

Moment Generated Function	
Continuous R.V.X	$\phi_X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{sx} f_X(x) dx$
Discrete R.V.Y	$\phi_Y(s) = \sum_{y_i \in S_Y} e^{sy_i} P_Y(y_i)$
$\phi_X(s)$ has nth moment	$E[X^n] = \frac{d^n \phi_X(s)}{ds^n} \Big _{s=0}$

Random Variable	PMF or PDF	MGF $\phi_X(s)$
Bernoulli (p)	$P_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1-p & x=0, \\ p & x=1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$	$1-p+pe^s$ $E[X]=p$ $Var[X]=p(1-p)$
Binomial (n,p)	$P_X(x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$	$(1-p+pe^s)^n$ $E[X]=np$ $Var[X]=np(1-p)$
Geometric (p)	$P_X(x) = \begin{cases} p(1-p)^{x-1} & x=1,2,\dots \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$	$\frac{pe^s}{1-(1-p)e^s}$ $E[X]=1/p$ $Var[X]=(1-p)/p^2$
Pascal (k,p)	$P_X(x) = \binom{x-1}{k-1} p^k (1-p)^{x-k}$	$(\frac{pe^s}{1-(1-p)e^s})^k$ $E[X]=k/p$ $Var[X]=k(1-p)/p^2$
Poisson (α)	$P_X(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha^x e^{-\alpha} / x! & x=0,1,2,\dots \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$	$e^{\alpha(e^s-1)}$ $E[X]=\alpha$ $Var[X]=\alpha$
Disc. Uniform (k,l)	$P_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1/(l-k+1) & x=k,\dots,l \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$	$\frac{e^{sk}-e^{s(l+1)}}{(l-k+1)(1-e^s)}$ $E[X]=\frac{k+l}{2}$ $Var[X]=\frac{(l-k)(l-k+1)}{12}$
Constant (a)	$f_X(x) = \delta(x-a)$	e^{sa}
Uniform (a,b)	$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & a < x < b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	$\frac{e^{bs}-e^{as}}{s(b-a)}$ $E[X]=\frac{a+b}{2}$ $Var[X]=\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$
Exponential (λ)	$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & x \geq 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	$\frac{\lambda}{\lambda-s}$ $E[X]=1/\lambda$ $Var[X]=1/\lambda^2$
Erlang (n, λ)	$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda^n x^{n-1} e^{-\lambda x}}{(n-1)!} & x \geq 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$	$(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda-s})^n$ $E[X]=n/\lambda$ $Var[X]=n/\lambda^2$
Gaussian (μ, σ)	$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-(x-\mu)^2/2\sigma^2}$	$e^{s\mu+s^2\sigma^2/2}$ $E[X]=\mu$ $Var[X]=\sigma^2$

For two random variable X, Y. And W=g(x,y)	
Expected value	Discrete: $E[W] = \sum_{x \in S_X} \sum_{y \in S_Y} g(x,y) P_{X,Y}(x,y)$ Continuous: $E[W] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x,y) f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx dy$
Variance	$Var[X+Y] = Var[X] + Var[Y] + 2E[(X-\mu_x)(Y-\mu_y)]$
Covariance	$Cov[X,Y] = E[(X-\mu_x)(Y-\mu_y)]$
Correlation	$r_{X,Y} = E[XY]$
Correlation coefficient	$\rho_{X,Y} = \frac{Cov[X,Y]}{\sqrt{Var[X]Var[Y]}} = \frac{Cov[X,Y]}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$

Iterated expectation	$E[E[X Y]] = E[X]$
	$E[E[g(X) Y]] = E[g(X)]$

For any set of R.V. X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n and $W_n = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$	
Expected value	$E[W_n] = E[X_1] + E[X_2] + \dots + E[X_n]$
Variance	$Var[W_n] = \sum_{i=1}^n Var[X_i] + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n Cov[X_i, X_j]$ When X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are uncorrelated, $Var[W_n] = Var[X_1] + \dots + Var[X_n]$
MGF	When X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are independent, $\phi_W(s) = \phi_{X_1}(s) \phi_{X_2}(s) \dots \phi_{X_n}(s)$.

For the random sum of iid random variables $R = X_1 + \dots + X_N$, $E[R] = E[N]E[X]$, $Var[R] = E[N]Var[X] + Var[N](E[X])^2$

Let $\{X_1, X_2, \dots\}$ be a collection of iid random variables, each with MGF $\phi_X(s)$, and let N be a nonnegative integer-valued random variable that is independent of $\{X_1, X_2, \dots\}$. The random sum $R = X_1 + \dots + X_N$ has moment generating function $\phi_R(s) = \phi_N(\ln \phi_X(s))$.

Central Limit Theorem Approximation

Let $W_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$ be the sum of n iid random variables, each with $E[X] = \mu_X$ and $Var[X] = \sigma_X^2$. The central limit theorem approximation to the CDF of W_n is

$$F_{W_n}(w) \approx \Phi\left(\frac{w - n\mu_X}{\sqrt{n\sigma_X^2}}\right)$$

Chernoff Bound

For an arbitrary random variable X and a constant c ,

$$P[X \geq c] \leq \min_{s \geq 0} e^{-sc} \phi_X(s)$$

Sample Mean

For iid random variable X_1, \dots, X_n with PDF $f_X(x)$, the sample mean of X is the random variable

$$M_n(X) = \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n}$$

The sample mean $M_n(X)$ has expected value and variance

$$E[M_n(X)] = E[X], \quad Var[M_n(X)] = \frac{Var[X]}{n}$$

Markov Inequality

For a random variable X such that $P[X < 0] = 0$ and a constant c ,

$$P[X \geq c^2] \leq \frac{E[X]}{c^2}.$$

Chebyshev Inequality

For an arbitrary random variable Y and constant $c > 0$,

$$P[|Y - \mu_Y| \geq c] \leq \frac{Var[Y]}{c^2}.$$

Confidential interval

For any constant $c > 0$,

$$(a) P[|M_n(X) - \mu_X| \geq c] \leq \frac{Var[X]}{nc^2} = \alpha$$

$$(b) P[|M_n(X) - \mu_X| < c] \geq 1 - \frac{Var[X]}{nc^2} = 1 - \alpha$$

Confidential interval = $2c$ confidence coefficient = $1 - \alpha$

Theorem 10.4

Let X be a Gaussian (μ, σ) random variable. A confidence interval estimate of μ of the form

$$M_n(X) - c \leq \mu \leq M_n(X) + c$$

has confidence coefficient $1 - \alpha$ where

$$\alpha/2 = Q\left(\frac{c\sqrt{n}}{\sigma}\right) = 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{c\sqrt{n}}{\sigma}\right).$$

De Moivre-Laplace Formula

For a binomial (n, p) random variable K ,

$$P[k_1 \leq K \leq k_2] \approx \Phi\left(\frac{k_2 + 0.5 - np}{\sqrt{np(1-p)}}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{k_1 - 0.5 - np}{\sqrt{np(1-p)}}\right)$$

Maximum A posteriori Probability (MAP) Binary Hypothesis Test

Given a binary hypothesis testing experiment with outcome s , the following rule leads to the lowest possible value of P_{ERR} :

$$s \in A_0 \text{ if } P[H_0|s] \geq P[H_1|s]; \quad s \in A_1 \text{ otherwise.}$$

For an experiment that produces a random vector X , the MAP hypothesis test is

$$\text{Discrete: } x \in A_0 \text{ if } \frac{P_{X|H_0}(x)}{P_{X|H_1}(x)} \geq \frac{P[H_1]}{P[H_0]}; \quad x \in A_1 \text{ otherwise.}$$

$$\text{Continuous: } x \in A_0 \text{ if } \frac{f_{X|H_0}(x)}{f_{X|H_1}(x)} \geq \frac{P[H_1]}{P[H_0]}; \quad x \in A_1 \text{ otherwise.}$$

For an experiment that produces a random vector X , the minimum cost hypothesis test is

$$\text{Discrete: } x \in A_0 \text{ if } \frac{P_{X|H_0}(x)}{P_{X|H_1}(x)} \geq \frac{P[H_1]C_{01}}{P[H_0]C_{10}}; \quad x \in A_1 \text{ otherwise.}$$

$$\text{Continuous: } x \in A_0 \text{ if } \frac{f_{X|H_0}(x)}{f_{X|H_1}(x)} \geq \frac{P[H_1]C_{01}}{P[H_0]C_{10}}; \quad x \in A_1 \text{ otherwise.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{ERR} &= P[A_1|H_0]P[H_0] + P[A_0|H_1]P[H_1] \\ P_{MISS} &= P[A_0|H_1] = P[X \leq x_0|H_1] = \Phi(x_0 - v) \\ P_{FA} &= P[A_1|H_0] = P[X > x_0|H_0] = 1 - \Phi(x_0) \end{aligned}$$