

PROBABILITY SPACE

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(Ω, P) Ω nonempty (finite) set "sample space"

P function $\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

s.t. P is a probability distribution

$$(i) (\forall \omega \in \Omega) (P(\omega) \geq 0)$$

$$(ii) \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} P(\omega) = 1$$

Event $A \subseteq \Omega$

extending P to $\mathcal{P}(\Omega)$: $P(A) = \sum_{\omega \in A} P(\omega)$

RANDOM VARIABLE : function $\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

EXPECTED VALUE of $X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$E(X) = \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} X(\omega) \cdot P(\omega)$$

Obs this is a weighted average of the values of X

$$\therefore \min X \leq E(X) \leq \max X$$

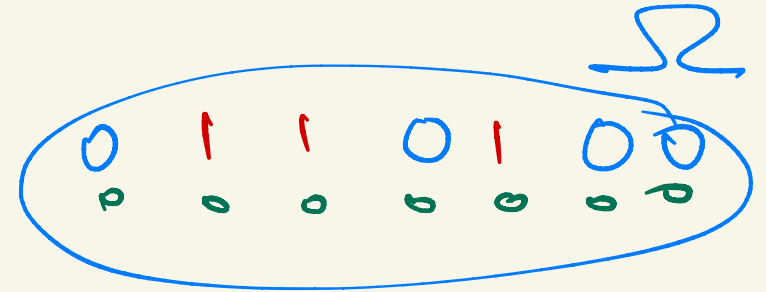
LINEARITY OF EXPECTATION

If $X_1, \dots, X_k : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are r.v.'s
 $c_1, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{R}$ then

$$E\left(\sum c_i X_i\right) = \sum c_i E(X_i)$$

Indicator variable : $X: \Omega \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$

$$A = \{a \in \Omega \mid X(a) = 1\}$$



Conversely, given event $A \subseteq \Omega$

let

$$\mathcal{I}_A: \Omega \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$$

be defined by

$$\mathcal{I}_A(a) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a \in A \\ 0 & \text{if } a \notin A \end{cases}$$

bijection between
events and
indicator
variables

Thm If $A \subseteq \Omega$ then

$$E(I_A) = P(A)$$

(p4)
Event
" $I_A = 1$ " = A

Thm X r.v.

Proof: $E(I_A) = 1 \cdot P(I_A = 1) + 0 \cdot P(I_A = 0) = P(A)$ ✓

$$\Rightarrow E(X) = \sum_{y \in \mathbb{R}} y \cdot P(X=y) = \sum_{y \in \text{Range}(X)} (\text{same})$$

$$"X=y" = \{\omega \in \Omega \mid X(\omega) = y\}$$

Proof: combine terms with same value of X .

Experiment: flip n coins

$X = \#$ heads

$$|\Omega| = 2^n$$

$$|\text{range}(X)| = n+1$$

$$\text{range} = \{0, \dots, n\}$$

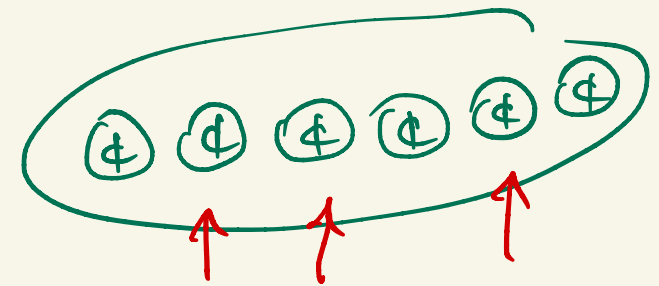
Biased coin $P(\text{heads}) = p$
 $P(\text{tails}) = 1-p$

flip it n times
 $X = \# \text{ heads}$

intuitively
 $E(X) = ?$ $p \cdot n$

$$E(X) = \sum_{y=0}^n y \cdot \underbrace{P(X=y)}_{\text{red wavy line}} = \sum_{y=0}^n y \cdot \binom{n}{y} p^y \cdot (1-p)^{n-y}$$

coin flip sequences
 with exactly y heads
 is $\binom{n}{y}$



$$(1-p) \cdot p \cdot p \cdot (1-p) \cdot p \cdot (1-p)$$

$$p^y \cdot (1-p)^{n-y}$$

$$\sum_{y=0}^n y \cdot \binom{n}{y} p^y (1-p)^{n-y} = \sum_{y=1}^n \dots$$

$$= n \cdot \sum_{y=1}^n \binom{n-1}{y-1} p^y (1-p)^{n-y} =$$

$$\boxed{z := y-1} = np \sum_{z=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{z} p^z \cdot (1-p)^{n-1-z}$$

$$p^y = p^{z+1} = p \cdot p^z$$

$$= np \cdot \underbrace{(p + (1-p))^{n-1}}_1 = np \cdot 1 = np$$

binomial thm

$$\begin{aligned} y \binom{n}{y} &= y \cdot \frac{n(n-1) \dots (n-y+1)}{y \cdot (y-1) \dots 1} \\ &= n \cdot \frac{(n-1) \dots (n-y+1)}{(y-1) \dots 1} = \\ &= n \cdot \binom{n-1}{y-1} \end{aligned}$$

Proof #2 The $E(X) = np$

X_i = indicator the i^{th} coin Heads $i = 1, \dots, n$

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \quad \therefore E(X) = \sum E(X_i) = \sum \underbrace{P(X_i=1)}_p = \boxed{np}$$

n coins; $P(i^{\text{th}} \text{ coin Heads}) = p_i$

$X = \# \text{ heads}$

$$X = \sum X_i$$

X_i : indicator
that i^{th} coin
Heads

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \sum E(X_i) = \\ &= \sum P(X_i = 1) = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \end{aligned}$$

"Bernoulli trial": indicator var.

1 "success"
0 "failure"

Independence of r.v's

$$X, Y: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

are indep if $(\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R})$ ("X=x" and "Y=y"
are indep.)

If $P(Y=y) \neq 0$ then this means the same as

$$P(X=x / Y=y) = P(X=x)$$

So DEF X, Y indep if $(\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}) (P(X=x \wedge Y=y) =$
 $= P(X=x) \cdot P(Y=y))$

DEF $X_1, \dots, X_k : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ r.v.'s

We say that the X_i are independent if

$$(\forall x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathbb{R}) \left(P\left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^k X_i = x_i\right) = \prod_{i=1}^k P(X_i = x_i) \right)$$

[Thm] If $(X_i \mid i \in I)$ are indep

and $J \subseteq I$ then $(X_i \mid i \in J)$ also indep

[Ex] If X, Y, Z are indep. r.v.'s then

$e^X, \sqrt{Y^2+1}, \arctan Z$ indep

If X, Y, Z, U, V, W are indep r.v's
 then $X+Y+e^Z, U \cap V, \arctan W \rightarrow ()$

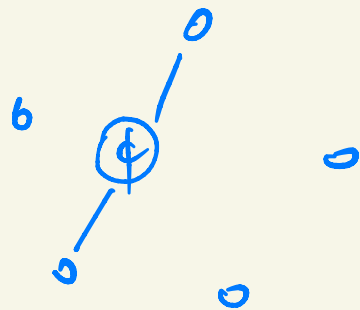
Random graph

$G(n, p)$

n #vertices

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$p \in P(\{e_{ij} \in E\})$



$$|\Omega| = 2^{\binom{n}{2}}$$

Set of vertices fixed, adjacency decided by independent coin flips