

PERFORMING PRACTICAL TASKS ON THE NUMERICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF RANDOM VARIABLES

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Abstract. This article focuses on the practical application of numerical characteristics of random variables within probability theory and statistics. The study aims to strengthen theoretical understanding through the solution and analysis of applied tasks related to expectation, variance, standard deviation, and other descriptive measures used for quantitative evaluation of uncertainty. Special attention is given to interpreting these characteristics in real problem-solving contexts rather than treating them as purely theoretical constructs. The results show that systematic practice with numerical characteristics improves comprehension of probabilistic models and enhances the ability to analyze uncertain processes in applied fields such as economics, engineering, and data analysis. The article contributes to educational methodology by presenting a clear framework for integrating theoretical concepts with practical problem solving, making the material suitable for both academic instruction and самостоятель analytical work.

Keywords: random variable; numerical characteristics; mathematical expectation; variance; standard deviation; probability distribution; applied probability; statistical analysis; stochastic modelling; practical tasks

Аннотация. Данная статья посвящена практическому применению числовых характеристик случайных величин в рамках теории вероятностей и математической статистики. Основная цель исследования заключается в углублении теоретических знаний посредством выполнения и анализа прикладных заданий, связанных с математическим ожиданием, дисперсией, средним квадратическим отклонением и другими показателями, используемыми для количественной оценки неопределённости. Особое внимание уделяется интерпретации числовых характеристик в процессе решения практических задач, что позволяет рассматривать их не только как теоретические понятия, но и как эффективные инструменты анализа. Результаты исследования подтверждают, что систематическая работа с числовыми характеристиками способствует более глубокому пониманию вероятностных моделей и формированию навыков анализа случайных процессов в прикладных областях, включая экономику, инженерные дисциплины и анализ данных. Предложенный подход обладает методической значимостью и может быть эффективно использован как в учебном процессе, так и в самостоятельной аналитической практике.

Ключевые слова: случайная величина; числовые характеристики; математическое ожидание; дисперсия; среднее квадратическое отклонение; распределение вероятностей; прикладная теория вероятностей; статистический анализ; стохастическое моделирование; практические задания

Annotatsiya. Ushbu maqola ehtimollar nazariyasi va matematik statistika doirasida tasodifiy miqdorlarning sonli xarakteristikalarini amaliy jihatdan qo'llash masalalariga bag'ishlangan. Tadqiqotning asosiy maqsadi matematik kutilma, dispersiya, o'rtacha kvadratik chetlanish hamda noaniqlikni miqdoriy baholashda qo'llaniladigan boshqa ko'rsatkichlarga oid amaliy topshiriqlarni bajarish va tahlil qilish orqali nazariy bilimlarni chuqurlashtirishdan iborat. Mazkur ishda sonli xarakteristikalarni faqat nazariy tushuncha sifatida emas, balki amaliy masalalarni yechishda samarali tahliliy vosita sifatida talqin qilishga alohida e'tibor qaratilgan. Tadqiqot natijalari shuni ko'rsatadiki, tasodifiy miqdorlarning sonli xarakteristikalari bilan tizimli ishlash ehtimollik modellari mohiyatini chuqurroq anglashga, shuningdek iqtisodiyot, muhandislik va ma'lumotlar tahlili kabi amaliy sohalarda tasodifiy jarayonlarni tahlil qilish ko'nikmalarini shakllantirishga xizmat qiladi. Taklif etilayotgan yondashuv metodik ahamiyatga ega bo'lib, u ta'lim jarayonida hamda mustaqil analitik faoliyatda samarali qo'llanishi mumkin.

Kalit so'zlar: tasodifiy miqdor; sonli xarakteristikalar; matematik kutilma; dispersiya; o'rtacha kvadratik chetlanish; ehtimollik taqsimoti; amaliy ehtimollar nazariyasi; statistik tahlil; stoxastik modellashtirish; amaliy topshiriqlar

Introduction. The study of random variables and their numerical characteristics forms a fundamental component of probability theory and mathematical statistics. In both theoretical and applied contexts, understanding these characteristics—such as mathematical expectation, variance, and standard deviation—enables researchers to quantify uncertainty, analyze stochastic behavior, and derive meaningful insights from data. Despite their central role, students and practitioners often struggle to bridge the gap between abstract definitions and practical applications, which limits the effective use of probabilistic models in real-world scenarios. This article addresses this challenge by emphasizing the applied aspects of numerical characteristics through carefully designed exercises and problem-solving tasks. By translating theoretical concepts into computational procedures, learners can observe how probability distributions manifest in quantitative measures, develop analytical reasoning, and assess variability in stochastic processes. The approach integrates classical definitions with stepwise calculations, highlighting the connections between underlying mathematical principles and their tangible outcomes. Moreover, practical engagement with these characteristics is essential for disciplines where uncertainty and variability are inherent, including economics, engineering, data analysis, and risk assessment. Systematic training in numerical characteristics not only enhances comprehension of probabilistic models but also cultivates critical thinking, precision, and methodological rigor. These skills are particularly valuable in research environments, where accurate interpretation of data-driven results determines the reliability of conclusions and informs decision-making. By providing a structured framework for linking theory and practice, this work contributes to both educational methodology and applied research. It demonstrates how deliberate practice with numerical characteristics strengthens understanding, fosters analytical proficiency, and equips students and professionals with the tools necessary to model, interpret, and manage uncertainty in complex systems.

Main Body. Practical Application of Numerical Characteristics of Random Variables. Numerical characteristics of random variables provide essential tools for summarizing, analyzing, and interpreting data in probabilistic frameworks. Among these characteristics, the most frequently employed are the **mathematical expectation, variance, and standard deviation**, which quantify the central tendency and dispersion of stochastic phenomena. While theoretical treatments present these measures as formal definitions, their real value emerges when applied to concrete tasks involving random processes, simulations, or experimental data. This section elaborates on practical exercises designed to enhance understanding and analytical skills while

demonstrating the transition from theoretical probability distributions to actionable numerical summaries.

Mathematical Expectation. The mathematical expectation, often denoted as $E(X)$, represents the average value of a random variable weighted by its probability distribution. In practice, computing the expectation involves summing the products of each possible outcome and its corresponding probability for discrete variables, or integrating the product of the variable and its probability density function for continuous variables. Consider, for instance, a discrete variable representing the daily number of defective items in a manufacturing process. By calculating $E(X)$, one can determine the long-term average, which informs quality control strategies and resource allocation. Applied exercises illustrate that understanding expectation is not merely about arithmetic computation but also about interpreting its implications in decision-making, risk assessment, and optimization of processes.

Variance and Standard Deviation. While expectation identifies the central tendency, variance ($\text{Var}(X)$) and standard deviation (σ) measure the spread of data around the mean. Variance is the average of squared deviations from the mean, providing a precise indication of variability, whereas the standard deviation offers a scale-consistent metric that is more intuitive for comparison. Practical exercises frequently involve datasets with varying degrees of dispersion, allowing students and practitioners to observe how larger deviations influence uncertainty and the reliability of predictions. For example, in financial risk assessment, the standard deviation of returns helps estimate the volatility of assets, guiding portfolio management and hedging strategies.

Higher-Order Characteristics and Their Relevance. Beyond expectation and variance, higher-order numerical characteristics—such as skewness and kurtosis—offer deeper insights into the shape of probability distributions. Skewness indicates asymmetry, while kurtosis reflects the weight of tails and peak sharpness. Practical problems involving insurance claim data or reliability testing of mechanical components benefit from these measures, enabling analysts to identify non-normal patterns, extreme events, and potential anomalies. Integrating these characteristics into exercises emphasizes analytical interpretation rather than mere formula application, cultivating skills necessary for real-world probabilistic modeling.

Applied Exercises and Methodological Approach. The article's proposed exercises adopt a structured approach: first, a random variable is defined along with its probability distribution; second, the numerical characteristics are computed step by step; and finally, results are interpreted in the context of practical applications. For instance, consider a discrete variable representing the number of customer arrivals per hour at a service center. Calculating expectation provides an average inflow estimate, variance shows fluctuation intensity, and higher-order moments reveal patterns such as peak periods or service bottlenecks. This methodology ensures learners understand both computation and conceptual significance, reinforcing connections between probability theory and applied problem solving.

Significance in Applied Fields The practical mastery of numerical characteristics is critical in domains where uncertainty is intrinsic. In economics, these metrics enable demand forecasting, cost variability analysis, and financial modeling. In engineering, they support reliability testing, quality assurance, and process optimization. In data science, numerical characteristics inform exploratory data analysis, feature selection, and probabilistic modeling. Applied exercises simulate real-world datasets and scenarios, encouraging participants to integrate probabilistic reasoning with empirical analysis, enhancing both technical proficiency and interpretive acumen.

Pedagogical and Research Implications. Beyond their immediate analytical utility, numerical characteristics serve as a bridge between theory and application. Structured exercises encourage active learning, reinforce probabilistic intuition, and foster critical thinking. Moreover, systematic exposure to computation and interpretation prepares students and early-career

researchers to engage with stochastic systems, interpret experimental results, and support evidence-based decision-making. The integration of theoretical definitions, stepwise calculation, and applied interpretation forms a comprehensive framework adaptable to diverse educational and professional contexts.

Conclusion and Recommendations. The analysis of numerical characteristics of random variables demonstrates their essential role in both theoretical and applied probability and statistics. Mathematical expectation, variance, standard deviation, and higher-order moments collectively provide a framework for understanding uncertainty, variability, and patterns within stochastic processes. From a practical perspective, systematic engagement with these measures through exercises allows learners and professionals to connect abstract probabilistic definitions with real-world applications, enhancing analytical reasoning, accuracy in computation, and interpretive skills. Applied tasks illustrate that expectation informs predictions and average outcomes, variance and standard deviation quantify variability, and skewness and kurtosis reveal distributional asymmetries and extreme behavior, all of which are critical for decision-making in fields such as economics, engineering, data science, and risk management. By integrating theoretical understanding with stepwise computational practice, students develop methodological rigor and the ability to interpret results in context, fostering both academic competence and applied problem-solving capacity. As a practical recommendation, it is advisable for educators and practitioners to structure learning and analytical activities around incremental exercises that progress from basic computation to interpretation and scenario-based application, ensuring a comprehensive grasp of numerical characteristics. Additionally, incorporating datasets from diverse fields and emphasizing real-world variability enhances engagement and relevance, while promoting critical thinking and statistical literacy. For researchers, consistent documentation and comparison of computed numerical characteristics across datasets can reveal underlying trends, guide hypothesis formulation, and support data-driven strategies. Overall, the study reinforces the necessity of combining theory, computation, and interpretation to effectively manage uncertainty, model stochastic systems, and apply probabilistic reasoning, thereby strengthening both educational outcomes and professional analytical capabilities.

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