# EE361: SIGNALS AND SYSTEMS II CH3: MULTIPLE RANDOM VARIABLES



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# BIVARIATE RANDOM VARIABLES

- A pair of RV (X, Y) that associates two real numbers with every element in S
  - Two-dimensional <u>random vector</u>
- Function that maps outcome  $\xi$  to a point in the (x,y)-plane
- Range of (X, Y)
- $R_{XY} = \{(x, y); \xi \in S \text{ and } X(\xi) = x, Y(\xi) = y\}$



#### BIVARIATE RV TYPES

- Bivariate discrete RV both X, Y discrete
- Bivariate continuous RV both X, Y continuous
- Bivariate mixed RV one discrete other continuous

In this class will primarily focus on either bivariate discrete or continuous, not mixed

# JOINT DISTRIBUTION FUNCTIONS (CDF)

- $F_{XY}(x, y) = P(X \le x, Y \le y)$ =  $P(A \cap B)$ 
  - Event A:  $(X \le x)$ ; Event B:  $(Y \le y)$
- Formally, event  $(X \le x, Y \le y)$ = event  $(A \cap B)$ 
  - $A = \{\xi \in S; X(\xi) \le x\}$ 
    - $P(A) = F_X(x)$
  - $B = \{\xi \in S; Y(\xi) \le y\}$ 
    - $P(B) = F_Y(y)$

- Independent RV
  - $F_{XY}(x, y) = F_X(x)F_Y(y)$ = P(A)P(B)

 Properties – same general idea as for single RV

# MARGINAL DISTRIBUTION

- Given joint CDF,
  - $F_X(x) = F_{XY}(x,\infty)$
  - $F_Y(y) = F_{XY}(\infty, y)$
- These are the distribution taking into account all values of the other RV
  - E.g. marginalizing/removing the effects/dependence on one variable
- Result comes from observation
  - $\lim_{y \to \infty} (X \le x, Y \le y) = (X \le x, Y \le \infty) = (X \le x)$
  - The condition  $(Y \leq \infty)$  is always satisfied

## JOINT PMF

- Let (X,Y) be discrete RV with values  $(x_i,y_j)$  for an allowable set of integers i,j

• 
$$p_{XY}(x_i, y_j) = P(X = x_i, Y = y_j)$$

- Properties
  - 1)  $0 \le p_{XY}(x_i, y_j) \le 1$
  - 2)  $\sum_{x_i} \sum_{y_j} p_{XY}(x_i, y_j) = 1$
  - 3)  $P[(X,Y) \in A] = \sum \sum_{(x_i,y_j) \in R_A} p_{XY}(x_i,y_j)$

• Points  $(x_i, y_j) \in R_A$  are in range space corresponding to event A

• CDF from PMF

• 
$$F_{XY}(x,y) = \sum_{x_i \le x} \sum_{y_j \le y} p_{XY}(x_i,y_j)$$

#### MARGINAL PMF

• 
$$P(X = x_i) = P_X(x_i) = \sum_{y_j} p_{XY}(x_i, y_j)$$

- Summation is over all possible  $Y = y_j$  values
- $\blacksquare$  Marginalize by removing influence of RV Y

$$P(Y = y_j) = P_Y(y_j) = \sum_{x_i} p_{XY}(x_i, y_j)$$

Independence:

$$\bullet P_{XY}(x_i, y_j) = p_X(x_i)p_Y(y_j)$$

### JOINT PDF

 $\blacksquare (X,Y)$  is a continuous bivariate RV with CDF  $F_{XY}(x,y)$ 

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

• 
$$F_{XY}(x,y) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} \int_{-\infty}^{y} f_{XY}(\xi,\eta) d\eta d\xi$$

Properties:

#### MARGINAL PDF

• 
$$F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(\xi,\eta) d\eta d\xi$$

 $\blacksquare$  Integrate/marginalize over full range/all values of y

• 
$$f_X(x) = \frac{dF_X(x)}{dx} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x,\eta) d\eta = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x,y) dy$$
  
• 
$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x,y) dx$$

Independence:

$$\bullet F_{XY}(x,y) = F_X(x)F_Y(y)$$

$$\bullet f_{XY}(x,y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$$

# CONDITIONAL PMF

 $\blacksquare (X,Y)$  discrete bivariate RV with joint PMF  $p_{XY}(x_i,y_j)$ 

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• 
$$p_{Y|X}(y_j|x_i) = \frac{p_{XY}(x_i, y_j)}{p_X(x_i)}, \ p_X(x_i) > 0$$

- Conditional PMF of Y given  $X (= x_i) \rightarrow$  probability of  $Y = y_j$  knowing that  $X = x_i$
- Properties
  - $\bullet 1) \ 0 \le p_{Y|X}(y_j|x_i) \le 1$
  - 2)  $\sum_{y_j} p_{Y|X}(y_j|x_i) = 1$
- Independence

• 
$$p_{Y|X}(y_j|x_i) = p_Y(y_j)$$
 and  $p_{X|Y}(x_i|y_j) = p_X(x_i)$ 

# CONDITIONAL PDF

 $\blacksquare(X,Y)$  continuous bivariate RV with joint PMF  $f_{XY}(x,y)$ 

• 
$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{XY}(x,y)}{f_X(x)}, \quad f_X(x) > 0$$

- Conditional PDF of Y given X (= x)
- Properties
  - 1)  $f_{Y|X}(y|x) \ge 0$ ■ 2)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y|X}(y|x)dy = 1$
- Independence

$$\bullet f_{Y|X}(y|x) = f_Y(y) \text{ and } f_{X|Y}(x,y) = f_X(x)$$

# (k,n)<sup>th</sup> MOMENT

$$\bullet m_{kn} = E[X^k Y^n]$$

• Discrete: 
$$m_{kn} = \sum_{y_j} \sum_{x_i} x_i^k y_j^n p_{XY}(x_i, y_j)$$

• Continuous: 
$$m_{kn} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^k y^n f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy$$

• Note: 
$$m_{10} = E[X] = \mu_X$$
 and  $m_{01} = E[Y] = \mu_Y$ 

# CORRELATION

- Measure of relationship between two RV
  - $m_{11} = E[XY]$
  - Measure away from independence (statistical)
- If E[XY] = 0, then X and Y are orthogonal
  - Note: orthogonal does not mean independent
  - Think of an inner product in RV space → 90 degree angle vs. statistical independence

- Note: "correlation does not imply causation"
  - Just because two variables are correlated, does not mean that one causes the other
  - E.g. increase in ice cream sales correlated with increase shark attacks. Probably not ice cream causing shark attacks but that ice cream and shark attacks happen more often during the summer

#### COVARIANCE

• 
$$Cov(X,Y) = \sigma_{XY} = E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)]$$
  
=  $E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]$ 

- If  $Cov(X, Y) = 0 \rightarrow X$  and Y uncorrelated
  - $\bullet E[XY] = E[X]E[Y]$
  - Note that independent RV are uncorrelated but uncorrelated does not imply independent

## PEARSON'S CORRELATION COEFFICIENT

■ Measure of **linear** dependence between X,Y

$$\rho(X,Y) = \rho_{XY} = \frac{Cov(X,Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = \frac{\sigma_{XY}}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$
$$|\rho_{XY}| \le 1$$

# CONDITIONAL MEAN/VARIANCE

- Discrete
- Mean (expectation)
  - $\mu_{Y|x_i} = E[Y|x_i] = \sum_{y_j} y_j p_{Y|X}(y_j|x_i)$
- Variance

• 
$$\sigma_{Y|x_i}^2 = Var(Y|x_i) = E\left[\left(Y - \mu_{Y|x_i}\right)^2 | x_i\right]$$
  
 $= \sum_{y_j} (y_j - \mu_{Y|x_i})^2 p_{Y|X}(y_j | x_i)$   
 $= E[Y^2|x_i] - E^2[Y|x_i]$ 

- Note: these values are a function of  $x_i$  and do not depend on Y
  - Defined for different  $x_i$  values

- Continuous
- Mean

• 
$$\mu_{Y|X} = E[Y|x] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_{Y|X}(y|x) dy$$

Variance

• 
$$\sigma_{Y|x_i}^2 = Var(Y|x)$$

$$= E\left[\left(Y - \mu_{Y|X}\right)^2 \middle| x\right]$$
$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(y - \mu_{Y|X}\right)^2 f_{Y|X}(y|x) dy$$

### N-VARIATE RV

- Natural extension of bivariate discussion
- Give n-tuple of RVs  $(X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n)$  n-dim random vector
  - $\blacksquare$  Each  $X_i \ i=1,2,\ldots,n$  associates a real number to sample point  $\xi \in S$

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- We won't really work beyond bivariate in class
  - $\blacksquare$  Ex: Joint CDF  $F_{X_1X_2\dots X_n}(x_1,x_2,\dots,x_n)=P(X_1\leq x_1,X_2\leq x_2,\dots,X_n\leq x_n)$

# SPECIAL DISTRIBUTIONS

Just like with single RV, there are important distributions that show up in nature a lot

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- Multinomial distribution extension of binomial
- N-variate Normal distribution

## MULTINOMIAL DISTRIBUTION

- Multinomial trial (extension of binomial)
  - 1) Experiment with k possible outcomes that are mutually exclusive  $(A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_k)$

• 2) 
$$P(A_i) = p_i; \quad i = 1, ..., k; \quad \sum_{i=1}^k p_i = 1$$

- Multinomial RV
  - $\blacksquare$   $(X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n)$  with  $X_i$  be RV denoting number of trials with result  $A_i$

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Count of number of each outcome

• 
$$p_{X_1X_2...X_k}(x_1,...,x_k) = \frac{n!}{x_1!x_2!...x_k!} p_1^{x_1} p_2^{x_2} ... p_k^{x_k}$$

Probability of combination of different outcomes

#### MULTINOMIAL EXAMPLE

- k different color balls in a bag  $\rightarrow p_i$  is the probability of color i to be drawn
- Select a ball at random and record the color then replace in bag
- Count of the colors at the end of the n ball draws is a multinomial RV

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Distribution tells the probability of seeing e.g. 1 white, 2 red, 3 blue, and 4 green balls

# NORMAL DISTRIBUTION

#### Bivariate

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = rac{1}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y(1-
ho^2)^{1/2}} \exp\left[-rac{1}{2}q(x, y)
ight]$$
 $q(x, y) = rac{1}{1-
ho^2}\left[\left(rac{x-\mu_x}{\sigma_x}
ight)^2 - 2
ho\left(rac{x-\mu_x}{\sigma_x}
ight)\left(rac{y-\mu_y}{\sigma_y}
ight) + \left(rac{y-\mu_y}{\sigma_y}
ight)^2
ight]$ 



#### N-variate

 Vector valued function (see book for details)

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) = rac{1}{\left(2\pi
ight)^{n/2}\left|\det K
ight|^{1/2}} \, \exp\left[-rac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-oldsymbol{\mu})^T K^{-1}(\mathbf{x}-oldsymbol{\mu})
ight]$$

Covariance matric

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \cdots & \sigma_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{n1} & \cdots & \sigma_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \sigma_{ij} = \operatorname{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$$

 Note: covariance controls shape or orientation in bivariate case