

Lesson 4



Expectation, Variance, Moment...

Today's topics

- expectation,
- Markov's inequality
- variance, covariance, moment
- Chebyshev's inequality

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Expectation (contd.)

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Suppose you have already drawn $k - 1$ kinds of coupon.

Let X_k denote the number of draws from $k - 1$ to k .

➤ The *probability* is $p_k := \frac{n - (k - 1)}{n}$

➤ The *expected number* is

$$E[X_k] = \frac{1}{p_k} = \frac{n}{n - k + 1}$$

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 &= \sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i] \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n}{n-i+1} \\
 &= n \sum_{i'=1}^n \frac{1}{i'}
 \end{aligned}$$

harmonic number

$$\ln n = \int_1^n \frac{1}{x} dx \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k}$$

$$1 + \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{1}{k} \leq 1 + \int_1^n \frac{1}{x} dx = 1 + \ln n$$

Thm.

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Thus,

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For any $a > 0$.

$$\Pr[|X - E[X]| \geq a] \leq \frac{\text{Var}[X]}{a^2}$$

proof.

Remark that

$$\Pr[|X - E[X]| \geq a] = \Pr[(X - E[X])^2 \geq a^2]$$

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Chebyshev's inequality

Cor. Chebyshev's inequality

For any $t > 0$.

$$\Pr[X \geq (1 + t)E[X]] \leq \frac{\text{Var}[X]}{(tE[X])^2}$$

proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[X \geq (1 + t)E[X]] &= \Pr[X - E[X] \geq tE[X]] \\ &\leq \Pr[|X - E[X]| \geq tE[X]] \\ &\leq \frac{\text{Var}[X]}{(tE[X])^2} \end{aligned}$$

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Ex. 2.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}[X] &= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}[X_i] = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1-p_i}{p_i^2} \\
 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{p_i^2} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{n}{n-i+1} \right)^2 = n^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2} \leq n^2 \frac{\pi^2}{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

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⇒ Chernoff's bound

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$$\Pr[X \geq (1+t)E[X]] \leq \frac{\text{Var}[X]}{(tE[X])^2} \leq \frac{\frac{n^2 \pi^2}{6}}{t^2 (n \ln n)^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6t^2 (\ln n)^2}$$

e.g., $n=100$, $m=1000$ ($t \approx \frac{m}{n \ln n} - 1 \approx 1.1$),

$$\Pr[\text{Completion}] \geq 1 - \Pr[X \geq 1000] \approx 0.95$$



Law of Large number

Law of large numbers (大数の法則)

Def.

A series $\{Y_n\}$ **converges Y in probability** (Y に**確率収束**する), if

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Pr[|Y_n - Y| < \varepsilon] = 1$$

independent and identically distributed
(独立同一分布)

Thm. (law of large numbers; 大数の法則)

Let r.v. X_1, \dots, X_n are **i.i.d.**, w/ expectation μ , and variance σ^2 ,

then $Y_n := \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n}$ converges μ in probability;

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$$E[Y] = E \left[\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \right] = \frac{E[X_1] + \dots + E[X_n]}{n} = \mu$$

$$\text{Var}[Y] = \text{Var} \left[\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \right] = \frac{\text{Var}[X_1] + \dots + \text{Var}[X_n]}{n^2} = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

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Using Chebyshev's inequality,

$$\Pr \left[\left| \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} - \mu \right| \geq 1 - \varepsilon \right] \leq \frac{\frac{\sigma^2}{n}}{(1 - \varepsilon)^2} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \quad \square$$

Recall

Thm. Chebyshev's inequality

For any $a > 0$.

$$\Pr[|X - E[X]| \geq a] \leq \frac{\text{Var}[X]}{a^2}$$

$$E[Y] = \mu$$

$$\text{Var}[Y] = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$