

Advanced Statistics (DS2003)
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Summary of Some Important Random
Variables

1. Discrete Uniform Random Variable

$$S_X = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N\}$$
$$p_X(x) = \frac{1}{N}$$
$$E(X) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N a_i; \quad Var(X) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N [a_i - E(X)]^2$$

2. Bernoulli Random Variable

$$S_X = \{0, 1\}$$
$$p_X(x) = \begin{cases} p & \text{when } x = 1 \\ 1 - p & \text{when } x = 0 \end{cases}$$
$$E(X) = p; \quad Var(X) = p(1 - p)$$

3. Binomial Random Variable

$$S_X = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$$
$$p_X(k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$$
$$E(X) = np; \quad Var(X) = np(1 - p)$$

4. Geometric Random Variable

$$S_X = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$
$$p_X(n) = p(1 - p)^{n-1}$$
$$E(X) = \frac{1}{p}; \quad Var(X) = \frac{1 - p}{p^2}$$

5. Negative Binomial Random Variable

$$S_X = \{r, r + 1, r + 2, r + 3, \dots\}$$
$$p_X(n) = \binom{n-1}{r-1} p^r (1 - p)^{n-r}$$
$$E(X) = \frac{r}{p}; \quad Var(X) = r \left(\frac{1 - p}{p^2} \right)$$

6. Poisson Random Variable

$$S_X = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$
$$p_X(k) = \frac{(\lambda t)^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda t}$$
$$E(X) = \lambda t; \quad Var(X) = \lambda t$$

7. Continuous Uniform Random Variable

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{b - a}; \quad a \leq x \leq b$$
$$E(X) = \frac{a + b}{2}; \quad Var(X) = \frac{(b - a)^2}{12}$$

8. Exponential Random Variable

$$f_X(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}; \quad x \geq 0$$
$$E(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda}; \quad Var(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$$

9. Gaussian Random Variable

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x-\mu)^2}; \quad -\infty \leq x \leq \infty$$
$$E(X) = \mu; \quad Var(X) = \sigma^2$$
