

§1.9: 1) (a) $p(x) = \frac{3!}{x!(3-x)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3$; $x=0,1,2,3$, zero elsewhere.

• $E(X) = \sum_{x=0}^3 x p(x) = 0 \cdot \frac{3!}{0!(3-0)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + 1 \cdot \frac{3!}{1!(3-1)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + 2 \cdot \frac{3!}{2!(3-2)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + 3 \cdot \frac{3!}{3!(3-3)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3$

• $E(X^2) = \sum_{x=0}^3 x^2 p(x) = 0 \cdot \frac{3!}{0!(3-0)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + 1^2 \cdot \frac{3!}{1!(3-1)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + \frac{3!}{2!(3-2)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \cdot 2^2 + 3^2 \cdot \frac{3!}{3!(3-3)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 = 3$

• $V(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = 3 - \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{4}$

(b) $f(x) = 6x(1-x)$; $0 < x < 1$, zero elsewhere.

• $E(X) = \int_0^1 x f(x) dx = \int_0^1 (6x^2 - 6x^3) dx = (2x^3 - \frac{3}{2}x^4) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{2}$

• $E(X^2) = \int_0^1 x^2 f(x) dx = \int_0^1 (6x^3 - 6x^4) dx = (\frac{3}{2}x^4 - \frac{6}{5}x^5) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{3}{10}$

• $V(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = \frac{3}{10} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{20}$

(c) $f(x) = 2/x^3$, $1 < x < \infty$, zero elsewhere.

• $E(X) = \int_1^{\infty} x f(x) dx = \int_1^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{2}{x^3} dx = \int_1^{\infty} 2x^{-2} dx = -2x^{-1} \Big|_1^{\infty} = 2$

• $E(X^2) = \int_1^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{2}{x} dx = (2 \ln|x|) \Big|_1^{\infty} = \infty$ D.N.E

• $V(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2$ D.N.E

2) $p(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$, $x=1,2,3,\dots$

• MGF: $M(t) = E(e^{tx}) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} e^{tx} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{e^t}{2}\right)^x = \frac{\frac{e^t}{2}}{1 - \frac{e^t}{2}} = \frac{e^t}{2 - e^t}$ $\frac{e^t}{2} < 1$; $\Rightarrow t < \ln 2$

• $M'(t) = \frac{e^t(2 - e^t) - e^t(-e^t)}{(2 - e^t)^2} = \frac{2e^t}{(2 - e^t)^2}$

$E(X) = M'(0) = \frac{2 \cdot e^0}{(2 - e^0)^2} = 2$

$M''(t) = \frac{2e^t(2 - e^t)^{-2} - 2e^t \cdot 2(2 - e^t)(-e^t)}{(2 - e^t)^4} = \frac{2e^t(2 + e^t)}{(2 - e^t)^3}$

$E(X^2) = M''(0) = \frac{2 \cdot e^0(2 + e^0)}{(2 - e^0)^3} = 6$

$V(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = 6 - 2^2 = 2$

$$18) F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ \frac{x}{8} & 0 \leq x < 2 \\ \frac{x^2}{16} & 2 \leq x < 4 \\ 1 & 4 \leq x \end{cases} \quad f(x) = F'(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ \frac{1}{8} & 0 \leq x < 2 \\ \frac{x}{8} & 2 \leq x < 4 \\ 0 & 4 \leq x \end{cases}$$

$$\bullet E(X) = \int_0^2 x \cdot \frac{1}{8} dx + \int_2^4 x \cdot \frac{x}{8} dx = \frac{1}{16} x^2 \Big|_0^2 + \frac{1}{24} x^3 \Big|_2^4 = \frac{14}{24} = \frac{31}{12}$$

$$\bullet E(X^2) = \int_0^2 x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{8} dx + \int_2^4 x^2 \cdot \frac{x}{8} dx = \frac{1}{24} x^3 \Big|_0^2 + \frac{1}{32} x^4 \Big|_2^4 = \frac{47}{6}$$

$$\bullet V(X) = E(X^2) - E(X)^2 = \frac{47}{6} - \left(\frac{31}{12}\right)^2 = \frac{167}{144}$$

§ 1.10: 2) By Markov Inequality: $P(Y > c) = \frac{E(Y)}{c}$

$$\text{so } P(X > 2\mu) = \frac{E(X)}{2\mu} = \frac{\mu}{2\mu} = \frac{1}{2};$$

3) Chebyshev's inequality: $P(|X - \mu| \geq \epsilon) \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{\epsilon^2}$

$$\text{Here: } P(-2 < X < 8) = P(-2 - \mu < X - \mu < 8 - \mu)$$

$$\stackrel{\mu=3}{=} P(-2-3 < X - \mu < 8-3)$$

$$= P(-5 < X - \mu < 5)$$

$$= 1 - P(|X - \mu| \geq 5)$$

$$\sigma^2 = E(X^2) - \mu^2 = 13 - 3^2 = 4$$

$$\geq 1 - \frac{4}{5^2} = 1 - \frac{4}{25} = \frac{21}{25}$$

i.e. the lower bound is $\frac{21}{25}$;