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Stochastic Processes: Data Analysis and Computer Simulation

Distribution function and random number

-The central limit theorem-

1 Binomial distribution → Gauss distribution

1.1 From the previous lesson

- The binomial distribution becomes equivalent to the Gaussian distribution in the limit $n, M \gg 1$, as shown in the 1st plot of this week.

$$P(n) = \frac{M!}{n!(M-n)!} p^n (1-p)^{M-n} \quad (\text{C6})$$

$$\xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \text{cont.}]{n, M \gg 1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp \left[-\frac{(n - \mu_1)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right] \quad (\text{C1})$$

$$\mu_1 = Mp, \quad \sigma^2 = Mp(1-p) \quad (\text{C7, C8})$$

1.2 Numerical experiment 1

- While the proof for the equivalence has been given in the supplemental note, let us examine this by performing numerical experiments for various values of $M = 1, 2, 4, 10, 100$ and 1000 .

1.2.1 Include libraries

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In [1]: % matplotlib inline
import numpy as np # import numpy library as np
import math # use mathematical functions defined by the C standard
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt # import pyplot library as plt
plt.style.use('ggplot') # use "ggplot" style for graphs

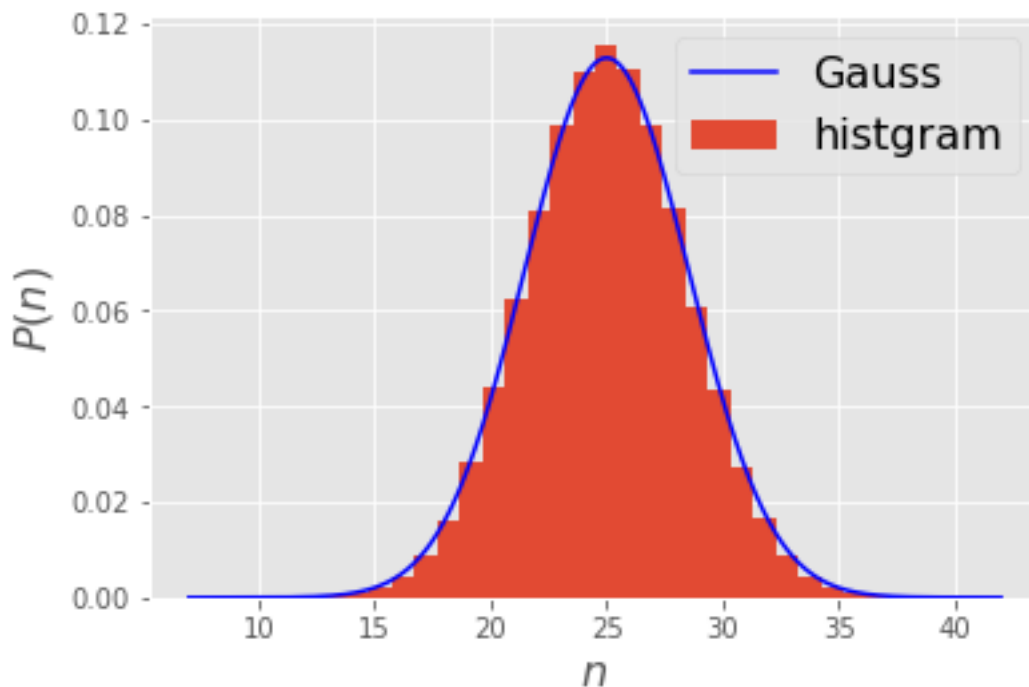
In [2]: p = 0.5      # set p, propability to obtain "head" from a coin toss
M = 50              # set M, number of tosses in one experiment
N = 100000 # number of experiments
ave = M*p
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std = np.sqrt(M*p*(1-p))
print('p =', p, 'M =', M)
np.random.seed(0) # initialize the random number generator with seed=0
X = np.random.binomial(M, p, N) # generate the number of head come up N times
nmin=np.int(ave-std*5)
nmax=np.int(ave+std*5)
nbin=nmax-nmin+1
plt.hist(X, range=[nmin, nmax], bins=nbin, normed=True) # plot normalized histogram
x = np.arange(nmin, nmax, 0.01/std) # create array of x from nmin to nmax with
y = np.exp(-(x-ave)**2/(2*std**2))/np.sqrt(2*np.pi*std**2) # calculate the
plt.plot(x, y, color='b') # plot y vs. x with blue line
plt.xlabel(r'$n$', fontsize=16) # set x-label
plt.ylabel(r'$P(n)$', fontsize=16) # set y-label
plt.legend([r'Gauss', r'histogram'], fontsize=16) # set legends
plt.show() # display plots

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p = 0.5 M = 50



1.3 What we can learn from the experiment

- Stochastic variable “ s ” is a result of single binary choice,

$$s = 0 \text{ or } 1 \quad (1)$$

and Stochastic variable “ n^M ” is a sum of M independent binary choices s , with the index j representing the j -th choice.

$$n^M = \sum_{j=1}^M s_j \quad (2)$$

1.3.1 For $M = 1$

$$n^{M=1} = s_1 = s = 0 \text{ or } 1 \quad (D1)$$

- Distribution function \rightarrow Binary choice, $P\{M=1\}(0)=1-p$, $P\{M=1\}(1)=p$, with

$$\mu_1^{M=1} = p, \quad \sigma_{M=1}^2 = p(1-p) \quad (D2, D3)$$

1.3.2 For $M \gg 1$

$$n^M = \sum_{j=1}^M s_j = \sum_{j=1}^M n_j^{M=1} \quad (D4)$$

- Distribution function \rightarrow Gaussian with

$$\mu_1^{M \gg 1} = M \mu_1^{M=1}, \quad \sigma_{M \gg 1}^2 = M \sigma_{M=1}^2 \quad (D5, D6)$$

2 The central limiting theorem (CLT)

2.1 Generalization of Eqs. (D4-D6) for $M \gg 1$

2.1.1 CLT for sum of stochastic variables

- Stochastic variable “ n^M ” as a SUM of any M independent stochastic variables $n^{M=1}$ with $\mu_1^{M=1}$ and $\sigma_{M=1}^2$,

$$n^M = \sum_{j=1}^M n_j^{M=1} \quad (D7)$$

- Distribution function \rightarrow Gauss with

$$\mu_1^{M \gg 1} = M \mu_1^{M=1}, \quad \sigma_{M \gg 1}^2 = M \sigma_{M=1}^2 \quad (D8, D9)$$

2.1.2 CLT for average of stochastic variables

- Stochastic variable “ n^M ” as an AVERAGE of any M independent stochastic variables with $\mu^{M=1}$ and $\sigma_{M=1}^2$,

$$n^M = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M n_j^{M=1} \quad (\text{D10})$$

- Distribution function \rightarrow Gauss with

$$\mu_1^{M \gg 1} = \mu_1^{M=1}, \quad \sigma_{M \gg 1}^2 = \frac{\sigma_{M=1}^2}{M} \quad (\text{D11, D12})$$

- Eqs. (D7-D12) is called “the central limiting theorem”.

3 Uniform distribution \rightarrow Gauss distribution

3.1 From CLT

3.1.1 For $M = 1$

- Stochastic variable “ x ” is uniformly distributed between 0 and 1,

$$x^{M=1} \in [0 : 1] \quad (\text{D13})$$

- Distribution function: $P^{M=1}(x) = 1$ (for $0 \leq x < 1$), $P^{M=1}(x) = 0$ (otherwise)

$$\mu_1^{M=1} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \sigma_{M=1}^2 = \frac{1}{12} \quad (\text{D14, D15})$$

3.1.2 For $M \gg 1$

- Stochastic variable “ x ” is a sum of M independent uniform random numbers

$$x^M = \sum_{j=1}^M x_j^{M=1} \quad (\text{D16})$$

- Distribution function \rightarrow Gauss with

$$\mu_1^{M \gg 1} = M \mu_1^{M=1} = \frac{M}{2}, \quad \sigma_{M \gg 1}^2 = M \sigma_{M=1}^2 = \frac{M}{12} \quad (\text{D17, D18})$$

3.2 Numerical experiment 2

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In [3]: M = 10      # set M, the number of random variables to add
        N = 100000 # number samples to draw, for each of the random variables
        ave = M/2
        std = np.sqrt(M/12)
        print('M =',M)
        np.random.seed(0) # initialize the random number generator with seed
        X = np.zeros(N)
        for i in range(N):
            X[i] += np.sum(np.random.rand(M)) # draw a random numbers for each of t
        nmin=np.int(ave-std*5)
        nmax=np.int(ave+std*5)
        plt.hist(X,range=[nmin,nmax],bins=50,normed=True) # plot normalized histgra
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M = 10

