

Tutorial 5

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Exercise 1: Let X and Y take values on $\{1, 2\}$ and $\{-1, 1\}$ respectively with joint mass function P_{xy} s.t.

$$P_{xy}(1, -1) = \frac{1}{5}, \quad P_{xy}(1, 1) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P_{xy}(2, -1) = \frac{1}{5}, \quad P_{xy}(2, 1) = \frac{4}{15}$$

Find $P_x, P_y, \mathbb{E}X, \mathbb{E}Y, \mathbb{E}X^2, \mathbb{E}Y^2, \mathbb{E}XY, \text{Var}X, \text{Var}Y, \text{Cov}(X, Y), \rho(X, Y)$.

Solⁿ. $P_x(1) = P_{xy}(1, -1) + P_{xy}(1, 1) = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{8}{15}$

$$P_x(2) = P_{xy}(2, -1) + P_{xy}(2, 1) = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{4}{15} = \frac{7}{15}$$

$$P_y(-1) = P_{xy}(1, -1) + P_{xy}(2, -1) = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$P_y(1) = P_{xy}(1, 1) + P_{xy}(2, 1) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{15} = \frac{9}{15} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\mathbb{E}X = 1 \cdot \frac{8}{15} + 2 \cdot \frac{7}{15} = \frac{22}{15} \quad \mathbb{E}Y = -1 \cdot \frac{2}{5} + 1 \cdot \frac{3}{5} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\mathbb{E}X^2 = 1^2 \cdot \frac{8}{15} + 2^2 \cdot \frac{7}{15} = \frac{36}{15} \quad \mathbb{E}Y^2 = (-1)^2 \cdot \frac{2}{5} + 1^2 \cdot \frac{3}{5} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}XY &= \sum_{x,y} x \cdot y \cdot P_{xy}(x,y) = 1 \cdot (-1) \cdot \frac{1}{5} + 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 2 \cdot (-1) \cdot \frac{1}{5} + 2 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{4}{15} \\ &= -\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{5} + \frac{8}{15} = \frac{4}{15} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \mathbb{E}X^2 - (\mathbb{E}X)^2 = \frac{36}{15} - \left(\frac{22}{15}\right)^2 = \frac{56}{225}$$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \mathbb{E}Y^2 - (\mathbb{E}Y)^2 = 1 - \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{24}{25}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(X, Y) &= \mathbb{E}(X - \mathbb{E}X)(Y - \mathbb{E}Y) \\ &= \sum_{x,y} (x - m_x)(y - m_y) \cdot P_{xy}(x,y) \\ &= \sum_{x,y} xy P_{xy} - m_x m_y \\ &= \frac{4}{15} - \frac{22}{15} \cdot \frac{1}{5} = -\frac{2}{75} \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho(X, Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X)\text{Var}(Y)}} = \frac{-\frac{2}{75}}{\sqrt{\frac{56 \times 24}{15 \times 5}}} = -\frac{2}{8\sqrt{21}} = -\frac{1}{4\sqrt{21}}$$

• Uncorrelated RVs and Independent RVs.

• Independence \Rightarrow Uncorrelatedness

• Uncorrelatedness $\not\Rightarrow$ Independence.

Example - X and X^2 , $X \sim \text{Unif}(-1,1)$

Exercise 2. Suppose that a RV X satisfies $\mathbb{E}X = 0$, $\mathbb{E}X^2 = 1$, $\mathbb{E}X^3 = 0$ and $\mathbb{E}X^4 = 1$ and let $Y = a + bX + cX^2$. Find ρ_{XY} .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol}^n: \quad \text{Cov}(X, Y) &= \mathbb{E}XY - \mathbb{E}X\mathbb{E}Y \\ &= \mathbb{E}[aX + bX^2 + cX^3] = b \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var} X = \mathbb{E}X^2 - (\mathbb{E}X)^2 = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var} Y &= \mathbb{E}Y^2 - (\mathbb{E}Y)^2 = \mathbb{E}[a^2 + b^2X^2 + c^2X^4 + 2abX + 2acX^2 + 2bcX^3] \\ &= a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2ac - (a+c)^2 \\ &= b^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \rho_{XY} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X)\text{Var}(Y)}} = \frac{b}{\sqrt{b^2}} = \frac{b}{|b|} = \text{sign}(b)$$

Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ be a probability space, RV $X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

• k^{th} moment of RV X : $\mathbb{E}X^k$

• k^{th} absolute moment of RV X : $\mathbb{E}|X|^k$

• L^p Space: Collection of RVs st. k^{th} absolute moment is bounded.

$$L^p = \left\{ X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, X \text{ is RV} : (\mathbb{E}|X|^p)^{1/p} < \infty \right\}$$

Exercise 3. Show that L^2 is a vector space over \mathbb{R} .

Solⁿ: Let $X, Y \in L^2$, which means $\mathbb{E}|X|^2 < \infty$, $\mathbb{E}|Y|^2 < \infty$

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$$\begin{aligned} A. \mathbb{E}|X+Y|^2 &= \mathbb{E}[(|X| + |Y|)^2] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[|X|^2 + 2|X||Y| + |Y|^2] \quad |x||y| = |xy| \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}|X|^2 + 2\sqrt{\mathbb{E}X^2 \mathbb{E}Y^2} + \mathbb{E}|Y|^2 \\ &< \infty \end{aligned}$$

$$B. \mathbb{E}|\alpha X|^2 = |\alpha|^2 \mathbb{E}X^2 < \infty$$

Now check for associativity, commutativity of addition, additive identity, additive inverse, associativity of scalar multiplication, distributivity of scalar multiplication with vector and field addition, and multiplicative identity in the field.

* Additive closure for L^p space: See Minkowski's inequality on,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}|X+Y|^p &\leq \mathbb{E}(|X|+|Y|)^p \\ &\leq 2^p \mathbb{E} \max\{|X|, |Y|\}^p \\ &= 2^p \mathbb{E} \max\{|X|^p, |Y|^p\} \\ &\leq 2^p \mathbb{E}(|X|^p + |Y|^p) < \infty \end{aligned}$$

Markov Inequality: X be non-negative RV. Then

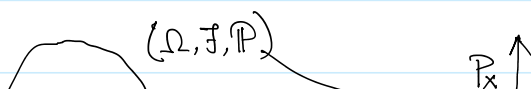
$$\mathbb{P}\{X \geq \varepsilon\} \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}X}{\varepsilon} \quad \text{for all } \varepsilon > 0$$

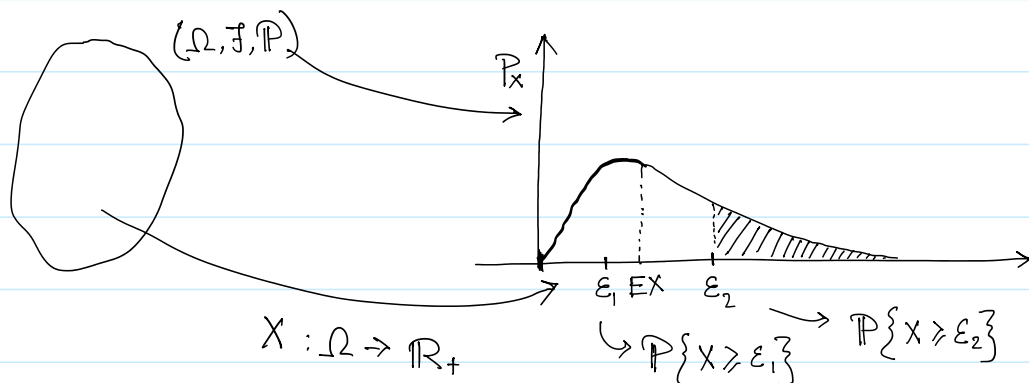
$$\mathbb{E}X = \int_{\Omega} X d\mathbb{P} = \int_{\Omega} X \mathbb{1}_{\{X < \varepsilon\}} d\mathbb{P} + \int_{\Omega} X \mathbb{1}_{\{X \geq \varepsilon\}} d\mathbb{P}$$

$$\geq \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} \mathbb{1}_{\{X \geq \varepsilon\}} d\mathbb{P}$$

$$= \varepsilon \mathbb{P}\{X \geq \varepsilon\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}\{X \geq \varepsilon\} \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}X}{\varepsilon}$$





Chebyshev Inequality

If X is a RV, $(X - \mathbb{E}X)^2$ is a RV too.

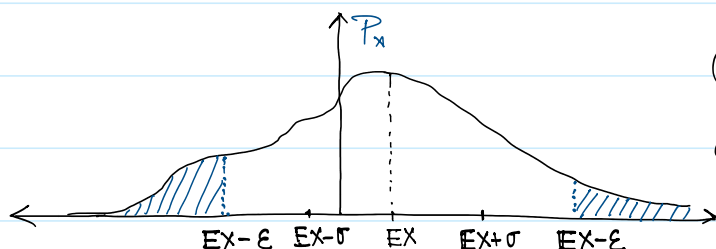
Moreover it is a +ve RV.

$$\therefore \mathbb{P}\{(X - \mathbb{E}X)^2 \geq \varepsilon^2\} \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \cdot \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}X)^2]$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{\varepsilon^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}\{|X - \mathbb{E}X| \geq \varepsilon\} \leq \left(\frac{\sigma}{\varepsilon}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}\{X \geq \mathbb{E}X + \varepsilon \text{ or } X \leq \mathbb{E}X - \varepsilon\} \leq \left(\frac{\sigma}{\varepsilon}\right)^2$$



Chebyshev's inequality gives an upper bound of the shaded area.

Exercise 4: A biased coin, with $\mathbb{P}_n(H) = \frac{1}{10}$, is flipped 200 times consecutively. Give an upperbound on the probability that it lands heads at least 120 times.

Solⁿ Let X_i be the random variable corresponding to i^{th} toss.

$$X_i = 1 \quad \text{if outcome is head, else } X_i = 0.$$

Let $S = \sum_{i=1}^{200} X_i$ be the random variable that takes the Number of total heads.

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$$\mathbb{E}S = \mathbb{E} \sum_{i=1}^{200} X_i = \sum_{i=1}^{200} \mathbb{E}X_i = 20$$

$$\therefore \mathbb{P}\{S \geq 120\} \leq \frac{20}{120} = \frac{1}{6}$$

Exercise 5: An unbiased coin is tossed 100 times. Give a lower bound on the probability that number of heads is greater than equal to 35 and less than equals to 65.

Solⁿ: $S = \sum_{i=1}^{100} X_i$ $\mathbb{E}S = \sum_{i=1}^{100} \mathbb{E}X_i = 100 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 50.$

$$\text{Var}(S) = \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{100} X_i - \mathbb{E}X_i \right)^2 \right] = 100 \mathbb{E} \left[(X_1 - \mathbb{E}X_1)^2 \right] = 25$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(\{S \geq 35\} \cup \{S \leq 65\}) &= \mathbb{P}(|S - \mathbb{E}S| \leq 15) \\ &= 1 - \mathbb{P}(|S - \mathbb{E}S| > 15) \\ &\leq 1 - \mathbb{P}(|S - \mathbb{E}S| \geq 15) \\ &\leq 1 - \frac{\text{Var}(S)}{15^2} \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{9} = \frac{8}{9} \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 6: An unbiased coin is tossed 100 times. Give an upper bound on the probability that number of heads $S \geq 55$

Solⁿ. $S = \sum_{i=1}^{100} X_i$ $\mathbb{E}S = \sum_{i=1}^{100} \mathbb{E}X_i = 100 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 50.$

Using Markov inequality,

$$\mathbb{P}\{S \geq 55\} \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}S}{55} = \frac{50}{55} = 0.909$$

Let us now use Chernoff bound.

$$\mathbb{E}[e^{\theta S}] = \sum_{s=1}^{100} e^{\theta s} p_s(s) = \sum_{s=1}^{100} e^{\theta s} {}^{100}C_s p^s (1-p)^{100-s}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[e^{\theta S}] &= \sum_{s=1}^{100} e^{\theta s} p_s(s) = \sum_{s=1}^{100} e^{\theta s} {}^{100}C_s p^s (1-p)^{100-s} \\ &= (1-p + p e^{\theta})^{100} \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{100}} (1 + e^{\theta})^{100} \end{aligned}$$

$$P(S \geq 55) \leq \frac{e^{-\theta \cdot 55} (1 + e^{\theta})^{100}}{2^{100}} = f(\theta)$$

We can minimize $f(\theta)$ on θ which will give the lowest upper bound.

$$f'(\theta) = -55 e^{-55\theta} (1 + e^{\theta})^{100} \frac{1}{2^{100}} + e^{-55\theta} \cdot 100 (1 + e^{\theta})^{99} \cdot e^{\theta} \cdot \frac{1}{2^{100}}$$

$$f'(\theta^*) = 0 \text{ yields,}$$

$$e^{-\theta^*} = \frac{9}{11} \Rightarrow \theta^* = \ln \frac{11}{9}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } f(\theta^*) = \left(\frac{11}{9}\right)^{-55} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{11}{9}\right)^{100} \cdot \frac{1}{2^{100}} = 0.606$$