

Tutorial 3

Simple Practice Problems

1. Binomial Distribution Problem A coin is flipped 5 times. What is the probability of getting exactly 3 heads?

Hint: Use `binopdf(k, n, p)` where $k=3$, $n=5$, and $p=0.5$.

2. Gaussian (Normal) Distribution Problem The scores on a math test are normally distributed with a mean of 70 and a standard deviation of 10. What is the probability that a randomly selected student scores less than 65?

Hint: Use `normcdf(x, mu, sigma)`.

3. Poisson Distribution Problem A library sees an average of 2 people arriving every 10 minutes. What is the probability of having exactly 4 people arriving in the next 10 minutes?

Hint: Use `poisspdf(k, lambda)` where $k=4$ and $\lambda=2$.

4. Bernoulli Distribution Problem A light switch has a 90% chance of being on. If you check the light once, what is the probability that it is off?

Hint: Use $1 - p$, where $p=0.9$.

5. PMF Problem A die is rolled once. What is the probability of rolling a 4?

Hint: For a fair die, the probability is $1/6$.

6. PMF and CDF Problem for Binomial Distribution A survey finds that 60% of people prefer online shopping over physical shopping. If you survey 8 people, plot the PMF and CDF of the number of people who prefer online shopping.

Hint: Use `binopdf()` and `binocdf()` to calculate the PMF and CDF, and plot using `stem()` and `stairs()`.

7. Gaussian Distribution Problem The temperature in a city on a given day is normally distributed with a mean of 30°C and a standard deviation of 5°C . What is the probability that the temperature is between 25°C and 35°C ?

Hint: Use `normcdf(x, mu, sigma)` for both 25 and 35, and subtract the results.

8. Simple Bayes' Theorem Problem A factory has two machines, A and B. Machine A produces 60% of the products, and Machine B produces 40%. 3% of the

products from Machine A are defective, while 5% of the products from Machine B are defective. If a product is found to be defective, what is the probability it came from Machine A?

Hint: Use Bayes' Theorem.

9. Bernoulli Trial Simulation Simulate a single coin flip where the probability of getting heads is 0.6.

Hint: Use `rand()` and check if the random number is less than 0.6.

10. Simple PMF and CDF Problem A random variable X represents the number on a fair die. Plot the PMF and CDF for X .

Hint: Use `stem()` for the PMF and `stairs()` for the CDF.