

HW 4, Harry Luo

ex 3.4

Since X has uniform distribution on $[4, 10]$, it has a PDF of $f(x) = \frac{1}{6}$ for x in $[4, 10]$ and zero otherwise.

(a)

$$P(x < 6) = P(4 < X < 6) = \frac{6 - 4}{6} = \frac{1}{3} \quad (1)$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} P(|X - 7| > 1) &= P(X < 6) + P(X > 8) \\ &= P(4 < X < 6) + P(8 < X < 10) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} P(X < t \mid X < 6) &= \frac{P(X < t, X < 6)}{P(X < 6)} \text{ for } 4 \leq t \leq 6 \\ &= \frac{P(X < t)}{P(X < 6)} \\ &= \frac{P(4 \leq X < t)}{P(X < 6)} \\ &= \frac{t - 4}{6 - 4} = \boxed{\frac{t - 4}{2}} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

ex 3.5

possible values correspond to jumps in cdf, and the pmf is the size of the jump.

$$\begin{aligned} p_x(1) &= \frac{1}{3} \\ p_x\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{6} \\ p_x\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) &= \frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4} \\ p_x\left(\frac{9}{5}\right) &= 1 - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

ex 3.7

For a continuous random variable, the cdf is described as $F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt$

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} P(a \leq X \leq b) &= F(b) - F(a) = 1 \\ \Rightarrow a &\leq \sqrt{2}; b \geq \sqrt{3} \\ \text{smallest interval} &= [\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}] \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

(b) for a continuous R.V., the pmf at any point is zero, so $P(X = 1.6) = 0$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 P\left(1 \leq X \leq \frac{3}{2}\right) &= F\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - F(1) \\
 &= \left(\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - 2\right) - 0 \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}
 \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

(d) Noticing the fact that the cdf is continuous except at points $\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}$, the pdf could be retrieved by:

$$f(x) = F'(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{if } \sqrt{2} \leq x < \sqrt{3} \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases} \tag{7}$$

ex 3.9

pdf was given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3e^{-3x} & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases} \tag{8}$$

(a) for a continuous R.V., expectation is calculated by

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} xf(x) dx = \int_0^{+\infty} 3xe^{-3x} dx = \frac{1}{3} \tag{9}$$

(b)

$$E(e^{2X}) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{2x}f(x) dx = \int_0^{+\infty} 3e^{-x} dx = 3 \tag{10}$$

ex 3.16

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(Z) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} xf(x) dx = \int_1^2 \frac{1}{7}x dx + \int_5^7 \frac{3}{7}x dx \\
 &= \frac{75}{14}
 \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(Z) &= E(Z^2) - (E(Z))^2 = \int_1^2 \frac{1}{7}x^2 dx + \int_5^7 \frac{3}{7}x^2 dx - \left(\frac{75}{14}\right)^2 \\
 &= \frac{1633}{588}
 \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

ex 3.23

(a) Possible values of profit are

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 - 1 &= -1 \text{ (won nothing); } 2 - 1 = 1 \text{ (80 ppl who won \$2);} \\
 100 - 1 &= 99 \text{ (19 ppl who won \$100); } 7000 - 1 = 6999 \text{ (1 who won \$7000).}
 \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

We can then represent the pmf as

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X = -1) &= \frac{10000 - 100}{10000} = \frac{99}{100} \\
 P(X = 1) &= \frac{80}{10000} = \frac{1}{125} \\
 P(X = 99) &= \frac{19}{10000} \\
 P(X = 6999) &= \frac{1}{10000}
 \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

(b)

$$P(X \geq 100) = P(X = 6999) = \frac{1}{10000} \quad (15)$$

(c) For X as a discrete R.V., the expectation is

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \sum_k kP(X=k) = -1 \times \frac{99}{100} + \frac{1}{125} + 99 \times \frac{19}{10000} + 6999 \times \frac{1}{10000} = -0.094 \\ E(X^2) &= \sum_k k^2P(X=k) = (-1)^2 \times \frac{99}{100} + 1^2 \times \frac{1}{125} + 99^2 \times \frac{19}{10000} + 6999^2 \times \frac{1}{10000} = 4918.22 \\ \Rightarrow \text{Var}(X) &= E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = 4918.22 - (-0.094)^2 = 4918.22 - 0.008836 = 4918.211 \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

ex 3.28

(a) X has possible values of 1, 2, 3. This is a sampling without replacement trial, where

$$\begin{aligned} \text{price in the first open box: } P(X=1) &= \frac{3}{5} \\ \text{price in the second open box } P(X=2) &= \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{10} \\ \text{price in the third open box } P(X=3) &= \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{3} = \frac{1}{10} \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

$$(b) E(X) = 1 \cdot \frac{3}{5} + 2 \cdot \frac{3}{10} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{10} = 3/2$$

$$\begin{aligned} (c) E(X^2) &= 1^2 \cdot \frac{3}{5} + 2^2 \cdot \frac{3}{10} + 3^2 \cdot \frac{1}{10} = \frac{27}{10} \\ \Rightarrow \text{Var}(X) &= E(X^2) - E(X)^2 = 9/20 \end{aligned}$$

(d) We represent the loss or gain of the game as $Y = g(X)$.

$$\begin{aligned} Y = g(X) &= \begin{cases} 100 & \text{if } X = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } X = 2 \\ -100 & \text{if } X = 3. \end{cases} \\ E(Y) &= 100 \times \frac{3}{5} + 0 \times \frac{3}{10} - 100 \times \frac{1}{10} = 50 \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

ex 3.31

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x) dx = \int_1^{\infty} cx^{-4} dx = \frac{c}{3} \\ \Rightarrow c &= 3 \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

(c)

$$P(0.5 < X < 2) = \int_{0.5}^2 3x^{-4} dx = \frac{7}{8} \quad (20)$$

(e)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{when } x \geq 1: F(x) &= P(X \leq x) = \int_1^x 3t^{-4} dt = 1 - x^{-3} \\ \text{when } x < 1: F(x) &= P(X \leq x) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

(f)

$$E(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} xf(x) dx = \int_1^{\infty} 3x^{-3} dx = \frac{3}{2} \quad (22)$$

(g)

$$E(5X^2 + 3X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 3x^{-2} \, dx + 3 \times \frac{3}{2} = \frac{15}{2} + \frac{9}{2} = 12 \quad (23)$$

ex 3.47