

today : proba review
parametric models

Bayes rule

→ invert conditioning

$$p(x|y) = \frac{p(y|x)p(x)}{p(y)}$$

by def: $p(y|x) = \frac{p(x,y)}{p(x)}$

$$\Rightarrow p(x,y) = p(y|x)p(x) = p(x|y)p(y)$$

"product rule"

example of conditioning : $P\{ \text{having cancer} \mid \text{tumor measurement} = "-" \}$

chain rule : → successive application of product rule

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = p(x_n | x_{1:n-1}) p(x_{n-1})$$

$$= \quad \quad \quad p(x_{n-1} | x_{1:n-2}) p(x_{1:n-2})$$

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i | x_{1:i-1})$$

always true

[Can also choose any of $n!$ permutations]

convention: $1:0 = \emptyset$

$$p(x_1 | x_\emptyset) = p(x_1)$$

can be simplified by making conditional independence assumptions

[for a directed graphical model]

$$p(x_i | x_{1:i-1}) = p(x_i | \underbrace{x_{\pi_i}}_{\text{parents of } i})$$

conditional independence:

X is cond. indep. of Y given Z notation: $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y \mid Z$

$$\Leftrightarrow p(x,y|z) = p(x|z)p(y|z)$$

$\forall x \in \Omega_X$
 $\forall y \in \Omega_Y$
 $\forall z \in \Omega_Z \text{ s.t. } p(z) \neq 0$

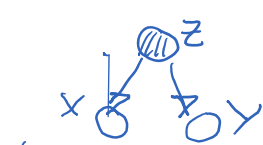
"factorization view"

exercise to the reader: prove that $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y \mid Z \Rightarrow p(x|y,z) = p(x|z)$

[conditional analog of $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y \Rightarrow p(x|y) = p(x)$]

example: Z = indicator whether mother carries a genetic disease

X = daughter 1 has disease $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y \mid Z$
 Y = " 2 has disease



here, X is not "marginally indep." of Y

(i.e. $X \not\perp\!\!\!\perp Y$) $\exists x, y$ s.t. $p(x, y) \neq p(x)p(y)$

$$\hookrightarrow p(x, y, z) = p(x|z)p(y|z)p(z)$$

example of pairwise indep. R.V. that are not mutually independent

X = coin flip as $\{0, 1\}$

define: $Z \triangleq X \text{ xor } Y$

Y = another indep. coin flip

$$Z \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$$

$$X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$$

$$Z \perp\!\!\!\perp X$$

$$Z \not\perp\!\!\!\perp (X, Y)$$

other relations:

expectation / mean of a R.V.

$$\mathbb{E}[X] \triangleq \sum_{x \in \Omega_X} x p(x) \quad (\text{for discrete R.V.})$$

$$\int_{\Omega_X} x p(x) dx \quad (\text{"cts."})$$

$\mathbb{E}[\cdot]$ is a linear operator $\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}[aX + Y] = a\mathbb{E}[X] + \mathbb{E}[Y]$

$\uparrow$ scalar $\nwarrow$ R.V.'s

Variance:

$$\text{Var}[X] \triangleq \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2] \quad \text{"measure of dispersion"}$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[X^2] - (\mathbb{E}[X])^2$$



cumulative dist. function CDF of X : $F_X(t) = \mathbb{P}\{X \leq t\} \quad (= \int_{-\infty}^t p(x) dx)$

$$\left. \frac{d}{dt} F_X(t) \right|_{t=x} = p(x) \longrightarrow (\text{for abs. R.V.})$$

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parametric models:

↳ a family of distributions

$$\mathcal{P}_{\Theta} = \{ \underbrace{p(\cdot; \theta)}_{\text{possible pmf's / pdf's}} \mid \theta \in \Theta \}$$

depend on parameter θ

abuse of notation: $\{ p(x; \theta) \mid \theta \in \Theta \}$

"better" notation $\{ p(x; \theta) \mid \theta \in \Theta \}$

notation: $X \sim \text{Bern}(\theta)$

↳ "R.V. X is distributed as a Bernoulli dist. with parameter θ "

$$p(x; \theta) = \text{Bern}(x; \theta) \triangleq \theta^x (1-\theta)^{1-x} \quad x \in \{0, 1\}$$

variable for pmf parameter of dist.

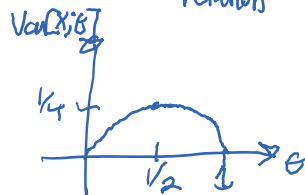
Bernoulli: prob. of a coin flip $\Omega_X = \{0, 1\}$ $\Theta = [0, 1]$

$$p(X=1) = \theta$$

Bayesian notation $P\{X=1 \mid \theta\} = \theta$

$$E[X] = \theta$$

$$\text{Var}[X] = \theta(1-\theta)$$



another example:

$$p(x; (\mu, \sigma^2)) = N(x; (\mu, \sigma^2)) \triangleq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

or

$$N(x \mid \mu, \sigma^2)$$

binomial dist.:

model n indep. coin flips

sum n indep. $\text{Bern}(\theta)$ R.V.

let $X_i \overset{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{Bern}(\theta) \rightarrow$ (mutually) independent and identically distributed

$n, 1 \leq i \leq n$

from context

"support of ^{family} distribution" i.e. Ω_X

is usually fixed for all $\theta \in \Theta$
(but not always)

examples: $\Omega_X = \{0, 1\}$ for a coin flip

$\Omega_X = [0, +\infty)$ for a gamma dist. family

implicitly talking $X_1, \dots, X_n$ $(X_i)_{i=1}^n \sim \text{i.i.d.}$
 let $X \triangleq \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ then we have $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, \theta)$

"binomial dist. with parameter n & θ "
 derivation

$\Omega_X = \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$
 pmf: $p(x; \theta) = \underbrace{\binom{n}{x}}_{\substack{\text{\# of ways} \\ \text{to choose } x \\ \text{elements out of } n \text{ possibilities}}} \theta^x (1-\theta)^{n-x}$
 "n choose x"

$\text{Bern}(x_i; \theta) = \theta^{x_i} (1-\theta)^{1-x_i} \stackrel{\triangleq x_i}{\sim} \theta^{x_i} (1-\theta)^{1-x_i}$
 $p(x_1, \dots, x_n) \stackrel{\text{by indep}}{=} \prod_{i=1}^n \text{Bern}(x_i; \theta) = \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-\theta)^{n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$
 $\binom{n}{x} \triangleq \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!}$

mean: $X = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

$E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i] = n\theta$

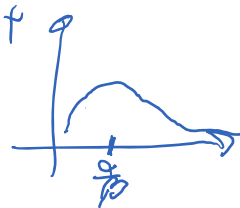
similarly, $\text{Var}(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i) \stackrel{\text{indep}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i) = n\theta(1-\theta)$

other distributions: $\text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ $\Omega_X = \{0, 1, \dots\} = \mathbb{N}$ [count data]
 mean

Gaussian in 1d $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ $\Omega_X = \mathbb{R}$
 mean, variance

gamma

$\Gamma(\alpha, \beta)$ $\Omega_X = \mathbb{R}_+$
 shape α inverse scale β celer rate
 mean: $\frac{\alpha}{\beta}$ variance $\frac{\alpha}{\beta^2}$



other: Laplace, Cauchy, exponential dist. $\hookrightarrow \Gamma(1, \beta)$, beta dist. is a Dirichlet on $\Omega_X = [0, 1]$ 2 elements