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Probability Distribution:

It is a listing of the probabilities of all the possible outcomes that could occur if the experiment was done.

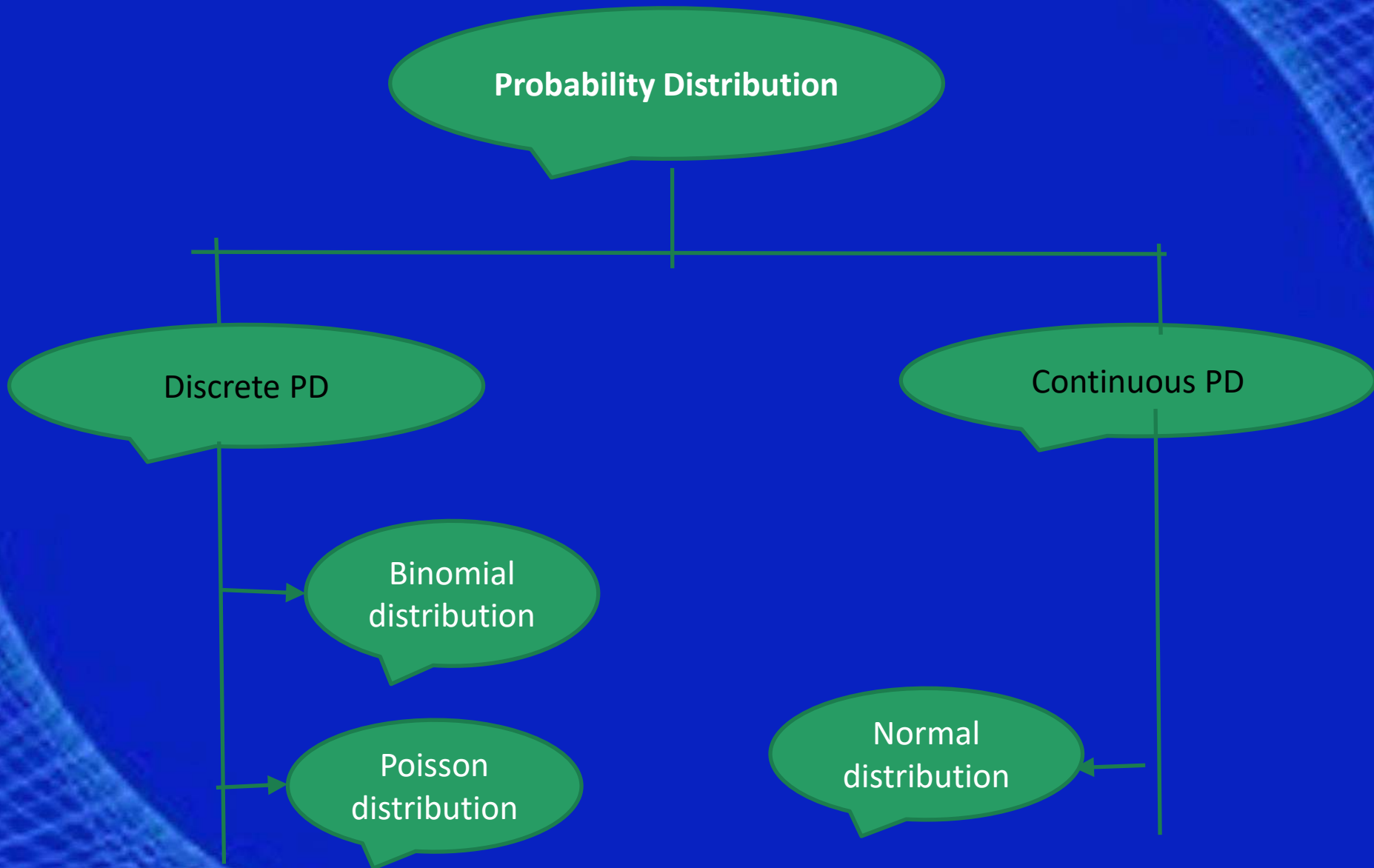
It can be described as :

- 1.A diagram (Probability tree)
- 2.A table
- 3.A mathematical formula.

Characteristics :

Probability distribution come in many shapes with different characteristics as defined by the mean, standard deviation, skewness & kurtosis.

Types of Probability Distribution :



Discrete Probability Distribution :

Random variable can take only finite number of values.

Eg: No. Of heads in two tosses

Continuous Probability Distribution :

Random variable can take any value.

Eg: Height of students in the class.

Binomial Distribution :

The Binomial distribution that a value summarizes the number of trials will take one of two independent values under a given set of parameters.

Binomial distribution is a Discrete Probability Distribution which expresses the probability of one set of alternatives - success(P) & failure(q).

The Binomial distribution formula is calculated as $P(x:n,p) = nC_x \times p^x(1-p)^{n-x}$. (Probability of r success in n trials)

n = no. of trials undertaken

x = no. of success desire

p = prob. of Success

q = prob. of failure

Poisson Distribution :

When there is a large number of trials, but a small probability of success, binomial calculation becomes impractical.

If λ = mean no. of occurrences of an event per unit interval of time/space, then probability that it will occur exactly 'x' times is given by

$$P(X=x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}$$

Where e is Napier constant

And $e = 2.7182$

Normal Distribution :

It is a Continuous Probability Distribution
ie, random variable can take on any value within a
given range. Eg: Height, weight, mark, etc.

Normal distribution also known as Gaussian
distribution.

In normal distribution the mean is 0 & standard
deviation is 1.

Normal distribution are symmetrical but not all
symmetrical distribution are normal.

Mean = μ , Standard Deviation = σ

Only two parameters are considered: Mean & S.D.

1. Same mean, different S.D
2. Same S. D, Different mean
3. Different mean, different S.D.

Characteristics of Binomial Distribution :

1. Binomial distribution has two parameters n & p .
2. Mean of Binomial Distribution is np & variance of Binomial Distribution is npq .
3. S. D of Binomial Distribution is \sqrt{npq} .
4. Mean is always greater than the variance.

Characteristics of Poisson distribution :

1. The probability that an event occurs in a given time, distance area, volume is the same.
2. Events in Poisson distribution are independent.
3. The value of λ is always greater than 0.

Characteristics of Normal Distribution :

Normal distribution are symmetric, unimodal & asymptotic, & the mean, median & mode are all equal.
The curve is symmetric at the center.

Applications of Binomial Distribution :

1. This distribution is mainly applied in the problem concerning.
2. Estimation of the reliability of the system.
3. Radar detection.

Applications of Poisson Distribution :

It is used to test if a statement regarding a population parameters is correct.

Applications of Normal Distribution :

Used to determine the proportion of the values that fall within a specified number of standard deviation from the mean.

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