



03 Mystery distributions: Identify from data

A researcher collects data from three different experiments and computes summary statistics:

Dataset A: $n = 500$ observations, all values are either 0 or 1. Sample mean ≈ 0.23 , sample variance ≈ 0.177 .

Dataset B: $n = 1000$ observations, values range from 0 to 47. Sample mean ≈ 12.1 , sample variance ≈ 11.8 .

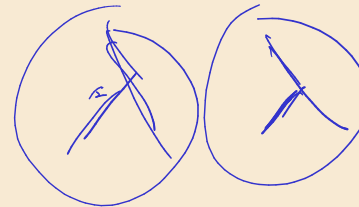
Dataset C: $n = 800$ observations, values are positive reals ranging from 0.001 to 14.2. Sample mean ≈ 2.5 , sample variance ≈ 6.3 .

For each dataset:

- a. Identify the most likely distribution family.
- b. Estimate the parameter(s) of that distribution from the summary statistics.
- c. For Dataset B, the researcher notices that these are counts of customer complaints per day at a call center. Does this context support your answer? What if instead they were counts of “successes” in 50

Bern, Bin, geomet,
poisson, expon,
unifor, ~~normal~~

$$[p] \quad [p(1-p)]$$





01 Convergence modes: The vanishing spike

Define X_n as follows: with probability $\frac{1}{n}$, $X_n = n$; otherwise $X_n = 0$.

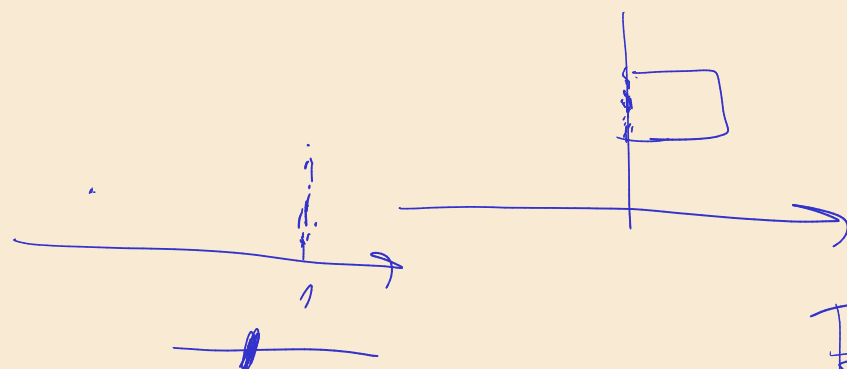
- a. Compute $E[X_n]$ and $\text{Var}[X_n]$. What happens as $n \rightarrow \infty$?
- b. Show that $X_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$ (converges in probability to 0) by computing $P[|X_n| > \epsilon]$ for any $\epsilon > 0$.
- c. Does $X_n \rightarrow 0$ almost surely? Hint: Consider $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P[X_n \neq 0]$. Use the Borel-Cantelli lemma intuition: if events happen “infinitely often” then convergence a.s. fails.
- d. Explain in 2-3 sentences: why can a sequence have vanishing probability of being far from 0, yet still “spike” infinitely often with probability 1?

Discrete Distributions [↗](#)

🏠 04 The “obvious” Bernoulli that isn’t

A weighted die shows 6 with probability $\frac{1}{3}$ and each of 1–5 with probability $\frac{2}{15}$.

- a. Define a Bernoulli random variable X for “rolling a 6.” State p and compute $E[X]$ and $\text{Var}[X]$.
- b. Define a different Bernoulli random variable Y for “rolling an even number.” Compute $E[Y]$ and $\text{Var}[Y]$.
- c. For which event is the variance larger? Explain intuitively why maximum Bernoulli variance occurs at $p = 0.5$.



Handwritten notes and calculations:

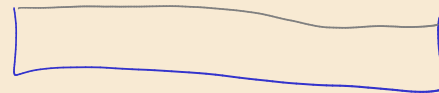
- Three circles representing dice faces: the first has a '+' sign and is labeled '1' above it; the second has a '-' sign and is labeled '0' above it; the third has a '1' and is labeled '1' above it.
- The expression $p=1$ is written and underlined.
- The formula for variance is written: $E[(X - E[X])^2] \rightarrow 0$.
- The expression $p(1-p)$ is boxed.
- The expression $p-p^2$ is written below the box.
- The value $p=0.5$ is written next to $p-p^2$.
- The expression $p=0.5$ is written separately.

303. Ավանում կա 2800 բնակիչ: Նրանցից յուրաքանչյուրը ամսական մոտ 6 անգամ գնացքով մեկնում է քաղաք, ուղևորության օրերը մեկը մյուսից անկախ ընտրելով պատահականորեն: Գտնել գնացքի այն փոքրագույն փարողությունը, որի դեպքում այն ամբողջությամբ կլցվի միջին հաշվով 100 օրում ոչ ավելի, քան մեկ անգամ (գնացքը գնում է օրական մեկ անգամ):

100 99

2800

1-6 անգամ



6

2800 հ

$X \geq$

100 օր 5/6

30 - 6

$$5/6 \cdot P = \frac{6}{30} = 0.2$$

0.2
0.8

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$$2800 \cdot 0.2 = 560$$

$$Y = n \cdot p = 560$$

$$X = 0.2$$

$$n \cdot X = 0.8$$

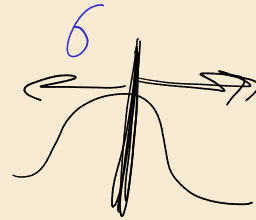
$$n \cdot X = 0.2 \cdot 0.8$$

$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$$

$$\sigma^2 = 2800 \cdot 0.2 \cdot 0.8 = 448$$

$$\sigma = 21$$



$$P(Z < c) = 0.99$$

$$Z_{0.99} = 0.495$$

$$0.99 \quad \boxed{60.9}$$

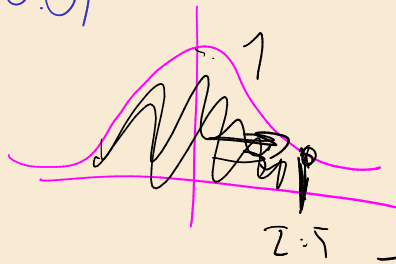
$$\uparrow$$

$$\boxed{61.0}$$

$$560 + 2.33 \cdot \sqrt{448}$$

$$0.1 \quad 99.7$$

$$95 \quad 3$$



$$2.5$$

$$560 + 2.5 \cdot 21$$

$$547$$

1, ~~2~~, 3, 4, 2, 2, 4, 5. (P)

mini

2
4 48

N, K

52

2ⁿ 4 4 4

Bin

80

20

Be

K ←

n / N_K

$$P(X=K) = \frac{\binom{2}{4} \binom{2-2}{N-K}}{\binom{2}{52}}$$

2
52

$$n \cdot \frac{K}{N} \frac{N-K}{N} \frac{N-N}{N-1}$$

1 2 3 4 5