## **Discrete Distributions**

	Notation <sup>1</sup>	$F_X(x)$	$f_X(x)$	$\mathbb{E}\left[X ight]$	$\mathbb{V}\left[X ight]$	$M_X(s)$
Uniform	$\mathrm{Unif}\left\{ a,\ldots,b\right\}$	$\begin{cases} 0 & x < a \\ \frac{\lfloor x \rfloor - a + 1}{b - a} & a \le x \le b \\ 1 & x > b \end{cases}$	$\frac{I(a < x < b)}{b - a + 1}$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a+1)^2 - 1}{12}$	$\frac{e^{as} - e^{-(b+1)s}}{s(b-a)}$
Bernoulli	$\mathrm{Bern}(p)$	$(1-p)^{1-x}$	$p^x \left(1 - p\right)^{1 - x}$	p	p(1-p)	$1 - p + pe^s$
Binomial	$\mathrm{Bin}(n,p)$	$I_{1-p}(n-x,x+1)$	$\binom{n}{x}p^x \left(1-p\right)^{n-x}$	np	np(1-p)	$(1 - p + pe^s)^n$
Multinomial	$\operatorname{Mult}\left( n,p\right)$		$\frac{n!}{x_1! \dots x_k!} p_1^{x_1} \dots p_k^{x_k}  \sum_{i=1}^k x_i = n$	$np_i$	$np_i(1-p_i)$	$\left(\sum_{i=0}^{k} p_i e^{s_i}\right)^n$
Hypergeometric	$\mathrm{Hyp}\left(N,m,n\right)$	$\approx \Phi\left(\frac{x - np}{\sqrt{np(1-p)}}\right)$	$\frac{\binom{m}{x}\binom{m-x}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{x}}$	$rac{nm}{N}$	$\frac{nm(N-n)(N-m)}{N^2(N-1)}$	N/A
Negative Binomial	$\mathrm{NBin}(n,p)$	$I_p(r,x+1)$	$ \binom{x+r-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^x $	$r\frac{1-p}{p}$	$r\frac{1-p}{p^2}$	$\left(\frac{p}{1-(1-p)e^s}\right)^r$
Geometric	$\mathrm{Geo}\left(p\right)$	$1 - (1 - p)^x  x \in \mathbb{N}^+$	$p(1-p)^{x-1}  x \in \mathbb{N}^+$	$\frac{1}{p}$	$\frac{1-p}{p^2}$	$\frac{p}{1 - (1 - p)e^s}$
Poisson	$Po(\lambda)$	$e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^{x} \frac{\lambda^i}{i!}$	$\frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$	λ	λ	$e^{\lambda(e^s-1)}$

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## **Continuous Distributions**

	Notation	$F_X(x)$	$f_X(x)$	$\mathbb{E}\left[X ight]$	$\mathbb{V}\left[X ight]$	$M_X(s)$
Uniform	$\mathrm{Unif}(a,b)$	$\begin{cases} 0 & x < a \\ \frac{x-a}{b-a} & a < x < b \\ 1 & x > b \end{cases}$	$\frac{I(a < x < b)}{b - a}$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$	$\frac{e^{sb} - e^{sa}}{s(b-a)}$
Normal	$\mathcal{N}\left(\mu,\sigma^2\right)$	$\Phi(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} \phi(t)  dt$	$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\}$	$\mu$	$\sigma^2$	$\exp\left\{\mu s + \frac{\sigma^2 s^2}{2}\right\}$
Log-Normal	$\ln \mathcal{N}\left(\mu, \sigma^2\right)$	$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\operatorname{erf}\left[\frac{\ln x - \mu}{\sqrt{2\sigma^2}}\right]$	$\frac{1}{x\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}}\exp\left\{-\frac{(\ln x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\}$	$e^{\mu+\sigma^2/2}$	$(e^{\sigma^2} - 1)e^{2\mu + \sigma^2}$	
Multivariate Normal	$\operatorname{MVN}\left(\mu,\Sigma\right)$		$(2\pi)^{-k/2}  \Sigma ^{-1/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu)}$	$\mu$	$\Sigma$	$\exp\left\{\mu^T s + \frac{1}{2} s^T \Sigma s\right\}$
Student's $t$	$\mathrm{Student}(\nu)$	$I_x\left(rac{ u}{2},rac{ u}{2} ight)$	$\frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu+1}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\nu\pi}\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)}\left(1+\frac{x^2}{\nu}\right)^{-(\nu+1)/2}$	0	0	
Chi-square	$\chi_k^2$	$\frac{1}{\Gamma(k/2)}\gamma\left(\frac{k}{2},\frac{x}{2}\right)$	$\frac{1}{2^{k/2}\Gamma(k/2)}x^{k/2}e^{-x/2}$	k	2k	$(1-2s)^{-k/2} \ s < 1/2$
F	$\mathrm{F}(d_1,d_2)$	$I_{\frac{d_1x}{d_1x+d_2}}\left(\frac{d_1}{2},\frac{d_1}{2}\right)$	$\frac{\sqrt{\frac{(d_1x)^{d_1}d_2^{d_2}}{(d_1x+d_2)^{d_1+d_2}}}}{xB\left(\frac{d_1}{2},\frac{d_1}{2}\right)}$	$\frac{d_2}{d_2 - 2}$	$\frac{2d_2^2(d_1+d_2-2)}{d_1(d_2-2)^2(d_2-4)}$	
Exponential	$\mathrm{Exp}\left(\beta\right)$	$1 - e^{-x/\beta}$	$rac{1}{eta}e^{-x/eta}$	$\beta$	$eta^2$	$\frac{1}{1-\beta s} \left( s < 1/\beta \right)$
Gamma	$\operatorname{Gamma}\left(\alpha,\beta\right)$	$\frac{\gamma(\alpha, x/\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)}$	$\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^{\alpha}}x^{\alpha-1}e^{-x/\beta}$	lphaeta	$lphaeta^2$	$\left(\frac{1}{1-\beta s}\right)^{\alpha} (s < 1/\beta)$
Inverse Gamma	$\operatorname{InvGamma}\left(\alpha,\beta\right)$	$rac{\Gamma\left(lpha,rac{eta}{x} ight)}{\Gamma\left(lpha ight)}$	$\frac{\beta^{\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{-\alpha - 1} e^{-\beta/x}$	$\frac{\beta}{\alpha-1}\ \alpha>1$	$\frac{\beta^2}{(\alpha-1)^2(\alpha-2)^2} \ \alpha > 2$	$\frac{2(-\beta s)^{\alpha/2}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}K_{\alpha}\left(\sqrt{-4\beta s}\right)$
Dirichlet	$\mathrm{Dir}\left(\alpha\right)$		$\frac{\Gamma\left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_i\right)}{\prod_{i=1}^{k} \Gamma\left(\alpha_i\right)} \prod_{i=1}^{k} x_i^{\alpha_i - 1}$	$\frac{\alpha_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i}$	$\frac{\mathbb{E}\left[X_{i}\right]\left(1-\mathbb{E}\left[X_{i}\right]\right)}{\sum_{i=1}^{k}\alpha_{i}+1}$	
Beta	$\mathrm{Beta}\left(\alpha,\beta\right)$	$I_x(lpha,eta)$	$\frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-1}$	$\frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta}$	$\frac{\alpha\beta}{(\alpha+\beta)^2(\alpha+\beta+1)}$	$1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \prod_{r=0}^{k-1} \frac{\alpha+r}{\alpha+\beta+r} \right) \frac{s^k}{k!}$
Weibull	$\mathrm{Weibull}(\lambda,k)$	$1 - e^{-(x/\lambda)^k}$	$\frac{k}{\lambda} \left( \frac{x}{\lambda} \right)^{k-1} e^{-(x/\lambda)^k}$	$\lambda\Gamma\left(1+rac{1}{k} ight)$	$\lambda^2 \Gamma\left(1 + \frac{2}{k}\right) - \mu^2$	$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{s^n \lambda^n}{n!} \Gamma\left(1 + \frac{n}{k}\right)$
Pareto	$Pareto(x_m, \alpha)$	$1 - \left(\frac{x_m}{x}\right)^{\alpha} \ x \ge x_m$	$\alpha \frac{x_m^{\alpha}}{x^{\alpha+1}}  x \ge x_m$	$\frac{\alpha x_m}{\alpha - 1} \ \alpha > 1$	$\frac{x_m^{\alpha}}{(\alpha-1)^2(\alpha-2)} \ \alpha > 2$	$\alpha(-x_m s)^{\alpha} \Gamma(-\alpha, -x_m s) \ s < 0$