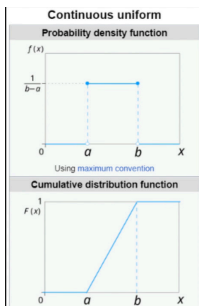


- 1) Continuous Uniform Distribution (PDF)
- 2) Discrete Uniform Distribution (PMF)

1) Continuous uniform Distribution

In probability theory and statistics, the continuous uniform distributions or rectangular distributions are a family of symmetric probability distribution. Such a distribution describes an experiment where there is an arbitrary outcome that lies between certain bounds. The bounds are defined by the parameters,  $a$  and  $b$  which are the minimum and maximum values.



Notation:  $U(a, b)$

Parameters:  $-\infty < a < b < \infty$

PDF  $\begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & x \in [a, b] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

CDF  $\begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x < a \\ \frac{x-a}{b-a} & \text{for } x \in [a, b] \\ 1 & \text{for } x > b \end{cases}$

Mean =  $\frac{1}{2} (a+b)$

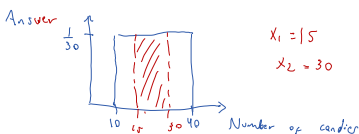
Median =  $\frac{1}{2} (a+b)$

Variance =  $\frac{1}{12} (b-a)^2$

Example

The number of candies sold daily of a shop is uniformly distributed with a maximum of 40 candies and a minimum of 10

i) Probability of daily sales to fall between 15 and 30



$x_1 = 15$

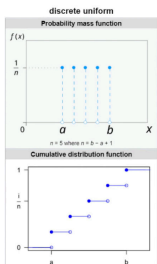
$x_2 = 30$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(15 \leq X \leq 30) &= (x_2 - x_1) * \frac{1}{b-a} \\ &= (30 - 15) * \frac{1}{30} \\ &= \underline{0.5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Pr(X \geq 20) = (40 - 20) * \frac{1}{30} = 0.66$$

## 2) Discrete Uniform Distribution

In probability theory and statistics, the discrete uniform distribution is a symmetric probability distribution, wherein a finite number of values are equally likely to be observed; every one of  $n$  values has equal probability  $1/n$ . Another way of saying: "Discrete uniform distribution" would be a "known, finite number of outcomes equally likely to happen".



- 1) Discrete Random Variable
- 2) PMF

Example Rolling / Flipping a dice (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6)

$\Pr(1) = 1/6$

$\Pr(2) = 1/6$

$\Pr(3) = 1/6$

$\vdots$   
 $\Pr(6) = 1/6$

$\frac{1}{n} \Rightarrow n = b - a + 1$   
 $= 6 - 1 + 1 = \underline{6}$

Notation  $U(a, b)$

Parameters  $a, b$  where  $b \geq a$

PMF  $1/n$

Mean  $\searrow$   
Median  $\nearrow$   $\frac{a+b}{2}$