Noncentral F distribution (from http://www.math.wm.edu/~leemis/chart/UDR/UDR.html) The shorthand $X \sim \text{noncentral F}(n_1, n_2, \delta)$ is used to indicate that the random variable X has the noncentral F distribution with positive integer parameters n_1, n_2 , and positive noncentrality parameter δ . A noncentral F random variable X with parameters n_1, n_2 , and δ has probability density function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{2i+n_1+n_2}{2}\right) \left(\frac{n_1}{n_2}\right)^{(2i+n_1)/2} x^{(2i+n_1-2)/2} e^{-\delta/2} \left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right)^i}{\Gamma\left(\frac{n_2}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{2i+n_1}{2}\right) i! \left(1 + \frac{n_1}{n_2}x\right)^{(2i+n_1+n_2)/2}} \qquad x > 0$$

for all $\delta > 0$ and positive integers n_1 and n_2 .

The cumulative distribution, survivor, hazard, cumulative hazard, inverse distribution, moment generating, and characteristic functions on the support of X are mathematically intractable.

The population mean and variance of *X* are

$$E[X] = \frac{n_2(n_1 + \delta)}{n_1(n_2 - 2)} \qquad n_2 > 2$$

$$V[X] = 2\frac{(n_1 + \delta)^2 + (n_1 + 2\delta)(n_2 - 2)}{(n_2 - 2)^2(n_2 - 4)} \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1}\right)^2 \qquad n_2 > 4.$$