

Chapter 2 Conclusion

Discrete Random variables

- Take discrete values such as:

$$X = \dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

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- We define on X a Probability Mass Function (PMF) denoted by $p(x)$.
- $p(x)$ satisfies the following axioms

$$1) \quad p(x) \geq 0$$

$$2) \quad \sum_{\forall x} p(x) = 1$$

- **Expectation, Mean** $\mu = E(x)$

$$E(x) = \sum_{\forall x} xp(x)$$

Also

$$E(x^2) = \sum_{\forall x} x^2 p(x)$$

- **Variance** $V(x) = \sigma^2$
$$V(x) = E(x^2) - (E(x))^2$$
- **Stander Deviation** σ
$$\sigma = \sqrt{V(x)}$$

Continuous Random variables

- Take Continuous values such as:

$$a \leq X \leq b$$

$$-1 \leq X \leq 6$$

$$X \geq 0$$

- We define on X a Probability Density Function (PMF) denoted by $f(x)$.
- $f(x)$ satisfies the following axioms

$$1) \quad f(x) \geq 0$$

$$2) \quad \int_{\forall x} f(x) dx = 1$$

- **Expectation, Mean** $\mu = E(x)$

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Examples of the discrete distributions

1- Binomial Distribution

Its PMF given by:

$$P(x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x q^{n-x}, \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

And

$$E(x) = np \quad V(x) = npq$$

2- Poisson Distribution

Its PMF given by:

$$P(x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}, \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

And

$$E(x) = \lambda \quad V(x) = \lambda$$

Examples of the Continuous distributions

1- Standard Normal Distribution

Its PDF given by:

$$f(Z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}, \quad -\infty < Z < \infty$$

Where

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$$