

Variance:  $X$  random variable with mean  $\mu$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}[X] = E[\underbrace{(X - \mu)^2}_{\geq 0}] = E[X^2] - \mu^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}[X] \geq 0 \text{ and } \text{Var}[X] = 0 \text{ iff } P(X = \mu) = 1$$

### Normal distribution

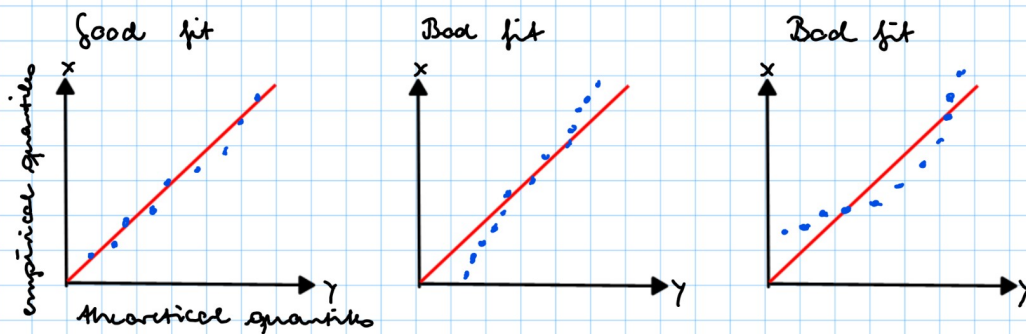
#### ① Qualitative and quantitative tests for normal distribution

##### G-G plots

- $F_t$  theoretical cdf (e.g. normal cdf)
- $F_e$  empirical cdf - defined by

$$F_e(x) = \frac{\text{number of sample elements } \leq x}{\text{total number of sample elements}}$$

$\Rightarrow$  GG plot shows  $y = \underbrace{F_t^{-1}(F_e(x))}_{\text{theoretical quantile}}$  against  $x$ .



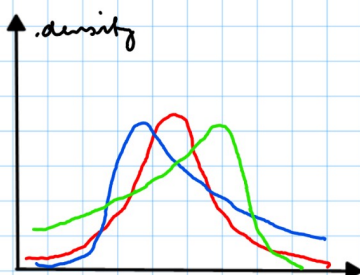
##### Skewness and kurtosis

$X$  random variable with mean  $\mu$  and std  $\sigma$

$\Rightarrow$  skewness  $E\left[\left(\frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^3\right]$  - measure of asymmetry ( $= 0$  if  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma)$ )

kurtosis  $E\left[\left(\frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^4\right]$  - measure of heaviness of tails ( $= 3$  if  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma)$ )

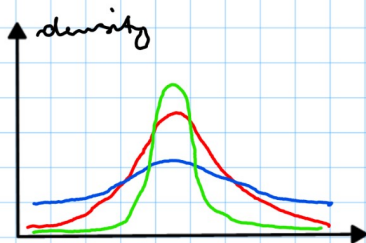
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excess kurtosis = kurtosis - 3



zero skew

positive skew

negative skew



zero excess kurtosis

positive excess kurtosis

negative excess kurtosis

## Kolmogorov-Smirnov test

Idea: Compare empirical and theoretical cdf

→ calculate  $\sup_x |F_n(x) - F(x)|$

## ② Central limit theorem

let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be independent, identically distributed (i.i.d.)

random variables with  $\mu = E[X_i]$  and  $\sigma = \sqrt{\text{Var}[X_i]}$

$$\text{let } S_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i - \mu}{\sigma}.$$

$$\text{Then } P(c \leq S_n \leq d) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_c^d \underbrace{\phi_{0,1}(x)}_{\text{density of } \mathcal{N}(0,1)} dx$$