

EXERCISES on PROBABILITY.

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- 1) List the possible outcomes of tossing two coins

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Since they ~~are~~ have the same probability of being observed then this probability must be $\frac{1}{4} = 0.25$ since $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = 1$.

Define $Y = \#$ of "heads" observed. The possible outcomes of Y are

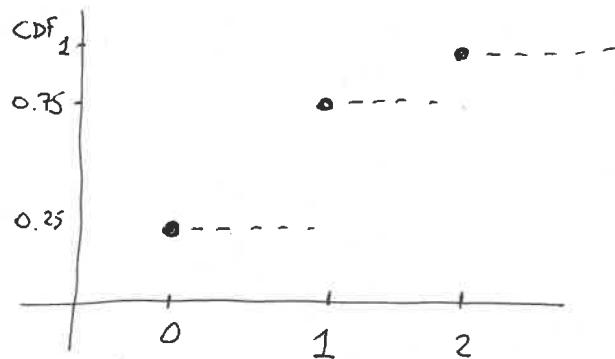
0	1	2
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then the PDF of Y is

y_i	$P_k(Y=y_i)$
0	$1/4 = 0.25$
1	$1/2 = 0.5$
2	$1/4 = 0.25$

The CDF of Y is

y_i	$CDF(y_i)$
0	0.25
1	0.75
2	1



$$2. E[Y] = \sum_{i=1}^3 y_i P_i = (0.25)0 + (0.5)1 + (0.25)2 = 1$$

$$\text{VAR}[Y] = \sum_{i=1}^3 (y_i - E[Y])^2 P_i = 0.25(0-1)^2 + 0.5(1-1)^2 + 0.25(2-1)^2 = 0.25 + 0.25 = 0.5 = \sigma_Y^2$$

$$\text{Skw}[Y] = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^3 (y_i - E[Y])^3}{\sigma_Y^3} = \frac{0.25(0-1)^3 + 0.5(1-1)^3 + 0.25(2-1)^3}{(\sqrt{\sigma_Y^2})^3} = -\frac{0.25 + 0.25}{(\sqrt{\sigma_Y^2})^3} = 0 \quad [\text{Symmetry}]$$

$$\text{KVR}[Y] = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^3 (y_i - E[Y])^4}{\sigma_Y^4} = \frac{0.25(0-1)^4 + 0.5(1-1)^4 + 0.25(2-1)^4}{(0.5)^2} = \frac{0.5}{0.25} = 2$$

$$3. Y = 2000 + 0.2(X)$$

$$E[Y] = E[2000 + 0.2X] = 2000 + 0.2E[X] = 2000 + 0.2\sigma_X$$

$$\text{VAR}[Y] = 0.04 \sigma_X^2$$

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		X	$P(Y)$
		$x=0$ R $x=1$ NR	
Y	$y=50$	0.15 0.07	0.22
	$y=10$	0.15 0.63	0.78
	ST	0.30 0.7	[1]
$P(x)$			

$$E[Y] = \sum_{i=1}^2 y_i p_i = 0.22(50) + 0.78(10) = 18.8$$

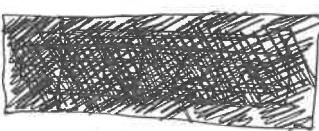
$$E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^2 x_i p_i = 0.30(0) + 0.7(1) = 0.7$$

$$P_1(Y=50 | X=0) = \frac{0.15}{0.15+0.15} = 0.5$$

$$P_2(Y=10 | X=0) = \frac{0.15}{0.15+0.15} = 0.5$$

$$E[Y | X=0] = \sum_{i=1}^2 y_i P(Y_i | X=0) = 50(0.5) + 10(0.5) = 30$$

$$E[Y | X=1] = \sum_{i=1}^2 y_i P(Y_i | X=1) = 50(0.1) + 10(0.9) = 14$$

 ■ $P(X=0) E[Y | X=0] + P(X=1) E[Y | X=1]$

$$= (0.3) \times (30) + (0.7) \times (14) = 18.8$$

5. $X = \begin{cases} 0 & P_1 = 0.1 \\ 1 & P_2 = 0.9 \end{cases}$ $Y \sim N(0, 4)$ $W \sim N(0, 16)$

Let $S = (X)Y + (1-X)W$

$$E[Y^2] = \sigma_Y^2 + \mu_Y^2 = 4 + 0 = 4$$

$$E[W^2] = \sigma_W^2 + \mu_W^2 = 16 + 0 = 16$$

$E[Y^3] = \text{skew}[Y] - \mu_Y^3 = \text{skew}[Y] = 0$ since the Normal distribution is symmetric. Similarly for $E[W^3]$.

The LIE states $E[S] = E[E[Y|X]]$ for any x, y

$$\begin{aligned} E[S|X=0] &= E[W] = 0 \\ E[S|X=1] &= E[Y] = 0 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow E[S] = 0.9 E[Y|X=1] + 0.1 E[Y|X=0] = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[S^2|X=0] &= E[W^2] = 16 \\ E[S^2|X=1] &= E[Y^2] = 4 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow E[S^2] = 0.9 * 4 + 0.1 * 16 = 5.2$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[S^3|X=0] &= E[W^3] = 0 \\ E[S^3|X=1] &= E[Y^3] = 0 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow E[S^3] = 0$$

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$$\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i \quad E[\bar{Y}] = \mu_Y = 10 \quad \text{VAR}[\bar{Y}] = \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$SD[\bar{Y}] = \frac{\sigma_Y}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{n}}$$

The CLT states that, under regularity conditions, when n is large

$$\frac{\bar{Y} - E[\bar{Y}]}{SD[\bar{Y}]} \sim N(0, 1)$$

that is,

$$\frac{\bar{Y} - 10}{2/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$n=20 \quad P_Z \left(9.6 \leq \bar{Y} \leq 10.4 \right) = P_Z \left(\frac{9.6-10}{2/\sqrt{20}} \leq \frac{\bar{Y}-10}{2/\sqrt{20}} \leq \frac{10.4-10}{2/\sqrt{20}} \right)$$

$$= P_Z \left(-0.89 \leq Z \leq 0.89 \right) =$$

$$= P_Z(Z \leq 0.89) - (1 - P_Z(Z \leq 0.89)) =$$

$$= 0.8133 - (1 - 0.8133) = 0.6266 \approx 0.63$$

$$n=100 \quad P_Z \left(9.6 \leq \bar{Y} \leq 10.4 \right) = [\dots] = 0.95$$

$$n=1000 \quad P_Z \left(9.6 \leq \bar{Y} \leq 10.4 \right) = [\dots] \approx 1$$

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$$Y = \begin{cases} 1 & P(Y=Y_i) \\ 0 & 0.4 \end{cases}$$

Again we can use the CLT. However first we compute

$$E[Y] = \sum_{i=1}^2 Y_i P_i = 0.6 \cdot 1 + 0.4 \cdot 0 = 0.6$$

$$\text{VAR}[Y] = \sum_{i=1}^2 (Y_i - E[Y])^2 P_i = 0.6 (1 - 0.6)^2 + 0.4 (0 - 0.6)^2 = 0.6 \cdot (0.4)^2 + 0.4 \cdot (-0.6)^2 = 0.24$$

The CLT states

$$\frac{\bar{Y} - 0.6}{\sqrt{\frac{0.24}{n}}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_2(\bar{Y} > 0.64) &= P_2\left(\frac{\bar{Y} - 0.6}{\sqrt{\frac{0.24}{n}}} > \frac{0.64 - 0.6}{\sqrt{\frac{0.24}{n}}}\right) \\ &= P_2\left(z > \frac{0.04}{\sqrt{\frac{0.24}{n}}}\right) = P_2(z > 0.58) = \\ &= 1 - P_2(z \leq 0.58) = 1 - 0.7190 = 0.281 \end{aligned}$$

We want to find a n such that $P_2(0.56 \leq \bar{Y} \leq 0.64) = 0.95$.
First we use statistical Tables to find A in

$$P_2(-A \leq \bar{Y} \leq A) = 0.95 \Rightarrow A = 1.96 \quad [\text{check Table on your Textbook}]$$

Next using again the CLT

$$P_2(0.56 \leq \bar{Y} \leq 0.64) = P_2\left(-\frac{0.04}{\sqrt{\frac{0.24}{n}}} \leq z \leq \frac{0.04}{\sqrt{\frac{0.24}{n}}}\right) = 0.95$$

$$\frac{0.04}{\sqrt{\frac{0.24}{n}}} = 1.96 \Rightarrow n \approx 576$$