

SA - DRVs

What is expected value?	<p>The theoretical mean of a random variable.</p> <p><i>Hence it's not exactly based on sample data. The more tests you perform, the closer the mean of all your outcome will become to the expected value.</i></p>
What is a probability mass function?	A function giving exact values for discrete random variables.
How is the expected value calculated under DRVs?	$E(X) = \sum_{\forall x} (x \cdot P(X = x))$ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multiply each value by its probability of occurring. $E[g(X)] = \sum_{\forall x} (g(x) \cdot P(X = g(x)))$ <p><i>This is why $E(X^2)$ or $E(X^1)$ works</i></p>
What is the expectation of... $aX \pm b$?	$E(aX + b) = aE(X) \pm b$
What is the expectation of... $X \pm Y$? When is this the case?	$E(X \pm Y) = E(X) \pm E(Y)$ <p>This is as long as they're independent.</p>
What is the formula for variance (σ^2)?	$\sigma^2 = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2$ <p><i>"The mean of the squares minus the square of the means."</i></p>
What is the variance of... $aX+b$?	$a^2\text{Var}(X)$ <p>Adding a constant doesn't affect the variability of X.</p>
What is the variance of... $X \pm Y$? When is this the case?	$\text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y)$ <p>This is as long as they're independent.</p>

What is the equation for the expectation of a discrete uniform distribution?	$E(T) = \frac{n + 1}{2}$
What is the equation for the variance of a discrete uniform distribution?	$Var(T) = \frac{n^2 - 1}{12}$
Prove the equation for the expectation of discrete uniform distribution	$ \begin{aligned} E(T) &= \left(1 \cdot \frac{1}{n}\right) + \left(2 \cdot \frac{1}{n}\right) + \dots + \left(n \cdot \frac{1}{n}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} (1 + 2 + \dots + n) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n k = \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \\ &= \frac{n+1}{2} \end{aligned} $
Prove the equation for the variance of discrete uniform distribution	$ \begin{aligned} Var(T) &= E(T^2) - (E(T))^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 - \left(\frac{1}{n} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n k\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} - \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} - \left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)^2 \\ &= (n+1) \left[\frac{2n+1}{6} - \frac{n+1}{4} \right] \\ &= (n+1) \left[\frac{n-1}{12} \right] = \frac{n^2 - 1}{12} \end{aligned} $