

* Functions of multiple R.Vs.

Ex: X_1, X_2, X_3 has joint pdf

$$f_{X_1, X_2, X_3}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$$W = \max(X_1, X_2, X_3)$$

Q: How to find $f_W(w)$, the pdf of W in a step-by-step way.

Ans: Step 1:

Step 2:

* Linear functions of multiple R.V.

$$Z = a_1 X_1 + a_2 X_2 + a_3 X_3 + \dots + a_n X_n$$

(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) can be any joint distribution

Q: $m_Z = ?$

Ans:

Q: $\text{Var}(Z) = ?$

Ans:

Q: $\text{Cov}(Z, X_3) = ?$

Ans: (Think it as $Z \cdot X_3$
 $= (a_1 X_1 + \dots + a_n X_n) X_3$)

* Characteristic function of

$$Z = a_1 X_1 + a_2 X_2 + a_3 X_3, \quad X_1, X_2, X_3 \text{ are indep}$$

Ex:

$$Z = 3X, \quad X \text{ has characteristic function } \Phi_X(\omega)$$

Find the characteristic function of Z in terms of $\Phi_X(\omega)$.

Ans:

Ex: $Z = X + Y$. X, Y are indep & have char. functions $\Phi_X(\omega), \Phi_Y(\omega)$

Find $\Phi_Z(\omega)$ in terms of $\Phi_X(\omega), \Phi_Y(\omega)$

Ans:

* When X, Y are indep, the char. of $Z = X + Y$ is the

* When $Z = a_1 X_1 + a_2 X_2 + \dots + a_n X_n$
 & X_1, \dots, X_n are indep.

then

* Let's focus on the simplest linear
 function: the summation of indep R.V.s

$$Z = X + Y.$$

$$\Phi_Z(\omega) = \Phi_X(\omega) \cdot \Phi_Y(\omega)$$

Recall $\Phi_X(\omega) = E(e^{j\omega X})$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j\omega x} f_X(x) dx$$

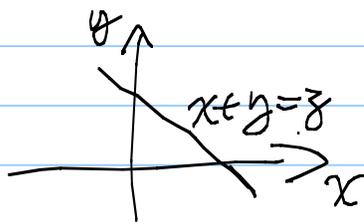
is the "freq domain" of the pdf

$$f_X(x), f_Y(y) \longleftrightarrow \Phi_X(\omega), \Phi_Y(\omega)$$

↓ multiplication in
freq

$$\longleftrightarrow \Phi_Z(\omega) = \Phi_X(\omega) \cdot \Phi_Y(\omega)$$

Summing over the
 $x+y=z$ line.



* Summary $Z = X + Y$ & X, Y are indep
 (freq dom) $\Phi_Z(\omega) =$ multi in freq
 (time dom) $f_Z(j) =$ conv in time.

* Summation of important R.V.s. (& indep.)

◊ Bernoulli + Bernoulli:

X, Y are indep Bernoulli with a
common parameter p .

$Z = X + Y$. What is the distribution of
 Z

Ans:

table lookup

(The number of heads after flipping
 a coin twice.)

② binomial + binomial

X_1 : binomial with para n_1, p

X_2 : n_2, p

$Z = X_1 + X_2$ The distribution of Z .

Ans:

③ Poisson + Poisson

X : Poisson with para α_1

Y : Poisson α_2

$Z = X + Y$, distribution of $Z = ?$

Ans:

The number of arrivals with avg arrival rate

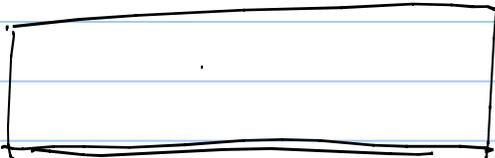
④ $G_{sn} + G_{sn} \rightarrow$

* Average of indep. identically distributed (i.i.d.)
 X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n R.V.

Ex: throw a dice 1000 times.

pull a slot machine 10000 times.

Suppose each X_i has a common mean μ_x and common variance σ_x^2

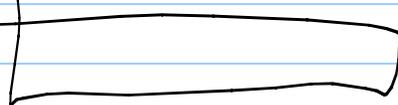
the  is defined

as

\bar{X} is termed the 
 Note that a "sample mean" is
 not a constant but a Random Variable

$$E(\bar{X})$$

$$\text{Var}(\bar{X})$$

The  has the same mean
 of X but with reduced variance.

When the variance approaches zero, the sample mean M_n concentrates around the (actual) mean

Chebyshev Inequality



|| Note: WLLN applies to any (marginal) distribution X .

Intuition:

Set a large number $n = 100,000$.
 Even before I throw the dice n times, I am confident ^{that} once I finish throwing the dice, with high prob my "sample mean" (the avg of the outcome) will be very close to the true mean

μ .