

Probability mass functions

Name	Formula	Parameter	Mean	Variance
Poisson	$p(x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}, x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$	$\lambda > 0$	$\mu = \lambda$	$\sigma^2 = \lambda$
Binomial	$p(x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}, x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$	$0 \leq p \leq 1$ $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$	$\mu = np$	$\sigma^2 = np(1-p)$
Geometric	$p(x) = (1-p)^{x-1} p, x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$	$0 \leq p \leq 1$	$\mu = \frac{1-p}{p}$	$\sigma^2 = \frac{1-p}{p^2}$

Probability density functions

Name	Formula	Parameter	Mean	Variance
Normal Or Gaussian	$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-m}{\sigma}\right)^2}$ $-\infty < x < \infty$	m real $\sigma > 0$	$\mu = m$	$\sigma^2 = \sigma^2$
exponential	$f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}, x \geq 0$	$\lambda > 0$	$\mu = \frac{1}{\lambda}$	$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$
Uniform	$f(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}$ $a < x < b$	a real $b > a$	$\mu = \frac{a+b}{2}$	$\sigma^2 = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$
Gamma	$f(x) = \frac{\lambda}{\Gamma(a)} (\lambda x)^{a-1} e^{-\lambda x}, x > 0$	$\lambda > 0$ $a > 0$	$\mu = \frac{a}{\lambda}$	$\sigma^2 = \frac{a}{\lambda^2}$