\ &= \sum_{x+y=z} P(X=x) P(Y=y) = \\ &= \sum_{x+y=z} \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} \frac{\mu^y}{y!} e^{-\lambda} e^{-\mu} = \\ &= \frac{1}{z!} e^{-(\lambda+\mu)} \sum_{x+y=z} \binom{z}{x} \lambda^x \mu^y \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{z!} e^{-(\lambda+\mu)} (\lambda+\mu)^z$$

$Z$  is Poissonian with par.  
 $\lambda + \mu$

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$N$  is Poissonian

$X_i$  are i.i.d. Bernoulli s.v.  
with par  $p$

$$Y = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$$

$\omega \in \Omega$        $N(\omega)$        $X_i(\omega)$

$$Y(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^{N(\omega)} X_i(\omega)$$

Car needing service arrival  
problem.

At a gas station The number of cars arriving in  $1h$  is  $N \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda)$ . Each has prob  $p$  of needing service.

If  $Y$  is The number of cars That arrive and need service

$$Y = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i \quad \text{where}$$

$X_i = 1$  if the  $i$ -th car needs service.

We saw That

$$Y \sim \text{Poi}(p\lambda)$$

if  $X_i$  i.i.d.

and  $X_i, N$  independent.

$Z = N - Y$  number of cars that do not need service.

$$Z = \sum_{i=1}^N (1 - X_i)$$

$(1 - X_i)$  are i.i.d

Bernoulli par  $q = 1 - p$

$$Z \sim \text{Poi}(q\lambda)$$

Are  $Y$  and  $Z$  independent?

$$P(Y=y \& Z=z) =$$

$$\text{Since } Y+Z = N$$

$$= P(Y=y \& N=y+z) =$$

$$= P(Y=y \mid N=y+z) P(N=y+z)$$



$$P(N=y+z) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{y+z}}{(y+z)!}$$

$P(Y=y | N=y+z)$  is binomial  
in  $y$  with par  $y+z$ ,  $p$

$$P(Y=y | N=y+z) = \binom{y+z}{y} p^y q^z$$

$$P(X=x \& Y=y) =$$

$$\binom{y+z}{y} p^y q^z \frac{\lambda^{y+z}}{(y+z)!} e^{-\lambda} =$$

$$\binom{y+z}{y} \frac{1}{(y+z)!} = \frac{1}{y! z!}$$

$$p^y q^z \lambda^{y+z} = (p\lambda)^y (q\lambda)^z$$

$$e^{-\lambda} = e^{-p\lambda} e^{-q\lambda}$$

$$P(Y=y \& Z=z) = e^{-p\lambda} \frac{(p\lambda)^y}{y!} e^{-q\lambda} \frac{(q\lambda)^z}{z!}$$

$$= P(Y=y) P(Z=z)$$

$$Y \perp\!\!\!\perp Z$$

Check  $K$

$$Y + Z = N \approx P_{0,1}(\lambda)$$