

STA2001 Probability and Statistics (I)

Lecture 9

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Review

- ▶ Exponential distribution with parameter $\theta = \frac{1}{\lambda}$:
 X , the waiting time until the first occurrence in an approximate Poisson process with parameter $\lambda > 0$ and its pdf takes the form of

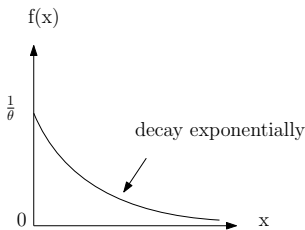
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}}, \quad x \geq 0, \theta > 0$$

Mean and Variance:

$$E[X] = \theta, \text{Var}[X] = \theta^2$$

Mgf:

$$M(t) = \frac{1}{1 - t\theta}, \quad t < \frac{1}{\theta}$$



Review

Definition

X , the waiting time until the α th occurrence, and its pdf takes the form of

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\theta^\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}}, \quad x \geq 0,$$

where $\theta > 0$ and $\alpha > 0$ are the two parameters,

$$\Gamma(t) = \int_0^\infty y^{t-1} e^{-y} dy, \quad t > 0$$

$$\Gamma(t) = (t-1)\Gamma(t-1), \quad \Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$$

- ▶ $\alpha = 1$, exponential distribution.
- ▶ $\theta = 2$, $\alpha = \frac{r}{2}$, r is an integer, chi square distribution (r is called the degrees of freedom).

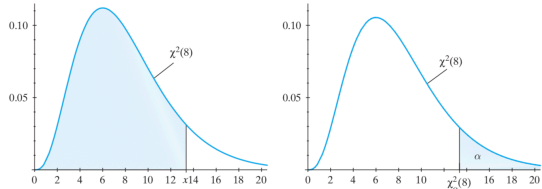
Review

Be able to calculate probabilities of events by looking up tables.

The tables of cdf of chi-square distribution are given

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \int_0^x f(t)dt.$$

Table IV The Chi-Square Distribution



$P(X \leq x) = \int_0^x \frac{1}{\Gamma(r/2)2^{r/2}} w^{r/2-1} e^{-w/2} dw$

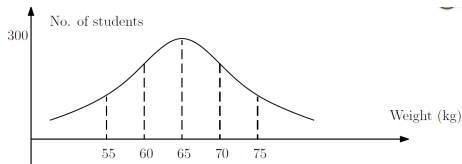
	$P(X \leq x)$							
	0.010	0.025	0.050	0.100	0.900	0.950	0.975	0.990
r	$\chi^2_{0.99}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.975}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.95}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.90}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.10}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.05}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.025}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.01}(r)$
1	0.000	0.001	0.004	0.016	2.706	3.841	5.024	6.635
2	0.020	0.051	0.103	0.211	4.605	5.991	7.378	9.210
3	0.115	0.216	0.352	0.584	6.251	7.815	9.348	11.34
4	0.297	0.484	0.711	1.064	7.779	9.488	11.14	13.28
5	0.554	0.831	1.145	1.610	9.236	11.07	12.83	15.09

3.3 Normal Distribution

Description

When observed over a large population, many things of interests have a “bell-shaped” relative frequency distribution.

- ▶ Weight of male students in CUHKsz
- ▶ Height
- ▶ TOFEL,IELTS test score



Normal Distribution

Definition

A continuous RV X is said to be normal or Gaussian if it has a pdf of the form

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{(x - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}\right), \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

where μ and σ^2 are two parameters characterizing the normal distribution. Briefly, $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

pdf of Normal Distribution

$f(x)$ is a well-defined pdf

1. $f(x) > 0$ for all x .

2. $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx \stackrel{?}{=} 1$

Let

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2}\right) dx \stackrel{?}{=} 1$$

pdf of Normal Distribution

Take a coordinate change $z = \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}$

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} dz \stackrel{?}{=} 1.$$

Since $I > 0$, then if $I^2 = 1$, then $I = 1$.

$$I^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} dz \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2}} dy = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{y^2+z^2}{2}} dy dz$$

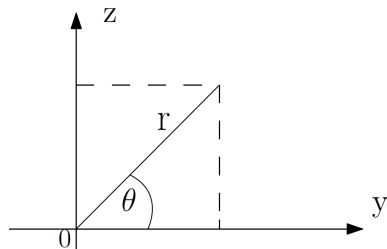
pdf of Normal Distribution

Take a coordinate change

$$y = r \cos \theta$$

$$z = r \sin \theta$$

(polar coordinate)



$$\begin{aligned} I^2 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{r^2}{2}} r dr d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{r^2}{2}} d\frac{r^2}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot 2\pi \cdot (-1) \cdot e^{-\frac{r^2}{2}} \Big|_0^\infty = 1 \end{aligned}$$

mgf, mean, variance

Assume $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$M(t) = E[e^{tX}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2}} dx$$

$$e^{tx} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2}} = \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [x^2 - 2(\mu + \sigma^2 t)x + \mu^2] \right\}$$

mgf, mean, variance

Consider

$$x^2 - 2(\mu + \sigma^2 t)x + \mu^2 = [x - (\mu + \sigma^2 t)]^2 - 2\mu\sigma^2 t - \sigma^4 t^2$$

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

mgf, mean, variance

Recall that

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp \left[-\frac{(x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right] dx = 1, \text{ independent of } \mu$$

Therefore,

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

$$M(t) = \exp \left(\mu t + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 t^2 \right)$$

mgf, mean, variance

$$M(t) = \exp\left(\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2\right) \implies M(0) = 1;$$

$$M'(t) = (\mu + \sigma^2 t)\exp\left(\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2\right) \implies M'(0) = \mu$$

$$M''(t) = \sigma^2 \exp\left(\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2\right) + (\mu + \sigma^2 t)^2 \exp\left(\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2\right)$$

$$\implies M''(0) = \mu^2 + \sigma^2$$

mgf, mean, variance

Recall that

$$E[X] = M'(0) = \mu$$

$$\text{Var}[X] = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$$

$$= M''(0) - M'(0)^2 = \sigma^2$$

For $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$,

$$E[X] = \mu, \quad \text{Var}[X] = \sigma^2$$

The two parameters μ, σ^2 are the mean and variance, respectively.

Example 1, page 115

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$$\Leftrightarrow X \sim N(-7, 16)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow E(X) = -7, \text{Var}(X) = 16$$

$$\Leftrightarrow M(t) = \exp(-7t + 8t^2).$$

Standard Normal Distribution

Y is said to be a standard normal distribution if

$$Y \sim N(0, 1) \Leftrightarrow \text{its pdf } f(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2}}$$

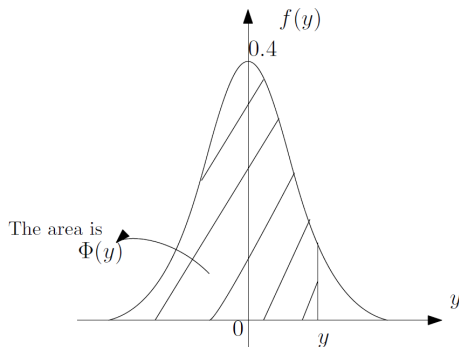
Its cdf

$$\Phi(y) = P(Y \leq y) = \int_{-\infty}^y f(z) dz = \int_{-\infty}^y \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} dz.$$

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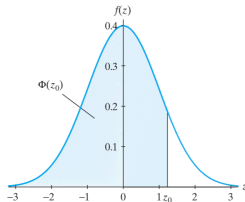


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pdf of $N(0, 1)$

Values of $\Phi(y)$ for values of $y \geq 0$ are in Appendix B (page 502).

Table Va The Standard Normal Distribution Function



$$P(Z \leq z) = \Phi(z) = \int_{-\infty}^z \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-w^2/2} dw$$

$$\Phi(-z) = 1 - \Phi(z)$$

z	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
0.0	0.5000	0.5040	0.5080	0.5120	0.5160	0.5199	0.5239	0.5279	0.5319	0.5359
0.1	0.5398	0.5438	0.5478	0.5517	0.5557	0.5596	0.5636	0.5675	0.5714	0.5753
0.2	0.5793	0.5832	0.5871	0.5910	0.5948	0.5987	0.6026	0.6064	0.6103	0.6141
0.3	0.6179	0.6217	0.6255	0.6293	0.6331	0.6368	0.6406	0.6443	0.6480	0.6517
0.4	0.6554	0.6591	0.6628	0.6664	0.6700	0.6736	0.6772	0.6808	0.6844	0.6879
0.5	0.6915	0.6950	0.6985	0.7019	0.7054	0.7088	0.7123	0.7157	0.7190	0.7224
0.6	0.7257	0.7291	0.7324	0.7357	0.7389	0.7422	0.7454	0.7486	0.7517	0.7549
0.7	0.7580	0.7611	0.7642	0.7673	0.7703	0.7734	0.7764	0.7794	0.7823	0.7852
0.8	0.7881	0.7910	0.7939	0.7967	0.7995	0.8023	0.8051	0.8078	0.8106	0.8133
0.9	0.8159	0.8186	0.8212	0.8238	0.8264	0.8289	0.8315	0.8340	0.8365	0.8389
1.0	0.8413	0.8438	0.8461	0.8485	0.8508	0.8531	0.8554	0.8577	0.8599	0.8621
1.1	0.8643	0.8665	0.8686	0.8708	0.8729	0.8749	0.8770	0.8790	0.8810	0.8830
1.2	0.8849	0.8869	0.8888	0.8907	0.8925	0.8944	0.8962	0.8980	0.8997	0.9015
1.3	0.9032	0.9049	0.9066	0.9082	0.9099	0.9115	0.9131	0.9147	0.9162	0.9177

pdf of $N(0, 1)$

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1.4	0.9192	0.9207	0.9222	0.9236	0.9251	0.9265	0.9279	0.9292	0.9306	0.9319
1.5	0.9332	0.9345	0.9357	0.9370	0.9382	0.9394	0.9406	0.9418	0.9429	0.9441
1.6	0.9452	0.9463	0.9474	0.9484	0.9495	0.9505	0.9515	0.9525	0.9535	0.9545
1.7	0.9554	0.9564	0.9573	0.9582	0.9591	0.9599	0.9608	0.9616	0.9625	0.9633
1.8	0.9641	0.9649	0.9656	0.9664	0.9671	0.9678	0.9686	0.9693	0.9699	0.9706
1.9	0.9713	0.9719	0.9726	0.9732	0.9738	0.9744	0.9750	0.9756	0.9761	0.9767
2.0	0.9772	0.9778	0.9783	0.9788	0.9793	0.9798	0.9803	0.9808	0.9812	0.9817
2.1	0.9821	0.9826	0.9830	0.9834	0.9838	0.9842	0.9846	0.9850	0.9854	0.9857
2.2	0.9861	0.9864	0.9868	0.9871	0.9875	0.9878	0.9881	0.9884	0.9887	0.9890
2.3	0.9893	0.9896	0.9898	0.9901	0.9904	0.9906	0.9909	0.9911	0.9913	0.9916
2.4	0.9918	0.9920	0.9922	0.9925	0.9927	0.9929	0.9931	0.9932	0.9934	0.9936
2.5	0.9938	0.9940	0.9941	0.9943	0.9945	0.9946	0.9948	0.9949	0.9951	0.9952
2.6	0.9953	0.9955	0.9956	0.9957	0.9959	0.9960	0.9961	0.9962	0.9963	0.9964
2.7	0.9965	0.9966	0.9967	0.9968	0.9969	0.9970	0.9971	0.9972	0.9973	0.9974
2.8	0.9974	0.9975	0.9976	0.9977	0.9977	0.9978	0.9979	0.9979	0.9980	0.9981
2.9	0.9981	0.9982	0.9982	0.9983	0.9984	0.9984	0.9985	0.9985	0.9986	0.9986
3.0	0.9987	0.9987	0.9987	0.9988	0.9988	0.9989	0.9989	0.9989	0.9990	0.9990

Example 2, page 116

$Z \sim N(0,1)$ Then compute

$$P(Z \leq 1.24) = \Phi(1.24) = 0.8925$$

$$P(1.24 \leq Z \leq 2.37) = \Phi(2.37) - \Phi(1.24)$$

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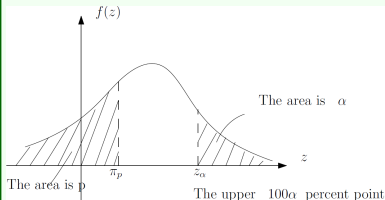
$$= 0.9911 - 0.8925 = 0.0986$$

$$P(-2.37 \leq Z \leq -1.24) = P(1.24 \leq Z \leq 2.37) = 0.0986$$

The upper 100α percent point

Definition

The number z_α such that $P(Z \geq z_\alpha) = \alpha$.



$P(X \leq \pi_p) = p$, π_p is 100pth percentile.

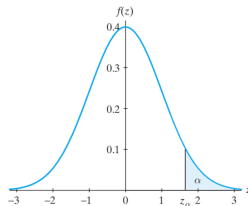
Note:

$$\begin{aligned} P(Z < z_\alpha) &= 1 - P(Z \geq z_\alpha) \\ &= 1 - \alpha \end{aligned}$$

So z_α is the $100(1 - \alpha)$ th percentile

The upper 100α percent point

Table Vb. The Standard Normal Right-Tail Probabilities



$$P(Z > z_\alpha) = \alpha$$

$$P(Z > z) = 1 - \Phi(z) = \Phi(-z)$$

z_α	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
0.0	0.5000	0.4960	0.4920	0.4880	0.4840	0.4801	0.4761	0.4721	0.4681	0.4641
0.1	0.4602	0.4562	0.4522	0.4483	0.4443	0.4404	0.4364	0.4325	0.4286	0.4247
0.2	0.4207	0.4168	0.4129	0.4090	0.4052	0.4013	0.3974	0.3936	0.3897	0.3859
0.3	0.3821	0.3783	0.3745	0.3707	0.3669	0.3632	0.3594	0.3557	0.3520	0.3483
0.4	0.3446	0.3409	0.3372	0.3336	0.3300	0.3264	0.3228	0.3192	0.3156	0.3121
0.5	0.3085	0.3050	0.3015	0.2981	0.2946	0.2912	0.2877	0.2843	0.2810	0.2776
0.6	0.2743	0.2709	0.2676	0.2643	0.2611	0.2578	0.2546	0.2514	0.2483	0.2451
0.7	0.2420	0.2389	0.2358	0.2327	0.2296	0.2266	0.2236	0.2206	0.2177	0.2148
0.8	0.2119	0.2090	0.2061	0.2033	0.2005	0.1977	0.1949	0.1922	0.1894	0.1867
0.9	0.1841	0.1814	0.1788	0.1762	0.1736	0.1711	0.1685	0.1660	0.1635	0.1611
1.0	0.1587	0.1562	0.1539	0.1515	0.1492	0.1469	0.1446	0.1423	0.1401	0.1379
1.1	0.1357	0.1335	0.1314	0.1292	0.1271	0.1251	0.1230	0.1210	0.1190	0.1170
1.2	0.1151	0.1131	0.1112	0.1093	0.1075	0.1056	0.1038	0.1020	0.1003	0.0985
1.3	0.0968	0.0951	0.0934	0.0918	0.0901	0.0885	0.0869	0.0853	0.0838	0.0823

Example 3, page 117

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$$\Rightarrow z_{0.05} = 1.645, \quad z_{0.025} = 1.960$$

Now we know how to compute $\Phi(y)$ by looking up the table for $Y \sim N(0, 1)$.

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Now we know how to compute $\Phi(y)$ by looking up the table for $Y \sim N(0, 1)$. **What if Y is not standard normal?**

Theorem 3.3-1

Theorem

If Y is $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then $X = \frac{Y - \mu}{\sigma}$ is $N(0, 1)$

Proof: The idea is to show X has the same cdf as $N(0, 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \leq x) &= P\left(\frac{Y - \mu}{\sigma} \leq x\right) = P(Y \leq \sigma x + \mu) = \int_{-\infty}^{\sigma x + \mu} f(y) dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\sigma x + \mu} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(y - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}\right) dy \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.3-1

coordinate change

$$w = \frac{y - \mu}{\sigma} \implies \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}w^2\right)dw. \longrightarrow \text{cdf of } N(0, 1).$$

Therefore, $P(X \leq x) = \Phi(x)$ and this completes the proof.

With the above theorem, for $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(a \leq X \leq b) &= P\left(\frac{a - \mu}{\sigma} \leq \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \leq \frac{b - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \\ &= \Phi\left(\frac{b - \mu}{\sigma}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{a - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \end{aligned}$$

where $\Phi(\cdot)$ is the cdf of $N(0, 1)$.

Example 4, page 118

$X \sim N(3, 16)$ Compute $P(4 \leq X \leq 8)$, $P(0 \leq X \leq 5)$.

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$$P(4 \leq X \leq 8) = P\left(\frac{4-3}{4} \leq \frac{X-3}{4} \leq \frac{8-3}{4}\right)$$

$$= \Phi(1.25) - \Phi(0.25) = 0.8944 - 0.5987$$

$$P(0 \leq X \leq 5) = P\left(\frac{0-3}{4} \leq \frac{X-3}{4} \leq \frac{5-3}{4}\right)$$

$$= \Phi(0.5) - \Phi(-0.75) = 0.6915 - 0.2266.$$

Relation between normal and χ^2 distribution

Theorem 3.3-2

If X is $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ with $\sigma^2 > 0$, then

$$\frac{(X - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(1)$$

Proof: Let $V = \frac{(X - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}$. Then consider the cdf of V ,

$$G(v) = P(V \leq v) = P(-\sqrt{v} \leq Z \leq \sqrt{v})$$

where $Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$, with $v \geq 0$.

Relation between normal and χ^2 distribution

$$G(v) = \int_{-\sqrt{v}}^{\sqrt{v}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}z^2} dz = 2 \int_0^{\sqrt{v}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}z^2} dz$$

Change the variable of integration $z = \sqrt{y} \quad \frac{dz}{dy} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$

$$G(v) = 2 \int_0^v \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}y} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} dy = \int_0^v \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi y}} e^{-\frac{y}{2}} dy, v \geq 0$$

$$g(v) = G'(v) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} v^{\frac{1}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}v}, v \geq 0.$$

Now recall the pdf of $\chi^2(1)$:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})2^{\frac{1}{2}}} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x}, \quad x \geq 0,$$

Theorem 3.3-2

Since $g(v)$ is a pdf, then $\int_0^\infty g(v)dv = 1$

$$1 = \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} v^{\frac{1}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}v} dv \stackrel{x=\frac{1}{2}v}{=} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty x^{\frac{1}{2}-1} e^{-x} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \Rightarrow \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \sqrt{\pi}$$

$$\Rightarrow g(v) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})2^{\frac{1}{2}}} v^{\frac{1}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{v}{2}}, v > 0$$