Discrete Probability Distributions

 $Guidelines\ for\ R$

General Cases

Less than or equal to

The probability that X is **less than or equal** to a: $Pr(X \le a)$:

function(a, ...)

Example

• $Pr(X \le 5)$, assume $X \sim Binomial(n = 10, p = 0.6)$

pbinom(5, size = 10, prob = 0.6)

[1] 0.3668967

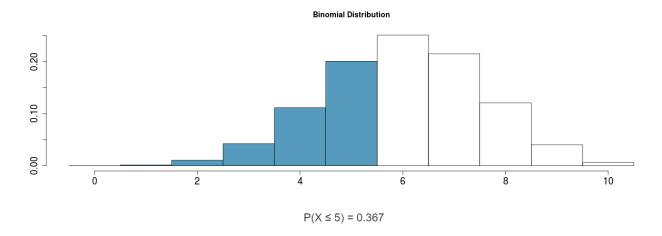


Figure 1:

Less than

The probability that X is **less than** a: Pr(X < a):

function(a-1, ...)

Example

• Pr(X < 5), assume $X \sim Binomial(n = 10, p = 0.6)$

pbinom(4, size = 10, prob = 0.6)

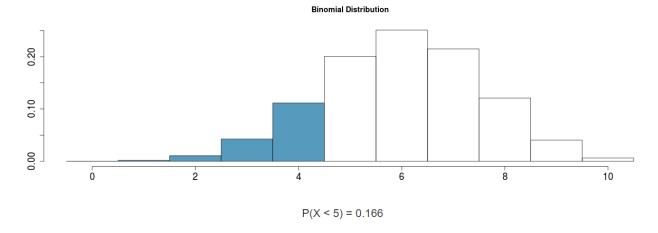


Figure 2:

Greater than or equal to

The probability that X is greater than or equal to a: $Pr(X \ge a)$:

$$function(a-1, ..., lower.tail = F)$$

Example

• $Pr(X \ge 5)$, assume $X \sim Binomial(n = 10, p = 0.6)$

[1] 0.8337614

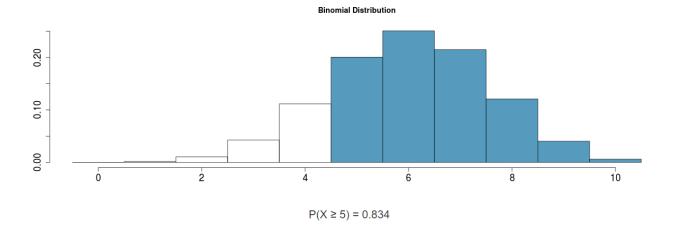


Figure 3:

Greater than

The probability that X is **greater than** a: Pr(X > a):

$$function(a, ..., lower.tail = F)$$

Example

• Pr(X>5), assume $X\sim Binomial(n=10,\ p=0.6)$ pbinom(5, size = 10, prob = 0.6, lower.tail = F)

[1] 0.6331033

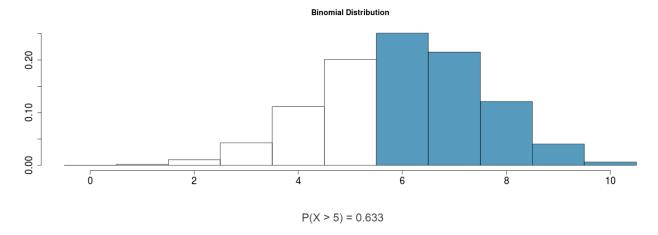


Figure 4: