

# Random Numbers

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### 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 and execute the C program.

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SIMULATION%20ASSIGNMENT/codes/
coeffs.h
wget https://github.com/Abhipank/probability
-and-random-variables/blob/main/
SIMULATION%20ASSIGNMENT/codes/
exrand.c
```

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

$$F_U(x) = \Pr(U \leq x) \quad (1)$$

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

```
wget https://github.com/Abhipank/probability
-and-random-variables/blob/main/
SIMULATION%20ASSIGNMENT/codes/
cdf_plot1.1.py
```

1.3 Find a theoretical expression for  $F_U(x)$ .

**solution:**

$$p_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & x < 0, x > 1 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

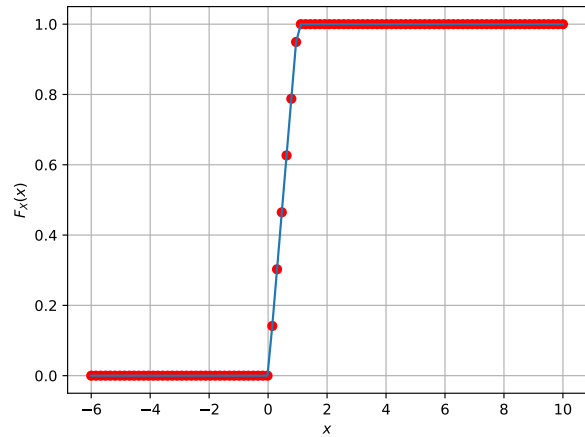


Fig. 1.2: The CDF of  $U$

$$F_U(x) = \Pr(U \leq x) = \begin{cases} \int_0^1 1 dx = x & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & x < 0, x > 1 \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

1.4 The mean of  $U$  is defined as

$$E[U] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N U_i \quad (4)$$

and its variance as

$$\text{var}[U] = E[U - E[U]]^2 \quad (5)$$

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

**solution:** The following code finds mean and variance of  $U$

```
wget https://github.com/Abhipank/probability
-and-random-variables/blob/main/
SIMULATION%20ASSIGNMENT/codes/
que1.4.c
```

1.5 Verify your result theoretically given that

$$E[U^k] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^k dF_U(x) \quad (6)$$

**solution:**

$$E[U] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^1 dF_U(x) = E[U] = \int_0^1 x^1 p_X(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow E[U] = 0.5$$

$$E[U^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 dF_U(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow E[U^2] = \int_0^1 x^2 p_X(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow E[U^2] = \int_0^1 x^2 1 dx$$

$$\Rightarrow E[U^2] = 1/3$$

$$\text{var}[U] = E[U - E[U]]^2 \quad (7)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{var}[U] = E[U^2 + E[U]^2 - 2UE[U]]$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{var}[U] = E[U^2] - E[U]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{var}[U] = 1/3 - 1/4$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{var}[U] = 1/12$$

## 2 CENTRAL LIMIT THEOREM

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

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^{12} U_i - 6 \quad (8)$$

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

**solution:** Download the following files and execute the C program.

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SIMULATION%20ASSIGNMENT/codes/
exrand.c
```

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

```
wget https://github.com/Abhipank/probability
-and-random-variables/blob/main/
```

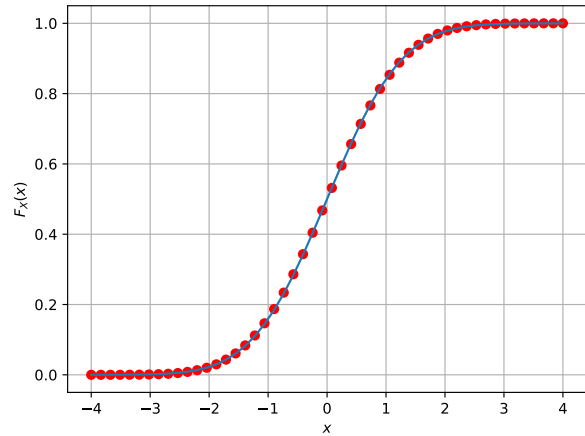


Fig. 2.2: The CDF of  $X$

```
SIMULATION%20ASSIGNMENT/codes/
que2.2.py
```

CDF is denoted by  $\phi(x)$ .

$$\phi(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \times \sigma} e^{-(x-\mu)^2/2} dx \quad (9)$$

$$Q(x) = \int_x^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \times \sigma} e^{-(x-\mu)^2/2} dx \quad (10)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) = 1 - Q(x) = Q(-x) \quad (11)$$

Here are properties for CDF of normal distribution:

- $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \phi(x) = 1$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \phi(x) = 0$
- $\phi(x) = 1 - \phi(-x)$
- $\phi(x)$  is non decreasing.

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

$$p_X(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F_X(x) \quad (12)$$

What properties does the PDF have?

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

```
wget https://github.com/Abhipank/probability
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SIMULATION%20ASSIGNMENT/codes/
pdf_plot.py
```

PDF is denoted by  $f(x)$ . Here are properties for PDF of normal distribution:

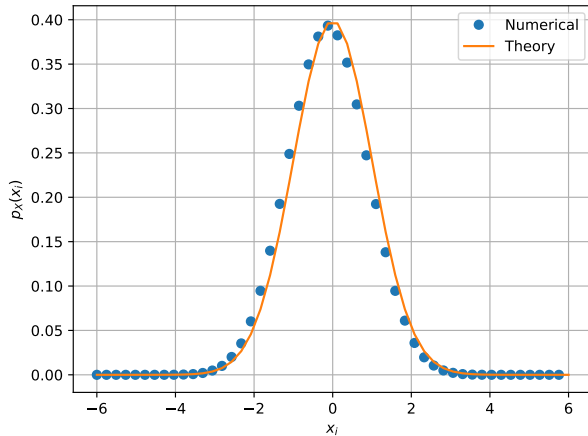


Fig. 2.3: The PDF of  $X$

- All three mean, mode, median are the same and are under the peak of pdf curve.
- $f(x) = f(-x)$ . The function is symmetric about the y-axis.
- Within one standard deviation, 68% of all observations lie.
- $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$
- $\forall x \in R \ f(x) \geq 0$

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

**solution:** The following code finds mean and variance of  $X$

```
wget https://github.com/Abhipank/probability
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SIMULATION%20ASSIGNMENT/codes/
que2.4.c
```

2.5 Given that

$$p_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right), -\infty < x < \infty, \quad (13)$$

repeat the above exercise theoretically.

**solution:**

$$E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^1 dF_X(x) = E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^1 p_X(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right) dx$$

$\Rightarrow E[X] = 0$  because integrand is odd function.

$$E[X^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 dF_X(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow E[X^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 p_X(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow E[X^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow E[X^2] = -x \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)}} e^{-x^2/2} \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)}} e^{-x^2/2} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow E[X^2] = 1 \text{ by integration by parts and } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_X(x) dx = 1$$

### 3 FROM UNIFORM TO OTHER

3.1 Generate samples of

$$V = -2 \ln(1 - U) \quad (14)$$

and plot its CDF.

**solution:** Download the following files and execute the C program.

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-and-random-variables/blob/main/
SIMULATION%20ASSIGNMENT/codes/
que3.1.c
```

The CDF of  $V$  is plotted in Fig. 3.1

```
wget https://github.com/Abhipank/probability
-and-random-variables/blob/main/
SIMULATION%20ASSIGNMENT/codes/
que3.1.py
```

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

**solution:**

$$p_X(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

$$F_V(x) = Pr(V \leq x) = \begin{cases} \int_0^x \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = 1 - e^{-\lambda x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

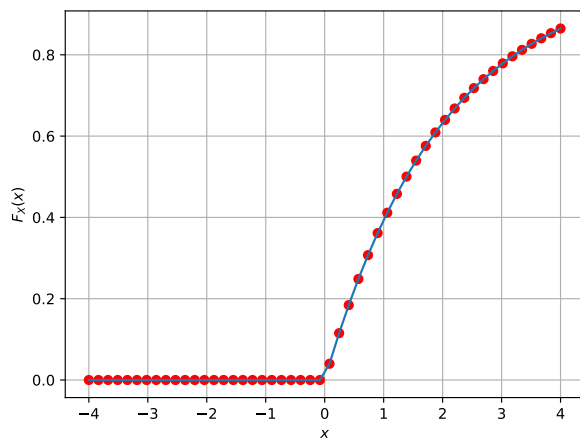


Fig. 3.1: The CDF of  $V$