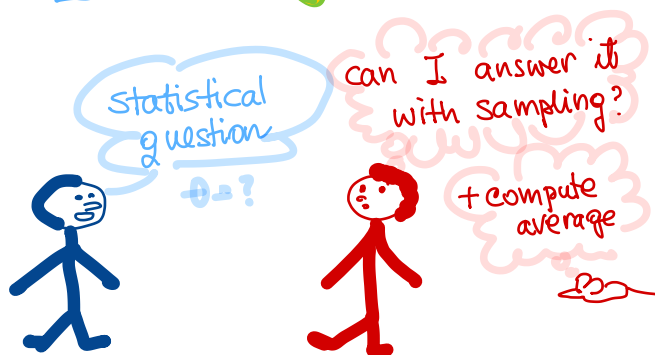


# Lecture 2

Resampling Inference =  
Embracing Randomness

- Web site
- HW  $\phi \geq 50\%$
- Labs



# Lecture Notes 0 – Probability

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Random Variables ←

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Common Distributions ←

Useful Theorems

Estimators and Estimation Theory

# R.V. = distribution $\mathcal{P}$

$S$  = sample space

$X \in S$  → discrete  
→ continuous

$$S \subseteq (-\infty, \infty)$$

finite  $S = \{0, 1\}$  Bernoulli,  $S = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  Categorical distribution  
countable  $S = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

Ex: Geometric

$$P(x) \propto \lambda^x$$

$$\lambda \in (0, 1)$$

↑  
parameter

↑  
"proportional to"

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{Z_\lambda} \lambda^x$$

normalization constant

Ex: Poisson

$$P(x) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^x}{x!}$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$= \frac{1}{e^\lambda} = \frac{1}{Z_\lambda}$$

• describe discrete  $\mathcal{P}$

-  $P(x)$  for all  $x$  = PMF  
prob. Mass Function

- CDF Cumulative Distributions Function

• Binomial  $(p, n)$  Family of distributions  
 $p \in (0, 1)$  →  $0, 1, 2, \dots$

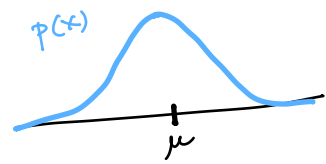
$p, n$  fixed:  $S = \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$  ← finite for any  $n$   
 $X = \#$  successes in  $n$  trials

# Continuous S

S = interval  $\subseteq (-\infty, \infty)$

Ex: Normal  $(\mu, \sigma^2)$  :  $S = (-\infty, \infty)$   
 Uniform  $(a, b)$  :  $S = [a, b]$

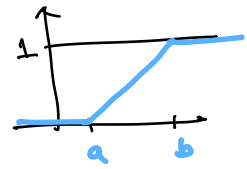
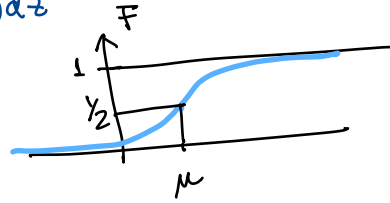
$$p(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \notin [a, b] \\ \frac{1}{b-a} & \text{if } x \in [a, b] \end{cases}$$



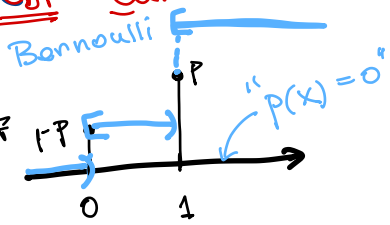
Describing P : PDF = density

CDF

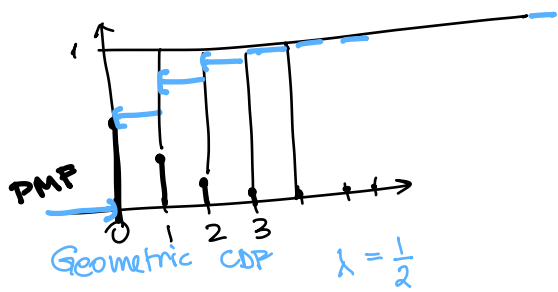
$$F(x) = P(-\infty, x] \equiv P[X \leq x] \\ = \int_{-\infty}^x p(z) dz$$



- CDF Cumulative Distributions Function



CDF :  $P[X \leq x]$

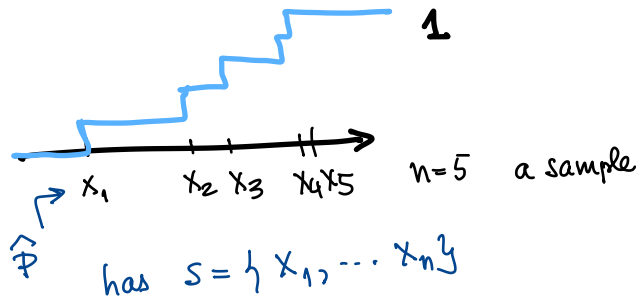


$$F(x) = P[X \leq x]$$

$$\lambda^0 + \lambda^1 + \dots + \lambda^n + \dots = \\ = \frac{1}{1-\lambda}$$

$$p(x) = (1-\lambda) \lambda^x$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2^x}$$



Multiple variables  $x, y$   $P_{xy}$

PDF (if  $\exists$ )  $P_{xy} = \frac{\partial^2 F(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y}$

$$S = S_x \times S_y$$

$$\text{Data} = \{(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)\}$$

CDF  $F(x, y) = P[X \leq x, Y \leq y]$

Conditional density  $p_{y|x}(y|x) = \frac{p_{xy}(x, y)}{p_x(x)}$

Marginal density  $p_x(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_{xy}(x, y) dy$

## Random Variables

$X \sim F$  or  $X \sim p$

For two random variables  $X, Y$ , their joint CDF is

$$P_{XY}(x, y) = F(x, y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y).$$

The corresponding joint PDF is

$$p(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2 F(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y}.$$

The *conditional PDF* of  $Y$  given  $X = x$  is

$$p(y|x) = \frac{p(x, y)}{p(x)},$$

where  $p(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x, y) dy$

## Expected Value

$$\mathbb{E}(g(X)) = \int g(x) dF(x) = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) p(x) dx, & \text{if } X \text{ is continuous} \\ \sum_x g(x) p(x), & \text{if } X \text{ is discrete} \end{cases}.$$

- ▶  $\mathbb{E}(\sum_{j=1}^k c_j g_j(X)) = \sum_{j=1}^k c_j \cdot \mathbb{E}(g_j(X_i)).$
- ▶ Notation  $\mu = \mathbb{E}(X)$
- ▶  $\text{Var}(X) = \mathbb{E}((X - \mu)^2)$  is the variance of  $X$ .
- ▶ If  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are independent, then

$$\mathbb{E}(X_1 \cdot X_2 \cdots X_n) = \mathbb{E}(X_1) \cdot \mathbb{E}(X_2) \cdots \mathbb{E}(X_n).$$

- ▶ If  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are independent, then

$$\text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \cdot \text{Var}(X_i).$$

- ▶ Covariance

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}((X - \mu_x)(Y - \mu_y)) = \mathbb{E}(XY) - \mu_x \mu_y$$

- ▶ (Pearson's) correlation

$$\rho(X, Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_x \sigma_y}.$$

P distribution  $x \in S \subseteq (-\infty, \infty)$

$$E[X] = \mu_p = \begin{cases} \sum_S x P(x) & S \text{ discrete} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p(x) dx & S \text{ continuous} \end{cases}$$

Properties

- $E[X]$  Linear

$$x, x' \in S$$

$$z = ax + bx'$$

$$\Rightarrow E[z] = aE[x] + bE[x']$$

NO MATTER  
if  $x, x'$   
dependent  
or NOT

$f_{xy}(x,y)$

$$CDF = P[X \leq x, Y \leq y] = \int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^y f_{xy}(x,y) dx dy = F(x,y)$$