

## Standard Formula Sheet

1. If  $|r| < 1$ , then  $t + tr + tr^2 + \dots + tr^n + \dots$  converges to  $S = t/(1 - r)$ .
2.  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$
3.  $P(A \cap B) = P(A|B)P(B)$
4.  $P(A \cup B \cup C) = P(A) + P(B) + P(C) - P(A \cap B) - P(A \cap C) - P(B \cap C) + P(A \cap B \cap C)$
5.  $\text{Var}(X) = \text{E}[(X - \text{E}[X])^2] = \text{E}[X^2] - \text{E}[X]^2$
6. binomial:  $f_X(x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$ ,  $x = 0, 1, \dots, n$ .  $\text{E}[X] = np$ ;  $\text{Var}(X) = np(1-p)$ .
7. geometric:  $f_X(x) = p(1-p)^{x-1}$ ,  $x = 1, 2, \dots$ .  $\text{E}[X] = 1/p$ ;  $\text{Var}(X) = (1-p)/p^2$ .
8. negative binomial:  $f_X(x) = \binom{x-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^{x-r}$ ,  $x = r, r+1, r+2, \dots$ .  
 $\text{E}[X] = r/p$ ;  $\text{Var}(X) = r(1-p)/p^2$ .
9. hypergeometric:  $f_X(x) = \binom{m}{x} \binom{n-m}{k-x} / \binom{n}{k}$ ,  $x = 0, 1, \dots, k$ ;  $m - (n - k) \leq x \leq m$ .  
 $\text{E}[X] = k(m/n)$ ;  $\text{Var}(X) = k(m/n) \frac{(n-m)(n-k)}{n(n-1)}$
10. Poisson distribution:  $f_X(x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}$ ,  $x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ,  $\lambda > 0$ .  $\text{E}[X] = \text{Var}(X) = \lambda$ .
11. If  $X \sim \text{uniform}(a, b)$ , then  $\text{Var}(X) = (b - a)^2/12$ .
12. triangular: For base  $[a, b]$  and mode at  $m$ , where  $a \leq m \leq b$ ,

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2(x-a)}{(b-a)(m-a)}, & a \leq x \leq m \\ \frac{2(b-x)}{(b-a)(b-m)}, & m < x \leq b. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{E}[X] = [a + b + m]/3; \text{Var}(X) = [(b - a)^2 - (m - a)(b - m)]/18.$$

13. normal:  $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}$ ,  $-\infty < x < \infty$ .  $\text{E}[X] = \mu$ ;  $\text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2$ .
14. exponential:  $f_X(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$ ,  $0 \leq x < \infty$ ,  $\lambda > 0$ .  $F_X(x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda x}$  if  $x > 0$ .  
 $\text{E}[X] = 1/\lambda$ ;  $\text{Var}(X) = 1/\lambda^2$ .
15. gamma function:  $\Gamma(r) = \int_0^\infty x^{r-1} e^{-x} dx$ ,  $r > 0$ . If  $r$  is an integer,  $\Gamma(r) = (r - 1)!$
16. gamma/Erlang: For  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(r)} \lambda^r x^{r-1} e^{-\lambda x}$ ,  $x \geq 0$ .  $\text{E}[X] = r/\lambda$ ;  $\text{Var}(X) = r/\lambda^2$ .
17.  $\text{E}[X] = \text{E}[\text{E}[X|Y]]$
18.  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \text{E}[(X - \text{E}[X])(Y - \text{E}[Y])] = \text{E}[XY] - \text{E}[X]\text{E}[Y]$
19.  $\text{Cov}(aX + c, bY + d) = ab\text{Cov}(X, Y)$
20.  $\rho_{X,Y} = \text{Cov}(X, Y) / [\sqrt{\text{Var}(X)\text{Var}(Y)}]$
21. bivariate normal: For  $\mu_X, \mu_Y, \sigma_X > 0, \sigma_Y > 0$ , and  $-1 < \rho < 1$ ,

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_X\sigma_Y\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} \left[ \left(\frac{x-\mu_X}{\sigma_X}\right)^2 - \frac{2\rho(x-\mu_X)(y-\mu_Y)}{\sigma_X\sigma_Y} + \left(\frac{y-\mu_Y}{\sigma_Y}\right)^2 \right]},$$

$$-\infty < x < \infty, -\infty < y < \infty.$$

22. multinomial:  $f_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = \frac{n!}{x_1! x_2! \dots x_k!} p_1^{x_1} p_2^{x_2} \dots p_k^{x_k}$  for  $x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_k = n$  and  $p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_k = 1$ .
23.  $\text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^p c_i X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^p c_i^2 \text{Var}(X_i) + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq p} c_i c_j \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$ .
24.  $\text{MSE}(\hat{\theta}, \theta) = \text{E}[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2] = \text{E}[(\hat{\theta} - \text{E}[\hat{\theta}])^2] + (\text{E}[\hat{\theta}] - \theta)^2$ .
25.  $L(\theta | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_X(\theta | x_i)$ .