

ECS 315: In-Class Exercise #9

Solution

Instructions

1. Separate into groups of no more than three persons. Only one submission is needed for each group. **The group cannot be the same as any of your former groups.**
2. **Write down all the steps** that you have done to obtain your answers. You may not get full credit even when your answer is correct without showing how you get your answer.
3. **Do not panic.**

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Consider the random variable specified in each part below.

- Write down its (minimal) support.
- Write down its pmf.
- Find $P[X < 1]$
- Find $P[1 < X \leq 2]$

The supports for all of these RVs contain 0, 1, ...

All of these RVs are integer-valued.

Therefore, $P[X < 1] = P[X = 0]$

Therefore, $P[1 < X \leq 2] = P[X = 2]$

		Support	pmf	$P[X < 1]$	$P[1 < X \leq 2]$
(a)	$X \sim \text{Bernoulli}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$	$\{0, 1\}$	$\begin{cases} 1-p, & x=0, \\ p, & x=1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$ $\stackrel{p=1/2}{=} \begin{cases} 1/2, & x=0, 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	$1/2$	0.
(b)	$X \sim \text{Binomial}\left(4, \frac{1}{4}\right)$ $n=4, p=1/4$	$\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$	$\begin{cases} \binom{4}{x} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^x \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{4-x}, & x=0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ $= \begin{cases} 81/256 \approx 0.3164, & x=0, \\ 27/64 \approx 0.4219, & x=1, \\ 27/128 \approx 0.2109, & x=2, \\ 3/64 \approx 0.0468, & x=3, \\ 1/256 \approx 0.0039, & x=4, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	$\frac{81}{256} \approx 0.3164$	$\frac{27}{128} \approx 0.2109$
(c)	$X \sim \text{Poisson}(1)$ $\alpha=1$	$\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$	$\begin{cases} e^{-\alpha} \frac{\alpha^x}{x!}, & x=0, 1, 2, \dots \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ $\stackrel{\alpha=1}{=} \begin{cases} \frac{1}{e x!}, & x=0, 1, 2, \dots \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$	$\frac{1}{e} \approx 0.3679$	$\frac{1}{2e} \approx 0.1839$