

Recall:

$(S, \mathcal{F}, P)$  -  $X: S \rightarrow T$  with  $T$  - countable  
(Discrete random variable)

Assumed  $S$ -countable till now.

- Distribution of  $X$  - Range( $X$ ) =  $T$   
 p.m.f.:  $f_X(t) = P(X=t)$   $f_X: T \rightarrow [0,1]$   
 $Q(B) = P(X \in B) = P(X^{-1}(B))$   
 $B \subseteq T$

$X, Y$  are two discrete random variables:  $X: S \rightarrow U$   $Y: S \rightarrow T$   
 - independent  
 $P(X \in A, Y \in B) = P(X \in A) P(Y \in B)$   
Equivalent  $P(X=u, Y=t) = P(X=u) P(Y=t)$   
 $\forall u \in U, t \in T$

- Conditional distributions

e.g.  $A = \{X=x\}$  for  $x \in S$   
 $Y|X=x \equiv Y|A$  - Conditional distribution of  $Y$  given the event  $A; P(A) > 0$

$B \subseteq T, Q(B) = P(Y \in B | A) = \frac{P(Y \in B, A)}{P(A)}$

- Joint distribution of  $X$  and  $Y$ :  $U \times T$  - probabilities on it  
 $Q(\{(u,t)\}) = P(X=u, Y=t)$   $\forall u \in U, \forall t \in T$

$U, T$  are finite

$|U|=m$   
 $|T|=n$

Row Sum  
 ↓  
 Distribution of  $X$

Table

	$u_1$	$u_2$	...	$u_m$	
$t_1$					$Q(u_i, t_1)$
$t_2$			*		$P(Y=t_1)$
...					
$t_n$					$P(Y=t_n)$
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Column Sum →

← Distribution of  $Y$

←  $P(Y=t_1)$

←  $P(Y=t_n)$

←  $P(X=u_1)$

←  $P(X=u_2)$

Independent  $\Leftrightarrow Q(u_i, t_j) = P(X=u_i) \times P(Y=t_j)$

### 3.2.3. Memoryless Property of Geometric Random Variable

Intuitive

Toss a coin 40 times & No head appears

T T ... T

40 tosses

Toss the coin 60 times & Head appears in 65<sup>th</sup> toss for the 1<sup>st</sup> time

T T ... T T T T T H ...

40 tosses

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100<sup>th</sup> toss

$P(\text{first head appears in } 45^{\text{th}} \text{ toss} \mid \text{No head appears in the } 10^{\text{th}} \text{ } 40 \text{ tosses})$

" = "

intuitively

$P(\dots, \text{TTTT H} \mid \text{No head appears in the } 10^{\text{th}} \text{ } 40 \text{ tosses})$

=  $P(\text{head occurs for the } 1^{\text{st}} \text{ time in } 5 \text{ tosses of a coin})$

Independence  
Absence of memory

Example 3.2.11  
appears.

Suppose we toss a fair coin until the 1<sup>st</sup> head occurs.

$X \equiv$  trial at which 1<sup>st</sup> head occurs.

$X \sim \text{Geometric}(\frac{1}{2})$  -  $P(X=k) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k-1} \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2^k}$

$\forall k \geq 1$

$$\underline{m \geq 1}: \quad \mathbb{P}(X > m) = \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{k=m+1}^{\infty} X=k\right) = \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(X=k) = \dots = \frac{1}{2^m}$$

$$\underline{n \geq 1} \quad \mathbb{P}(X > m+n) = \underbrace{\dots}_{\text{invariant}} = \frac{1}{2^{m+n}}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X > m+n \mid X > m)$$



$$\frac{\mathbb{P}(X > m+n, X > m)}{\mathbb{P}(X > m)}$$

$$= \frac{\mathbb{P}(X > m+n)}{\mathbb{P}(X > m)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2^{m+n}}}{\frac{1}{2^m}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^n} = \mathbb{P}(X > n)$$

$\{X > m+n\} \subseteq \{X > m\}$

Remark: True if  $X \sim \text{Geometric}(p)$

$$\mathbb{P}(\underbrace{T \dots T}_{m \text{ tosses}}, \underbrace{T \dots T}_{n \text{ tosses}}, \dots \mid \underbrace{T \dots T}_{m \text{ tosses}} \dots)$$
$$= \mathbb{P}(\underbrace{T \dots T}_{n \text{ tosses}}, \dots)$$

} memoryless  
Properties  
of Geometric  
distribution

— Conditional on the fact that there are  
no heads in the 1st  $m$  tosses of a coin  
then the probability of no head in  $n$  further tosses of  
the coin is the same as the probability of no heads in  
 $n$  tosses of the same coin.

### 3.2.4. Multinomial Distribution

E.g.  $X \sim \text{Unif}(\{1, 2\})$   
 $Y$  - # of heads in  $X$  tosses

-  $(X, Y)$  - Joint distribution

Example 3.2.12  $[n \geq 1, (X_1, \dots, X_n)] (Y_1, \dots, Y_k)$

$n$  - independent and identical trials of an experiment with  $k$  - outcomes, for  $k > 1$ .

let  $X_i$  represent the outcome of trial  $i$ .  $T = \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$

Assume  $P(X_i = j) = p_j \quad j \in T$

$$(0 \leq p_j \leq 1, \sum_{j=1}^k p_j = 1)$$

$X_i$  are independent & have same distribution

let  $Y_j$  represent the # of the  $n$  trials that result in the  $j$ -th outcome,  $1 \leq j \leq k$

Note:-  $\sum_{j=1}^k Y_j = n$

$\{Y_j\}$  are dependent random variables

Easy calculation:-

$x_i \in \mathcal{X} \quad 1 \leq i \leq l$

$B = \{X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_l = x_l\}$

$1 \leq i \leq l$

independence

$P(B) = ? = P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_l = x_l) = \prod_{i=1}^l P(X_i = x_i)$

Harder Calculation

$C = \{Y_1 = y_1, \dots, Y_k = y_k\}$

$\sum_{j=1}^k y_j = n$   
 $0 \leq y_i \leq n$

$P(C) = ?$

$\omega \in C$   
 $(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n)$

$P(\omega) = P(\text{outcome } 1 \text{ occurs in } y_1 \text{ trials}, \dots, \text{outcome } k \text{ occurs in } y_k \text{ trials})$

$n$  trials are independent

$= \prod_{j=1}^k p_j^{y_j}$

$P(C) = \sum_{\omega \in C} P(\omega) = \sum_{\omega \in C} \prod_{j=1}^k p_j^{y_j}$

$= |C| \prod_{j=1}^k p_j^{y_j} \quad \text{if } \sum_{j=1}^k y_j = n$

Ex:

$|C| = \frac{n!}{y_1! \dots y_k!}$

$n$  balls -  $(y_i: 1 \leq i \leq k)$   $\sum_{i=1}^k y_i = n$

Boxes

$$P(Y_1 = y_1, \dots, Y_k = y_k) = \begin{cases} \frac{n!}{y_1! \dots y_k!} \prod_{j=1}^k p_j^{y_j} & \text{if } \sum_{j=1}^k y_j = n; 0 \leq y_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Conventions:-  $(S, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$   $X: S \rightarrow T$   $T \subseteq \mathbb{R}$   $T$ -Countable

A discrete random variable  $X$  is called a "Constant" (or Constant random variable) if  $\exists c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$P(X=c) = 1. \quad \text{ie } T = \{c\}$$

- The constant random variable  $X$  is independent of itself.

To show:  $P(X \in A, X \in B) = P(X \in A) P(X \in B)$   
 $A, B \subseteq T$

$$A = \{c\} = B \quad P(X=c, X=c) = P(X=c) P(X=c)$$

$$\text{ie } P(X=c) = (P(X=c))^2$$

$$A) \quad P(X=c) = 1 \quad \text{This is true.}$$

- If  $X$  is discrete random variable &  $X$  is independent of itself then  $X$  is a Constant.

Ex:- To complete