

C2S4:

Random Variable: X , assigns a numeric value to outcomes in a sample space.

Discrete Random Variable: Possible values are countable, sum of two dice.

Continuous Random Variable: Possible values continuous, weight of random person.

Probability Mass Function: $P(X = x) = p(x)$

Cumulative Distribution Function: $P(X \leq x)$

Denoted by $F(x)$

$$0 \leq p(x) \leq 1$$

$$\sum_x p(x) = 1$$

Support: the set of values such that $f(x) > 0$

Percentile: x_p such that $P(X \leq x_p) = \frac{p}{100}$

$$F(x_p) = \int_{-\infty}^{x_p} f(x) dx = \frac{p}{100}$$

C2S6:

Jointly Distributed Random Variable: Two or more random variables that are related when considering “individuals” in a population.

Joint Probability Mass Function: $P(X = x, Y = y) = p(x, y)$ $P(X = x \cap Y = y)$

Marginal Probability Mass Function:

$$P_x(x) = \sum_y p(x, y)$$

$$f_x(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy$$

Summing or integrating out the opposite variable gives you the marginal probability mass function for the variable you desire.

C4S1: The Bernoulli Distribution

$X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(P)$

P is the probability of a success happening.

$$P(X = x) = p^x(1 - p^{1-x})$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \mu_X = p$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = p \cdot (1 - p)$$

C4S2: The Binomial Distribution

Chaining together n independent Bernoulli trials.

Think of a for loop running n times. $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$

$$p(x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1 - p)^{n-x}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \mu_X = n \cdot p$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = n \cdot p \cdot (1 - p)$$

Mass function for $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$:

$$P(x) = P(X = x) = \binom{n}{x} \cdot p^x \cdot (1 - p)^{n-x}$$

Table A1 gives probabilities for the Binomial distribution in the form $P(X \leq x)$

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \mu_X = n \cdot p$$

$$\sigma_X^2 = \text{Var}(X) = n \cdot p \cdot (1 - p)$$

$$\sigma_X = \sqrt{n \cdot p \cdot (1 - p)}$$

$$\hat{p} = \frac{x}{n} = \frac{\sum Y_i}{n} \text{ where } \hat{p} \text{ is an estimator of } p.$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\hat{p}] = \mu_{\hat{p}} = p$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{p}) = \frac{p \cdot (1-p)}{n}$$

C4S3: The Poisson Distribution

Taking the limit of the binomial distribution

$$\lambda = n \cdot p$$

$$X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$$

$$p(x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \cdot \lambda^x}{x!}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \mu_X = \lambda$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \lambda$$

Estimating over t units over time or space:

$$\hat{\lambda} = \frac{x}{t}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\hat{\lambda}] = \lambda$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\lambda}) = \frac{\lambda}{t}$$

C4S4: The Hypergeometric Distribution

A finite population of size N , divided into two groups. R items in group one and $N-R$ in group two. n items selected without replacement.

$$X \sim H(N, R, n)$$

Probability Mass Function:

$$p(x) = \frac{\binom{R}{x} \binom{N-R}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \mu_X = n \cdot \frac{R}{N}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = n \frac{R}{N} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{R}{N}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{N-n}{N-1}\right)$$

Geometric Distribution:

A sequence of independent Bernoulli trials where p is constant and X is the number of trials up to and including the first success. Think of a while loop with the first success as the terminating condition.

$$X \sim \text{Geom}(P)$$

Probability Mass Function:

$$p(x) = (1 - p)^{x-1} \cdot p$$

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Discrete Random Variables:

$$\mu_x = \mathbb{E}[X] = \sum_x x \cdot p(x)$$

$$\sigma^2 = \sum_x x^2 \cdot p(x) - \mu_x^2$$

$$\mathbb{E}[g(X)] = \sum_x g(x) \cdot p(x)$$

Continuous Random Variables:

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

$$\mu_x = \mathbb{E}[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot f(x) dx$$

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$$(\mu \pm k\sigma_x)$$

$$P(|X - \mu_x| > k\sigma_x) = \frac{1}{k^2}$$

C2S5:

Linear Functions of Random Variables

$$\text{Linear Function: } Y = aX + b$$

$$\text{Expected Value: } a\mathbb{E}[X] + b$$

$$\text{Variance: } a^2 \cdot \text{Var}(X)$$

$$\text{Standard Deviation: } |a| \cdot \sigma_x$$

Linear Combinations of Random Variables

$$\text{Linear Combinations: } \sum_{i=1}^n c_i X_i$$

$$\text{Expected Value: } \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mathbb{E}[X_i]$$

$$\text{Variance: } \sum_{i=1}^n c_i^2 \text{Var}(X) \text{ where } X_i\text{'s are independent}$$

$$\text{Var}(x+y) = \text{Var}(x) + \text{Var}(y)$$

$$\text{Var}(x-y) = \text{Var}(x) + \text{Var}(y)$$

Simple Random Samples

$$\bar{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n} \cdot x_i$$

$$\mu_{\bar{x}} = \mathbb{E}[\bar{x}] = \mu$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}}^2 = \text{Var}(\bar{x})$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sigma_x}{\sqrt{n}}$$

C2S6:

$$0 \leq p(x, y) \leq 1$$

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$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx dy = 1$$

$$P(a \leq x \leq b, c \leq y \leq d) = \int_c^d \int_a^b f(x, y) dx dy$$

$$\mathbb{E}[h(X, Y)] = \sum_x \sum_y h(x, y) p(x, y)$$

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$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \mu_{XY} - \mu_x \mu_y$$

$$\rho_{X,Y} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X,Y)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X)\text{Var}(Y)}}$$

C3:

$$\sigma_{g(X)} \approx |g'(X)| \cdot \sigma_X$$

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