

Probability Distribution Formulas

Bernoulli Distribution

(1 event)

Distribution of binary random variable

$$\text{PMF} = p^k (1-p)^{1-k}$$

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|-------|-------|
| $1-p$ | $k=0$ |
| p | $k=1$ |

Mean (Estimation)

$$\sum k P(k) \quad k = \{0, 1\}$$
$$= p$$

Median

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|----------|-------------------|-------|
| 0 | $p < \frac{1}{2}$ | 0 |
| $[0, 1]$ | $p = \frac{1}{2}$ | 0.5 |
| 1 | $p > \frac{1}{2}$ | 1 |

Mode

$$p > q \Rightarrow p$$
$$p < q \Rightarrow q$$
$$p = 0.5 \quad \text{Both } 1 \text{ \& } 0 \text{ are modes}$$

Variance/SD

$$\sigma^2 = qp$$
$$\sigma = \sqrt{qp} = \text{SD}$$

Binomial Distribution

$n \rightarrow$ event (yes or no)

Success = p

fail = q

eg: Toss coin 10 times
if $n=1 \Rightarrow$ Bernoulli

$k \Rightarrow$ number of success $\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$

$$\text{PMF} = {}^n C_k p^k (1-p)^{1-k}$$

$$\text{SD} = \sqrt{npq}$$

$$\text{Mean} = np$$

$$\text{Variance} = npq$$

eg: $n=5$ $p=0.5$ probability of 3 heads

$$k=3$$
$$= {}^5 C_3 (0.5)^3 (1-0.5)^{5-3}$$

Normal gaussian distribution

$$\text{PDF} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp \frac{-(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

$$\text{mean} = \text{median} = \text{mode} = \mu$$

Perfect symmetry
Highest exactly at μ

Intuition

$(x-\mu)^2 \Rightarrow$ Symmetric around μ

Exponential \Rightarrow far value become extremely unlikely

$2\pi \rightarrow$ make total one(1)

Area under cover = probability

$$\text{SD} = \sigma = \sqrt{(x-\mu)^2/n}$$

$\sigma^2 = \text{variance}$

Zscore table gives
area for 0 to Zscore
point

Standard normal Distribution

$$X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\} \quad \mu = 3 \quad \sigma = 1.414$$

Now we apply z score $Z_{\text{score}} = \frac{x_i - \mu}{\sigma}$

say for ezy calculation we take $\sigma = 1$
or lets keep 1.414 only

$$\text{New } X = \{-1.414, -0.707, 0, 0.707, 1.414\}$$

Z tells how much SD away from mean

Poissons Distribution

Events happens independently

Average rate is constant

Event occur 1 at time

We count event in a fixed interval of (time, area, length)

$$PMF = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mean} &= \lambda \\ \text{Variance} &= \lambda \\ \text{SD} &= \sqrt{\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

$$e = 2.718$$

λ = average rate

k = chance of happening k events

Eg 3 patient coming to clinic every hour
chance 2 patient coming in $\frac{1}{2}$ hour

avg. Patient coming every half hour = 1.5

$$k = 2$$

$$\lambda = 1.5$$

$$P = \frac{e^{-1.5} \lambda^2}{2!}$$

Uniform Distribution

Discrete: finite outcome
outcome k_i probability equal

eg Fair dice {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}
lottery number {1 to 100}

$$PMF = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\text{Mean}(\mu) = \frac{n+1}{2}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{n^2-1}{12}$$

Continuous:

$$PDF = \frac{1}{(b-a)}$$

\Rightarrow Proof $\int_a^b \frac{1}{(b-a)} dx = 1$
area under curve
else 0 $x = \frac{1}{b-a}$

Continuous \Rightarrow CDF = $x * (d-c)$

$$CDF = \frac{d-c}{b-a}$$

outside = 0

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}}$$

$$\frac{(a+b)}{2} = \mu$$

