

## The Questions of Our Time

- $Y$  is a non-negative continuous random variable
- Probability Density Function:  $f_Y(y)$
- Already knew that:

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

- But, did you know that:

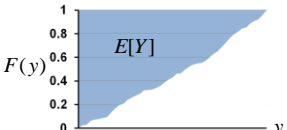
$$E[Y] = \int_0^{\infty} P(Y > y) dy \quad ???$$

- No, I didn't think so...
- Analogously, in the discrete case, where  $X = 1, 2, \dots, n$

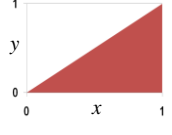
$$E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^n P(X \geq i)$$

## Life Gives You Lemmas, Make Lemma-nade!

- A lemma in the home or office is a good thing

$$E[Y] = \int_0^{\infty} P(Y > y) dy = \int_0^{\infty} (1 - F(y)) dy$$


- Proof:

$$\int_{y=0}^{\infty} P(Y > y) dy = \int_{y=0}^{\infty} \int_{x=y}^{\infty} f_Y(x) dx dy = \int_{x=0}^{\infty} \left( \int_{y=0}^x dy \right) f_Y(x) dx = \int_{x=0}^{\infty} x f_Y(x) dx = E[Y]$$


## Discrete Joint Mass Functions

- For two discrete random variables  $X$  and  $Y$ , the **Joint Probability Mass Function** is:

$$p_{X,Y}(a,b) = P(X=a, Y=b)$$

- Marginal distributions:

$$p_X(a) = P(X=a) = \sum_y p_{X,Y}(a,y)$$

$$p_Y(b) = P(Y=b) = \sum_x p_{X,Y}(x,b)$$

- Example:  $X$  = value of die  $D_1$ ,  $Y$  = value of die  $D_2$

$$P(X=1) = \sum_{y=1}^6 p_{X,Y}(1,y) = \sum_{y=1}^6 \frac{1}{36} = \frac{1}{6}$$

## A Computer (or Three) in Every House

- Consider households in Silicon Valley
  - A household has  $C$  computers:  $C = X$  Macs +  $Y$  PCs
  - Assume each computer equally likely to be Mac or PC

		X					
		0	1	2	3	$P_Y(y)$	
$P(C=c) =$	0.16 $c=0$	0	0.16	0.12	0.07	0.04	0.39
	0.24 $c=1$	1	0.12	0.14	0.12	0	0.38
	0.28 $c=2$	2	0.07	0.12	0	0	0.19
	0.32 $c=3$	3	0.04	0	0	0	0.04
$P_X(x)$			0.39	0.38	0.19	0.04	1.00

Marginal distributions

## Continuous Joint Distribution Functions

- For two continuous random variables  $X$  and  $Y$ , the **Joint Cumulative Probability Distribution** is:

$$F_{X,Y}(a,b) = F(a,b) = P(X \leq a, Y \leq b) \quad \text{where } -\infty < a, b < \infty$$

- Marginal distributions:

$$F_X(a) = P(X \leq a) = P(X \leq a, Y < \infty) = F_{X,Y}(a, \infty)$$

$$F_Y(b) = P(Y \leq b) = P(X < \infty, Y \leq b) = F_{X,Y}(\infty, b)$$

- Let's look at one:



## Joint

- This is a joint



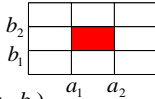
- A joint is not a mathematician
  - It did not start doing mathematics at an early age
  - It is not the reason we have "joint distributions"
  - And, no, Charlie Sheen does not look like a joint
    - But he does have them...
    - He also has **joint** custody of his children with Denise Richards

## Computing Joint Probabilities

- Let  $F_{X,Y}(x, y)$  be joint CDF for  $X$  and  $Y$
- $$P(X > a, Y > b) = 1 - P((X > a, Y > b)^c)$$
- $$= 1 - P((X > a)^c \cup (Y > b)^c)$$
- $$= 1 - P((X \leq a) \cup (Y \leq b))$$
- $$= 1 - (P(X \leq a) + P(Y \leq b) - P(X \leq a, Y \leq b))$$
- $$= 1 - F_X(a) - F_Y(b) + F_{X,Y}(a, b)$$

$$P(a_1 < X \leq a_2, b_1 < Y \leq b_2)$$

$$= F(a_2, b_2) - F(a_1, b_2) + F(a_1, b_1) - F(a_2, b_1)$$



## Jointly Continuous

- Random variables  $X$  and  $Y$ , are **Jointly Continuous** if there exists PDF  $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$  defined over  $-\infty < x, y < \infty$  such that:

$$P(a_1 < X \leq a_2, b_1 < Y \leq b_2) = \int_{a_1}^{a_2} \int_{b_1}^{b_2} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy dx$$

- Cumulative Density Function (CDF):

$$F_{X,Y}(a, b) = \int_{-\infty}^a \int_{-\infty}^b f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy dx \quad f_{X,Y}(a, b) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial a \partial b} F_{X,Y}(a, b)$$

- Marginal density functions:

$$f_X(a) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(a, y) dy \quad f_Y(b) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, b) dx$$

## Imperfection on a Disk

- Disk surface is a circle of radius  $R$
- A single point imperfection uniformly distributed on disk

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\pi R^2} & \text{if } x^2 + y^2 \leq R^2 \\ 0 & \text{if } x^2 + y^2 > R^2 \end{cases} \quad \text{where } -\infty < x, y < \infty$$

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy = \frac{1}{\pi R^2} \int_{x^2 + y^2 \leq R^2} dy = \frac{1}{\pi R^2} \int_{y=-\sqrt{R^2-x^2}}^{\sqrt{R^2-x^2}} dy = \frac{2\sqrt{R^2-x^2}}{\pi R^2}$$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{2\sqrt{R^2-y^2}}{\pi R^2} \quad \text{where } -R \leq y \leq R, \text{ by symmetry}$$

- Distance to origin:  $D = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2}$ ,  $P(D \leq a) = \frac{\pi a^2}{\pi R^2} = \frac{a^2}{R^2}$

$$E[D] = \int_0^R P(D > a) da = \int_0^R (1 - \frac{a^2}{R^2}) da = \left( a - \frac{a^3}{3R^2} \right) \Big|_0^R = \frac{2R}{3}$$

## Welcome Back the Multinomial!

- Multinomial distribution

- $n$  independent trials of experiment performed
- Each trial results in one of  $m$  outcomes, with respective probabilities:  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m$  where  $\sum_{i=1}^m p_i = 1$
- $X_i$  = number of trials with outcome  $i$

$$P(X_1 = c_1, X_2 = c_2, \dots, X_m = c_m) = \binom{n}{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m} p_1^{c_1} p_2^{c_2} \dots p_m^{c_m}$$

$$\text{where } \sum_{i=1}^m c_i = n \text{ and } \binom{n}{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m} = \frac{n!}{c_1! c_2! \dots c_m!}$$

## Hello Die Rolls, My Old Friend...

- 6-sided die is rolled 7 times
- Roll results: 1 one, 1 two, 0 three, 2 four, 0 five, 3 six

$$P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1, X_3 = 0, X_4 = 2, X_5 = 0, X_6 = 3)$$

$$= \frac{7!}{1!1!0!2!0!3!} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^1 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^1 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^0 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^0 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^3 = 420 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^7$$

- This is generalization of Binomial distribution
- Binomial: each trial had 2 possible outcomes
- Multinomial: each trial has  $m$  possible outcomes

## Probabilistic Text Analysis

- Ignoring order of words, what is probability of any given word you write in English?

- $P(\text{word} = \text{"the"}) > P(\text{word} = \text{"transatlantic"})$
- $P(\text{word} = \text{"Stanford"}) > P(\text{word} = \text{"Cal"})$
- Probability of each word is just multinomial distribution

- What about probability of those same words in someone else's writing?

- $P(\text{word} = \text{"probability"} \mid \text{writer} = \text{you}) >$   
 $P(\text{word} = \text{"probability"} \mid \text{writer} = \text{non-CS109 student})$
- After estimating  $P(\text{word} \mid \text{writer})$  from known writings, use Bayes Theorem to determine  $P(\text{writer} \mid \text{word})$  for new writings!

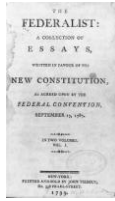
## Old and New Analysis

- Authorship of "Federalist Papers"

- 85 essays advocating ratification of US constitution
- Written under pseudonym "Publius"
  - Really, Alexander Hamilton, James Madison and John Jay

- Who wrote which essays?

- Analyzed probability of words in each essay versus word distributions from known writings of three authors



- Filtering Spam

- $P(\text{word} = \text{"Viagra"} \mid \text{writer} = \text{you})$   
 $\ll P(\text{word} = \text{"Viagra"} \mid \text{writer} = \text{spammer})$