

Practice with continuous r.v.'s

continued.

Law of Total Probability

Continuous

$$\Pr(E) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Pr(E|Y=y) f_Y(y) dy$$

Discrete

$$\Pr(E) = \sum_k \Pr(E|Y=k) \Pr(Y=k)$$

Law of Total Expectation

Continuous

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E(X|Y=y) f_Y(y) dy$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X|Y=y}(x) dx$$

$$f_{XY}(x,y)$$

$$\frac{f_{XY}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

Discrete

$$E(X) = \sum_k E(X|Y=k) \Pr(Y=k)$$
$$\sum_x \Pr(X=x|Y=k)$$
$$\frac{\Pr(X=x \cap Y=k)}{\Pr(Y=k)}$$

Joint Distributions

Joint CDF: $F_{XY}(x,y) = \Pr(X \leq x, Y \leq y)$

$$F(a,b) = \int_{-\infty}^a \int_{-\infty}^b \underbrace{f_{XY}(x,y)}_{\text{joint density fn.}} dy dx$$

$$f(x,y) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F_{XY}(x,y)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx dy = 1$$

$$\Pr(a < X < a+da, b < Y < b+db) = \int_a^{a+da} \int_b^{b+db} f(x,y) dy dx \approx f(a,b) da db$$

Marginal density fn

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy$$

Independence & Conditional prob mass fns

X & Y indep $\equiv f_{XY}(x,y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$ \downarrow x,y

for y with $f_Y(y) > 0$

$$f_{X|Y=y}(x) = \frac{f_{XY}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

conditional prob density fn

$$\Pr(X=x|Y=y) = \frac{\Pr(X=x, Y=y)}{\Pr(Y=y)}$$

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_Y(y) f_{X|Y=y}(x) = f_X(x) f_{Y|X=x}(y)$$

Example

$$E(Y) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} E(Y|X=k) \Pr(X=k)$$

$$X \sim \text{Unif}(0, 10)$$
$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{10} & 0 \leq x \leq 10 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$Y \sim \text{Unif}(0, X)$$



if $X=3$

$$Y|_{X=3} \sim \text{Unif}(0, 3)$$

$$f_{Y|X=3}(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3} & 0 \leq y \leq 3 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$E(Y) = \int_0^{10} \underbrace{E(Y|X=x)}_{\frac{x}{2}} f_X(x) dx$$
$$= \int_0^{10} \frac{x}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{10} dx = 2.5$$

law of total expectation

$$Y|X=x \sim \text{Unif}(0, x)$$

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \underbrace{f_X(x)}_{\text{Unif}(0, 10)} \underbrace{f_{Y|X=x}(y)}_{\text{Unif}(0, x)}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{10} \cdot \frac{1}{x} & 0 < y \leq x < 10 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

discrete setting
(X & Y discrete r.v.'s)
 $\Pr(X=x, Y=y)$
 $= \Pr(X=x | Y=y) \Pr(Y=y)$
 $= \Pr(Y=y | X=x) \Pr(X=x)$

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dx = \int_y^{10} \frac{1}{10x} dx \\ = \frac{1}{10} \ln x \Big|_y^{10} = \frac{1}{10} \ln\left(\frac{10}{y}\right) & 0 < y < 10 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

not independent.

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} x e^{-x(y+1)} & x > 0, y > 0 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$f_{X|Y=y} = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-x(y+1)} dx$$

Find density of $Z=XY$

$$\begin{aligned} F_Z(z) &= \Pr(Z \leq z) = \Pr(XY \leq z) \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \Pr(XY \leq z | X=x) f_X(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \Pr(xY \leq z) f_X(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \underbrace{\Pr(Y \leq \frac{z}{x})}_{F_Y(\frac{z}{x})} f_X(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$f_Z(z) = \frac{d}{dz} F_Z(z)$$

$$E(W) = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

$$W \sim \text{exp}(\lambda)$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = E(W) = \int_0^{\infty} x \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

$$F_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^y f_Y(z) dz$$