

# Statistics Exam Prep

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## ▼ Topic Lists from Nawaj



BASIS	DISCRETE RANDOM VARIABLE	CONTINUOUS RANDOM VARIABLE
Meaning	A discrete random variable is one which may take an only a <b>countable</b> number of <b>distinct</b> values.	A continuous random variable is one which takes an <b>infinite</b> number of possible values.
Range of specified number	Complete	Incomplete
Values	Values are obtained by <b>counting</b> .	Values are obtained by <b>measuring</b> .
Classification	Non-overlapping	<b>Overlapping</b>
Assumes	Distinct or separate values.	Any value between the two values.
Represented by	<b>Isolated</b> points	<b>Connected</b> points
Described by	Probability Mass Function	Probability Density Function
Example	A coin is flipped twice and the random variable X is the number of heads. Then sample space $S = \{HH, HT, TH, TT\}$ $X = \{0, 1, 2\}$	Height, weight, the amount of sugar in an orange.

## ▼ Probability Mass Function and Probability Density Function

### Probability Mass Function (PMF)

Gives the probability of **discrete random variables**.

Applicable to discrete random variables.

Takes on **specific values with non-negative probabilities**.

$f(x)$  is PMF, satisfies these properties:

- $f(x) \geq 0$
- $\sum f(x) = 1$

### Probability Density Function (PDF)

Gives the probability density of **continuous random variables**.

Applicable to continuous random variables.

Defines **probabilities within a range**, not specific values.

$f(x)$  is PDF, which satisfies these conditions:

- $f(x) \geq 0$  for  $-\infty < x < \infty$
- $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) = 1$

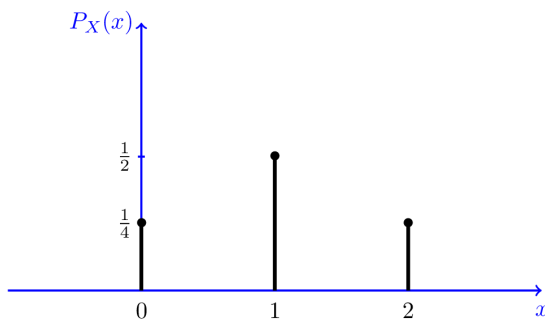
- $f(x) = P(x)$

Represents the likelihood of a particular outcome.

**Example:** Given a probability mass function  $f(x) = bx^3$  for  $x = 1, 2, 3$ . Find the value of  $b$ .

**Solution:** According to the properties of probability mass function,

$$\sum_{x=1}^3 f(x) = \dots = b = \frac{1}{36}$$



- $P(a \leq x \leq b) = \int_a^b f(x)$

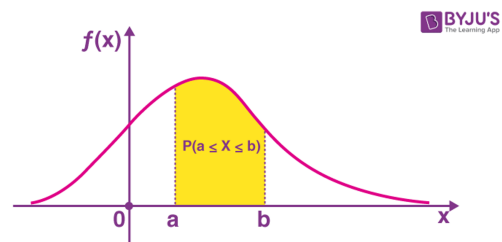
Represents the likelihood of an outcome occurring within a range.

**Example :** If the probability density function is given as:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x(x-1) & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 3 \\ x & x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

Find  $P(1 < X < 2)$ .

**Ans:**  $P(1 < x < 2) = \int_1^2 f(x) = \dots = \frac{5}{6}$



## ▼ CDF

The cumulative distribution function (CDF) of random variable  $X$  is defined as  $F_X(x) = P(X \leq x)$ , for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Note that the subscript  $X$  indicates that this is the CDF of the random variable  $X$ . Also, note that the CDF is defined for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

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## ▼ Binomial Distribution and Bernoulli Distribution

### Binomial Experiment

Consists of a **fixed** number of **identical, independent trials**.

### Bernoulli Experiment

Involves a **single trial** or experiment.

Each trial has **two possible outcomes**: success or failure.

The **probability of success (p)** remains **constant** for each trial.

The probability of failure (q) is complementary to the probability of success. ( $q = 1 - p$ )

The **probability mass function** is given by the binomial distribution formula.

Tossing a coin multiple times, counting successes.

$$b(x, n, p) = \begin{cases} \binom{n}{x} p^x (1 - p)^{n-x} & \text{if } x = 0, .n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$x$  = success

$n$  = number of event

$p$  = probability of success

$1 - p$  = probability of failure

Only **two possible outcomes**, often labeled as success (1) or failure (0).

The probability of **success (p)** remains **constant**.

The probability of failure (q) is complementary to the probability of success. ( $q = 1 - p$ )

Essentially, **a special case of the binomial distribution** with only one trial.

Flipping a coin once, where heads might be considered a success.

$$P(\text{Success}) + P(\text{Failure}) = 1$$

## ▼ Binomial and Poisson Distribution

Binomial	Poisson
It is <b>biparametric</b> (Has 2 parameters)	<b>Uniparametric</b>
The number of <b>attempts are fixed</b>	The number of <b>attempts are unlimited</b>
The probability of success is constant	The probability of success is extremely small
There are only <b>two possible outcomes</b> .	There are <b>unlimited</b> possible outcomes.

Binomial	Poisson
Mean > Variance	Mean = Variance

## ▼ Poisson Distribution

### Conditions

- An event can occur any **number of times during a time period**
- Events occur **independently**
- The rate of **occurrence is constant**
- The probability of an event is proportional to the length of the time period

$$P(X) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}, \lambda = \text{parameter of distribution} = \text{average or mean}$$

**Example:** Number of suicides reported in a particular day.

## ▼ Expected Value/Mean and Variance

**The expected value** is the arithmetic mean of the possible values a random variable can take, weighted by the probability of those outcomes.

**Variance** is the expected value of the **squared deviation** from the mean of a random variable.

$$\text{Expected value for PMF, } EX = \sum x f(x)$$

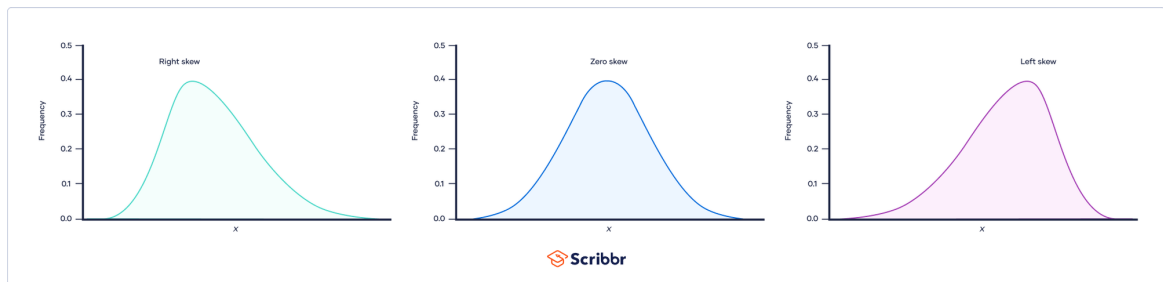
$$\text{Expected value for PDF, } EX = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$$

$$\text{Variance, } Var(x) = EX^2 - (EX)^2$$

$$EX^2 = \sum x^2 f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx$$

## ▼ Skewness

- It measures how asymmetric the distribution is about its mean.



- **Types:**

- **For Symmetrical/Zero Skew,  $\beta_1 = 0$** 
  - It's left and right sides are mirror images
  - mean = median = mode
- **Left Skew/Negative Skew**
  - longer on the right side of its peak than on its left
  - Mean < Median < Mode
- **Right Skew/Positive Skew**
  - longer on the left side of its peak than on its right
  - Mode < Median < Mean

Left and right skew can't be considered from  $\beta_1$

$$\beta_1 = \frac{\mu_3^2}{\mu_2^3}, \beta_1 \geq 0, \gamma_1 = \pm \sqrt{\beta_1} = \frac{\mu_3}{\sigma^2}$$

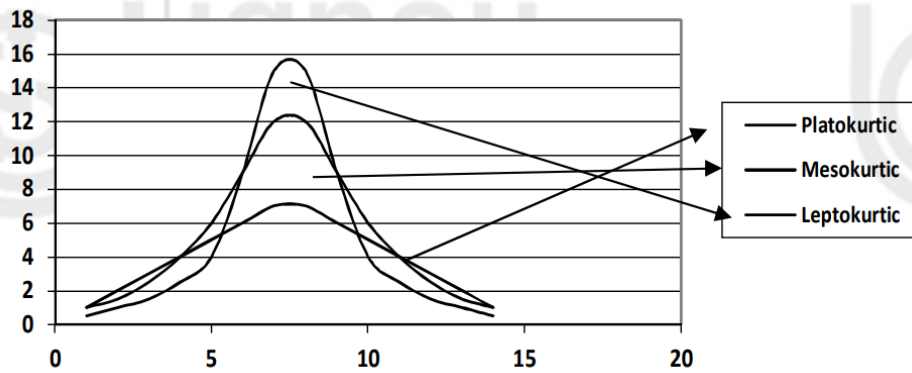
Then the sign of skewness would depend upon the value of  $\mu_3$  whether it is positive or negative.

Formula for calculating skewness,

$$S_k = \frac{\text{Mean-mode}}{\sigma}$$

## ▼ Kurtosis

- Kurtosis refers to the **degree of flatness or peakedness** in the region of a curve.



	Mesokurtic	Platykurtic	Leptokurtic
Tailedness	Medium	Thin	Fat
Outlier Frequency	Medium	Low	High
Kurtosis (beta_2)	Moderate (=3)	Low (<3)	High (>3)
Excess kurtosis	0	Negative	Positive
Example Distribution	Normal	Uniform	Laplace

$$\beta_2 = \frac{\mu_4}{\mu_2^2} = \frac{\mu_4}{\sigma^4}, \gamma_2 = \beta_2 - 3$$

## ▼ Step Function (Skipped)

## ▼ Moment

- Moments are a set of **statistical parameters to measure a distribution**.
- Moments can be useful tool for understanding the relationship between different sets of data

### Classifications:

If  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  be the values of a variable  $x$  with corresponding frequencies  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n$  respectively the  $r$  —  $th$  moment about

- **Raw Moment/Moments about the origin:**

$$\mu'_r = E(X^r) = \frac{\sum f_i x_i^r}{N}$$

- **Central Moment:**

$$\mu_r = E|(x - \mu_x)^r|$$

- **Moments about a point**



$$\mu_r = \frac{f_i(x_i - A)^r}{N}, A = \text{Arbitrary value}$$

### Types:

- First → Mean
- Second → Variance
- Third → Skewness
- Fourth → Kurtosis

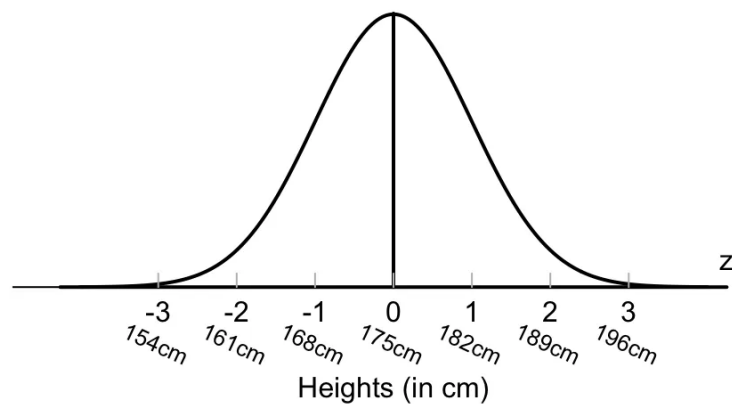
$$\mu_3 = E(X^3) - 3E(X^2)E(X) + 2[E(X)]^3$$

$$\mu_4 = E(X^4) - 4E(X^3)E(X) + 6E(X^2)[E(X)]^2 - 3[EX]^4$$

## ▼ Normal Distribution

- Bell Curve
- mean=median=mode
- symmetric about mean
- A probability distribution that is symmetric about the mean, showing that data near the mean are more frequent in occurrence than data far from the mean,.
- Known as Gaussian distribution
- Mesokurtic
- Mean as a standard point
- The probability of first half and last half is 0.5 individually
- There's only one peak, unimodal
- The curve never touch the x axis

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-0.5\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}$$



Probability of  $\leq 175$  cm or  $\leq 0$  : 0.5

- **Importance of Normal Distribution**

- The **discrete probability distributions** can be approximated to normal distribution
- **All small sample distribution** approximated to normal distribution for large values
- The entire **small sample theory** is based on the fundamental assumption that the parent population from which the sample is drawn assumed to be normal.
- In conduction of **large sample tests**, the sample distribution of sample means **sample variances, sample proportions** tends to normal distribution.
- Entire large sample theory depends on the area's property.
- **Since error function** follow normal distribution. It has a fundamental importance of the theory
- **Central Limit Theorem** follows normal distribution.

## ▼ Standard Normal Distribution

- A special normal deviation which
  - mean is 0
  - the standard deviation is 1
- Also known as z-distribution