

Practical n°1

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Preliminary step and Objectives.

- Make sure to read the introduction to R and do the exercises before starting here.
- This sheet focuses on the use of probability and statistical functions in R.

About probability functions...

Exercise 1 (*Random Generators*).

1. Explain what is the function `set.seed` in R. Why would you use it?
2. Generate a random sample of size 500 from the following discrete distributions:
 - (a) Bernoulli distribution with parameter $p = 0.4$. Store it in a vector `x1`.
 - (b) Binomial distribution with parameters $n = 50$, $p = 0.4$. Store it in a vector `x2`.
 - (c) Poisson distribution with parameter $\lambda = 2$. Store it in a vector `x3`.
3. Generate a random sample of size 1000 from the following continuous distributions:
 - (a) Uniform distribution on $[2, 5]$. Store it in a vector `y1`.
 - (b) Exponential distribution with mean $1/\lambda = 0.5$. Store it in a vector `y2`.
 - (c) Normal distribution with mean $\mu = 1$ and variance $\sigma^2 = 2$. Store it in a vector `y3`.
4. An urn contains 24 balls numbered from 1 to 24. Use R to draw at random 10 balls
 - (a) without replacement, each ball being equiprobable ;
 - (b) with replacement, each ball being equiprobable ;
 - (c) without replacement, balls with even numbers being twice as likely to be drawn.

Exercise 2 (*Probabilities and CDF*).

1. Assume X is following the exponential distribution $\varepsilon(2)$ (*i.e.*, with mean 0.5) and Z the Gaussian distribution $\mathcal{N}(0, 2)$ (*i.e.*, with variance 2). Using R, compute the following quantities
 - (a) $\mathbb{P}[X > 0.5]$,
 - (b) $\mathbb{P}[X \leq 5]$,
 - (c) $\mathbb{P}[1 < X < 10]$,
 - (d) $\mathbb{P}[Z > 3]$,
 - (e) $\mathbb{P}[Z \leq -0.2]$,
 - (f) $\mathbb{P}[|Z| > 2]$.

2. Represent the cumulative distribution function of the Poisson distribution with mean $\lambda = 4$.

Exercise 3 (*Probability distributions*).

1. **Discrete variable.** Represent the mass function of a Poisson distribution with mean $\lambda = 2$.
2. **Continuous variable.** Represent the density function of a Chi-squared distribution with 3 degrees of freedom.

Exercise 4 (*Quantiles*). Consider X distributed according to a binomial distribution with parameters $n = 50$, $p = 0.4$, Y distributed according to a Chi-squared distribution with 3 degrees of freedom and Z distributed according to the standard Normal distribution $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$.

1. Using R, find the value of the quantile q in what follows

(a) $\mathbb{P}[X \leq q] \geq 0.1$, (b) $\mathbb{P}[Y \leq q] = 0.95$, (c) $\mathbb{P}[Y \geq q] = 0.65$, (d) $\mathbb{P}[|Z| < q] = 0.95$.

About statistics...

Preliminary step.

- Download "dat.RData" into a folder "TP1" and set the working directory to the download location.
- Import the data from the file "dat.RData".

Exercise 5 (*Samples distributions and densities*).

1. **Discrete variable.** Represent the distribution of sample `dat1` and compare it to the mass function of a Poisson distribution with mean $\lambda = 2$.
2. **Continuous variable.** Represent the distribution of sample `dat2` and compare it to the density function of a Chi-squared distribution with 3 degrees of freedom.

Exercise 6 (*Moments and quantiles*).

1. Compute the deciles of samples `dat1` and `dat2`.
2. Compute the mean, the median and the variance of samples `dat1` and `dat2`.
3. Compare the output of the function `summary` for samples `dat1`, and `dat2` with the summaries for a Poisson distribution with mean $\lambda = 2$ and a Chi-squared distribution with 3 degrees of freedom.