

# Random Numbers

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**Abstract**—This manual provides solutions for random numbers assignment.

## 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/Charanyash/Random-Numbers-/blob/main/codes/uniform.c
wget https://github.com/Charanyash/Random-Numbers-/blob/main/codes/coeffs.h
```

Then use the following commands in linux terminal,

```
cc uniform.c -lm
./a.out
```

- 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:** Use the following code to plot Fig. 1.2

```
wget https://github.com/Charanyash/Random-Numbers-/blob/main/codes/
uniform_cdf_plot.py
```

Run the following command in the linux terminal,

```
python3 uniform_cdf_plot.py
```

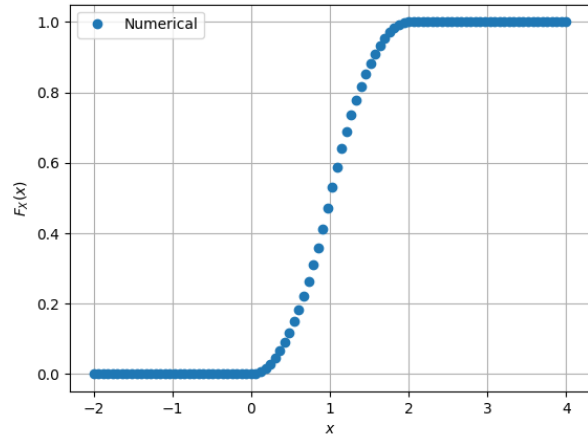


Fig. 1.2: The CDF of  $U$

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

**Solution:** Given that, random variable  $U$  is uniformly distributed in interval  $(0, 1)$ . So we can write that, the probability density function

$$f_U(x) = \frac{1}{1-0} \quad (1.2)$$

$$= 1 \quad (1.3)$$

So for  $x \in (0, 1)$ , the probability distribution function  $F_U(x)$  can be calculated as,

$$F_U(x) = \int_0^x f_x(x) dx \quad (1.4)$$

$$= \int_0^x 1 dx \quad (1.5)$$

$$= x \quad (1.6)$$

For  $x < 0$ ,

$$F_U(x) = \Pr(U \leq x) = 0 (\because f_U = 0) \quad (1.7)$$

And for  $x > 1$

$$F_U(x) = \Pr(U \leq x) = 1 (\because f_U = 0) \quad (1.8)$$

Overall,

$$F_U(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , x \leq 0 \\ x & , 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & , x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

1.4 The mean of  $U$  is defined as

$$E[U] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N U_i \quad (1.9)$$

and its variance as

$$\text{var}[U] = E[U - E[U]]^2 \quad (1.10)$$

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

**Solution:** Download the following code,

```
wget https://github.com/Charanyash/Random-Numbers-/blob/main/codes/mean_var_uniform.c
wget https://github.com/Charanyash/Random-Numbers-/blob/main/codes/coeffs.h
```

Run the following command,

```
cc mean_var_uniform.c -lm
./a.out
```

We will get output as,

$$\text{mean} = 0.500007 \quad (1.11)$$

$$\text{variance} = 0.083301 \quad (1.12)$$

1.5 Verify your result theoretically given that

$$E[U^k] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^k dF_U(x) \quad (1.13)$$

**Solution:** Already we know that,

$$F_x(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , x \leq 0 \\ x & , 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & , x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

So, the given integral solves down to,

$$E[U^k] = \int_0^1 x^k dx \quad (1.14)$$

Since  $F_x(x)$  is constant w.r.t  $x$  for  $x \geq 1$  and  $x \leq 0$ .

For mean,

$$E[U] = \int_0^1 x dx \quad (1.15)$$

$$= \left\{ \frac{x^2}{2} \right\}_0^1 \quad (1.16)$$

$$= 0.5 \quad (1.17)$$

Now for variance, we know that

$$\text{Var}[U] = E[U - E[U]]^2 \quad (1.18)$$

$$= E[U^2 + E[U]^2 - 2E[U]U] \quad (1.19)$$

$$(1.20)$$

Since expected value is a linear operator, we can write

$$= E[U^2] + E[U]^2 - 2E[U]U \quad (1.21)$$

$$= E[U^2] - E[U]^2 \quad (1.22)$$

To get variance we will find,

$$E[U^2] = \int_0^1 x^2 dx \quad (1.23)$$

$$= \left\{ \frac{x^3}{3} \right\}_0^1 \quad (1.24)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \quad (1.25)$$

Therefore,

$$\text{Var}[U] = \frac{1}{3} - \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \quad (1.26)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \quad (1.27)$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} \quad (1.28)$$

$$= 0.0833 \quad (1.29)$$

## 2 CENTRAL LIMIT THEOREM

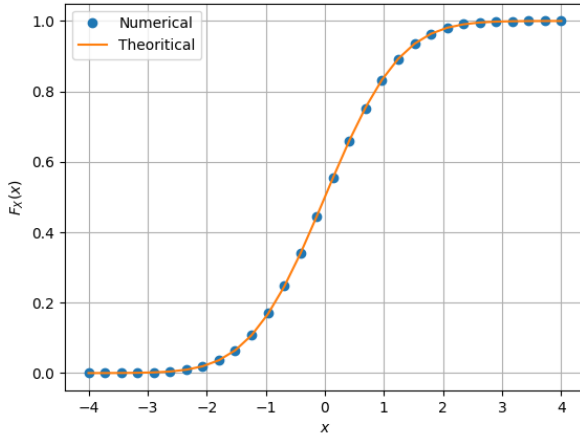
2.1 Generate  $10^6$  samples of the random variable

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

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.

**Solution:** Download the code below

```
wget https://github.com/Charanyash/Random-Numbers-/blob/main/codes/gaussian.c
```

Fig. 2.2: The CDF of  $X$ 

```
wget https://github.com/Charanyash/Random-Numbers-/blob/main/codes/coeffs.h
```

Run the following command

```
cc gaussian.c
./a.out
```

- 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:** Download the below code,

```
wget https://github.com/Charanyash/Random-Numbers-/blob/main/codes/gaussian_cdf_plot.py
```

Run the following command to get CDF plot,

```
python3 gaussian_cdf_plot.py
```

The CDF of  $X$  is plotted in Fig. 2.2.

#### Properties Of CDF:

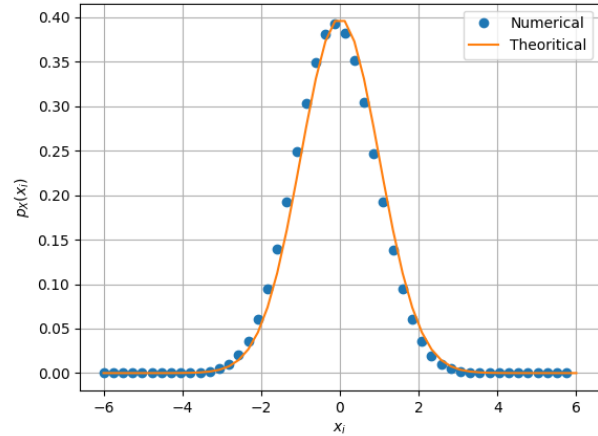
- CDF is monotonically increasing from  $-\infty < x < \infty$
- Let us define the  $Q(x)$  function as,  
 $Q(x) = \Pr(X > x)$
- The CDF,  $F_X(x) = 1 - Q(x) = Q(-x)$

- 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

Fig. 2.3: The PDF of  $X$ 

```
wget https://github.com/Charanyash/Random-Numbers-/blob/main/codes/gaussian_pdf_plot.py
```

Run the following command,

```
python3 gaussian_pdf_plot.py
```

#### Properties of PDF:

- $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, p_X(x) \geq 0$
- PDF is symmetric about the mean, in this case at  $x = 0$
- The maxima of the curve is observed at mean of distribution.

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

**Solution:** Download the C code from the links below,

```
wget https://github.com/Charanyash/Random-Numbers-/blob/main/codes/mean_var_gauss.c
wget https://github.com/Charanyash/Random-Numbers-/blob/main/codes/coeffs.h
```

Then run the following command in linux terminal

```
cc mean_var_gauss.c -lm
./a.out
```

we will get  $mean = 0.000326, variance = 1.000906$

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:** Given that,

$$p_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right), -\infty < x < \infty, \quad (2.4)$$

We know,

$$E[x] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p_X[x] dx \quad (2.5)$$

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

Since  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} x \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right)$  is an odd function. We can write,

$$E[x] = 0 \quad (2.7)$$

Consider the following expression,

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

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

To solve the above integral, we will use integration by parts, i.e.,

$$\int u v dx = u \int v dx - \int u' \left( \int v dx \right) dx \quad (2.10)$$

$$E[x^2] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \left( x e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \right) dx \quad (2.11)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left( x \int x e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx - \int \left( \int x e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \right) \right) \quad (2.12)$$

For the integral  $\int x \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right) dx$  let us take,

$$t = \frac{x^2}{2} \quad (2.13)$$

$$dt = x dx \quad (2.14)$$

$$\int x \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right) dx = \int \exp(-t) dt \quad (2.15)$$

$$= -\exp(-t) + c \quad (2.16)$$

$$\Rightarrow = -\exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right) + c \quad (2.17)$$

Using (2.17), we can write

$$E[x^2] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left( -x e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} + \int e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \right) \quad (2.18)$$

And we know that,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} = 1 \quad (2.19)$$

Now putting limits and using (2.7), (2.19),

$$E[x^2] = 1 \quad (2.20)$$

Using (1.22) we can write,

$$\text{Var}[x] = 1 - 0 \quad (2.21)$$

$$= 1 \quad (2.22)$$

### 3 FROM UNIFORM TO OTHER

#### 3.1 Generate samples of

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

and plot its CDF.

**Solution:** Download the C code from the link below to generate samples of V from uni.dat file

```
wget https://github.com/Charanyash/Random-Numbers-/blob/main/codes/V.c
```

Run the following command,

```
cc V.c -lm
./a.out
```

Then download the below python file to get CDF

```
wget https://github.com/Charanyash/Random-Numbers-/blob/main/codes/V_cdf_plot.py
```

Then run the following command

```
python3 V_cdf_plot.py
```

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

**Solution:** Given

$$V = -2 \ln(1 - U) \quad (3.2)$$

$$F_V(x) = \Pr(V \leq x) \quad (3.3)$$

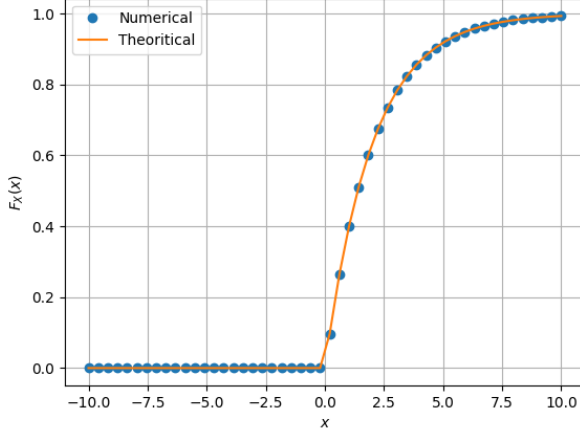


Fig. 3.1: The CDF of  $V$

we will use (3.3)

$$F_V(x) = \Pr(-2 \ln(1 - U) \leq x) \quad (3.4)$$

$$= \Pr\left(\ln(1 - U) \geq \frac{-x}{2}\right) \quad (3.5)$$

$$= \Pr\left(1 - U \geq \exp\left(\frac{-x}{2}\right)\right) \quad (3.6)$$

$$= \Pr\left(U \leq 1 - \exp\left(\frac{-x}{2}\right)\right) \quad (3.7)$$

$$= F_U\left(1 - \exp\left(\frac{-x}{2}\right)\right) \quad (3.8)$$

$$F_V(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ 1 - \exp\left(\frac{-x}{2}\right) & x > 0 \end{cases} \quad (3.9)$$