

CS2 107 10-16-25

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• midterm 1 : Thur. 10/23

• exam : 1:30 - 2:35

• lecture to follow

Quiz Problem --- Continue

$$(Q_1, Q_2) \Rightarrow E[\text{Payoff}] = v_1 P_1 + v_2 P_1 P_2$$

$$(Q_2, Q_1) \Rightarrow E[\text{Payoff}] = v_2 P_2 + v_1 P_1 P_2$$

We prefer (Q_1, Q_2) iff

$$v_1 P_1 + v_2 P_1 P_2 > v_2 P_2 + v_1 P_1 P_2$$

$$\therefore V_1 P_1 - V_1 P_1 P_2 > V_2 P_2 - V_2 P_1 P_2$$

$$\therefore V_1 P_1 (1 - P_2) > V_2 P_2 (1 - P_1)$$

$$\therefore \frac{V_1 P_1}{1 - P_1} > \frac{V_2 P_2}{1 - P_2}$$

Exercise

analyze this with 3 questions.

(there 6 possible orders)

2.5 Joint PMFs, Multiple r.v.s

Defn

Given two r.v.s X, Y their
Joint PMF is

$$P_{X,Y}(x,y) = P(X=x, Y=y)$$

$$= P(\{X=x\} \cap \{Y=y\})$$

if $A \subseteq \text{range}(X) \times \text{range}(Y)$,

then

$$P((x, y) \in A) = \sum_{(x, y) \in A} P_{X, Y}(x, y)$$

Ex. Suppose

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$$\text{range}(X) = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$\text{range}(Y) = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

let Joint PMF be

$P_X(x) =$		<table border="1"> <tr> <td>4/20</td> <td>5/20</td> <td>6/20</td> <td>5/20</td> </tr> </table>				4/20	5/20	6/20	5/20
4/20	5/20	6/20	5/20						
		↑	↑	↑	↑				
$Y \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{array} \right.$	3	1/20	1/20	2/20	1/20	→ 5/20			
	2	2/20	3/20	3/20	1/20	→ 9/20			
	1	1/20	1/20	1/20	3/20	→ 6/20			
		1	2	3	4				
		X							
$P_{X,Y}(x,y)$						$P_Y''(y)$			

let $y=3$. since

$$\{X=1\} \cup \{X=2\} \cup \{X=3\} \cup \{X=4\} = \Omega$$

is a Partition of Ω . By total Prob. then.

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y=3) &= P(X=1, Y=3) + P(X=2, Y=3) \\ &\quad + P(X=3, Y=3) + P(X=4, Y=3) \end{aligned}$$

$$P_Y(3) = \sum_{x=1}^4 P_{X,Y}(x, 3) = \frac{5}{20}$$

Thus

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$$P_X(x) = \sum_y P_{X,Y}(x,y)$$

marginal

and

$$P_Y(y) = \sum_x P_{X,Y}(x,y)$$

marginal

Functions of multiple r.v.s

Let $Z = g(X, Y)$ where

$$g: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Then

$$P_Z(z) = \sum_{\{(x,y) | g(x,y)=z\}} P_{X,Y}(x,y)$$

Generalized Expected Value Rule

$$E[g(X,Y)] = \sum_x \sum_y g(x,y) \cdot P_{X,Y}(x,y)$$

Exercise: Prove this. (see text.)

Ex.

$$E[aX + bY + c] = aE[X] + bE[Y] + c$$

Proof

$$E[aX + bY + c] = \sum_x \sum_y (ax + by + c) P_{X,Y}(x,y)$$

$$= a \sum_x \sum_y x P_{X,Y}(x,y) + b \sum_x \sum_y y P_{X,Y}(x,y)$$

$$+ c \sum_x \sum_y P_{X,Y}(x,y)$$

$$= a \sum_x x \left(\sum_y P_{X,Y}(x,y) \right) + b \sum_y y \left(\sum_x P_{X,Y}(x,y) \right) + c$$

$$= a \sum_x x P_X(x) + b \sum_y y P_Y(y) + c$$

$$= a E[X] + b E[Y] + c$$



Ex. (previous example)

$$E[X + 3Y] = E[X] + 3E[Y]$$

$$= \left(1 \cdot \frac{4}{20} + 2 \cdot \frac{5}{20} + 3 \cdot \frac{6}{20} + 4 \cdot \frac{5}{20} \right)$$

$$+ 3 \left(1 \cdot \frac{6}{20} + 2 \cdot \frac{9}{20} + 3 \cdot \frac{5}{20} \right)$$

$$= \dots = \frac{169}{20}$$

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more than 2 r.v.s:

$$P_{X,Y,Z}^{(x,y,z)} = P(X=x, Y=y, Z=z)$$

Joint PMF of r.v.s X, Y, Z

have 3, 2-variable marginals:

$$P_{X,Y}^{(x,y)} = \sum_z P_{X,Y,Z}^{(x,y,z)}$$

$$P_{X,Z}^{(x,z)} = \sum_y P_{X,Y,Z}^{(x,y,z)}$$

$$P_{Y,Z}^{(y,z)} = \sum_x P_{X,Y,Z}^{(x,y,z)}$$

also have 3 1-Variable Marginals:

$$P_X(x) = \sum_y \sum_z P_{X,Y,Z}(x,y,z)$$

$$P_Y(y) = \dots$$

$$P_Z(z) = \dots$$

Expected value rule:

$$E[g(X,Y,Z)] = \sum_{x,y,z} g(x,y,z) P_{X,Y,Z}(x,y,z)$$

Suppose we have n r.v.s

$$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$$

Then

$$E[a_1 X_1 + a_2 X_2 + \dots + a_n X_n + b]$$

$$= a_1 E[X_1] + a_2 E[X_2] + \dots + a_n E[X_n] + b$$

Exercise Prove this by induction
on n .

The Mean of the Binomial

Let X be $\text{Binomial}(n, p)$,

Recall

$$P_X(k) = \begin{cases} \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} & (0 \leq k \leq n) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The mean is

$$E[X] = \sum_{k=0}^n k \cdot \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

note

$$X = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$$

where each X_i is Bernoulli(p).

Recall $E[X_i] = 1 \cdot p + 0 \cdot (1-p) = p$

Thus

$$E[X] = E[X_1 + \dots + X_n]$$

$$= E[X_1] + \dots + E[X_n]$$

$$= p + \dots + p$$

$$= np$$

We will show (later) that

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$$\text{Var}(X) = np(1-p)$$

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