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Math 400S

Assignment D3

1. Assume $X \sim U(a, b)$. Density is $f(x) = \int_a^b \frac{1}{b-a} dx$

1.a. Prove $E[X]$, the expected value of X , is $\frac{a+b}{2}$

$$E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x P(x) dx$$

$$= \int_a^b x \frac{1}{b-a} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b x dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{b-a} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} \Big|_a^b$$

$$= \frac{1}{b-a} \left[\frac{b^2 - a^2}{2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{b-a} \left[\frac{(b-a)(b+a)}{2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{b+a}{2}$$

1b. Prove $V[X]$, the variance of X , is $\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$

$$V[X] = E[X^2] - [E[X]]^2$$

$$E[X^2] = \int_a^b x^2 \frac{1}{b-a} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b x^2 dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{b-a} \cdot \frac{x^3}{3} \Big|_a^b$$

$$= \frac{1}{b-a} \left[\frac{b^3}{3} - \frac{a^3}{3} \right]$$

$$= \frac{b^3 - a^3}{3(b-a)} = \frac{(b-a)(b^2 + ab + a^2)}{3(b-a)} = \frac{b^2 + ab + a^2}{3} = [E[X^2]]$$

$$\frac{b^2 + ab + a^2}{3} - \left[\frac{a+b}{2} \right]^2$$

$$= \frac{b^2 + ab + a^2}{3} - \frac{a^2 + 2ab + b^2}{4}$$

$$= \frac{4b^2 + 4ab + 4a^2 - 3a^2 - 6ab - 3b^2}{12}$$

$$= \frac{b^2 - 2ab + a^2}{12} = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$$

2.a. Let $k=2, n=5, p=0.5$

$$P_k = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$
$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} = \frac{5!}{2!3!}$$
$$= \frac{5 \cdot 4}{2}$$
$$= 10$$

$$= 10(0.25)(0.125)$$

$$= 0.3125 \text{ or } 31.25\%$$

2b. $\binom{5}{4} \cdot \frac{5!}{4!1!} = 5$

$$P(4) = 5 \cdot (0.5)^4 (0.5)^1$$

$$= 5 \cdot 0.0625 (0.5)$$

$$= 0.15625 \rightarrow \text{getting exactly 4 Heads}$$

$$\binom{5}{5} = \frac{5!}{5!(0!)!} = 1$$

$$P(5) = 1 \cdot (0.5)^5 (0.5)^0$$

$$= 0.03125 \rightarrow \text{getting exactly 5 Heads}$$

$$0.15625 + 0.03125 = 0.1875 \text{ or } 18.75\%$$

$$3.a. P_i = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^i}{i!} \quad i=6, \lambda=10$$

$$P_6 = \frac{e^{-10} (10)^6}{6!} \approx 0.0631 \text{ or about } 6.31\%$$

$$3b. P_0 + P_1 + P_2 + P_3$$

$$P_0 = \frac{e^{-10} 10^0}{0!} \approx 0.0000454 \text{ (100), about } 0.00454\%$$

$$P_1 = \frac{e^{-10} (10)^1}{1!} \approx 0.000454 \text{ (100), about } 0.00454\%$$

$$P_2 = \frac{e^{-10} (10)^2}{2!} \approx 0.00227 \text{ (100), about } 0.00227\%$$

$$P_3 = \frac{e^{-10} (10)^3}{3!} \approx 0.00762 \text{ (100), about } 0.00762\%$$

$$P(\leq 3) \approx 0.01034$$

$$4. \Gamma(10) = 9! = 362880$$

$$5. \beta(8, 5)$$

$$\beta(p, q) = \frac{\Gamma(p) \Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(p+q)}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(8) \Gamma(5)}{\Gamma(13)}$$

$$\approx 0.00025$$