

Lecture 4: Chernoff Bound

→ (Markov inequality) For a non-negative R.V. X ,

$$\Pr(X \geq a) \leq \frac{E(X)}{a}, \text{ for all } a > 0. \Rightarrow \text{증명}$$

예: $X \rightarrow$ distribution \Rightarrow 예: $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$, bound
 $\Pr(X \leq a) = 1 - \Pr(X > a)$

평균을 알고 싶으면 \Rightarrow 분포에 대한 정보

→ (Chebyshev's inequality) For any $a > 0$,

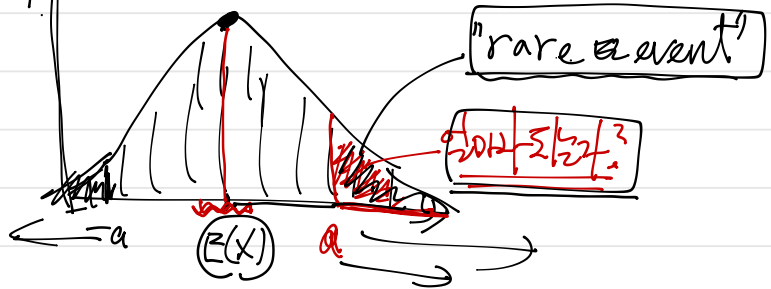
$$\Pr(|X - E[X]| \geq a) \leq \frac{\text{Var}[X]}{a^2} \Rightarrow \text{증명}$$

tail probability

평균에서 얼마나 많이 떨어져 있는 확률이 많을까?

X : 평균에서 얼마나 떨어져 있는 확률 어떤 정도?

Continuous R.V. X $f_X(x)$



예: Variance^2 알면, 평균에서 얼마나 떨어져 있냐 \rightarrow 예상치 못한 결과

Corollary

For any $t \geq 1$, $\frac{1}{t^2}$

$$\textcircled{1} \Pr(|X - E(X)| \geq t \cdot \sigma(X)) \leq \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{t^2 \cdot \sigma^2(X)} = \frac{1}{t^2}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \Pr(|X - E(X)| \geq t E(X)) \leq \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{t^2 E(X)^2} \rightarrow \text{second moment}$$

(Ex) - n fair coin flips
 → Prob (more than $\frac{3}{4}n$ heads)

Let X^* be the RV that represents # of heads in n fair coin flips

(i) MI: $\Pr(X > \frac{3}{4}n) \leq \frac{E(X)}{\frac{3}{4}n} = \frac{\frac{n}{2}}{\frac{3}{4}n} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$

(ii) CI: $\Pr(X > \frac{3}{4}n) \leq \Pr(X - E(X) > \frac{1}{4}n) \leq \frac{Var(X)}{\frac{n^2}{16}}$


$Var(X) = Var(\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i) = n Var(Y_i)$
 $X: \text{Binomial } (n, p) \rightarrow np$
 $Y_i: \text{Bernoulli with } p \rightarrow p$
 $\frac{n}{4}$

$= \frac{\frac{n^2}{4}}{\frac{n^2}{16}} = 4$
 No. of coins
 CI가 훨씬 낫다
 Tight

Chernoff Bound Given i.i.d RVs, X_1, \dots, X_n , for any $a \in \mathbb{R}$,
 $\Pr(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \geq na) \leq e^{-nh(a)}$ ← 2nd order regime
 $a > E(X_i)$
 where $h(a) = \sup_{\theta > 0} [\theta a - \log E(e^{\theta X_1})]$.

(i) $\Pr(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \geq a)$

(Questions) $n \rightarrow \infty$, "중심극한정리"
 (CB) → exponential decay
 $a > E(X)$
 $h(a) < 0$ → trivial

Law of Large Numbers (LLN)
 (why?)
 (1) SLLN
 (2) WLLN
 Probabilistic vs Deterministic


Proof) For all $\theta > 0$, ~~by MGF~~

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Pr\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \geq na\right) &= \Pr\left(e^{\theta \sum_{i=1}^n X_i} \geq e^{\theta na}\right) \\
 &\leq e^{-\theta na} E\left(e^{\theta \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}\right) \quad (\text{from M.I.}) \\
 &= e^{-\theta na} E\left(e^{\theta X_1} \cdot e^{\theta X_2} \cdot e^{\theta X_3} \dots e^{\theta X_n}\right) \\
 &= e^{-\theta na} \left(E\left(e^{\theta X_1}\right)\right)^n \rightarrow e^{n\theta(\log E(e^{\theta X_1}))} \\
 &= e^{-n(\theta a - \log E(e^{\theta X_1}))} \\
 &\leq \sup_{\theta > 0} e^{-n(\theta a - \log E(e^{\theta X_1}))} \\
 &\qquad \qquad \qquad h(a).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{h(a)} = \sup_{\theta > 0} (\theta a - \log E[e^{\theta X_1}]) = \sup_{\theta > 0} (\theta a - \log \text{MGF})$$

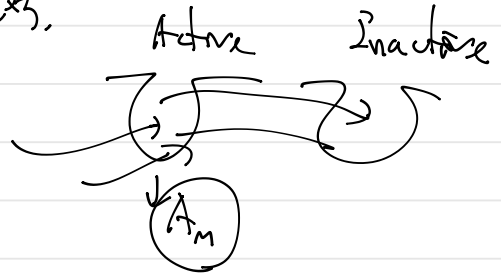
\downarrow rate function
 \uparrow $X_1 \rightarrow$ MGF
 \uparrow \log MGF

Homework

- (1) $X \sim$ Gaussian with mean μ , var $= \sigma^2$ $h(a) = \frac{(a-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}$
- (2) $X \sim \text{exp}(\mu)$, $h(a) = ?$
- (3) $X \sim \text{poisson}(\lambda)$, $h(a) = ?$
- (4) $X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$, $h(a) = ?$

1.5 For Total population \Rightarrow bound

Recall: $A_m = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^m \xi_i - m$



$$P(\mathcal{X} \geq k) = \Pr(A_1 > 0, A_2 > 0, \dots, A_k > 0)$$

$$\leq \Pr(A_k > 0)$$

$$= \Pr\left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^k \xi_i - k > 0\right) = \Pr\left(\sum_{i=1}^k \xi_i > k-1\right)$$

$$= \Pr\left(\sum_{i=1}^k \xi_i \geq k\right) = \Pr\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^k \xi_i}{k} \geq 1\right)$$

$$\leq \exp(-kh(\alpha)), \text{ where } h(\alpha) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha^i \log \alpha^i$$

$$h(\alpha) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sup_{\theta > 0} [\theta \alpha - \log E(e^{\theta \xi})]$$



< Chernoff Bound for independent Poisson trials >

→ $\frac{a}{2} < \frac{b}{2}$: ~~independent~~ X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n $\Pr\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n} > a\right)$
 Generalization

→ $\frac{a}{2} < \frac{b}{2}$ " ~~identical~~ (independent, not necessarily identical)

Let $\Pr(X_i=1) = p_i$ $\Pr(X_i=0, 1)$ = poisson trial, Bernoulli trial

$$\Pr\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n} \geq a\right) = \frac{1}{n} E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n p_i$$

$a > E\left(\frac{\sum X_i}{n}\right)$ then independent

$$\Pr\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n} \geq na\right)$$

$$a > \frac{\sum p_i}{n} \Rightarrow na > \sum p_i$$

Let $X = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ Let $\mu = E(X) = \sum p_i$

$$\Pr\left(\frac{X}{n} \geq (1+\delta)\frac{\mu}{n}\right) \dots \Pr(X \geq (1+\delta)\mu)$$

Thm $\Pr(X \geq (1+\delta)\mu) \leq e^{-\mu h(\delta)}$, where $h(\delta) = (1+\delta) \log(1+\delta) - \delta$, for any $\delta \geq 0$

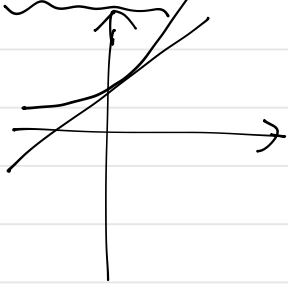
$$e^{-\mu h(\delta)} = e^{-\mu((1+\delta) \log(1+\delta) - \delta)} = e^{-\mu(1+\delta) \log(1+\delta)} \cdot e^{\mu\delta}$$

$$= \frac{e^{\mu\delta}}{\left(\frac{(1+\delta)^{(1+\delta)\mu}}{2^\delta}\right)} = \frac{e^{\mu\delta}}{(1+\delta)^{(1+\delta)\mu} 2^{-\delta\mu}}$$

(Proof) For any $\theta > 0$, $\Pr(X - \mu \geq \theta \mu) \leq \mathbb{E}(e^{\theta(X-\mu)}) \cdot e^{-\theta \mu}$ (from M.I.)

Linear \rightarrow exp

$\ln(x) \leq e^x$ ($x > 0$)



$$\begin{aligned}
 &= e^{-\theta \mu} \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(e^{\theta(X_i - \mu_i)}) \\
 &= e^{-\theta \mu} \cdot e^{-\theta \mu} \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(e^{\theta X_i}) = \cancel{(1-p_i)} \cdot 1 + p_i e^\theta = 1 + p_i(e^\theta - 1) \\
 &= e^{-\theta \mu(t+\sigma)} \prod_{i=1}^n (1 + p_i(e^\theta - 1)) \\
 &\leq e^{-\theta \mu(t+\sigma)} \prod_{i=1}^n e^{p_i(e^\theta - 1)} \\
 &= e^{-\theta \mu(t+\sigma)} \cdot (e^\mu(e^\theta - 1)) = e^{-\mu(\theta(t+\sigma) + 1 - e^\theta)} \\
 &\leq e^{\mu(\theta^*(t+\sigma) + 1 - e^{\theta^*})}
 \end{aligned}$$

0 < p_i <= 1

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(\theta) &= -\theta \mu(t+\sigma) + 1 - e^\theta \\
 f'(\theta) &= -\mu(t+\sigma) - e^\theta = 0 \implies e^\theta = -\mu(t+\sigma) \\
 \theta^* &= \ln(-\mu(t+\sigma))
 \end{aligned}$$

(Homework) 2.1.1

(1) If $0 < d \leq 1$, $\Pr(X \geq (t+\sigma)\mu) \leq e^{-\mu \frac{d^2}{3}}$

(hint) $\left(\frac{e^d}{(1+d)^2}\right)^\mu \leq e^{\mu \frac{d^2}{3}}$ ($0 < d \leq 1$)

(2) ($R \geq 6\mu$) $P(X \geq R) \leq 2^{-R}$

$\Pr(X \geq (t+\sigma)\mu)$
 $d \geq 5$