

Stat 134

Chapter 3 Monday February 12 2018

1. Consider a well shuffled deck of cards. The expected number of cards before the first ace is?

a  $52/5$

b  $48/5$

c  $48/4$

d none of the above

$X = \# \text{ cards before } 1^{\text{st}} \text{ ace}$

$A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{48}$

1st nA before 1st ace

$P(A_1) = 1/5$

$P(A_2) = 1/5$

$E(X) = P(A_1) + \dots + P(A_{48}) = 48/5$

Answer to Jonny's question: "Why isn't the answer  $\frac{48}{4} = 12$ ?"

Answer: Think of the deck like this



You have 48 nonaces we have to fit in 5 sections. Hence  $\frac{48}{5}$ . The answer  $\frac{48}{4}$  assumes the last card is an ace.

# Property of Expectation

For  $X \geq 0$  mean for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $X(\omega) \geq 0$

$X \geq Y$  mean for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $X(\omega) \geq Y(\omega)$

$$X(\omega) \geq Y(\omega)$$

$$X(\omega)P(\omega) \geq Y(\omega)P(\omega)$$

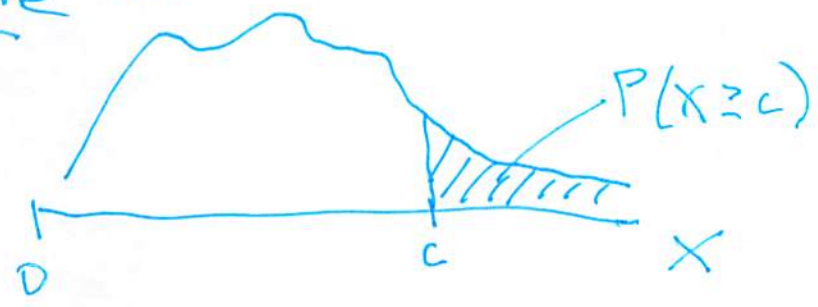
Sum over all  $\omega \in \Omega$

$$E(X) \geq E(Y)$$

$X, Y$   
defined  
on same  
outcome space.

## Markov inequality:

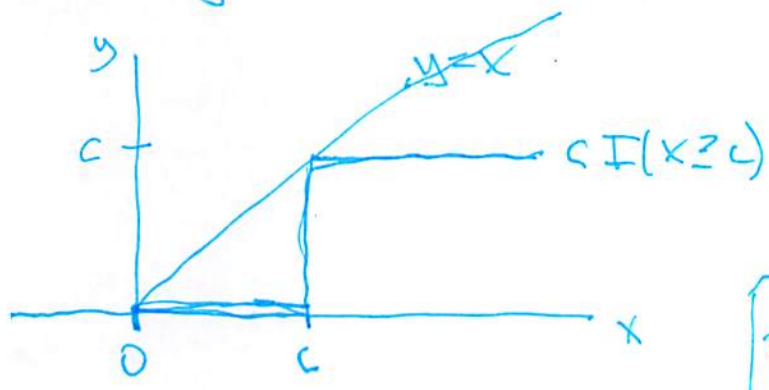
Picture  $X \geq 0$



Assume  $X \geq 0$  and  $c$  a positive constant.

$$\text{let } I(X \geq c) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X \geq c \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

compare  $y = X$  and  $y = c I(X \geq c)$



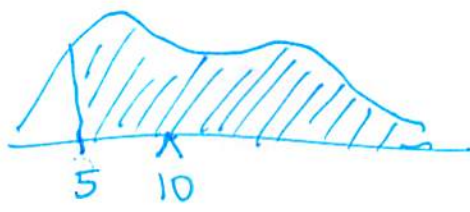
$$X \geq c I(X \geq c)$$

$$E(X) \geq c E(I(X \geq c))$$

$$P(X \geq c) \leq \frac{E(X)}{c}$$

Markov inequality

ex  $E(x) = 10$   
 $c = 5$



$P(X \geq 5) = \frac{10}{5} = 2$ .

Markov not useful if  $c \leq E(x)$

good news This is true for any <sup>non neg</sup> ~~positive~~ distribution, if you know  $E(x)$

bad news  $\rightarrow$  need  $x \geq 0$ .

ex (3.2.4)

Suppose all the numbers in a list of 100 numbers are nonnegative, and the avg of the list is 2.

Prove that ~~at least~~ <sup>at least</sup> 25 numbers in the list are greater ~~than~~ <sup>or equal to</sup> 8.

$X =$  a number on the list,  $X \geq 0$

$E(x) = 2$

By Markov  $P(X \geq 8) \leq \frac{E(x)}{8} = \frac{1}{4}$

$\frac{100}{4} = 25$

Tail sum formula  $\rightarrow$  use when calculating  $P(X \geq x)$  is easier to find than  $P(X=x)$ .  
 $X$  must be a count of events.

$X$  values 0, 1, 2, 3, ...

$P_0, P_1, P_2, P_3, \dots$   $0 \leq P_i \leq 1$

$E(x) =$   $\left( \begin{matrix} P_1 \\ P_2 + P_2 \\ P_3 + P_3 + P_3 \\ \vdots \end{matrix} \right)$   $\left. \begin{matrix} \leftarrow P(X \geq 1) \\ \leftarrow P(X \geq 2) \\ \leftarrow P(X \geq 3) \end{matrix} \right\}$

$\Rightarrow E(x) = P(x \geq 1) + P(x \geq 2) + \dots$

ex Roll a die 3 times.

$X = \min(X_1, X_2, X_3)$   
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

$$P(X \geq x) = P(X_1 \geq x, X_2 \geq x, X_3 \geq x) = P(X_1 \geq x) P(X_2 \geq x) P(X_3 \geq x) = P(X_1 \geq x)^3$$

$$P(X_1 \geq 1) = 6/6$$

$$P(X_1 \geq 2) = 5/6$$

⋮

$$P(X_1 \geq 6) = 1/6 \quad E(I_{X \geq 1})$$

By Tail Sum formula

$$E(X) = P(X \geq 1) + P(X \geq 2) + \dots + P(X \geq 6)$$

$$P(X_1 \geq 1)^3 \quad (5/6)^3 \quad (1/6)^3$$

$$(6/6)^3$$

$$= \frac{1}{6^3} (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + 4^3 + 5^3 + 6^3)$$

Advice when computing expectations.

- avoid computing  $E(X)$  using the definition unless you have few terms.
- Is  $X$  a named distribution ~~the~~ <sup>that</sup> you know the expectation of.
- If  $X$  is counts of events use indicators or tail sums.

SD and Normal Approx

$X - E(X)$  — deviation, from the mean.

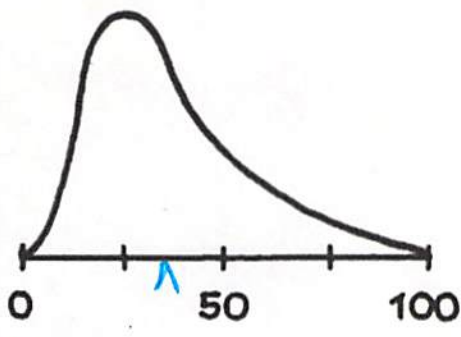
$$E(X - E(X)) = E(X) - \underbrace{E(E(X))}_{E(X)} = 0$$

$(X - E(X))^2$  square deviation

Variance  $\text{Var}(X) = E((X - E(X))^2)$

Standard deviation =  $SD(X) = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)} = \sqrt{E((X - E(X))^2)}$

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avg = 35  
SD = 5, 15, 50 ?

↑  
think of SD as the average spread from the center of your data.