

# Random Numbers

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**Abstract**—This manual provides a simple introduction to the generation of random numbers

## 1 UNIFORM RANDOM NUMBERS

Let  $U$  be a uniform random variable between 0 and 1.

1.1 Generate  $10^6$  samples of  $U$  using a C program and save into a file called uni.dat .

**Solution:** Download the following files

```
$ wget https://github.com/karna-rash/A11110
-Assignment/blob/master/codes/1.1.c
```

Now compile and execute

```
$ gcc -o 1.1 1.1.c
$ ./1.1
```

1.2 Load the uni.dat file into python and plot the empirical CDF of  $U$  using the samples in uni.dat. The CDF is defined as

$$F_U(x) = \Pr(U \leq x) \quad (1.1)$$

**Solution:** The following code plots Fig. 1.2

```
$ wget https://github.com/karna-rash/A11110
-Assignment/blob/master/codes/1.2.py
$ python3 1.2.py
```

1.3 Find a theoretical expression for  $F_U(x)$ . **Solution:** Since it is uniform distribution then pdf is given by:

$$p_U(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (1.2)$$

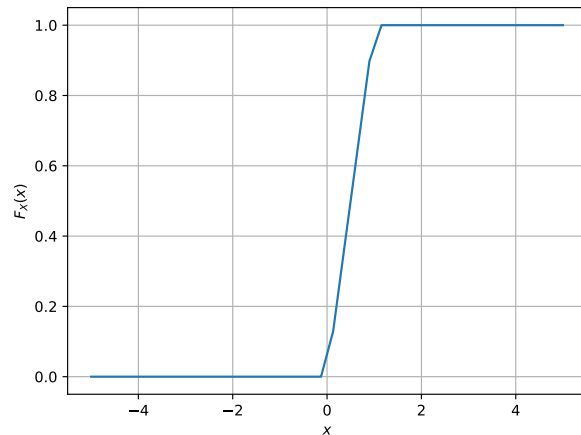


Fig. 1.2: The CDF of  $U$

$$F_U(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x p_U(x) dx \quad (1.3)$$

$$= \int_0^x 1 dx \quad (1.4)$$

$$= x \quad (1.5)$$

1.4 The mean of  $U$  is defined as

$$E[U] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N U_i \quad (1.6)$$

and its variance as

$$\text{var}[U] = E[U - E[U]]^2 \quad (1.7)$$

Write a C program to find the mean and variance of  $U$ .

**Solution:** Download and execute the code

```
$ wget https://github.com/karna-rash/A11110
-Assignment/blob/master/codes/1.3-1.4.c
```

Now compile and execute

```
$ gcc -o 1.3-1.4 1.3-1.4.c
$ ./1.3-1.4
```

1.5 Verify your result theoretically given that

$$E[U^k] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^k dF_U(x) \quad (1.8)$$

**Solution:** Mean and variance are given by :

$$E[U] = \int_0^1 x \cdot dx = 0.5 \quad (1.9)$$

$$Var[U] = E[U^2] - E[U]^2 = \int_0^1 x^2 \cdot dx - 0 \quad (1.10)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \quad (1.11)$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} \quad (1.12)$$

Experimental values:

$$\text{Mean} = 0.499772 \quad (1.13)$$

$$\text{Variance} = 0.083368 \quad (1.14)$$

## 2 CENTRAL LIMIT THEOREM

2.1 Generate  $10^6$  samples of the random variable

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^{12} U_i - 6 \quad (2.1)$$

using a C program, where  $U_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, 12$  are a set of independent uniform random variables between 0 and 1 and save in a file called gau.dat

**Soltion:**Download

```
$ wget https://github.com/karna-rash/A11110
  -Assignment/blob/master/codes/2.1.c
$ wget https://github.com/karna-rash/A11110
  -Assignment/blob/master/codes/2.1.py
```

Now compile the c-code to generate the data

```
$ gcc -o 2.1 2.1.c
$ ./2.1
```

Now excecute the python code which take the data from output of c code:

```
$ python3 2.1.py
```

2.2 Load gau.dat in python and plot the empirical CDF of  $X$  using the samples in gau.dat. What properties does a CDF have?

**Solution:** The CDF of  $X$  is plotted in Fig. 2.2  
Properties:

- it is symmetric about  $(0, 0.5)$
- its tends to one as we approach  $x = 6$

```
$ wget https://github.com/karna-rash/A11110
  -Assignment/blob/master/codes/2.2.py
$ python3 2.2.py
```

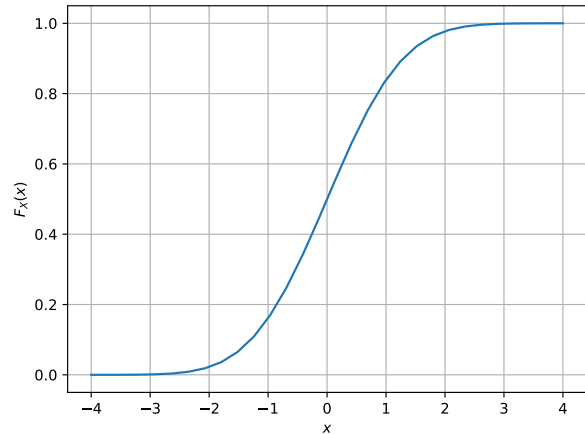


Fig. 2.2: The CDF of  $X$

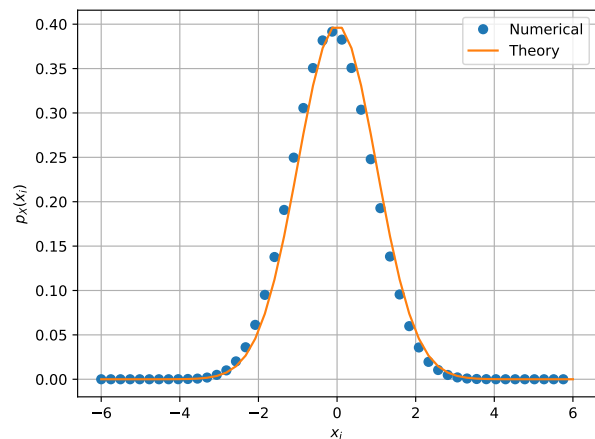


Fig. 2.3: The PDF of  $X$

2.3 Load gau.dat in python and plot the empirical PDF of  $X$  using the samples in gau.dat. The PDF of  $X$  is defined as

$$p_X(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F_X(x) \quad (2.2)$$

What properties does the PDF have?

**Solution:** The PDF of  $X$  is plotted in Fig. 2.3 using the code below

Properties:

- it is symmetric about  $x = 0$
- its tends to zero as we approach  $x = 6$

```
$ wget https://github.com/karna-rash/A11110
  -Assignment/blob/master/codes/2.3.py
$ python3 2.3.py
```

2.4 Find the mean and variance of  $X$  by writing a

C program.

**Solution:**

```
wget https://github.com/karna-rash/A11110-
Assignment/blob/master/codes/gau_mean.
c
```

compile and execute:

```
gcc -o gau_mean gau_mean.c -lm
./gau_mean
```

2.5 Given that

$$p_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right), -\infty < x < \infty, \quad (2.3)$$

repeat the above exercise theoretically.

**Solution:**

a) Mean :

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p_X(x) dx \quad (2.4)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} x \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right) dx \quad (2.5)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\left(\exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right)\right) \quad (2.6)$$

$$= 0 \quad (2.7)$$

b) variance

$$E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 p_X(x) dx \quad (2.8)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} x^2 \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right) dx \quad (2.9)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right) dx \quad (2.10)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \quad (2.11)$$

$$= 1 \quad (2.12)$$

### 3 FROM UNIFORM TO OTHER

3.1 Generate samples of

$$V = -2 \ln(1 - U) \quad (3.1)$$

and plot its CDF. **Solution:** Refer the figure 3.1

```
wget https://github.com/karna-rash/A11110-
Assignment/blob/master/codes/3.1.c
```

```
gcc -o 3.1 3.1.c
```

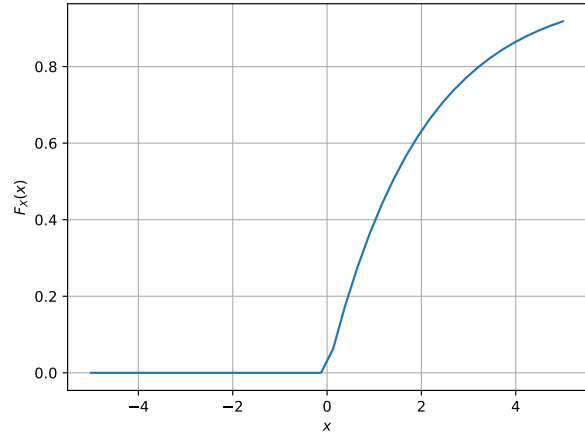


Fig. 3.1: The PDF of  $X$

```
./3.1
```

```
wget https://github.com/karna-rash/A11110-
Assignment/blob/master/codes/3.1.py
```

```
python3 3.1.py
```

3.2 Find a theoretical expression for  $F_V(x)$ .

**Solution:** Let  $V = G(U)$  then

$$F_V(x) = F_U(G^{-1}(x)) \quad (3.2)$$

$$= F_U(1 - e^{-\frac{x}{2}}) \quad (3.3)$$

$$(3.4)$$

$$F_V(x) = \begin{cases} G^{-1}(x) & 0 \leq 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{2}} \leq 1 \\ 0 & 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{2}} \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad (3.5)$$

$$F_V(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{2}} & 0 \leq x \leq \infty \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases} \quad (3.6)$$