

Assignment 6

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Let C be a circle of unit area with centre at origin and let S be a square of unit area with $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$, $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$, $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ and $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ as the four vertices. If X and Y be two independent standard variates, show that

$$\iint_C \phi(x) \phi(y) dx dy \geq \iint_S \phi(x) \phi(y) dx dy$$

where $\phi(\cdot)$ is the pdf of $N(0, 1)$ distribution.

SOLUTION

Definition 1. PDF of normal distribution is given as

$$\phi_X(x) = N(\mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad (0.0.1)$$

Corollary 0.1.

$$\phi_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \quad (0.0.2)$$

$$\phi_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2}} \quad (0.0.3)$$

Proof. Since $\phi(\cdot)$ is the pdf of $N(0, 1)$ distribution (given in question), $\mu = 0$ and $\sigma^2 = 1$.

$$\Rightarrow \phi_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \text{ and } \phi_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2}}$$

□

Lemma 0.1. For circle C ,

$$\iint_C \phi(x) \phi(y) dx dy \approx 0.147136 \quad (0.0.4)$$

Proof. C has unit area with centre at origin.

$$\Rightarrow \pi \times r^2 = 1 \quad (0.0.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow |r| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \quad (0.0.6)$$

For the area inside circle C we get,

$$x^2 + y^2 \leq \frac{1}{\pi} \Rightarrow |y| \leq \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi} - x^2} \quad (0.0.7)$$

From (0.0.7) we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_C \phi(x) \phi(y) dx dy &= \\ \int_{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}}^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}} \int_{-\sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}-x^2}}^{\sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}-x^2}} \phi(x) \phi(y) dy dx & \quad (0.0.8) \end{aligned}$$

Using (0.0.2) and (0.0.3) in (0.0.8) we get,

$$\int_{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}}^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}} \int_{-\sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}-x^2}}^{\sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}-x^2}} \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-\frac{(x^2+y^2)}{2}} dy dx \quad (0.0.9)$$

Converting it to polar coordinates we get,

$$\int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-\frac{r^2}{2}} r d\theta dr \quad (0.0.10)$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}} e^{-\frac{r^2}{2}} r dr \quad (0.0.11)$$

$$= 1 - e^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad (0.0.12)$$

$$\approx 0.147136 \quad (0.0.13)$$

□

Definition 2. $\text{erf}(x)$ is the error function encountered in integrating the normal distribution. It is defined by

$$\text{erf}(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^x e^{-t^2} dt \quad (0.0.14)$$

$$\sim 1 - \frac{e^{-x^2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(x^{-1} - \frac{1}{2}x^{-3} + \frac{3}{4}x^{-5} - \frac{15}{8}x^{-7} + \dots \right) \quad (0.0.15)$$

Lemma 0.2.

$$\int_{-a}^a e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \sqrt{2\pi} \text{erf}\left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \quad (0.0.16)$$

Proof. Since $e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$ is an even function,

$$\int_{-a}^a e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = 2 \int_0^a e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \quad (0.0.17)$$

Replacing $\frac{x}{\sqrt{2}}$ with t we get,

$$2 \int_0^a e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = 2 \sqrt{2} \int_0^{\frac{a}{\sqrt{2}}} e^{-t^2} dt \quad (0.0.18)$$

$$= \sqrt{2\pi} \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\frac{a}{\sqrt{2}}} e^{-t^2} dt \quad (0.0.19)$$

Comparing (0.0.19) with (0.0.14) we get,

$$\int_{-a}^a e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \sqrt{2\pi} \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \quad (0.0.20)$$

□

Lemma 0.3. For square S ,

$$\iint_S \phi(x) \phi(y) dx dy \approx 0.146631 \quad (0.0.21)$$

Proof. For square S (given in question),

$$\frac{-1}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \quad (0.0.22)$$

$$\frac{-1}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{1}{2} \quad (0.0.23)$$

From this we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_S \phi(x) \phi(y) dx dy &= \\ \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \phi(x) \phi(y) dy dx &\quad (0.0.24) \end{aligned}$$

Using (0.0.2) and (0.0.3) in (0.0.24) we get,

$$\int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-\frac{(x^2+y^2)}{2}} dy dx \quad (0.0.25)$$

Using (0.0.16) twice we get,

$$\int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-\frac{(x^2+y^2)}{2}} dy dx = \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 \quad (0.0.26)$$

$$\approx 0.146631 \quad (0.0.27)$$

□

Solution: Since from (0.0.4) and (0.0.21),

$$0.147136 > 0.146631 \quad (0.0.28)$$

This proves that

$$\iint_C \phi(x) \phi(y) dx dy \geq \iint_S \phi(x) \phi(y) dx dy \quad (0.0.29)$$