



# **Random Variable**

## **Chapter Five**

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## Random Variables

**Def'** : A random variable  $X$  is a real valued function defined sample space, which takes values from the sample space ( $S$ ) to a space real numbers  $R$  is a random experiment.

$$X : S \rightarrow R$$

The r.v.  $X$  may be either discrete or continuous , as with sample space.

**Types of Random variables :**

**1- Discrete Random Variable:**

**Def'** : If  $(X)$  be (r.v.) then  $(X)$  is said to be a discrete (r.v.) if then range of  $(X)$  ( $R(x)$ ) (sample space) is countable set, whether finite or infinite set.

For Example: The number of students in statistics dept., then

$$S = \{ x : x = 1, 2, 3, \dots, 400 \}$$

For Example: A coin is a tossed until a head occur then.  $S = \{ x : x = 1, 2, \dots \}$

## Probability (mass or density) function:

If  $(x)$  be a discrete r.v. with different values  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ , then the function

$$P(x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} P(X = x_i) & \text{if } i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n \\ 0 & \text{o.w (other wise)} \end{array} \right\}$$

is defined to be probability mass function of  $x$  (p.m.f).

and it is a real – value function, and satisfies following properties : -

1-  $0 \leq P(x) \leq 1$  , For all  $x$

2-  $\sum_{\forall x} P(x) = 1$

**Ex1/** Let three coins are tossed , let  $x$  be the number of heads that occur then,

- 1 - find  $P(x)$  of each value of  $(x)$ .
- 2 - check  $P(x)$  is (p.m.f) of  $(x)$ .
- 3 - Graph  $P(x)$ .

**Ex2/** Two dice are tossed , let  $x$  be sum of the two number shown by the two dice.

- 1 - find  $P(x)$  of each value of  $(x)$ .
- 2 - check  $P(x)$  is (p.m.f) of  $(x)$ .
- 3 - Graph  $P(x)$ .

**Ex3/** A coin is tossed three times, a coin weighted so that  $p(H)=2/3$  and  $p(T)=1/3$  . let  $x$  be the number of heads that occur then,

- 1 - find  $P(x)$  of each value of  $(x)$ .
- 2 - check  $P(x)$  is (p.m.f) of  $(x)$ .
- 3 - Graph  $P(x)$ .

## Cumulative distribution function: (C.d.f)

Let be  $X$  a discrete (r.v.) , then the cumulative distribution function (c.d.f)

Of  $x$  ( $F(x)$ ) is defined by :

$$F(X) = P(X \leq x)$$

If r.v. ( $x$ ) is discrete .Then

$$F(x) = \sum_{x=-\infty}^x P(x)$$

### Properties of (c.d.f):

1-  $F(a) \leq F(b)$  if  $a \leq b$

i.e  $F(x)$  is increasing function

2-  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1$     *and*     $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = \text{zero}$

## Point & interval (Discrete r.v.)

Without point & interval

$$\Pr(a \leq x \leq b) = F(b) - F(a - 1)$$

$$\Pr(a < x \leq b) = F(b) - F(a)$$

$$\Pr(a \leq x < b) = F(b - 1) - F(a - 1)$$

$$\Pr(a < x < b) = F(b - 1) - F(a)$$

$F(x) =$

0  
1/15  
3/15  
6/15  
10/15  
1  
1

$x < 1$   
 $1 \leq x < 2$   
 $2 \leq x < 3$   
 $3 \leq x < 4$   
 $4 \leq x < 5$   
 $5 \leq x$

$$\Pr(2 \leq x \leq 4) = F(4) - F(1) = \frac{10}{15} - \frac{1}{15} = \frac{9}{15}$$

$$\Pr(2 < x \leq 4) = F(4) - F(2) = \frac{10}{15} - \frac{3}{15} = \frac{7}{15}$$

$$\Pr(2 \leq x < 4) = F(3) - F(1) = \frac{6}{15} - \frac{1}{15} = \frac{5}{15}$$

$$\Pr(2 < x < 4) = F(3) - F(2) = \frac{6}{15} - \frac{3}{15} = \frac{3}{15}$$

**Ex4/** Let three coins are tossed , let  $x$  be the number of heads that occur then,

1 - find  $P(x)$  of each value of  $(x)$ .

2 - check  $P(x)$  is (p.m.f) of  $(x)$ .

3 - Graph  $P(x)$ .

## 2- continuous Random Variable:

**Def'** if  $(x)$  be a continuous r.v., defined on an interval, then the function  $f(x)$  is defined to be probability density function (P.d.f) of  $(x)$ , and it is a mathematical  $f^n$ , and satisfies, the following properties :

1-  $0 \leq f(X) \leq 1$

2-  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx = 1$

3- For any interval  $(a,b)$  ,  $p(a \leq x \leq b) = \int_a^b f(x)dx$

**Ex5/** Let  $X$  be a r.v. with p.d.f  $f(x)$  is:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x^2} & 1 < x < \infty \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

Find 1- check of  $f(X)$  is a p.d.f of  $(x)$ .

2-  $A = p(1 < x < 2)$  .

3-  $B = p(4 < x < 5)$  .



## properties of C.d.f :

$$1 - F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt$$

$$2- f(x) = \frac{\partial F(x)}{\partial x}$$

$$3- P(a < x < b) = F(b) - F(a) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

**Ex7/** Let X be a r.v. with p.d.f f(x) is:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3(1-x)^2 & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

Find the C.d.f & graphical?

**Ex8/** Let

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ 1 - e^{-5x} & 0 < x < \infty \\ 1 & x \rightarrow \infty \end{cases}$$

1) *find the p.d.f. of x.*

**Ex9/** Let X be a r.v. with p.d.f f(x) is:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6}x + k & 0 \leq x \leq 3 \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

Find: 1- value of k.

2- pr ( $1 \leq x \leq 2$ ) .

## Questions about (p.m.f) , (p.d.f) , (c.d.f) for ( D.r.v. & C.r.v. )

**Q1/** Find the probability distribution of the D.r.v. (the number of sixes) in two tosses of a die. Find graph of (x) .

**Q2/** 3 bad articles are mixed with 7 good ones. Find the probability distribution of the number of the bad articles if 3 articles are drawn at random without replacement?

**Q3/** Find the probability distribution of the number of boys in a family of three children. Then find c.d.f and graphical of (p.m.f) and (c.d.f)?

**Q4/** Let x a r.v. with p.d.f :

$$p(x) = \frac{2}{x^3} \quad 1 < x < \infty$$

Find 1- check the p.d.f .    2- c.d.f and graphical.

**Q5/** Let x a r.v. with p.d.f :

$$f(x) = c x e^{-x} \quad 0 < x < \infty$$

0                      o.w

Find value of the constant c ?

**Q6/** Let  $x$  a r.v. with p.d.f :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x} & x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

Find the c.d.f and graphical?

**Q7/** Let  $x$  be a r.v. is p.m.f. of  $P(x)$ ;

$$P(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{cx}{5} & x = 1,2,3,4,5 \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

Find 1- the value of the constant  $c$ ?

2- c.d.f and graph?

### 3- Mathematical Expectation:

Let  $x$  be a random variables and let  $g(x)$  be a function of  $x$ , then the mathematical expectation of  $g(x)$  is denoted by  $E[g(x)]$ ,

$$E[g(x)] = \begin{cases} \sum_{\forall x} g(x)P(X) & \text{if } x \text{ is discrete r.v.} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)f(x) d(x) & \text{if } x \text{ is continuous r.v.} \end{cases}$$

## properties :

1)  $Ea = a$  if  $a$  is a constant (real number), then

2) If  $a$  is a constant, and  $Q(x)$  is a fun. of  $x$ , then

$$E[a\{Q(x)\}] = aE[Q(x)]$$

3) If  $a_1$  &  $a_2$  are two constants, then;

$$E(a_1x + a_2) = E a_1 \cdot E(x) + E a_2$$

$$E(a_1x + a_2) = a_1 E x + a_2$$

4) If  $a_1$  &  $a_2$  are two constants, and  $Q_1(x)$  &  $Q_2(x)$  are two functions of  $x$  then;

$$a) E[Q_1(x) \mp Q_2(x)] = E[Q_1(x)] \mp E[Q_2(x)]$$

$$b) E[aQ_1(x) \mp bQ_2(x)] = aE[Q_1(x)] \mp bE[Q_2(x)]$$

5) If  $y = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \Rightarrow E y = E x_1 + E x_2 + E x_3$

6) If  $x$  and  $y$  are two random variables then;

$$E(xy) = E(x) \cdot E(y) \quad \text{if } x \text{ \& } y \text{ are independent}$$

$$E(xy) \neq E(x) \cdot E(y) \quad \text{if } x \text{ \& } y \text{ are dependent}$$

7) Let  $y = \sum x_i \Rightarrow E(y) = \sum E(x_i) \Rightarrow E(y) = nE(x)$

**Ex10/** Let  $x$  have the p.m.f:

$$P(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{6} & x = 1, 2, 3 \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

Find 1-  $E(X)$  ?      2-  $E(X^2)$ ?

**Ex11/** Let  $x$  be ar.v. with  $f(X) = 2(1-X)$        $0 < X < 1$

Find : 1-  $M1$  .      2-  $M2$  .      3-  $E(6X + 3X^2)$

**Ex12/** let  $x$  be a r.v. of  $f(x)$  is a p.d.f ;

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} (x + 1) \quad -1 < x < 1$$

Find mean of this dist. Of  $x$ ?



#### 4- Variance & Standard Deviation of the r.v.:

It's denoted by  $\sigma^2$ ,  $S^2$  and is given by :

$$S^2(x) = \text{Var}(x) = E(x^2) - (E(X))^2 = E(x^2) - \mu^2$$

Variance of the r.v. is:

$$S^2(x) = \sum x^2 P(x) - \left[ \sum x P(x) \right]^2 \quad \dots \text{Discrete r.v.}$$

$$S^2(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx - \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx \right]^2 \quad \dots \text{Continuous r.v.}$$

The standard deviation of X, denoted by  $\sigma$ ,  $s$  is the (non negative) square root of Var(x):

$$S(x) = \sqrt{S^2(x)} \quad \dots \text{Standard Deviation of the r.v.}$$

**Ex13/** Find Variance and standard deviation of Example(10) ?

**Ex14/** Find Variance and standard deviation of Example(11) ?

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## 5- Moment:

### i-Non - Central Moment :

In special case of non – central moment is the moment about the origin i.e (when  $a=0$ , then the  $r$ -th non – central moment about origin is  $a=0$ )

$$M_r = E(x)^r = \begin{cases} \sum x^r P(x) & x \text{ is disc. r. v.} \\ \int x^r f(x) dx & x \text{ is cont. r. v} \end{cases}$$

## ii- Central Moment :

let  $x$  be a r.v. with p.d.f  $f(x)$ , then the  $r$ -th central moment of  $x$  about mean ( $M$ ) is denoted by  $M_r'$ , and is defined as:

$$M_r' = E(x - m)^r = \begin{cases} \sum_{\forall x} (x - m)^r p(x) & \text{for dis.r.v.} \\ \int_{\mathcal{R}_x} (x - m)^r f(x) dx & \text{for cont.r.v.} \end{cases}$$

$$r = 2 \rightarrow M_2' = E(x - M)^2 = \sigma_x^2 \Rightarrow \text{variance}$$

$$r = 3 \rightarrow M_3' = E(x - M)^3 = \text{Skewness}$$

$$r = 4 \rightarrow M_4' = E(x - M)^4 = \text{kurtosis}$$

Relation between non-central moment ( $M_r$ ) & central moment ( $M_r'$ )

$$r = 2 \Rightarrow M_2' = E(x - M)^2 = \sigma^2$$

$$M_2' = E(x)^2 - 2M E(x) + M^2$$

$$M_2' = E(x)^2 - M^2$$

$$M_2' = M_2 - M_1^2$$

$$\therefore M_2 = M_2' + M_1^2$$

**Ex15/** Let  $x$  be a r.v. with

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2(1-x) & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

Find:  $M_1, M_2, E(3x + 5x^2)$  and  $\sigma^2, \sigma$ ?

**Ex16/** Let  $x$  be a r.v. with  $p(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{6} & x = 1, 2, 3 \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$

Find:  $M_1, M_2, E(2x + 3x^2)$  and  $\sigma^2, \sigma$ ?

## 6- The Moment Generating function (m.g.f):

Let  $x$  be a r.v. with p.d.f of  $f(x)$ , the moment generating function (m.g.f) of  $x$  denoted by  $[ ]$ , and is defined for all real value of  $[ ]$  [where  $h$  is a positive number]. Such that the mathematical expectation exist, thus ;

$$M_x(t) = E e^{tx} = \begin{cases} \sum e^{tx} P(x) & x \text{ is disc. r. v.} \\ \int e^{tx} f(x) dx & x \text{ is cont. r. v} \end{cases}$$

Definition : - Let be the moment generation function of a r.v.  $x$  that is existed. Then the moment of  $r$ -th order about origin at  $(t = 0)$  is define as ;

$$E x^r = M_x^r(0) = \left. \frac{\partial^r M_x(t)}{\partial t^r} \right|_{t=0} = M_r \quad r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$M_x(t) = E e^{tx}$$

**Ex17/** Let  $x$  be a r.v. with  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta} & 0 < x < \theta \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$

Find: 1- (m.g.f) of  $X$  ?      2-  $M_x, \sigma^2$  ?

**Ex18/** A fair coin is tossed twice let  $X$  be the number of heads that occur

Find: 1- (m.g.f) of  $X$  ?      2-  $M_x, \sigma^2$  ?

**Ex19/** Let  $x$  be a r.v. with  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2e^{-2x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$

Find: 1- (m.g.f) of  $X$  ?      2-  $M_x, \sigma^2$  ?

## 7- Joint Probability Distribution Function (J.p.d.f) :

### Joint Distribution:

IF are r.v.s defined on the sample probability space , then the is called p-dimensional r.v.s .

### Joint probability density function [J.p.d.f] :

**Def<sup>n</sup>**: IF are a p-dimensional r.v.s ; Then the Joint pro.density fun. Of

$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p)$  is defined to be:

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) = P(X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2, \dots, X_p = x_p)$$

Or

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) = \begin{cases} \sum_{\forall x_1} \sum_{\forall x_2} \dots \sum_{\forall x_p} P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) & \text{disc. r. v's} \\ \int_{Rx_1} \int_{Rx_2} \dots \int_{Rx_p} f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) dx_p \dots dx_2 dx_1 & \end{cases}$$

**Def<sup>n</sup>**.: IF  $p=2$  , let  $x$  and  $y$  are two r.v's then

$$f(x, y) = p(X = x, Y = y)$$

$$= \sum_{\forall x} \sum_{\forall y} p(x, y) \quad \text{if } x \& y \text{ are discrete r.v's}$$

$$= \int \int_{R_x R_y} f(x, y) dy dx \quad \text{if } x \& y \text{ are continuous r.v's}$$

1)  $0 \leq f(x, y) \leq 1 \quad \forall x, y$

2)  $\sum_{\forall x} \sum_{\forall y} f(x, y) = 1$   
 $\int \int_{R_x R_y} f(x, y) dy dx = 1$



**Ex20/** Let the j.p.d.f of two r.v's  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  is defined

$$p(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x_1+x_2}{21} & x_1 = 1,2,3. \quad x_2 = 1,2 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

Find: 1- (j.p.d.f) for each values of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ ? 2-  $p(X_1=2, X_2=1)$ ?  
3- prove  $p(X_1, X_2)$  is j.p.d.f of  $(X_1, X_2)$ ?

**Ex21/** Let  $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} e^{-(x+y)} & x, y > 0 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$

Find 1-  $P(X=3, Y=4)$ . 2-  $P(0 < X < 2, 1 < Y < 3)$   
3- check of the j.p.d.f of  $(x, y)$ ?

**Ex22/**  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 6x^2y & 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$

Find:  $p(0 < x < \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{3} < y < 2)$ .

**Ex23/** A certain market has both an express checkout line and a super express checkout line. Let  $X$  denote the number of customers in line at the express checkout line at a particular time of day and let  $Y$  denote the number of customers in line at the super express checkout at the same time. Suppose the joint p.m.f of  $X$  and  $Y$  is as given in the following table:

| $X \backslash Y$ | 0    | 1    | 2    | 3    |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|
| 0                | 0.08 | 0.07 | 0.04 | 0.00 |
| 1                | 0.06 | 0.15 | 0.05 | 0.04 |
| 2                | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.06 |
| 3                | 0.00 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.07 |
| 4                | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.06 |

**Find:**

**1-**What is  $P(X = 1; Y = 1)$ , that is, the probability that there is exactly one customer in each line?

**2-**What is  $P(X = Y)$ , that is, the probability that the number of customers in the two lines are identical?

**3-**Let A denote the event that there are at least two more customers in one line than in the other line. Express A in terms of X and Y and calculate the probability of this event

**4-**What is the probability that the total number of customers in the two lines is exactly four? At least four?

**Ex24/** Let X and Y have the joint probability density function given by:

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} k(1 - y) & 0 \leq x \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

**Find** the value of **k** that makes this a probability density function?

## 8- Marginal Probability Distribution Function (m.p.d.f) :

Def<sup>n</sup>.: let  $x$  &  $y$  are two r.v.s with (j.p.d.f) , then are called the marginal p.d.f of  $x$  &  $y$  respectively, which can be defined as follows:-

If (m.p.d.f) for  $f(X)$ :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \sum_{\forall y} P(x, y) & \text{if } X \text{ \& } y \text{ are D.r.v.} \\ \int_{Ry} f(x, y) dy & \text{if } X \text{ \& } y \text{ are C.r.v.} \end{cases}$$

If (m.p.d.f) for  $f(y)$ :

$$f(y) = \begin{cases} \sum_{\forall x} P(x, y) & \text{if } X \text{ \& } y \text{ are D.r.v.} \\ \int_{Rx} f(x, y) dx & \text{if } X \text{ \& } y \text{ are C.r.v.} \end{cases}$$

**Note:**  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent iff  $f(x, y) = f(x) \times f(y)$

**Ex25/** Let X and Y have the joint probability density function given by:

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x + y & 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

**Find:1-** The marginal p.d.f of X? **2-** The marginal p.d.f of y?

**3-** Are X and Y are independent? **4-** E(X) and E(y) ?

**Ex26/** Let X and Y have the joint probability density function given by:

$$P(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy^2}{30} & x = 1, 2, 3. \quad , y = 1, 2. \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

Find: **1-**m.p.d.f of X? **2-** m.p.d.f of y? **3-** Are X and Y are independent?

**4-** E(X) and E(y) ?

**Ex27/**If X & Y having the j.p.d.f as:

$$P(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy}{96} & 0 < x < 4, 1 < y < 5. \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

Find: <sup>29</sup>**1-**f(X)? **2-** f(y)? **3-** F(X) and F(y)? **4-** Var(X) and Var(y)?

## Questions about chapter Five

**Q9/** Two refills for a ballpoint pen are selected at random from a box that contains **3 blue** refills, **2 red** refills and **3 green** refills. If **X** is the **number of blue** refill and **Y** is the **number of red** refills selected, find

**1-**The joint probability mass function  $p(x, y)$ ?

**2-**If  $\{(X,y) \in A\}$ , where A is the region  $\{(X,Y) : X+Y \leq 1\}$ ?

**3-**Var(x) and Var(Y)? **4-** C.d.f for (x) and (Y)?

**Q10/** Find  $g(X)$  and  $h(Y)$  for the joint density function :

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{5}(2x + 3y), & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

**Q11/** For **example (23)** find:

**1-**Determine the marginal p.m.f of X and then calculate the expected number of customers in line at the express checkout?

**2-**Determine the marginal p.m.f of Y ?

**3-**By inspection of the probabilities  $P(X = 4)$ ,  $P(Y = 0)$ , and  $P(X = 4; Y = 0)$  are X and Y independent random variables? Explain.

**Q12/** Two components of a minicomputer have the following joint p.d.f for their useful lifetimes X and Y :

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} xe^{-x(1+y)} & x \geq 0, y \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

**1-**What is the probability that the lifetime X for the first component exceeds 3? **2-**What are the marginal pdf 's of X and Y ? Are the two lifetimes independent?

**3-** What is the probability that the lifetime of at least one component exceeds 3?

**Q13/** A fair coin is tossed three times independently: let  $X$  denote the number of heads on the first toss and  $Y$  denote the total number of heads. Find the joint probability mass function of  $X$  and  $Y$ ? And find marginal mass function of  $X$  and  $y$ ?

**Q14/** Consider the pdf for  $X$  and  $Y$ :

$$f(x, y) = K(x^2 + xy) \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1$$

Find : 1- The value of  $K$ ? 2-  $P(X > Y)$ ? 3-  $f(x)$  and  $g(y)$ ?