

Discrete Distributions

Distribution	$f(x)$	S	$M(t)$	μ	σ^2
Bernoulli	$p^x(1-p)^{1-x}$	$\{0, 1\}$	$(1-p) + pe^t$	p	$p(1-p)$
Binomial, $b(n, p)$	$\binom{n}{x} p^x(1-p)^{n-x}$	$\{0, 1, \dots, n\}$	$((1-p) + pe^t)^n$	np	$np(1-p)$
Geometric	$(1-p)^{x-1}p$	$\{1, 2, \dots\}$	$\frac{pe^t}{1-(1-p)e^t}$	$\frac{1-p}{p}$	$\frac{1-p}{p^2}$
Hypergeometric	$\frac{\binom{N_1}{x} \binom{N_2}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}$	$n - N_2 \leq x \leq N_1, x \leq n$		$\frac{N_1}{n} \frac{N_2}{N} \frac{N-n}{N-1}$	
Negative Binomial	$\binom{x-1}{r-1} p^r(1-p)^{x-r}$	$\{r, r+1, r+2, \dots\}$	$\left(\frac{pe^t}{1-(1-p)e^t}\right)^r$	$\frac{r}{p}$	$\frac{r(1-p)}{p^2}$
Poisson	$\frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$	$\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$	$e^{\lambda(e^t-1)}$	λ	λ
Uniform	$\frac{1}{m}$	$\{1, 2, \dots, m\}$		$\frac{m+1}{2}$	$\frac{m^2-1}{12}$

Continuous Distributions

Distribution	$f(x)$	S	$M(t)$	μ	σ^2
Chi-Square, $\chi^2(r)$	$\frac{1}{\Gamma(r/2)2^{r/2}} x^{r/2-1} e^{-x/2}$	$x \geq 0$	$(1-2t)^{-r/2}, t < \frac{1}{2}$	r	$2r$
Exponential	$\frac{1}{\theta} e^{-x/\theta}$	$x \geq 0$	$\frac{1}{1-\theta t}$	θ	θ^2
Gamma	$\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\theta^\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\theta}$	$x \geq 0$	$(1-\theta t)^{-\alpha}, t < \frac{1}{\theta}$	$\alpha\theta$	$\alpha\theta^2$
Normal, $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$	$\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$	$x \geq 0$	$e^{\mu t + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} t^2}$	μ	σ^2
Uniform, $U(a, b)$	$\frac{1}{b-a}$	$a \leq x \leq b$	$\frac{e^{bt} - e^{at}}{(b-a)t}$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$