

HONORS

ALGORITHMS

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PROB "Finite Probability Spaces"

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↖ last night

Finite probability space $(\Omega, \Pr)$

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Ω finite set, $\Omega \neq \emptyset$

$\Pr : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ probability distribution on Ω

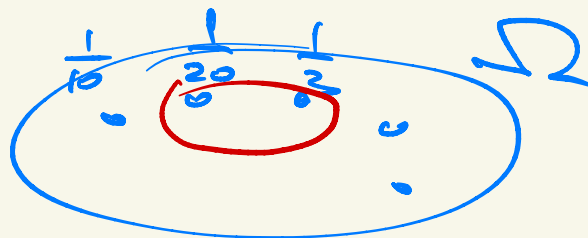
Event: $A \subseteq \Omega$

$$\Pr(A) := \sum_{a \in A} \Pr(a)$$

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$$(i) (\forall a \in \Omega) (\Pr(a) \geq 0)$$

$$(ii) \sum_{a \in \Omega} \Pr(a) = 1$$



RANDOM VARIABLE

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

set of random variables

$$\mathbb{R}^{\Omega}$$

we can take lin. comb.

$\leadsto \mathbb{R}^{\Omega}$ is a vector space

a basis: $0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0$
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Notation:

$$\{f: A \rightarrow B\} = B^A$$

$$|B^A| = |B|^{|A|}$$

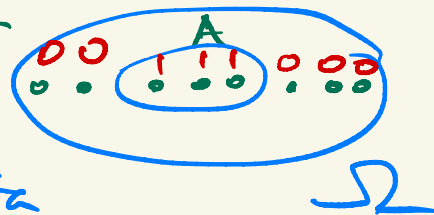
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$$\dim = |\Omega|$$

indicator variable: r.v. codomain $\{0,1\}$

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$$Y: \Omega \rightarrow \{0,1\}$$



$\longleftrightarrow$ with events

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1-1 corr.

$$I_A: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$I_A(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1 & \omega \in A \\ 0 & \omega \notin A \end{cases}$$

$$A \subseteq \Omega$$

indicator of event A

inverse corresp: if Y is an indicator var.

then $Y = I_A$ where $A = Y^{-1}(1)$

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$\Omega \left\{ \begin{array}{c|c} \Omega & X \\ \hline 1 & X(1) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ n & X(n) \end{array} \right.$ $|\Omega|$ data

Ω	Pr	X
a	$\frac{1}{2}$	5
b	$\frac{1}{3}$	1
c	$\frac{1}{6}$	-10

1st aggregate of data:

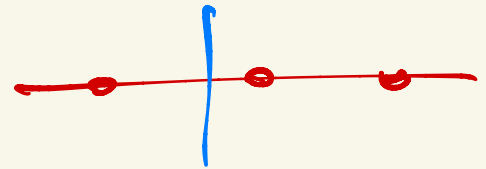
EXPECTED VALUE

$\rightarrow E(X) = \sum_{a \in \Omega} \underline{X(a)} \cdot Pr(a)$

$5 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 1 \cdot \frac{1}{3} - 10 \cdot \frac{1}{6}$

weighted average of the values of X

If Pr is uniform: $E(X) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{a \in \Omega} X(a)$
 $n = |\Omega|$



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

$$|\Omega| = 2^n \quad \boxed{6}$$

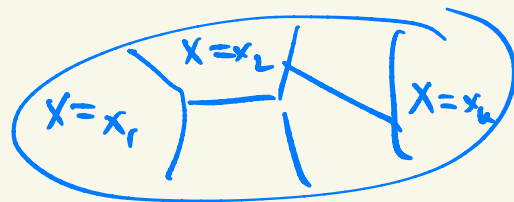
flip n times

$$|\text{Range } X| = n+1$$

$$X := \# \text{ heads}$$

DO

$$E(X) = \sum_{x_i \in \text{Range}(X)} x_i \underbrace{P(X=x_i)}$$



$$\underline{\text{"}X=x_i\text{" event}} = \{\omega \in \Omega \mid X(\omega) = x_i\}$$

$$= \sum_{y \in \mathbb{R}} y P(X=y)$$

$$E(\mathcal{I}_A) = 1 \cdot P(\mathcal{I}_A = 1) + 0 \cdot P(\mathcal{I}_A = 0) = P(A)$$

$$\mathcal{I}_A = 1 = \{\omega \in \Omega \mid \mathcal{I}_A(\omega) = 1\} = A$$

$$E(\mathcal{I}_A) = P(A)$$

$p/1-p$ biased coins X : # heads in n coin flips

$$E(X) = np$$

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$$E(X) = \sum_{y=0}^n y \cdot P(X=y)$$

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

$$y \cdot \binom{n}{y} = y \cdot \frac{n(n-1) \cdots (n-y+1)}{y!} = n \cdot \binom{n-1}{y-1}$$

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



$$\underbrace{\left(p + (1-p) \right)^{n-1}}_{= 1^{n-1} = 1}$$



$$X = Y_1 + \dots + Y_n$$

Y_i indicates
event

i^{th} coin: heads

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$$E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(Y_i) = np \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Pr(i^{\text{th}} \text{ coin heads}) = p$$

Do $E(\sum X_i) = \sum E(X_i)$

LINEARITY OF EXPECTATION

X_i : any r.v.'s

Do $E(\sum c_i X_i) = \sum c_i E(X_i)$

Boolean variable $x \in \{0, 1\}$

$x_1 \dots x_n \rightarrow r_s$

$$\bar{x}_i = 1 - x_i$$

$x_1 \dots x_n \quad \bar{x}_1 \dots \bar{x}_n$: literals

CONJUNCTION : $a_1 \wedge \dots \wedge a_m$

DISJUNCTION : $a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_m$

3-DISS. $a_1 \vee a_2 \vee a_3$ where the a_i are literals

$C_1, \dots, C_n$ 3-disjunctions

find assignment $(0, 1)$ to variables x_i s.t.

$$\max x \leftarrow \# \{i \mid C_i(x_1 \dots x_n) = 1\}$$

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At least $\frac{7}{8}m$ can be simultaneously
satisfied

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Claim X : # satisfied clauses
under uniform random substitution
 $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$

then $E(X) = \frac{7m}{8}$