

## Practice PMF, CDF and PDF

1. The random variable X has p.m.f as given by:

$$f(X) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 4 \\ 0.1 & \text{if } x = 4 \\ 0.3 & \text{if } x = 5 \\ 0.3 & \text{if } x = 6 \\ 0.2 & \text{if } x = 8 \\ 0.1 & \text{if } x = 9 \\ 0 & \text{if } x > 9 \end{cases}$$

1. Calculate the probabilities  $P(X \leq 6.5)$ ,  $P(X > 8.1)$ ,  $P(5 < X < 8)$ .
2. Calculate the c.d.f  $F(x)$
3. Calculate  $E[X]$  and  $\text{Var}[X]$  (additional work)
4. Draw the p.m.f and c.d.f

2. For discrete random variable x, p.m.f is given by;

$$P(X=x) = \begin{cases} kx & x = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \\ k(10-x) & x = 6, 7, 8, 9 \end{cases}$$

1. Find the value of the constant k.
  2. Find the probabilities  $P(X=5)$ ,  $P(X=7)$ , and  $P(4 < X \leq 7)$ .
  3. Find the c.d.f of X
  4. Find the probabilities  $P(X < 3)$ ,  $P(X \geq 7)$  and  $P(3 \leq X < 7)$ .
  5. Draw the pmf and cdf.
3. A fair six-sided die has '1' on new face, '2' on two of its faces and '3' on the remaining three faces. The die is thrown twice, and X is the random variable 'total score thrown'. Find
- (a) The probability distribution of X
  - (b) The probability that total score is more than 4
  - (c) Find the c.d.f of X.
4. Let X be a continuous random variable whose probability density function is:

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < -1 \\ x+1 & -1 \leq x \leq 0 \\ 1-x & 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 0 & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

- (a) Graph the probability density function  $f_X$  of X.
- (b) Verify that  $f_X$  is a valid probability density function.
- (c) Find  $P(X < -0.5)$  and  $P(-0.7 < X \leq 0.3)$ .

## Answers

1.

$$1. P(X \leq 6.5) = 0.7, P(X > 8.1) = 0.1, P(5 < X < 8) = 0.3.$$

2.

$$F(X) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 4 \\ 0.1 & \text{if } 4 \leq X < 5 \\ 0.4 & \text{if } 5 \leq X < 6 \\ 0.7 & \text{if } 6 \leq X < 8 \\ 0.9 & \text{if } 8 \leq X < 9 \\ 1.0 & \text{if } x \geq 9 \end{cases}$$

$$3. E[X] = 0.1 * 4 + 0.3 * 5 + 0.3 * 6 + 0.2 * 8 + 0.1 * 9 = 6.2$$

$$4. E[X^2] = 0.1 * 16 + 0.3 * 25 + 0.3 * 36 + 0.2 * 64 + 0.1 * 81 = 40.8, \text{Var}[X] = 40.8 - 6.2^2 = 2.36$$