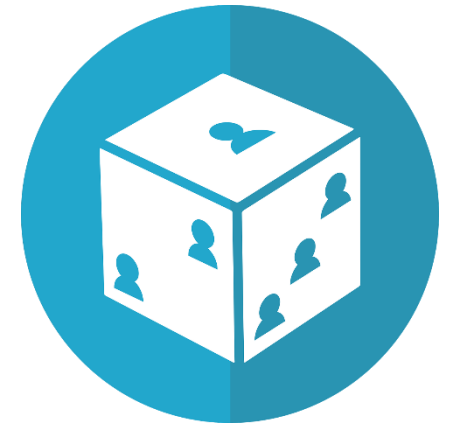


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Random Variables; Types of Random Variables

Math for Machine Learning



Random Variables

A Random Variable is a numerical description of the outcomes of Random events.

In other words, a random variable maps the outcomes of random events to numerical values.

Consider Tossing a Coin

Random Variable

Possible Values

Random Events

X

$=$

0

1



Head



Tail

Random Variables

Few Examples of Random Variables:

$$X = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if Heads} \\ 1, & \text{if Tail} \end{cases}$$

$$Y = \text{Weight of a random person in a class}$$

$P(\text{Weight of a random person in a class is less than 60 kg})$

$$P(Y < 60)$$

Applications:

- Turnover of a company in a given time period.
- Price change of an asset over a given time period

Types of Data

Random Variables

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graph TD; A[Random Variables] --> B[Discrete]; A --> C[Continuous];
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Discrete

A discrete random variable takes only discrete or distinct values.

Examples: Coin toss, Colour of the ball.

Continuous

A continuous random variable can take any value in a given range.

Examples: weight of a random person in a class.