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1 Algebra

Absolute Value Inequalities:

$$|f(x)| < a \Rightarrow -a < f(x) < a$$

$$|f(x)| > a \Rightarrow f(x) > a \text{ or } f(x) < -a$$

2 Important probability distributions

Bernoulli

Parameter $p \in [0,1]$. Discrete, describes the success or failure in a single trial.

$$p_X(k) = \begin{cases} p, & \text{if } k = 1\\ (1-p), & \text{if } k = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$E[X] = p$$

$$Var(X) = p(1-p)$$

$$F[X] = n$$

$$Var(X) = p(1 - p$$

Exponential

Parameter λ . Continuous

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda exp(-\lambda x), & \text{if } x >= 0 \\ 0, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - exp(-\lambda x), & \text{if } x >= 0 \\ 0, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

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$$E[X] = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

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$$Var(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$$

Gaussian

Poisson

Uniform

3 Expectation and Variance

Expectation

Variance

Covariance

Variance and expectation of mean of n iid

random variables

Let $X_1,...,X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} P_{\mu}$, where $E(X_i) = \mu$ and

$$\frac{Var(X_i)}{X_n} = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$
.

Variance of the Mean:

$$Var(\overline{X_n}) = (\frac{\sigma^2}{n})^2 Var(X_1 + X_2,...,X_n) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}.$$

Expectation of the mean:

$$E[\overline{X_n}] = \frac{1}{n}E[X_1 + X_2, ..., X_n] = \mu.$$

- 4 Law of large Numbers
- 5 Central Limit theorem
- 6 Statistical models
- 7 Estimators
- 8 Confidence intervals

Onesided

Twosided

Delta Method

9 Hypothesis tests

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Twosided

P-Value