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# Section 6

CLT and Joint Distributions



**CONTENT  
REVIEW**

# normal distribution

this PDF is really messy :(

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

use the Phi Table to easily look up the value of  $P(Z < z)$

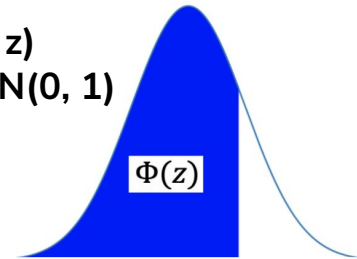
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1. Standardize RV  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  to get  $(X-\mu)/\sigma \sim Z \sim N(0,1)$

2. Use **Phi table** to get appropriate value with  $Z = (X-\mu)/\sigma$

3. Solve for X

$P(Z < z)$   
if  $Z \sim N(0, 1)$



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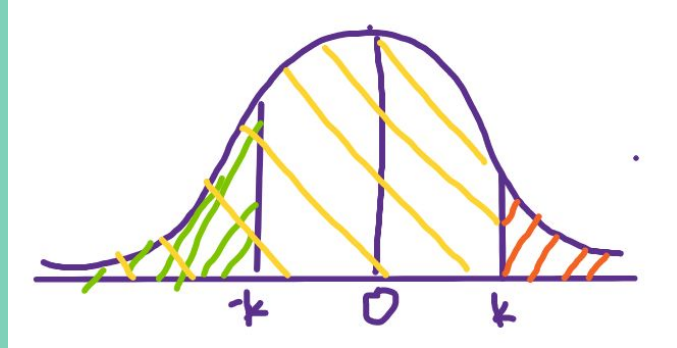
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- By symmetry of normal distribution,  $P(X < -k) = P(X > k)$
- $\Phi(a) = P(Z < a)$  where  $Z$  (standard normal) follows  $N(0, 1)$
- $\Phi(-k) = P(Z < k) = P(Z > k) = 1 - P(Z < k) = 1 - \Phi(k)$   
*^ this is useful because negative values aren't on the table!*



*it turns out that a lot of  
data collected in real  
world experiments follow  
a normal distribution!*



# central limit theorem

if  $X = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$  are iid where  $E[X_i] = \mu$  and  $\text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$ ,  
 $X$  can be approximated by a normal distribution  $X \sim N(n\mu, n\sigma^2)$   
as  $n$  becomes really large

this also means that as  $n$  increases,  $(X - \mu) / \sigma \sim Z \sim N(0,1)$

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if  $X_i$  is discrete random variables, use **continuity correction**  
because we'd be using a continuous distribution to approximate a discrete distribution

*To estimate probability that discrete RV lands in (integer) interval  $\{a,b\}$   
compute probability continuous approximation lands in interval  $[a-0.5, b+0.5]$*





# central limit theorem

1. set up the problem  
(what do we want to solve for/what is the probability we want to be true?)

*2. if the distribution is discrete, apply continuity correction here*

2. apply CLT to  $X = X_1 + \dots + X_n$

3. convert to standard normal


4. solve!

# joint distribution

shows the distribution for two (or more) random variables

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


	Discrete	Continuous
<b>Joint PMF/PDF</b>	$p_{X,Y}(x, y) = \mathbb{P}(X = x, Y = y)$	$f_{X,Y}(x, y) \neq \mathbb{P}(X = x, Y = y)$
<b>Joint range/support</b> $\Omega_{X,Y}$	$\{(x, y) \in \Omega_X \times \Omega_Y : p_{X,Y}(x, y) > 0\}$	$\{(x, y) \in \Omega_X \times \Omega_Y : f_{X,Y}(x, y) > 0\}$
<b>Joint CDF</b>	$F_{X,Y}(x, y) = \sum_{t \leq x, s \leq y} p_{X,Y}(t, s)$	$F_{X,Y}(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^y f_{X,Y}(t, s) ds dt$
<b>Normalization</b>	$\sum_{x,y} p_{X,Y}(x, y) = 1$	$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy = 1$
<b>Marginal PMF/PDF</b>	$p_X(x) = \sum_y p_{X,Y}(x, y)$	$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy$
<b>Expectation</b>	$\mathbb{E}[g(X, Y)] = \sum_{x,y} g(x, y) p_{X,Y}(x, y)$	$\mathbb{E}[g(X, Y)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy$
<b>Independence</b> must have	$\forall x, y, p_{X,Y}(x, y) = p_X(x) p_Y(y)$ $\Omega_{X,Y} = \Omega_X \times \Omega_Y$	$\forall x, y, f_{X,Y}(x, y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$ $\Omega_{X,Y} = \Omega_X \times \Omega_Y$
<b>Conditional PMF/PDF</b>	$p_{X Y}(x y) = \frac{p_{X,Y}(x,y)}{p_Y(y)}$	$f_{X Y}(x y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}$
<b>Conditional Expectation</b>	$\mathbb{E}[X Y = y] = \sum_x x \cdot p_{X Y}(x y)$	$\mathbb{E}[X Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X Y}(x y) dx$



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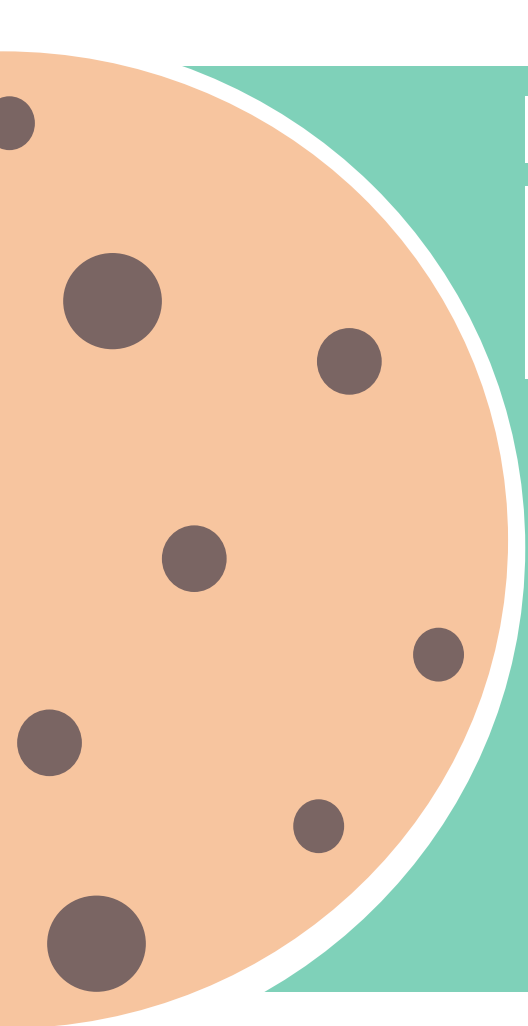


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the values in the table show the joint probabilities - for example this highlighted value is  $P(X=1, Y=3)$

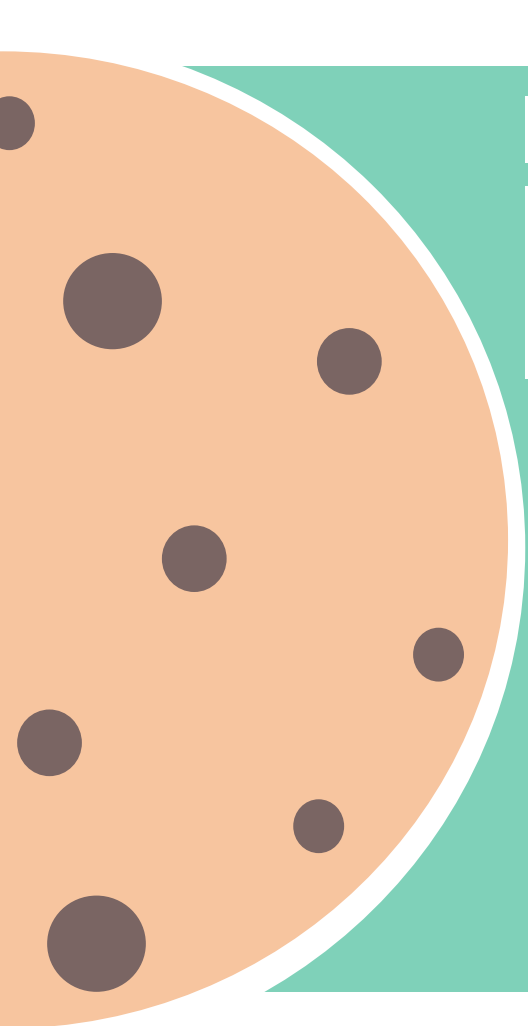


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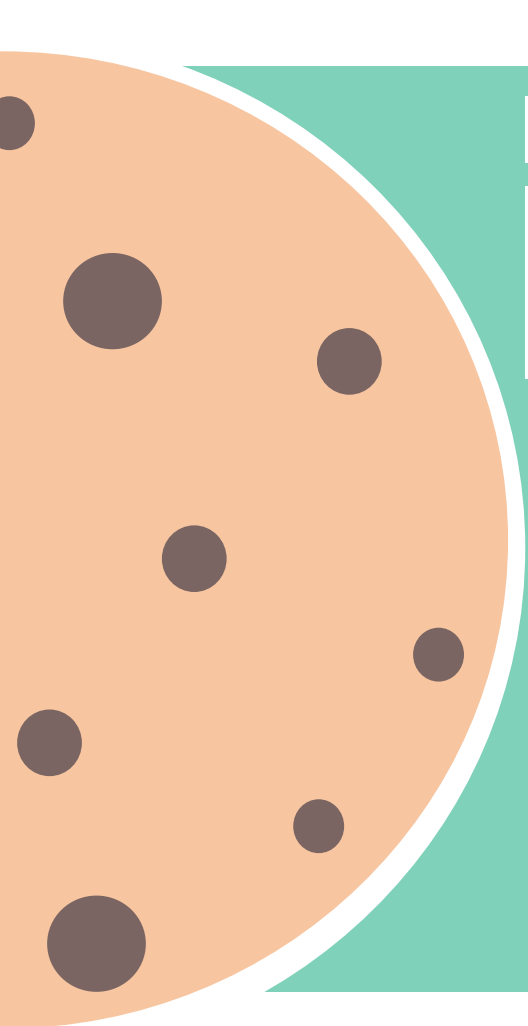


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- In this case, that would be the set of pairs:  
$$\Omega_{X,Y} = \{(0, 2), (0, 3), (1, 1), (1, 3)\}$$
- We don't include the pairs  $(0, 1)$  and  $(1, 2)$  because the joint pmf is 0 for those pairs



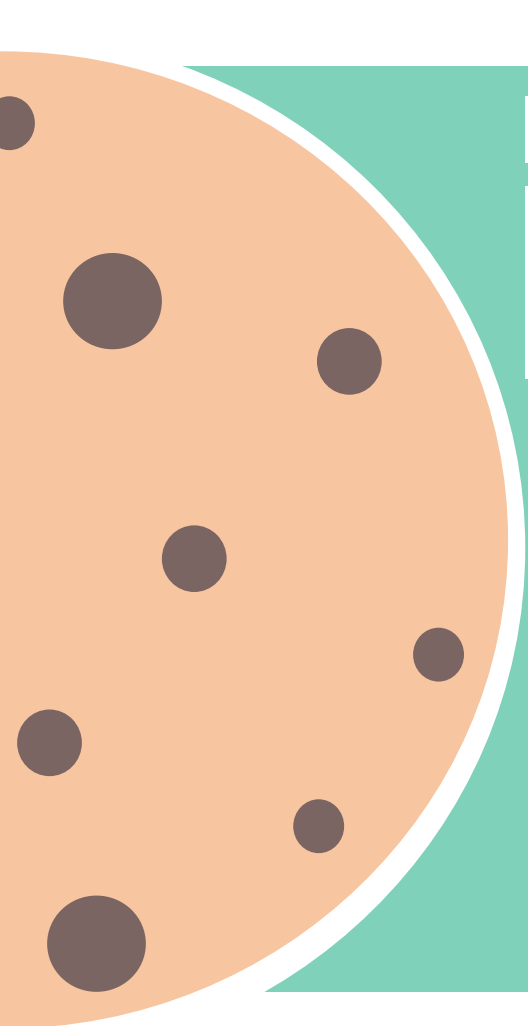


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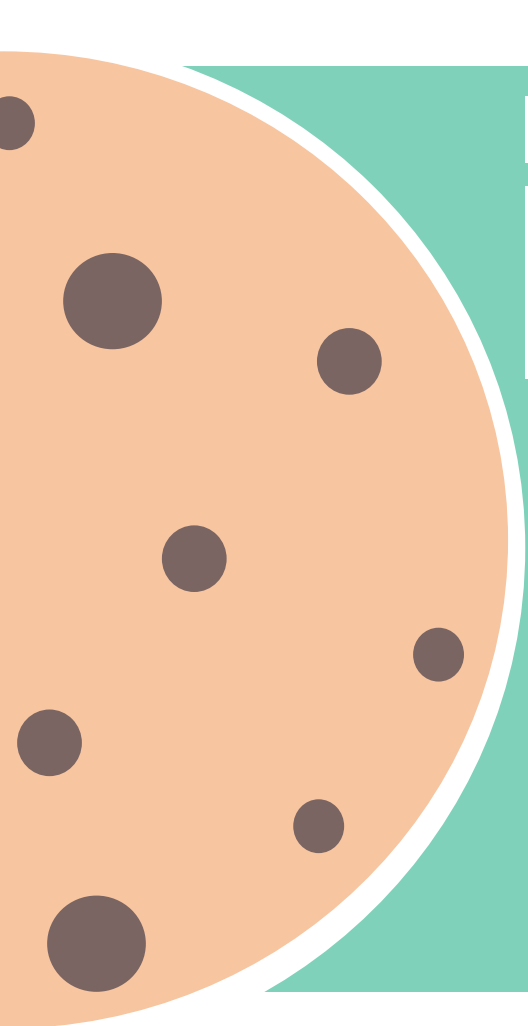


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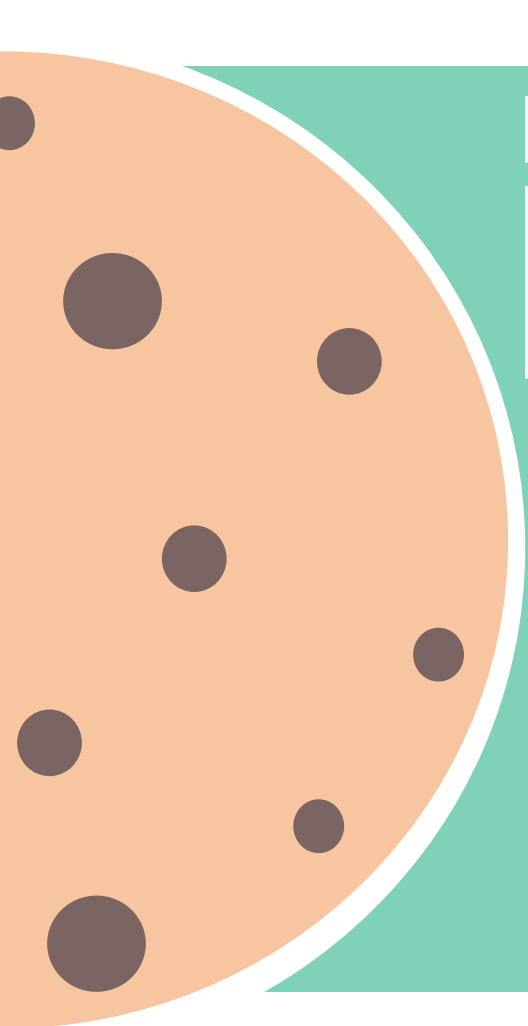


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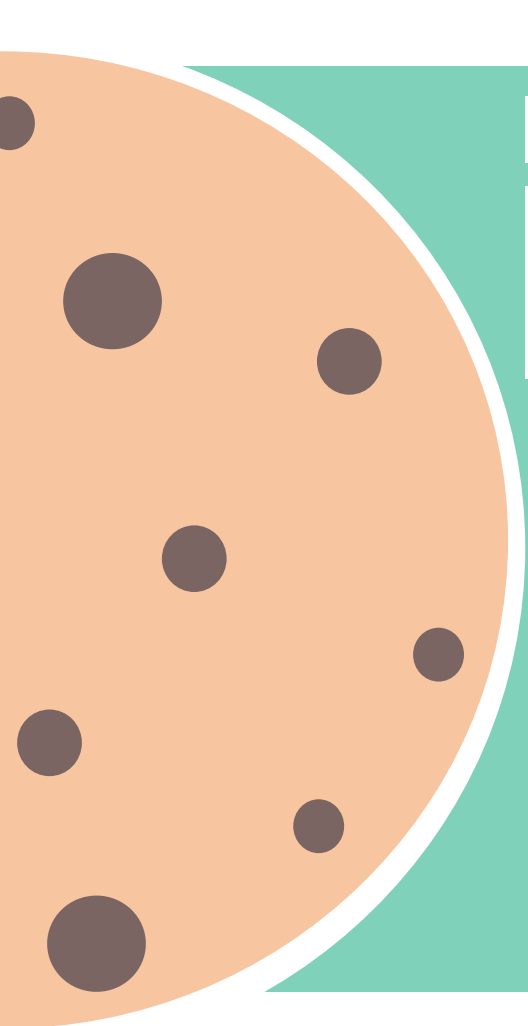
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- In general, the marginal pmf looks like:

$$p_X(x) = \sum_{y \in \Omega_Y} p_{X,Y}(x, y)$$



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(d) Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent? Why or why not?

- If we want to prove that  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent, we would need to show both of the conditions to be true:

$$\forall x, y, p_{X,Y}(x, y) = p_X(x)p_Y(y)$$
$$\Omega_{X,Y} = \Omega_X \times \Omega_Y$$

- However, note that the second condition is not true in this case! (take a look at the ranges we found in part a). So,  $X$  and  $Y$  are not independent.

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**Thanks for coming today!**