

EECS 861
Homework #3

1. Show that $\text{Var}[X]=E[X^2]-(E[X])^2$

2. 1. X is a discrete random variable with

$$P(X=-2) = a, P(X=-1) = 0.4, P(X=1) = 0.4, P(X=2) = 0.1$$

a. Find “a”

Given “a” find:

b. Find $P(X > 3)$

c. Find $P(X=0)$

d. Find $E[X]$

e. Find $E[X^2]$

f. Find $\text{Var}[X]$

3. Using 200 samples $\{x_1, \dots, x_{200}\}$ of a discrete random variable X is given in http://www.ittc.ku.edu/~frost/EECS_861/EECS_861_HW_Fall_2022/data_HW3_Prob_2.csv

a. Given this data what is an estimate for $p_k = P(X=k)$ for $k=-2, -1, 1, 2$?

b. Find the sample mean of X using $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{200} \sum_{i=1}^{200} x_i$

c. Estimate the mean of X using $\hat{X} = \sum_{k=-2}^2 k p_k$

d. Find the sample mean square of X using $\bar{X}^2 = \frac{1}{200} \sum_{i=1}^{200} x_i^2$

e. Estimate the mean square of X using $\hat{X}^2 = \sum_{k=-2}^2 k^2 p_k$

f. Is the pmf given in problem 2 a “good” probabilistic model for this data?

4. X is a random variable with $f_X(x) = 0.4\delta(x) + 0.6u(x)e^{-x}$ where $u(x)$ = unit step function

a. Sketch $f_X(x)$.

b. Verify that the total probability is 1.

c. What is $P(X=0)$?

d. What is $P(X=2)$?

e. What is $P(-2 < X < 1)$?

f. Find $E[X]$

g. $\text{Var}[X]$

5. X is a Gaussian random variable X with $\mu_X = 0$ and $\sigma_X = 1.7$

a. What is $P(-0.5 < X < 0.5)$?

b. Plot $P(X < x_i)$ for $x_i = -4.0, -1.0, -0.4, -0.3, -0.2, -0.1, 0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 1.0, 4.0$

c. Confirm your answers using

<https://www.mathportal.org/calculators/statistics-calculator/normal-distribution-calculator.php>

d. Assuming X is a Uniform random variable $[-2, 2]$ repeat part b.

e. Is a Uniform random variable $[-2, 2]$ “good” probabilistic model for the data given in Homework 2-Problem 2?

6. X and Y have the following joint distribution function

\square	$X = -2$	$X = 0$	$X = 2$
$Y = -2$	$1/8$	$1/8$	0
$Y = 0$	0	0	$1/8$
$Y = 2$	$1/4$	$1/8$	$1/4$

a. Find $P(X=0)$.

b. Find $P(Y=2)$.

c. Find $P(X=0|Y=2)$.

d. Find ρ_{XY} .

e. Are X and Y SI random variables?

7. Show (from Chapter 2: Problem 2.18)

a. $E\{a + bX\} = a + bE\{X\}$

b. $E\{aX + bY\} = aE\{X\} + bE\{Y\}$

c. Variance of $aX + bY = a^2 \text{Var}[X] + b^2 \text{Var}[Y] + 2ab \text{Covar}[X, Y]$