

Def. 4.1.3 : let  $X, Y$  be continuous r.v.s

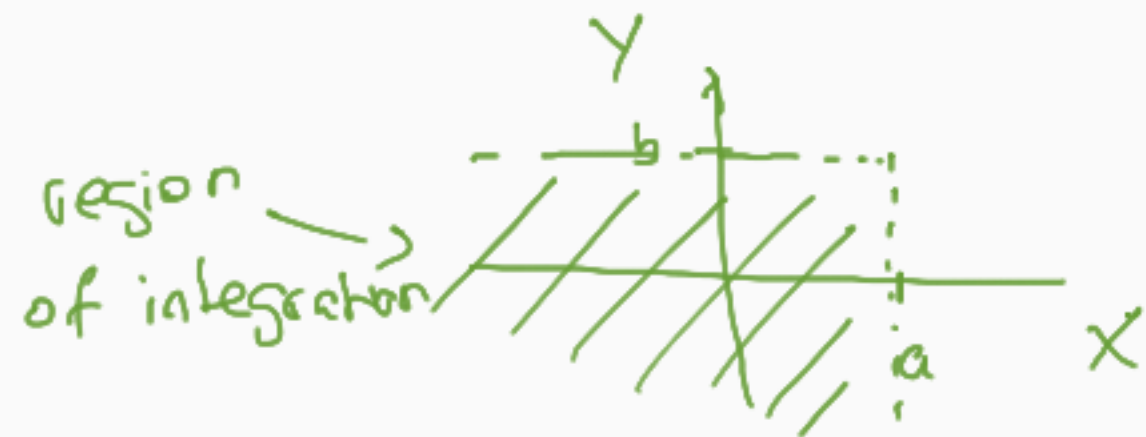
1) The joint p.d.f. of  $X$  and  $Y$  is a function  $f_{X,Y} : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that

$$(i) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy dx = 1.$$

(ii) For any  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\underbrace{P(X \leq a, Y \leq b)} = \int_{-\infty}^a \int_{-\infty}^b f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy dx$$

$$= F_{X,Y}(a,b) \text{ joint c.d.f. of } X \text{ and } Y.$$



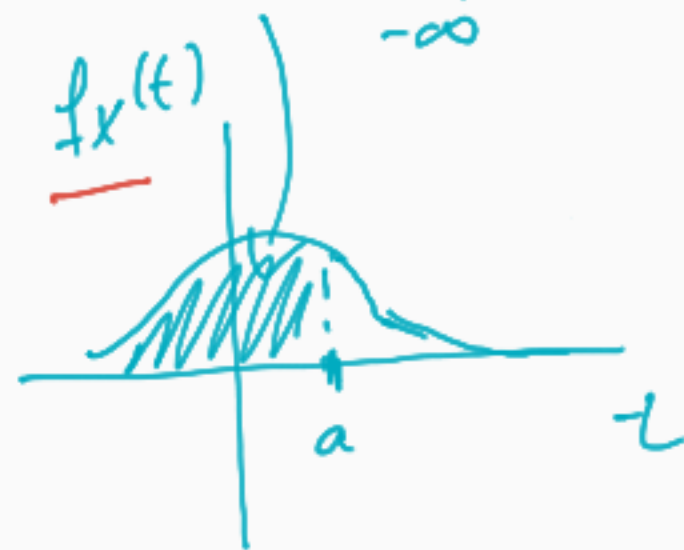
$X$  r.v.

p.d.f.  $f_X : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$

$$1) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(t) dt = 1$$

$$2) P(a \leq X \leq b) = \int_a^b f_X(t) dt$$

$$P(X \leq a) = \int_{-\infty}^a f_X(t) dt$$



not same!!

2) The marginal pdf of  $X$  is

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy$$

[The marginal p.d.f. of  $Y$  is

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx$$

]



$E[X, Y]$  makes no sense!! But for any function  $g: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$E[g(X, Y)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy dx$$

$X, Y$  discrete

$P_{X,Y}$  joint pmf

• marginal pmf of  $X$

$$P_X(k) = \sum_{\substack{\text{l possible} \\ \text{value of} \\ Y}} P_{X,Y}(k, l)$$

$$X \sim \text{Unif}(0, 10)$$

$$f_X(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{10} & t \in (0, 10) \\ 0 & \text{other} \end{cases}$$

Example 4.1.4 :



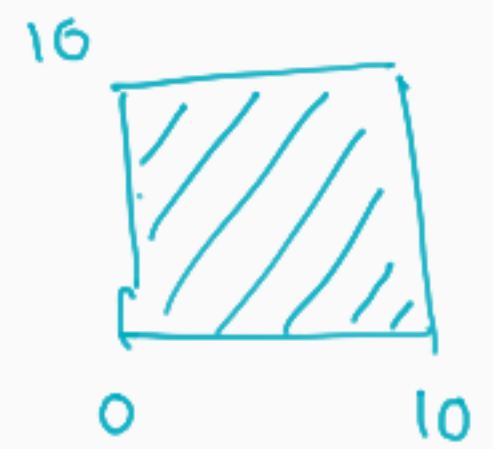
$T_1$  = time waited until placing our order (in min.)

$T_2$  = " " order is ready (in min.)

Assume  $T_1, T_2$  are jointly distributed <sup>uniformly</sup> over  $(0, 10) \times (0, 10)$

② What is the prob. that in total you wait more than 6 minutes?  
 $T_1 + T_2$

1) joint p.d.f. of  $T_1, T_2$  :



$$f_{T_1 T_2}(t_1, t_2) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{100} & t_1 \in (0, 10), t_2 \in (0, 10) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$2) P(T_1 + T_2 > 6)$$

$$= P(\underbrace{T_2 > 6 - T_1})$$

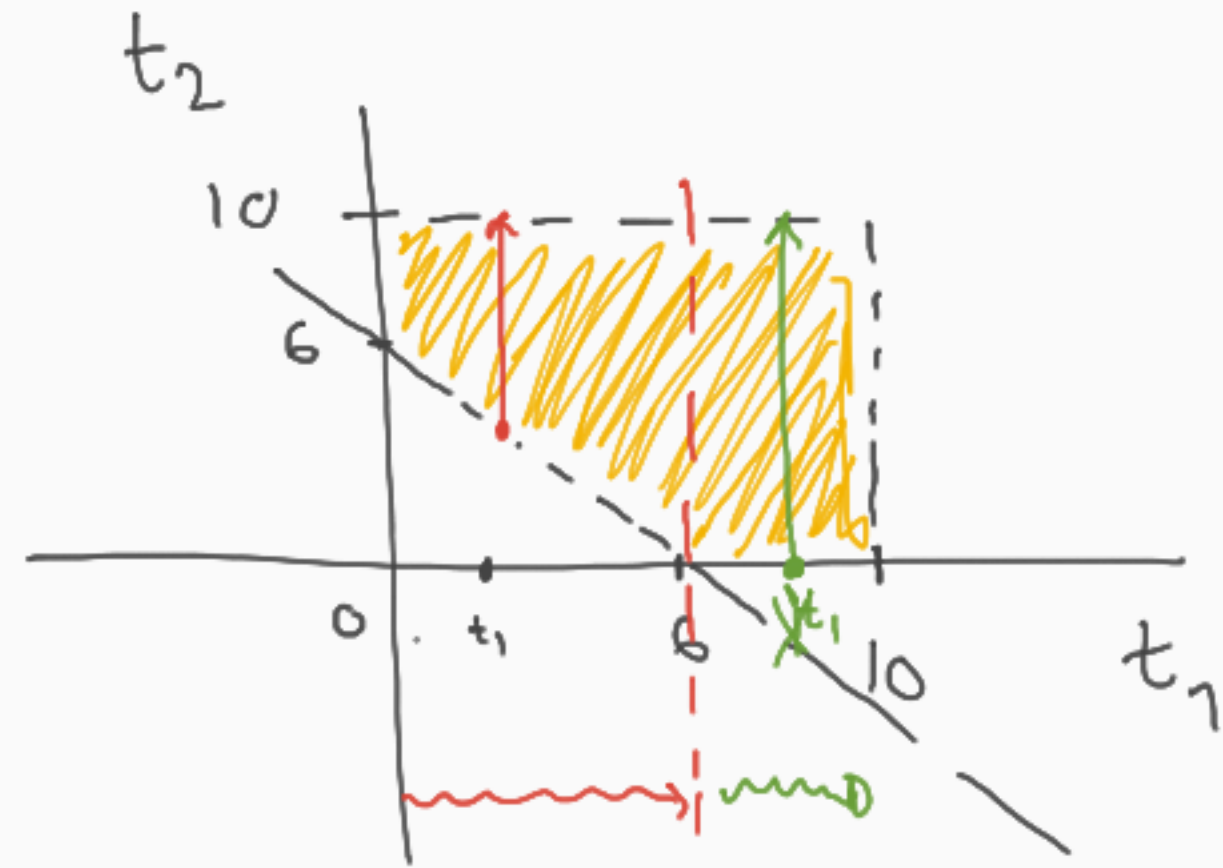
$$t_2 = 6 - t_1$$

$$= \int_0^6 \int_{6-t_1}^{10} \frac{1}{100} dt_2 dt_1$$

$$+ \int_6^{10} \int_0^{10} \frac{1}{100} dt_2 dt_1 = \frac{1}{100} \int_0^6 (4 + t_1) dt_1 + \frac{4 \cdot 10}{100}$$

$$= \frac{1}{100} \left[ 4t_1 + \frac{t_1^2}{2} \right]_0^6 + \frac{40}{100} = \frac{24 + 18}{100} + \frac{40}{100} = \frac{82}{100}$$

area of integration





## 4.2. Independence, covariance & correlation

Recall: A, B events are independent when  $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$   
 $\{X \leq a\}$      $\{Y \leq b\}$

Def 4.2.1: Let X, Y be r.v.s. They are called independent if for any  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} \underbrace{P(X \leq a, Y \leq b)}_{F_{X,Y}(a,b)} &= \underbrace{P(X \leq a)}_{F_X(a)} \cdot \underbrace{P(Y \leq b)}_{F_Y(b)} \\ &= \text{marginal c.d.f. of } X \cdot \text{marginal c.d.f. of } Y \end{aligned}$$

Also: X, Y independent means

$$\text{joint } \begin{cases} \text{p.m.f.} \\ \text{p.d.f.} \end{cases} \text{ of } X, Y = \text{product of marginal p.m.f.s / p.d.f.s}$$

Observation / examples: ( $\rightarrow$  central limit theorem)

(a)  $X \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda_1)$ ,  $Y \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda_2)$  are indep. then  $X+Y \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)$

(b)  $X \sim \text{Bin}(n_1, p)$ ,  $Y \sim \text{Bin}(n_2, p)$  " " "  $X+Y \sim \text{Bin}(n_1+n_2, p)$  ↑ think about!

(c)  $X \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$ ,  $Y \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$  " " "  $X+Y \sim N(\mu_1+\mu_2, \sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2)$

Def. 4.2.2: let  $X, Y$  be r.v.s  $\mathbb{E}[X^2] < \infty$ ,  $\mathbb{E}[Y^2] < \infty$ . Their covariance is defined as

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}[X \cdot Y] - \mathbb{E}[X] \cdot \mathbb{E}[Y]$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])(Y - \mathbb{E}[Y])]$$

and their correlation

$$\rho(X, Y) = \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X) \text{Var}(Y)}}$$

$$\in [-1, 1]$$

$\rho(X, Y) > 0$ :  $X \uparrow \rightarrow Y \uparrow$   
 $X \downarrow \rightarrow Y \downarrow$

$\rho(X, Y) < 0$ :  $X \uparrow \rightarrow Y \downarrow$   
 $X \downarrow \rightarrow Y \uparrow$

cov(X, X)  
 "  
 $\mathbb{E}[X^2] - (\mathbb{E}[X])^2$   
 "  
 Var(X)  
 "  
 $\mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2]$

We say that  $X, Y$  are uncorrelated if  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0$ .

$$\rho(X, Y) = 0$$



uncorrelated  $\neq$  independent

however, independent  $\Rightarrow$  uncorrelated. (but uncorrelated  $\not\Rightarrow$  indep.)

!  $\downarrow$  check!

$$\mathbb{E}[X \cdot Y] = \mathbb{E}[X] \cdot \mathbb{E}[Y] \Rightarrow \text{cov}(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}[X \cdot Y] - \mathbb{E}[X] \cdot \mathbb{E}[Y] = 0$$

Recall:  $X, Y$  independent, then  $\text{Var}(X+Y) = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y)$

Why!

$$\text{Var}(X+Y) = \mathbb{E}[(X+Y)^2] - (\mathbb{E}[X] + \mathbb{E}[Y])^2$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[X^2 + 2XY + Y^2] - ((\mathbb{E}[X])^2 + 2\mathbb{E}[X] \cdot \mathbb{E}[Y] + (\mathbb{E}[Y])^2)$$

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

$$= \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y) + 2\text{cov}(X, Y)$$

= 0 if  $X, Y$  independent 😊

Example 4.2.3 :

$Y \backslash X$	-1	0	1	marginal pmf of Y
1	0.1 + 0.2 + 0.3			0.6
2	0.2 + 0.1 + 0.1			0.4
marginal p.m.f. X	0.3	0.3	0.4	

1)  $\text{cov}(X, Y)$  ?

2)  $X, Y$  indep? **NO** b/c  $\text{cov}(X, Y) \neq 0$ .

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = E[X \cdot Y] - E[X] \cdot E[Y] = 0 - 0.1 \cdot 1.4 = -0.14$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[X \cdot Y] &= (-1) \cdot (1) \cdot 0.1 + (-1) \cdot 2 \cdot 0.2 + \cancel{0.1 \cdot 0.2} + \cancel{0.2 \cdot 0.1} + 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 0.3 + 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 0.1 \\ &= -0.1 - 0.4 + 0.3 + 0.2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$E[X] = -1 \cdot 0.3 + 0 \cdot 0.3 + 1 \cdot 0.4 = 0.1$$

$$E[Y] = 1 \cdot 0.6 + 2 \cdot 0.4 = 1.4$$



## 4.3 Conditional probability

• Discrete case.

Example 4.3.1:

$X$  = # e-devices w/ mobile data access

$Y$  = # unlimited data plans.

$Y \backslash X$	0	1	2	marginal pmf of $Y$
0	$\frac{1}{15}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	$\frac{2}{15}$	$\frac{4}{15}$
1	$\frac{1}{15}$	$\frac{1}{5}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	
2	$\frac{2}{15}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	

① Given that a randomly chosen household has no unlimited data plans, what is the prob. that it has one e-device w/ mobile data access?

$$P(X=1 | Y=0) = \frac{P(X=1, Y=0)}{P(Y=0)} = \frac{1/15}{4/15} = \frac{1}{4}.$$

joint pmf of  $X, Y$  at  $(1, 0)$

→ marginal pmf of  $Y$  at zero

Def 4.3.2 : let  $X, Y$  be discrete r.v. with joint pmf  $P_{X,Y}(k,l)$ .

(i) The conditional p.m.f. of  $X$  given  $Y=l$  (assuming  $P(Y=l) > 0$ )

is defined as

$$P_{X|Y}(k|l) = \frac{P_{X,Y}(k,l)}{P_Y(l)}$$

← joint pmf
← marginal pmf of  $Y$

fixed

(ii) The conditional c.d.f of  $X$  given  $Y=l$  is

$$F_{X|Y}(a|l) = P(X \leq a | Y=l) = \sum_{\substack{\text{possible} \\ k \leq a \text{ for } X}} P_{X|Y}(k|l)$$

$Y \leq a \quad | \quad X = k$

conditional pmf of  $Y$  given  $X=k$

$$P_{Y|X}(l|k) = \frac{P_{X,Y}(k,l)}{P_X(k)}$$

conditional c.d.f of  $Y$  given  $X=k$   $F_{Y|X}(a|k)$

Def. 4.3.3 : let  $X, Y$  be continuous r.v.s with joint pdf  $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$ .

(i) The conditional pdf. of  $X$  given  $Y=y$  (assume  $f_Y(y) > 0$ )

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y) \leftarrow \text{joint pdf}}{f_Y(y) \leftarrow \text{marginal pdf}}$$

*fixed*

(ii) The conditional c.d.f. of  $X$  given  $Y=y$  is

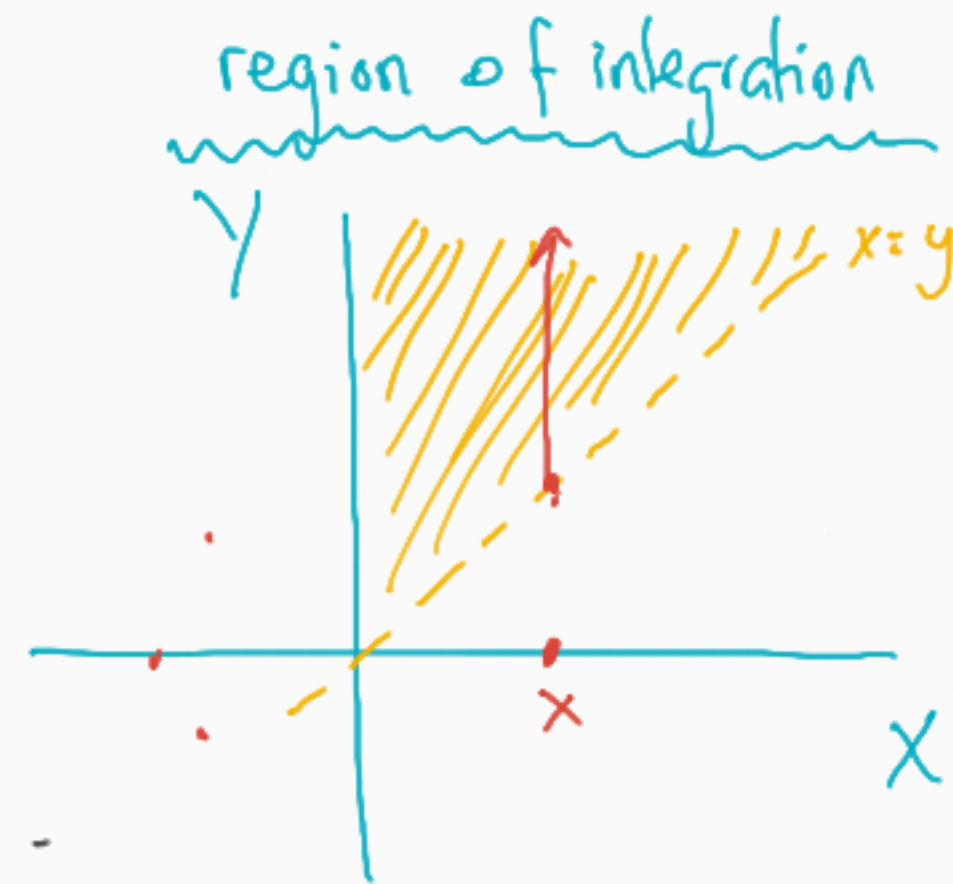
$$F_{X|Y}(a|y) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq a | Y=y) = \int_{-\infty}^a f_{X|Y}(x|y) \underline{dx}$$

[ conditional  
pdf of  $Y$   
given  $X=x$

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_X(x)}$$

Example 4.3.4

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{18} e^{-\frac{x+y}{6}} & 0 < x < y \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



Find the conditional pdf of  $Y$  given  $X=2$ .

$$f_{Y|X}(y|2) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(2,y)}{f_X(2)} = \begin{cases} \frac{\frac{1}{18} e^{-\frac{2+y}{6}}}{\frac{1}{3} e^{-2/3}} = \frac{1}{6} e^{\frac{2-y}{6}} & y > 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

marginal pdf of  $X$

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy = \int_x^{\infty} \frac{1}{18} e^{-\frac{x+y}{6}} dy = \frac{1}{18} e^{-\frac{x}{6}} \int_x^{\infty} e^{-\frac{y}{6}} dy$$

if  $x \leq 0$ ,  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = 0 \Rightarrow f_X(x) = 0$

if  $x > 0$

$$= \frac{1}{18} e^{-\frac{x}{6}} \left[ -6 e^{-\frac{y}{6}} \right]_x^{\infty} = \frac{1}{18} e^{-\frac{x}{6}} \cdot 6 e^{-\frac{x}{6}} = \frac{1}{3} e^{-\frac{x}{3}}$$



## 4.4. Conditional expectation

Def. 4.4.1: let  $X, Y$  be r.v.s

(i) If  $X$  and  $Y$  are discrete, the conditional expectation of  $X$  given  $Y = \ell$  (assuming  $P(Y = \ell) > 0$ ) is

$$E[X | Y = \ell] = \sum_{\substack{k \text{ possible} \\ \text{value of } X}} k \cdot P_{X|Y}(k | \ell)$$

[If  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a transformation, then  $E[g(X) | Y = \ell] = \sum_k g(k) \cdot P_{X|Y}(k | \ell)$ ]

(ii) If  $X, Y$  are continuous, the conditional expectation of  $X$  given  $Y = y$  (assuming  $f_Y(y) > 0$ ) is

$$E[X | Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X|Y}(x | y) dx$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ transformation} \\ E[g(X) | Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_{X|Y}(x | y) dx \end{array} \right.$$

⊗ In particular:  $\text{Var}(X|Y=y) = \mathbb{E}[X^2|Y=y] - (\mathbb{E}[X|Y=y])^2$

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

⊗ Further general properties:

(a) Linearity:  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$   $\mathbb{E}[aX+b|Y=y] = a \cdot \mathbb{E}[X|Y=y] + b$

(b)  $X_1, X_2$ :  $\mathbb{E}[X_1 + X_2|Y=y] = \mathbb{E}[X_1|Y=y] + \mathbb{E}[X_2|Y=y]$

$$\mathbb{E}[X_1 + X_2] = \mathbb{E}[X_1] + \mathbb{E}[X_2]$$

(c)  $X, Y$  independent:  $\mathbb{E}[X|Y=y] = \mathbb{E}[X]$



Application (Wald's identity): let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be i.i.d. r.v.s.  
 and let  $N$  be a r.v. also independent of all others.

$\uparrow$   
 independent  
 identically  
 distributed

Then,

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^N X_i\right] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^N X_i \mid \underline{N=k}\right] \cdot \mathbb{P}(N=k)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^k X_i \mid N=k\right] \cdot \mathbb{P}(N=k)$$

*indep.*

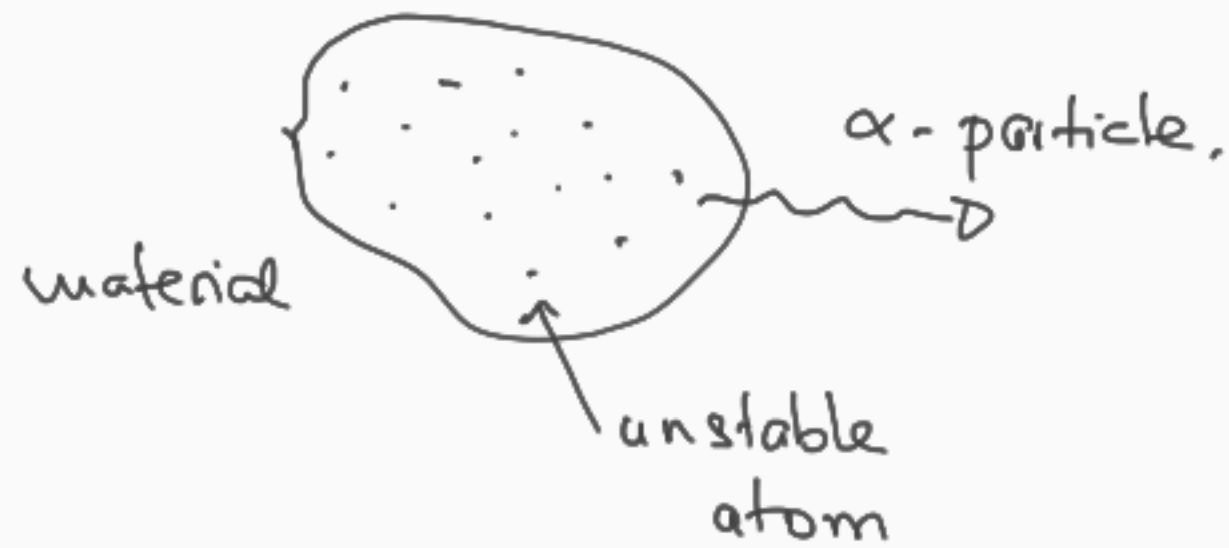
$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^k X_i\right] \cdot \mathbb{P}(N=k)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^k \mathbb{E}[X_i] \cdot \mathbb{P}(N=k)$$

$X_i$  same  
 distribution  
 so  
 $\mathbb{E}[X_i]$   
 same for all!

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \cdot \mathbb{E}[X_1] \cdot \mathbb{P}(N=k) = \mathbb{E}[X_1] \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \cdot \mathbb{P}(N=k) = \mathbb{E}[X_1] \cdot \mathbb{E}[N]$$

# Example 4.4.2 : Radioactive decay



$$P(\text{unstable atom sends } \alpha) = 0.001$$

$$N = \# \text{ unstable atoms} \sim \text{Pois}(60)$$

① How many  $\alpha$ -particles does the material emit on average?

[Use Wald's equality! What is  $X_i$ ?]

$$X_i = \text{atom } i \text{ sends } \alpha\text{-particle} \begin{cases} 0 \\ 1 \end{cases} \sim \text{Ber}(0.001)$$

$$\# \alpha\text{-particles} = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^N X_i\right] \underset{\text{Wald}}{=} \mathbb{E}[X_i] \cdot \mathbb{E}[N] = 0.001 \cdot 60$$





## Chapter 5. Moment generating function

Def. 5.1: The moment generating function (m.g.f.) of a r.v.  $X$  is given by

$$m_X(\underline{s}) = \mathbb{E}[e^{\underline{s}X}] \quad s \in \mathbb{R}$$

(as long as it is finite).

 m.g.f. is a function of  $s$ .

Q: Why "moment generating"?

$\hookrightarrow$  First derivative at zero:  $\frac{d}{ds} m_X(s) = \frac{d}{ds} \mathbb{E}[e^{sX}] \stackrel{!}{=} \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{d}{ds} e^{sX}\right] = \mathbb{E}[X e^{sX}]$

$m'_X(0) = \mathbb{E}[X] \quad (\rightarrow \text{1st moment of } X)$

$\leadsto$  Second derivative at zero :  $\frac{d}{ds} \left( \frac{d}{ds} m_X(s) \right) = \frac{d}{ds} \mathbb{E}[X e^{sX}] = \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{d}{ds} X e^{sX} \right] = \mathbb{E}[X^2 e^{sX}]$

$\vdots$

$$m_X''(0) = \mathbb{E}[X^2] \quad (\rightarrow \text{2nd moment of } X)$$

$\leadsto$  nth derivative at zero :  $m_X^{(n)}(0) = \mathbb{E}[X^n]$  ( $\rightarrow$  nth moment of  $X$ )



$$\text{Var}(X) = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - (\mathbb{E}[X])^2 = m_X''(0) - (m_X'(0))^2$$

(using mgf)  
moments...

$$\left[ \text{Var}(X+Y) = m_{X+Y}''(0) - (m_{X+Y}'(0))^2 \right]$$

Prop. 5.2: let  $X$  be r.v. with m.g.f.  $m_X(s)$ .

(i) For  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , the m.g.f. of  $aX+b$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} m_{aX+b}(s) &= \mathbb{E}[e^{s(aX+b)}] = \mathbb{E}[e^{s \cdot aX} \cdot e^{sb}] = e^{sb} \mathbb{E}[e^{s \cdot aX}] \\ &= e^{sb} \cdot m_X(sa) \end{aligned}$$

non-random!

(ii) If  $Y$  is a r.v. independent of  $X$ ,  $\leadsto \mathbb{E}[g(X)h(Y)] = \mathbb{E}[g(X)] \cdot \mathbb{E}[h(Y)]$   
X, Y indep!

$$\begin{aligned} m_{X+Y}(s) &= \mathbb{E}[e^{s(X+Y)}] = \mathbb{E}[e^{sX} \cdot e^{sY}] \stackrel{!}{=} \mathbb{E}[e^{sX}] \cdot \mathbb{E}[e^{sY}] \\ &= m_X(s) \cdot m_Y(s). \end{aligned}$$

(iii) If  $X$  and  $Y$  have the same m.g.f., then  $X$  and  $Y$  have same distribution.

Def. 5.3: let  $X, Y$  be r.v.s, their joint m.g.f. is

$$m_{X,Y}(s,t) = \mathbb{E}[e^{sX+tY}]$$

⚠ not to be confused with  $m_{X+Y}(s)$



If  $X, Y$  are independent, then

$$m_{X,Y}(s,t) = \mathbb{E}[e^{sX} \cdot e^{tY}] = \mathbb{E}[e^{sX}] \cdot \mathbb{E}[e^{tY}]$$

$$= m_X(s) \cdot m_Y(t)$$

different !!

$$[ m_{X+Y}(s) = m_X(s) \cdot m_Y(s) ]$$



Example 5.4 | The power consumption of two cities A and B is modeled by r.v.s  $X, Y$  with

$$m_X(s) = \frac{1}{1-s}, \quad s < 1$$

$$m_Y(s) = e^{s^2/2}, \quad s \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$m_{X+Y}(s) = m_X(s) \cdot m_Y(s) = \frac{e^{s^2/2}}{1-s} \quad s < 1$$

$\Rightarrow m_{X+Y}(0) = 1$

Assuming  $X, Y$  independent, compute the variance of the total power consumption of both cities.

$= X+Y$  (r.v.)

$$\text{Var}(X+Y) = m_{X+Y}''(0) - (m_{X+Y}'(0))^2 = (1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 2) - (1 \cdot 1)^2 = 3 - 1 = 2$$

$$m_{X+Y}'(s) = s \cdot e^{s^2/2} \cdot \frac{1}{1-s} + e^{s^2/2} \cdot \frac{1}{(1-s)^2} = \frac{e^{s^2/2}}{1-s} \left( s + \frac{1}{1-s} \right) = m_{X+Y}(s) \cdot \left( s + \frac{1}{1-s} \right)$$

$$m_{X+Y}''(s) = m_{X+Y}'(s) \left( s + \frac{1}{1-s} \right) + m_{X+Y}(s) \left( 1 + \frac{1}{(1-s)^2} \right) = m_{X+Y}(s) \left( s + \frac{1}{1-s} \right)^2 + m_{X+Y}(s) \left( 1 + \frac{1}{(1-s)^2} \right)$$

## Chapter 6. Limit theorems

What for?

Big data!

$X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots$

available data  
sample (result of an experiment)

Quantity of interest:  $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

Q1:  $\frac{1}{n} S_n$  (sample mean) as  $n$  becomes larger?

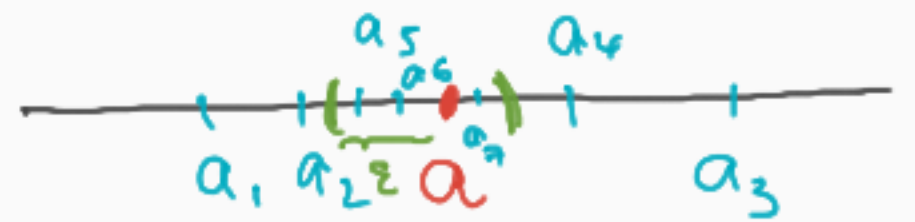
Q2: How is  $S_n$  distributed (approx.) as  $n$  becomes large?  
e.g. approx. of Bin by Normal

limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

## 6.1. Convergence of sequences of r.v.s

Def 6.1.6: Let  $\underline{a_1}, \underline{a_2}, \underline{a_3}, \dots$  be a sequence of real numbers. We say the sequence converges to  $\underline{a} \in \mathbb{R}$  (and write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a$ ) if for any  $\boxed{\varepsilon > 0}$  there exists  $N > 0$  such that

$$|a_n - a| < \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } n \geq N$$



Def. 6.1.2: Let  $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots$  be a sequence of r.v.s. We say that the sequence converges to a r.v.  $X$  (or a number  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ ) in probability if

for any  $\varepsilon > 0$   $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(|X_n - X| > \varepsilon) = 0$   $(X_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} X)$



Def 6.1.3 : We say that the sequence  $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots$  converges to the r.v.  $X$  (or the number  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ ) **almost surely** if

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = X\right) = 1 \quad \left( X_n \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X \right)$$

(a)



$X_n \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X$  implies  $X_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} X$   
almost surely  $\Rightarrow$  "strong"                      in probability  $\Rightarrow$  "weak"

Def. 6.1.4 : We say that the sequence  $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots$  converges to the r.v.  $X$  **in distribution** if for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  where the c.d.f. of  $X$  is continuous we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(a) = F_X(a)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(X_n \leq a) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq a)$$

$$\left( X_n \xrightarrow{d} X \right)$$



Example 6.1.5: Roll a 4-sided die (each time indep.)

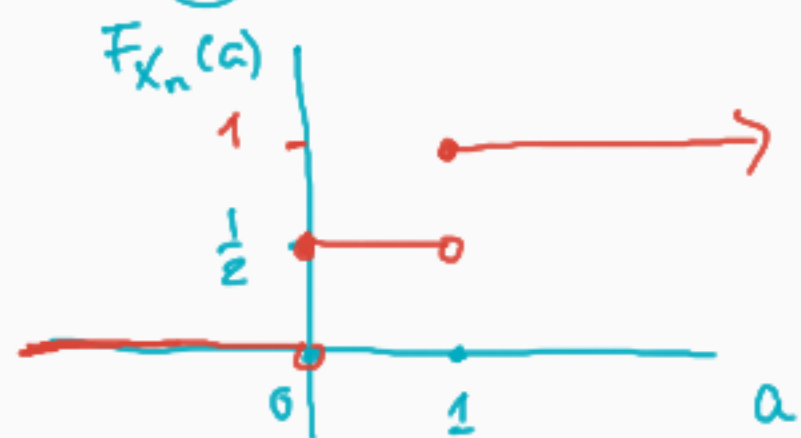
sample space  $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

$X_n = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n\text{th roll is even} \\ 0 & \text{if " " odd} \end{cases}$   
(you)

$X = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if my roll is odd} \\ 0 & \text{" " " even.} \end{cases}$   
(me)

Q: Do we have  $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$ ? YES (  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(a) = F_X(a)$  )

① c.d.f. of  $X_n$ :



$$F_{X_n}(a) = \begin{cases} 0 & a < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 \leq a < 1 \\ 1 & a \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$P(X_n \leq a)$

② c.d.f. of  $X$ :

$$F_X(a) = \begin{cases} 0 & a < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 \leq a < 1 \\ 1 & a \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$F_{X_n}(0) = P(X_n \leq 0) = P(X_n = 0) = P(\text{odd}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$F_X(0) = P(X \leq 0) = P(X = 0) = P(\text{even}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

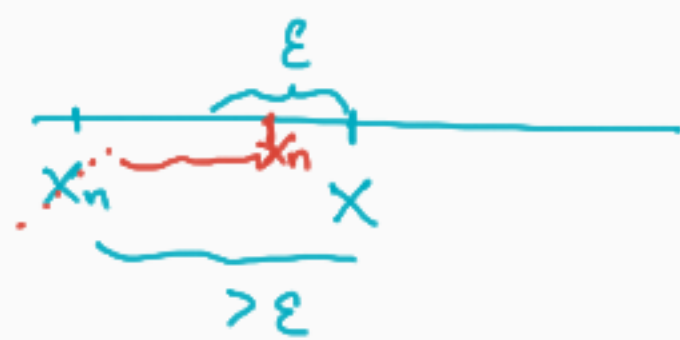
$F_{X_n}(a) = F_X(a)$  for all  $n$ !

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(a) = F_X(a)$  so  $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$

## 6.2 Markov's and Chebyshev's inequalities

Recall:  $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$  means for any  $\varepsilon > 0$   $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(|X_n - X| > \varepsilon) = 0$

convergence in probability  
("weak convergence")



Goal: Give some estimate about  $\mathbb{P}(|X_n - X| > \varepsilon)$

(in the hope they will allow to say  $\nearrow$  is small and  $\xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ )

Lemma 6.2.1: (Markov's inequality) Let  $X$  be a non-negative r.v. Then, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\mathbb{P}(X > \varepsilon) \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[X]}{\varepsilon}$$

Why? ① Look at the r.v.  $\mathbb{1}_{\{X > \varepsilon\}}$  <sup>indicator function</sup> =  $\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X > \varepsilon \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

② Look at the r.v.  $\varepsilon \cdot \mathbb{1}_{\{X > \varepsilon\}} = \begin{cases} \varepsilon & \text{if } X > \varepsilon \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$\varepsilon \cdot \mathbb{1}_{\{X > \varepsilon\}} \leq X$  i.e.  $\mathbb{1}_{\{X > \varepsilon\}} \leq \frac{X}{\varepsilon}$

  $\mathbb{P}(X > \varepsilon) = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{1}_{\{X > \varepsilon\}}] \leq \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{X}{\varepsilon}\right] = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \cdot \mathbb{E}[X]$  

we saw  $\mathbb{P}(A) = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{1}_A]$

Lemma 6.2.2 (Chebyshev's inequality) let  $X$  be a r.v.

with  $\text{Var}(X) > 0$ . Then, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\mathbb{P}(|X - \mathbb{E}[X]| > \varepsilon) \leq \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{\varepsilon^2}$$

how likely it is, that  $X$   
is " $\varepsilon$ -far" from its mean



$$\mathbb{P}(|X - \mathbb{E}[X]| > \varepsilon) = \mathbb{P}(\underbrace{|X - \mathbb{E}[X]|^2}_{\substack{\text{non negative} \\ \text{r.v. !!}}} > \underbrace{\varepsilon^2}_{\text{}}) \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[\underbrace{|X - \mathbb{E}[X]|^2}_{\text{}}]}{\underbrace{\varepsilon^2}_{\text{}}} = \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{\varepsilon^2}$$

"

⚠ Result is true for any type of distribution!



## 6.3 The weak law of large numbers (WLLN)

Relate the sample mean with "true" mean (average) of a r.v.

data sample  $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$

sample mean  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

$E[X]$

← r.v. representing  
"typical data point"

Idea: the more data points we have (the more often an experiment is repeated)  
the more confident we are about

the average value of a typical point (average value)  
of outcome

Theorem 6.3.1 : (wLLN) let  $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots$  be a sequence of

i.i.d. r.v.s with  $\mathbb{E}[X_1] < \infty$  and  $\text{Var}(X_1) > 0$ . Then, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$

<sup>↑</sup>  
independent  
identically  
distributed

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} \left( \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mathbb{E}[X_1] \right| > \varepsilon \right) = 0$$

i.e.

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}_{\text{sample mean}} \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} \underbrace{\mathbb{E}[X_1]}_{\text{"true mean"}} \quad (\text{weak convergence}).$$

flow? 

use Chebyshev's ineq:  $\mathbb{P}(|Y - \mathbb{E}[Y]| > \varepsilon) \leq \frac{\text{Var}(Y)}{\varepsilon^2} \rightarrow$  use  $Y = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

$$Y = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \quad \mathbb{P} \left( \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mathbb{E}[X_1] \right| > \varepsilon \right)$$

then  $\mathbb{E}[Y] = \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right]$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(|Y - \mathbb{E}[Y]| > \varepsilon) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{Var}(Y)}{\varepsilon^2} = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \text{Var}(X_1)}{\varepsilon^2} = \frac{\text{Var}(X_1)}{n \cdot \varepsilon^2} = 0$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i] =$$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \text{Var} \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right) = \frac{1}{n^2} \text{Var} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right) \stackrel{\text{indep.}}{=} \frac{1}{n^2} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i) = \frac{1}{n^2} \cdot n \cdot \text{Var}(X_1) = \frac{1}{n} \text{Var}(X_1)$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \cdot n \cdot \mathbb{E}[X_1] = \mathbb{E}[X_1]$$



Example 6.3.2: The weight of a Tesla S is modeled

by a r.v. with mean 4.6 and standard deviation 0.03

(thousands of lbs).  $X = \text{weight of "typical" Tesla S}$ ,  $E[X] = 4.6$ ,  $\sqrt{\text{Var}(X)} = 0.03$

① At least how many Teslas should be weighted so that the sample mean does not deviate from the true mean by more than two standard deviations with 95% probability or higher?

$X_i = \text{weight of } i\text{th Tesla S}$ . We know  $E[X_i] = 4.6$ ,  $\sqrt{\text{Var}(X_i)} = 0.03$   $\left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right\}$

Q:  $P\left(\left|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - 4.6\right| < 2 \cdot 0.03\right) \geq 0.95$  for which  $n$ ?

Know: (WLLN)  $P\left(\left|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - E[X_i]\right| > \underbrace{0.06}_{\epsilon}\right) \leq \frac{0.03^2}{n \cdot 0.06^2} \Rightarrow P\left(\left|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - 4.6\right| < 0.06\right) = 1 - \square \geq 1 - \frac{0.03^2}{n \cdot 0.06^2}$

Want:  $1 - \frac{0.03^2}{n \cdot 0.06^2} \geq 0.95 \Rightarrow 0.05 \geq \frac{0.03^2}{n \cdot 0.06^2} \Rightarrow n \geq \frac{0.03^2}{0.05 \cdot 0.06^2} = 5$  ☺



Example 6.2.3 :  $N =$  million # customers per week in Starbucks  $\sim N(60, 16)$

$E[N]$   $\swarrow$   $\searrow$   $\text{Var}(N)$

① Give a lower bound for the prob. that this week between 50 and 70 million people visit Starbucks.

[i.e.  $P(\downarrow) \geq \text{lower bound}$ ]

$$P(50 < N < 70) = P(-10 < N - 60 < 10) = P(|N - 60| \leq 10)$$

Chebyshev:

$$P(|N - E[N]| > \varepsilon) \leq \frac{\text{Var}(N)}{\varepsilon^2}$$

$$P(|N - 60| \geq 10) \leq \frac{16}{100} = 0.16$$

$$\Rightarrow -P(|N - 60| > 10) \geq -0.16$$

$$= 1 - P(|N - 60| > 10)$$

$$\geq 1 - 0.16 = 0.84$$





# 6.4. The strong law of large numbers

(SLLN)

Recall: wLLN  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow{P} \mathbb{E}[X_1]$

i.e.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right| > \varepsilon\right) = 0$  for all  $\varepsilon > 0$

Today: SLLN  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \mathbb{E}[X_1]$

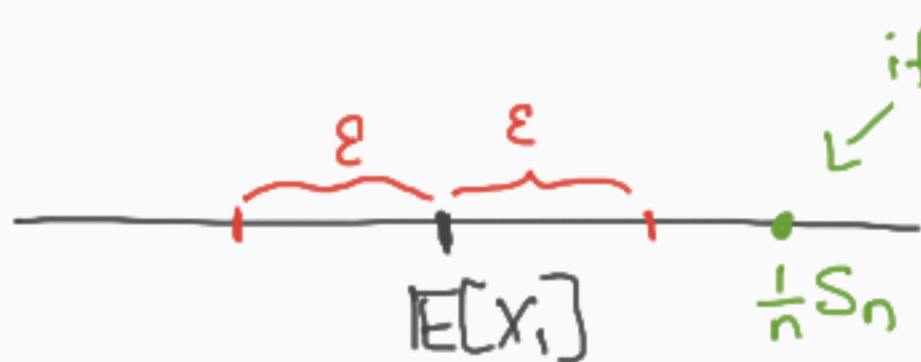
i.e.  $\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right| = 0\right) = 1$

Weak vs strong.

Look at the event

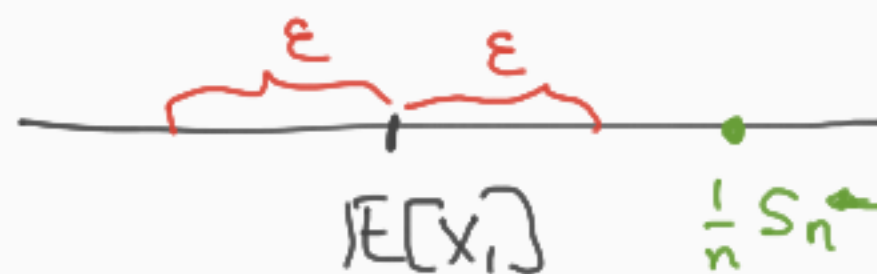
$$E_n = \left\{ \left| \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}_{= \frac{1}{n} S_n} - \mathbb{E}[X_1] \right| > \varepsilon \right\}$$

wLLN



if  $E_n$  is happening with very small prob. [but it may happen for "too many"  $\varepsilon$ !] (countably/infinity)

SLLN



if  $E_n$  is happening with small prob. if at all, only for finitely many  $\varepsilon$ !

Theorem 6.4.1 (SLLN): let  $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots$  be a sequence of i.i.d. r.v.s

with  $\mathbb{E}[X_1] < \infty$  and  $\text{Var}(X_1) > 0$ . Then,

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right) = 1,$$

i.e.  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \mathbb{E}[X_1]$ .

How? long story...

idea (when  $\mathbb{E}[X_1^4] < \infty$ )

① Use Markov's ineq to bound  $\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right|^4 > \frac{1}{n^{4\delta}}\right)$   
with some  $\delta \in (0, \frac{1}{4})$ .

② Use previous bound and Borel-Cantelli:

with the events

$$\left\{ \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mathbb{E}[X_1] \right| > \frac{1}{n^\delta} \right\}$$

⊗

Example 6.4.2 :  $E$  (event) = iPhone 11 weights 6.84 oz.

Based on SLLN, design a way to approx.  $P(E)$ .

① Perform the experiment of weighting an iPhone 11.

② Did  $E$  occur?  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yes} \\ \text{No} \end{array} \right.$  r.v.  $X_1 = \mathbb{1}_E = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } E \text{ occurs} \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases}$   
(indicator)

③ Repeat the experiment  $n$  times  $\leadsto X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$

④ How often did  $E$  occur? Define r.v.  $S_n = \underbrace{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}_{\# \text{ times } E \text{ occurred}}$

SLLN

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{n} S_n}_{\text{sample mean}} \approx E[X_1] = E[\mathbb{1}_E] = P(E) \quad \text{😊}$$

What was Tim Cook talking about 2015?

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \approx \mathbb{E}[X_1] \quad \leadsto \quad \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \approx n \cdot \mathbb{E}[X_1] = \mathbb{E}[X_1] + \mathbb{E}[X_1] + \dots + \mathbb{E}[X_n]$$

$X_i = \$$  profit in a year

$\underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_{\downarrow}$   
\$ profit in  
n years



rate of growth of 50% :

$X_1 \quad X_2 \quad X_3$   
10    10+5    (10+5)+0.5(10+5)    ...

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each year notably growing profit



## 6.5 Central limit theorem

Recall:  $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots$  data (independent measurements of a quantity of interest  $X$ )

Q: What can we say about the distribution  $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ ?

Know LLN:  $\frac{1}{n} S_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{P, a.s.}} \underbrace{E[X_1]}_{\leftarrow \text{"true mean" is a number (so no random?! )}}$

• Try a different scaling?

• How? Look at  $|S_n - E[S_n]| = |S_n - n \cdot E[X_1]|$   $\leftarrow$  tells us how much  $S_n$  deviates from its mean

Wish: ① On average,  $(S_n - E[S_n]) \frac{1}{\square} = 0$ , i.e.

$$E\left[\frac{1}{\square}(S_n - E[S_n])\right] = 0$$

② Some positive variance, i.e.  $\text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{\square}(S_n - E[S_n])\right) = 1$ .

Try:  $\square = \sqrt{n \text{Var}(X_1)}$

Check wishes: ①  $E\left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{n \text{Var}(X_1)}}(S_n - E[S_n])\right] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n \text{Var}(X_1)}}(E[S_n] - E[S_n]) = 0 \quad \text{☺}$

②  $\text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n \text{Var}(X_1)}}(S_n - E[S_n])\right) = \frac{1}{n \text{Var}(X_1)} \text{Var}(S_n - \underbrace{E[S_n]}_{\text{number}})$

⊗  $\text{Var}(S_n) = \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = n \cdot \text{Var}(X_1)$   
↑  
 $X_i$  i.i.d. rvs

$= \frac{1}{n \text{Var}(X_1)} \text{Var}(S_n) = 1 \quad \text{☺}$

Theorem 6.4.1 (Central limit theorem - CLT -) : Let  $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots$  be a sequence of i.i.d. r.v.s with  $\mathbb{E}[X_i] < \infty$  and  $\text{Var}(X_i) > 0$ . Then,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} \left( \frac{S_n - \overbrace{n \cdot \mathbb{E}[X_i]}^{\mathbb{E}[S_n]}}{\underbrace{\sqrt{n \cdot \text{Var}(X_i)}}_{\text{Var}(S_n)}} \leq a \right) = \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(Z \leq a)}_{\text{c.d.f. of } Z \sim N(0,1)} = \Phi(a) \quad \text{for any } a \in \mathbb{R}$$

i.e.  $\frac{S_n - n \cdot \mathbb{E}[X_i]}{\sqrt{n \text{Var}(X_i)}} \xrightarrow{d} Z$  . (convergence in distribution)

💡 For any  $a < b$

$$\mathbb{P} \left( a \leq \frac{S_n - n \mathbb{E}[X_i]}{\sqrt{n \text{Var}(X_i)}} \leq b \right) = \Phi(b) - \Phi(a)$$

### Example 6.5.2 :



$X_i$  = weight of  $i$ th package

$$X_i \sim \text{Unif}(5, 55)$$

$$E[X_i] = \frac{5+55}{2} = 30$$

$$\text{Var}(X_i) = \frac{(55-5)^2}{12} = \frac{50^2}{12}$$

$$P(2500 \leq S_{100} \leq 3000) =$$

(no continuity correction needed b/c  $X_i$  continuous!)

loads 100 packages

each weights independently of the others some quantity

uniformly distributed between

5 lb and 55 lb.

(?) Approx. prob. that the total weight lies between 2500 & 3000 lb.

$$S_{100} = \sum_{i=1}^{100} X_i$$

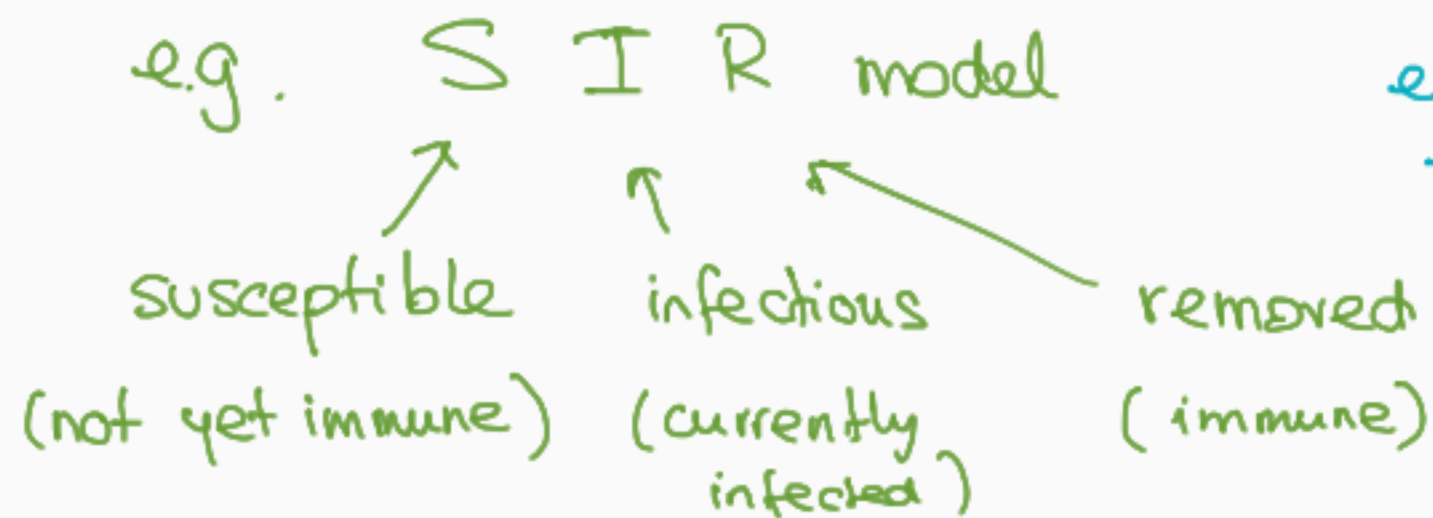
$$P\left(\frac{2500 - 100 \cdot 30}{\sqrt{100 \cdot \frac{50^2}{12}}} \leq \frac{S_{100} - n \cdot E[X_i]}{\sqrt{n \text{Var}(X_i)}} \leq \frac{3000 - 100 \cdot 30}{\sqrt{100 \cdot \frac{50^2}{12}}}\right)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{-500}{10 \cdot 50 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{12}}} \leq \checkmark \leq 0\right) \stackrel{\text{CLT}}{\approx} \Phi(0) - \Phi\left(-\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3.46}\right) = \frac{1}{2} - 1 + \Phi(3.46) =$$



# Chapter 7. Markov chains

Basis of mathematical models for dynamics such as the spread/transmission of infectious diseases.



↑  
evolution in  
time (discrete or continuous)



→ 3 possible states

→ Q: How does the group size vary in time?

proportion of population  
probability!

$X_n$  = state of typical person at day  $n$

$X_0, X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$  ← chain describing the states of the person from day 0 to  $n$ .

Def. 7.1: let  $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, N\}$  and  $\{p_{ij}\}_{i, j \in \Omega}$  be numbers such

that 1)  $p_{ij} \geq 0$  for all  $i, j \in \Omega$

2)  $\sum_{j=1}^N p_{ij} = 1$  for any  $i \in \Omega$ .



Only with  $i$  fixed, not the other way around! (i.e.  $j$  fixed)

A discrete-time Markov chain is a sequence of discrete r.v.s  $X_0, X_1, X_2, \dots$  with the property

☀  $P(X_{n+1} = \underline{j} \mid X_n = \underline{i}, X_{n-1} = i_{n-1}, \dots, X_0 = i_0) = p_{ij}$

for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $j, i, i_{n-1}, i_{n-2}, \dots, i_0 \in \Omega$ .

• What is what?

$\Omega =$  state space

$p_{ij} =$  transition prob.



the current state ( $j$ ) only depends on the most previous one ( $i$ ).

← transition prob.

← transition matrix

		current state					
		$j$	1	2	3	...	$N$
most previous state →	$i$						
	1		$p_{11}$	$p_{12}$	$p_{13}$	...	$p_{1N}$
2		$p_{21}$	$p_{22}$	...		$p_{2N}$	
3		...					
⋮		⋮					
⋮		⋮					
$N$		$p_{N1}$	...	...		$p_{NN}$	

Prop. 7.2 : The probability of a path (sequence of states)

$i_0, i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n \in \Omega$  is given by

$$\mathbb{P}(X_n = i_n, X_{n-1} = i_{n-1}, \dots, X_1 = i_1, X_0 = i_0)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(X_n = i_n \mid X_{n-1} = i_{n-1}, \dots, X_0 = i_0) \cdot \mathbb{P}(X_{n-1} = i_{n-1}, \dots, X_1 = i_1, X_0 = i_0)$$

Bayes!

$$\rightarrow = \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(X_n = i_n \mid X_{n-1} = i_{n-1}, \dots, X_0 = i_0)}_{P_{i_n i_{n-1}}} \cdot \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(X_{n-1} = i_{n-1} \mid X_{n-2} = i_{n-2}, \dots, X_0 = i_0)}_{P_{i_{n-1} i_{n-2}}} \cdot \mathbb{P}(X_{n-2} = i_{n-2}, \dots, X_0 = i_0)$$

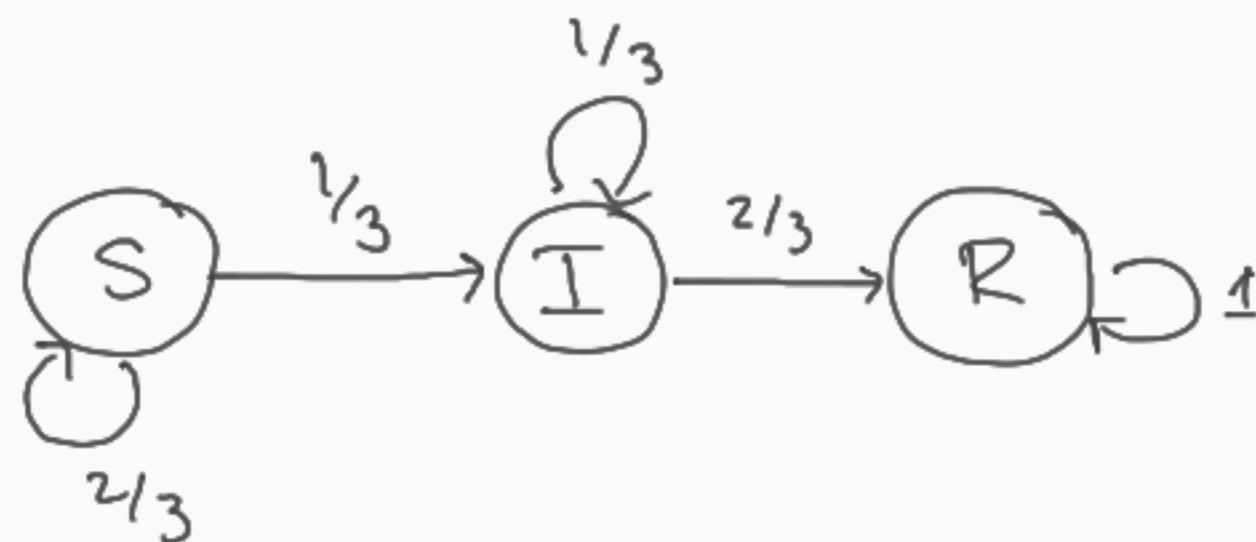
$$= \dots$$

$$= P_{i_n i_{n-1}} \cdot P_{i_{n-1} i_{n-2}} \dots P_{i_1 i_0} \cdot \boxed{\mathbb{P}(X_0 = i_0)}$$

← initial distribution.

Example 7.3: In the model

$X_n = \text{state on day } n$



⊙ Assume nobody is born immune.

What is the prob. to get infected on day 4?

$$\Omega = \{S, I, R\}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} S & S & S & S & I \\ X_0 & X_1 & X_2 & X_3 & X_4 \end{array}$$

$i \backslash j$	S	I	R	
S	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	0	= 1
I	0	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	= 1
R	0	0	1	= 1
	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	

$$\mathbb{P}(X_4=I, X_3=S, X_2=S, X_1=S, X_0=S)$$

$$= P_{SI} \cdot P_{SS} \cdot P_{SS} \cdot P_{SS} \cdot \mathbb{P}(X_0=S)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 1 = \frac{2^3}{3^4}$$



Recall :  $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots$  Markov chain discrete time

$\{P_{ij}\}_{i,j \in \Omega}$  transition prob.  $\rightarrow$  prob. that today's state is  $j$  given yesterday's was  $i$   
day  $n$  day  $n-1$

Q: prob. that today's state is  $j$  given initial state was  $i$   
day  $n$  day  $0$   
(or future day  $n$ ) (if today counts as  $0$ )

A:  $n$ -step transition probabilities

Def. 7.4 : For each  $n \geq 1$ , the  $n$ -step transition prob's of a discrete-time Markov chain with  $\Omega = \{1, \dots, N\}$  and  $\{P_{ij}\}_{i,j \in \Omega}$  transition prob's are

$$P_{ij}^{(n)} = \mathbb{P}(X_n = j \mid X_0 = i) \quad i, j \in \Omega$$

② How do we compute  $P_{ij}^{(n)}$ ?



$$P_{ij}^{(1)} = \mathbb{P}(X_1 = j \mid X_0 = i) = p_{ij}$$

$$P_{ij}^{(n)} = \mathbb{P}(X_n = j \mid X_0 = i) = \sum_{k=1}^N \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(X_n = j \mid X_{n-1} = k, X_0 = i)}_{= \mathbb{P}(X_n = j \mid X_{n-1} = k, \dots, X_0 = i)} \cdot \mathbb{P}(X_{n-1} = k \mid X_0 = i)$$

law of total prob.

$$= \sum_{k=1}^N p_{kj} \cdot P_{ik}^{(n-1)} \quad (*) \quad \text{recursive formula!}$$

Prop. 7.5 (Chapman-Kolmogorov equations): For  $1 \leq r < n$  and  $i, j \in \Omega$

$$P_{ij}^{(n)} = \sum_{k=1}^N P_{ik}^{(r)} \cdot P_{kj}^{(n-r)}$$

[ use  $r$  instead of  $n-1$  in the previous computation (\*) ]

Q: How do the dynamics of a chain behave in the long run? ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ )

Theorem 7.6 (Steady-state convergence thm): If there is  $n \geq 1$

for which

$$P_{ij}^{(n)} > 0$$

for all  $i, j \in \Omega$

Such a chain is called ergodic

then for each  $j \in \Omega$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{ij}^{(n)} = \pi_j$  (for all  $i \in \Omega$ )

where

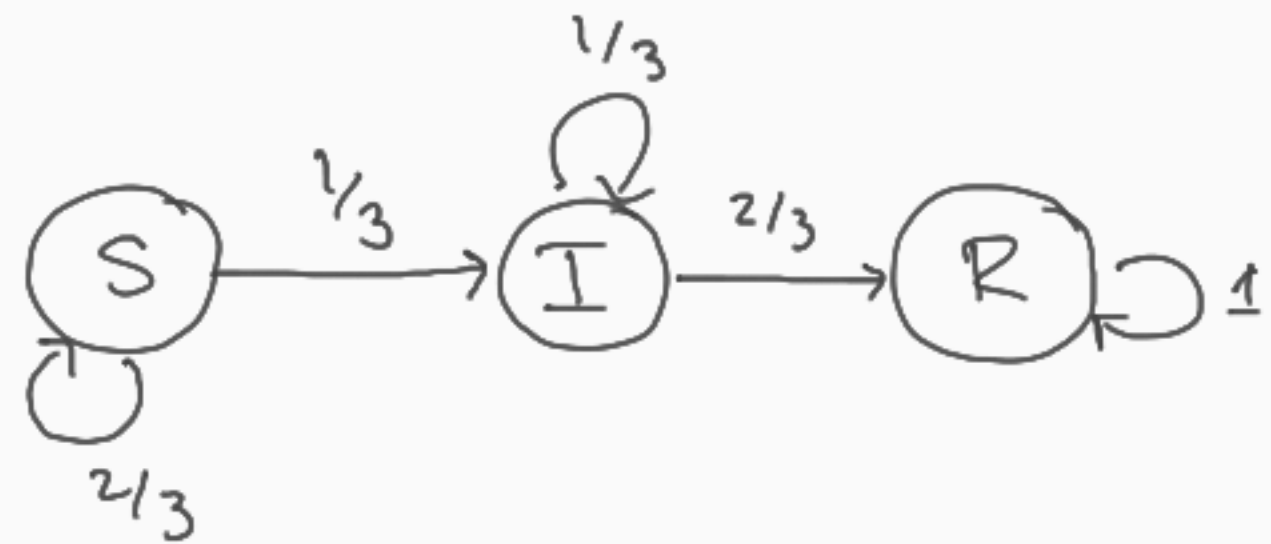
$$\textcircled{1} \quad \pi_j = \sum_{k=1}^N \pi_k \cdot P_{kj}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \sum_{k=1}^N \pi_k = 1.$$

$\{\pi_i\}_{i \in \Omega}$  give the so-called stationary distribution of the chain.

Example 7.3: In the model

$X_n = \text{state on day } n$



$$\Omega = \{S, I, R\}$$

Assume nobody is born immune.

① What is the prob. that one is infected by day 2?

maybe on day 1 or on day 2

→ 2-step transition prob.

$i \backslash j$	S	I	R
S	$2/3$	$1/3$	0
I	0	$1/3$	$2/3$
R	0	0	1

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{SI}^{(2)} &= P_{SS}^{(1)} P_{SI} + P_{SI}^{(1)} P_{II} + P_{SR}^{(1)} P_{RI} \\
 &= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 0 \cdot 0 \\
 &= \frac{1}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

② ergodic? NO!