

Midterm Refresher:

P1: X - a R.V. with possible values $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

and P.M.F $\mathbb{P}(X=k) = ck$

(a) Find the value of c and write out the dist of X .

Soln: Use formula: $\sum_k \mathbb{P}(X=k) = 1$

$$\text{i.e. } 1 = \sum_{k=1}^5 ck = c(1+2+3+4+5) = 15c$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 1/15$$

P.M.F :

X	1	2	3	4	5
\mathbb{P}	$1/15$	$2/15$	$3/15$	$4/15$	$5/15$

(b) Find the C.D.F $\mathbb{P}(X \leq k)$ for $k = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$.

Soln: $k=1$: $\mathbb{P}(X \leq 1) = \mathbb{P}(X=1) = 1/15$

$$k=2 : \mathbb{P}(X \leq 2) = \mathbb{P}(X=1) + \mathbb{P}(X=2) = 1/15 + 2/15 = 3/15$$

$$\begin{aligned} k=3 : \mathbb{P}(X \leq 3) &= \mathbb{P}(X=1) + \mathbb{P}(X=2) + \mathbb{P}(X=3) \\ &= 1/15 + 2/15 + 3/15 = 6/15 \end{aligned}$$

$$k=4 : \mathbb{P}(X \leq 4) = \frac{1}{15}(1+2+3+4) = 10/15$$

$$k=5 : \mathbb{P}(X \leq 5) = 1$$

Extra Exercise for P1: Find the mean and variance of X .

Soln: mean $E[X] = \sum_{k=1}^5 k P(X=k)$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^5 k \cdot c_k$$

$$= \frac{1}{15} (1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2) = 3.67$$

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

where $E[X^2] = \sum_{k=1}^5 k^2 P(X=k)$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^5 k^2 \cdot c_k$$

$$= \frac{1}{15} (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + 4^3 + 5^3) = 15$$

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P2. Let Y have the density function

$$f(y) = \begin{cases} 0.1 & -2 < y \leq 0 \\ 0.1 + cy & 0 < y \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

(a) Find the value of c s.t. f is a valid PDF.

Soln: By properties of P.D.F: $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(y) dy = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e. } 1 &= \int_{-\infty}^{-2} \cancel{f(y)} dy + \int_{-2}^0 \underbrace{f(y)}_{0.1} dy + \int_0^2 \underbrace{f(y)}_{0.1+cy} dy + \int_2^{\infty} \cancel{f(y)} dy \\ &= \int_{-2}^0 (0.1) dy + \int_0^2 (0.1 + cy) dy \end{aligned}$$

$$= (0.1)y \Big|_{y=-2}^{y=0} + \left\{ (0.1)y + c \frac{y^2}{2} \right\} \Big|_{y=0}^{y=2}$$

$$= (0.1)(0 - (-2)) + (0.1) \cdot 2 + 2c = (0.4) + 2c$$

$$\Rightarrow c = .3$$

(b) Find the C.D.F $F(y)$.

PDF from (a)



Soln: PDF \rightarrow CDF, use formula $F(y) = \int_{-\infty}^y f(t) dt$

Case 1: $y < -2$

$$F(y) = \int_{-\infty}^y \overset{0}{\cancel{f(t)}} dt = 0$$

Case 2: $-2 \leq y < 0$

$$F(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{-2} \overset{0}{\cancel{f(t)}} dt + \int_{-2}^y \overset{(0.1)}{f(t)} dt = (0.1)(y - (-2))$$

$$= (0.1)(y + 2)$$

Case 3: $0 \leq y < 2$

$$F(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{-2} \overset{0}{\cancel{f(t)}} dt + \int_{-2}^0 \overset{(0.1)}{f(t)} dt + \int_0^y \overset{(0.1) + (0.3)t}{f(t)} dt$$

$$= 0 + (0.1) \cdot (0 - (-2)) + \left(0.1t + (0.3) \frac{t^2}{2} \right) \Big|_{t=0}^{t=y}$$

$$= (-2) + 0.1y + 0.3 \cdot \frac{y^2}{2}$$

Case 4: $y > 2 \Rightarrow F(y) = 1$

Extra Exercise for P2: Calculate $\mathbb{E}[Y]$ and $\mathbb{E}[Y^3]$.

Soln: $\mathbb{E}[Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} y f(y) dy$

$$= \int_{-2}^0 (0.1) y dy + \int_0^2 (0.1 + 0.3y) y dy$$

$$= (0.1) \frac{y^2}{2} \Big|_{-2}^0 + 0.1 \frac{y^2}{2} \Big|_0^2 + 0.3 \cdot \frac{y^3}{3} \Big|_0^2 = 0.8$$

$$\mathbb{E}[Y^3] = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} y^3 f(y) dy$$

$$= \int_{-2}^0 (0.1) y^3 dy + \int_0^2 (0.1 + 0.3y) y^3 dy$$

$$= (0.1) \frac{y^4}{4} \Big|_{-2}^0 + (0.1) \frac{y^4}{4} \Big|_0^2 + (0.3) \frac{y^5}{5} \Big|_0^2 = 1.92 \quad \square$$

P3. Suppose a soccer player's chest size $\sim N(41.6, 5.0625)$, independent of other players'. We selected 25 soccer players.

Q: Let Y be the number of players having chest size of at least 42.275, calculate $\mathbb{P}(Y=7)$ and $\mathbb{E}[Y]$.

Soln: (Step 1) $X =$ a player's chest size $\sim N(41.6, 5.0625)$.

Calculate p : prob, that $\{\text{the chest size} \geq 42.275\}$

$$p = \mathbb{P}(X \geq 42.275)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{X - 41.6}{\sqrt{5.0625}} \geq \frac{42.275 - 41.6}{\sqrt{5.0625}}\right)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(Z \geq 0.3) \quad Z = \frac{X - 41.6}{\sqrt{5.0645}} \sim N(0,1)$$

$$= 1 - \Phi(0.3)$$

$$= .3821$$

$$(\text{Step 2}) \quad Y \sim \text{Bin}(n=25, p=.3821)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(Y=7) = \binom{25}{7} p^7 (1-p)^{25-7} = (\text{result})$$

$$\mathbb{E}[Y] = np \quad (\text{by table of Distribution})$$

$$= (25)(.3821)$$

$$= 9.5525$$

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