



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 .

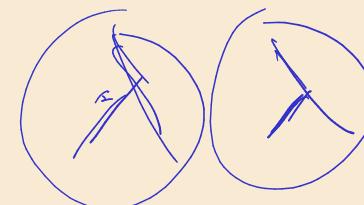
Dataset C: $n = 800$ observations, values are positive reals ranging from 0.001 to 14.2. Sample mean ≈ 2.5 , sample variance ≈ 6.3 .

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, geometric,
Poisson, exp dist,
uniform, 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 $p = 0.5$.

The image contains handwritten mathematical notes and diagrams. At the top right, there are three circles representing faces of a die. The first circle has a '+' sign inside. The second circle has a '-' sign inside. The third circle has a '1' inside. Below these, there is a horizontal line with a bracket above it containing the letter 'P'. To the left of this line, there is a small sketch of a die face with a '+' sign. To the right of the line, there is a large bracketed expression: $E[(X - \bar{E}X)^2] \rightarrow 0$. Below this, there is a box containing the term $E P(1-P)$. Below the box, there is a note $P - \bar{P} \approx 0.5$. To the right of the box, there is a note $P = 0.5$. There is also a note $P = 9/15$ written near the bottom right.

303. Ավանում կա 2800 բնակիչ: Նրանցից յուրաքանչյուրը ամսական մոտ 6 անգամ գնացքով մեկնում է քաղաք, ուղևորության օրերը մեկը մյուսից անկախ ընդունվության մեջ պահպահված են: Գործել գնացքի այն փոքր-բազույն փարողությունը, որի դեպքում այն ամբողջությամբ կլցվի միջին հաշվով 100 օրում ոչ ավելի, քան մեկ անգամ (գնացքը գնում է օրական մեկ անգամ):

100 33

$$\begin{array}{c} 2800 \\ 1-f \text{ անգ } \end{array}$$

6

$$\sim 2800 \cdot f \times \geq 100 \text{օրու սին}$$

$$30 - 6$$

$$f = \frac{6}{30} = 0.2$$

$$2800 \text{ անգ } \boxed{2800 \cdot 0.2 = 560}$$

$$\sim = n \cdot p = 560$$

0.2
0.8

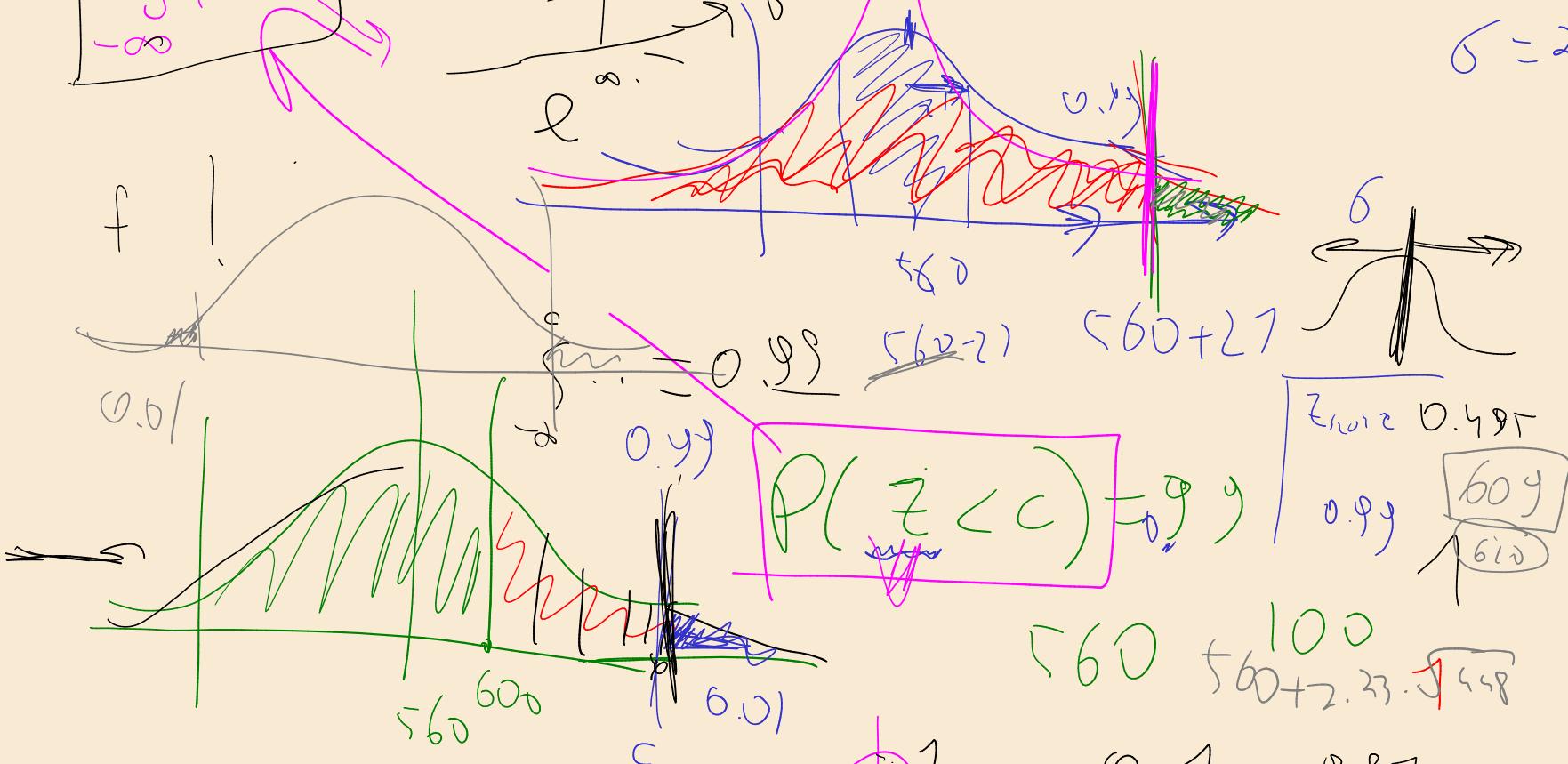
$$\begin{aligned} x &= 0.2 \\ n \cdot x &= 0.8 \\ n \cdot x &= 0.2 \cdot 0.8 \end{aligned}$$

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

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

$$6^2 = 2800 \cdot 0.2 \cdot 0.8 = 448$$

$$6 = 27$$



\rightarrow

$$[560 + 2.5 \cdot 27]$$

547

1, ~~2~~, 3, 4, 2, 2, 4, 3.

(P)

Will

12
48

N, K

52

$\frac{2^n}{2^{52}}$

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~~80~~

~~20~~

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$$P(X=k) = \frac{\underline{\underline{C_2}}}{\underline{\underline{C_{52}}}} \frac{C^{2-2}_{n-k}}{n \cdot \frac{k}{N}}$$

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