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(a) This is intuitively true, since there is a 50/50 distribution of where the particles making up a density come from; left or right. In this case, a particle ~~at t to t+Δt~~ coming into a space from the left is from $x+Δx$, and from the right is $x-Δx$, thus the probability density has model

$$P(x, t+Δt) = \frac{1}{2} P(x+Δx, t) + \frac{1}{2} P(x-Δx, t)$$

(b) Let us focus on handwriting. We define

$$D = \frac{(Δx)^2}{2Δt}$$

and consider the equation seen in (a):

$$P(x, t+Δt) = \frac{1}{2} P(x+Δx, t) + \frac{1}{2} P(x-Δx, t)$$

then subtract $P(x, t)$ from each side

$$P(x, t+Δt) - P(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} P(x+Δx, t) + \frac{1}{2} P(x-Δx, t) - P(x, t)$$

then multiply each side by D :

$$\frac{(P(x, t+Δt) - P(x, t)) (Δx)^2}{2Δt} = D (P(x+Δx, t) + P(x-Δx, t) - 2P(x, t))$$

\Rightarrow

$$\frac{P(x, t+Δt) - P(x, t)}{Δt} = D \frac{P(x+Δx, t) + P(x-Δx, t) - 2P(x, t)}{(Δx)^2}$$

(c) Take the limit of each side as $Δt \rightarrow 0$ and $Δx \rightarrow 0$;

$$\frac{\partial P(x, t)}{\partial t} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{P(x-\Delta x, t) + P(x+\Delta x, t) - 2P(x, t)}{\Delta x^2} \right)$$

~~We must simplify~~

~~$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{P(x - \Delta x, t) + P(x + \Delta x, t) - 2P(x, t)}{\Delta x^2}$$~~

~~We can rewrite this as the numerator~~

~~$$P(x + \Delta x, t) + P(x - \Delta x, t) - 2P(x, t) =$$

$$P(x + \Delta x, t) - P(x, t) + ($$~~

Begin with

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{P(x - \Delta x, t) + P(x + \Delta x, t) - 2P(x, t)}{\Delta x^2} \right) =$$

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{\Delta x} \left(\frac{P(x + \Delta x) - P(x, t)}{\Delta x} - \left(\frac{P(x, t) - P(x - \Delta x)}{\Delta x} \right) \right) \right)$$

Algebraically. Then, the interior terms simplify to

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{\Delta x} \left(P'(x, t) - P'(x - \Delta x, t) \right) \right) =$$

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{P'(x, t) - P'(x - \Delta x, t)}{\Delta x} = P''(x, t) = \frac{\partial^2 P(x, t)}{\partial x^2}$$

(d): Let's begin by taking the derivative of each side of the given equation with respect to t :

$$\frac{\partial P(x, t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} \cdot t^{-1/2} \cdot \left(e^{-\frac{x^2}{4t}} \right) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \cdot e^{-\frac{x^2}{4t}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \cdot e^{-\frac{x^2}{4t}} \right)$$

Now we take the derivative with respect to x twice of

$$P(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt}} e^{\frac{-x^2}{4Dt}}$$

$$\frac{\partial P(x,t)}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt}} e^{\frac{-x^2}{4Dt}} \cdot \frac{-2x}{4Dt}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 P(x,t)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt}} \left(e^{\frac{-x^2}{4Dt}} \cdot \left(\frac{-2x}{4Dt} \right)^2 + e^{\frac{-x^2}{4Dt}} \cdot \frac{-2}{4Dt} \right)$$

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Let's do this right. We are told that

$$P(x,t) = \frac{d^2 P(x,t)}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt}} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4Dt}\right)$$

and we must show that

$$\frac{dP(x,t)}{dt} = D \frac{d^2 P(x,t)}{dx^2}$$

We shall prove this explicitly.

$$\frac{dP(x,t)}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt}} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4Dt}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt}}\right)' \cdot \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4Dt}\right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt}} \left(\exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4Dt}\right)\right)'$$

We break this into pieces for clarity:

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt}}\right)' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi D}} \cdot \left(t^{-1/2}\right)'$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi D}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{t^3}}$$

$$\left(\exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4Dt}\right)\right)' = \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4Dt}\right) \cdot \frac{-x^2}{4Dt^2}$$

Thus,

$$\frac{dP(x,t)}{dt} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt^3}} \cdot \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4Dt}\right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt}} \cdot \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4Dt}\right) \cdot \frac{-x^2}{4Dt^2}$$

Now we have to take two derivatives with respect to x of the given equation.

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e: We are given to compute the formula

$$E[x^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right) dx ; \text{pull out the constant}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right) dx \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\sigma^2}} ; \text{apply integration by parts}$$

We integrate by parts where

$$A' = \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$A = \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right) \cdot \frac{-4\sigma^2}{x^2}$$

$$B = x^2$$

$$B' = 2x$$

then,

$$E[x^2] = \left[\exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right) \cdot \frac{-4\sigma^2}{x^2} \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right) \cdot \frac{-8\sigma^2}{x} dx$$

$$= 8\sigma^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{x} dx ; \text{simplify}$$

We integrate by part again with

$$A' = \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$A = \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right) \cdot \frac{-4\sigma^2}{x^2}$$

$$B = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$B' = \frac{-1}{x^2}$$

then,

$$\dots = 8\sigma^2 \left(\left[\exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right) \cdot \frac{-4\sigma^2}{x^2} \cdot \frac{1}{x} \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right) \cdot \frac{-4\sigma^2}{x^2} \cdot \frac{-1}{x^2} dx \right)$$

This just made this integral unnecessarily complicated, so let's try a different method. Begin again with

$$E[x^2]$$

Let's replicate the hint since this is a long and hard job.

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We are given to compute the integral

$$E[x^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right) dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right) dx$$

The hint then suggests we split this for clarity;

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4\sigma^2}\right) x dx$$

then $u = \frac{x^2}{4\sigma^2}$ where

$$u = \frac{x^2}{4\sigma^2} \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{4\sigma^2 u}$$

$$du = \frac{x}{2\sigma^2} dx \Rightarrow dx(x) = 2\sigma^2 du$$

$$\text{then, } \dots = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\sigma^2}} \cdot 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sqrt{4\sigma^2 u} \sqrt{u} \exp(-u) 2\sigma^2 du$$

Pull out scalars

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot 2\sigma^2 \cdot 2 \int_0^{\infty} u^{1/2} \exp(-u) du$$

then by the definition of the gamma function where $z = \frac{3}{2}$,

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot 4\sigma^2 \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right); \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\pi}$$

$$= 2\sigma^2$$

- 1: By decreasing delta X in my function or increasing delta Y .
- 2: Make one direction slightly more pronounced or give it a high probability of occurring.
- 3: Randomly choose an axis and to follow it by ± 1