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Probability

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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 and execute the C program.

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

$$F_U(x) = \Pr\left(U \le x\right) \tag{1.2.1}$$

Solution: The following code plots Fig. 1.2

- 1.3 Find a theoretical expression for $F_U(x)$.
- 1.4 The mean of U is defined as

$$E[U] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} U_i$$
 (1.4.1)

and its variance as

$$var[U] = E[U - E[U]]^2$$
 (1.4.2)

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

1.5 Verify your result theoretically given that

$$E\left[U^{k}\right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^{k} dF_{U}(x) \tag{1.5.1}$$

2 Central Limit Theorem

2.1 Generate 10⁶ samples of the random variable

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^{12} U_i - 6 \tag{2.1.1}$$

using a C program, where U_i , i = 1, 2, ..., 12 are a set of independent uniform random variables between 0 and 1 and save in a file called gau.dat

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: The CDF of *X* is plotted in Fig. 2.2

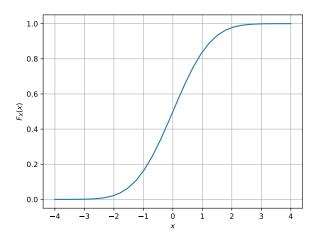


Fig. 2.2. The CDF of X

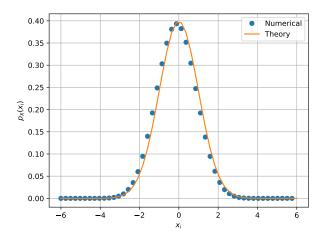


Fig. 2.3. The PDF of X

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

$$p_X(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F_X(x) \tag{2.3.1}$$

What properties does the PDF have?

Solution: The PDF of *X* is plotted in Fig. 2.3 using the code below

- 2.4 Find the mean and variance of *X* by writing a C program.
- 2.5 Given that

$$p_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right), -\infty < x < \infty,$$
(2.5.1)

repeat the above exercise theoretically.

3 From Uniform to Other

3.1 Generate samples of

$$V = -2\ln(1 - U) \tag{3.1.1}$$

and plot its CDF.

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

4 Triangular Distribution

4.1 Generate

$$T = U_1 + U_2 \tag{4.1.1}$$

- 4.2 Find the CDF of T.
- 4.3 Find the PDF of *T*.
- 4.4 Find the theoretical expressions for the PDF and CDF of *T*.
- 4.5 Verify your results through a plot.

5 Maximum Likelihood

- 5.1 Generate equiprobable $X \in \{1, -1\}$.
- 5.2 Generate

$$Y = AX + N, \tag{5.2.1}$$

where A = 5 dB, and $N \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$.

- 5.3 Plot Y using a scatter plot.
- 5.4 Guess how to estimate X from Y.
- 5.5 Find

$$P_{e|0} = \Pr(\hat{X} = -1|X = 1)$$
 (5.5.1)

and

$$P_{e|1} = \Pr(\hat{X} = 1|X = -1)$$
 (5.5.2)

- 5.6 Find P_e assuming that X has equiprobable symbols.
- 5.7 Verify by plotting the theoretical P_e with respect to A from 0 to 10 dB.
- 5.8 Now, consider a threshold δ while estimating X from Y. Find the value of δ that maximizes the theoretical P_e .
- 5.9 Repeat the above exercise when

$$p_X(0) = p (5.9.1)$$

5.10 Repeat the above exercise using the MAP criterion.

6 Gaussian to Other

6.1 Let $X_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$ and $X_2 \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$. Plot the CDF and PDF of

$$V = X_1^2 + X_2^2 (6.1.1)$$

6.2 If

$$F_V(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-\alpha x} & x \ge 0\\ 0 & x < 0, \end{cases}$$
 (6.2.1)

find α .

6.3 Plot the CDF and PDf of

$$A = \sqrt{V} \tag{6.3.1}$$

7 CONDITIONAL PROBABILITY

7.1 Plot

$$P_e = \Pr(\hat{X} = -1|X = 1)$$
 (7.1.1)

for

$$Y = AX + N, (7.1.2)$$

where A is Raleigh with $E[A^2] = \gamma, N \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1), X \in (-1, 1)$ for $0 \le \gamma \le 10$ dB.

- 7.2 Assuming that *N* is a constant, find an expression for P_e . Call this $P_e(N)$
- 7.3 For a function g,

$$E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)p_X(x) dx \qquad (7.3.1)$$

Find $P_e = E[P_e(N)]$.

7.4 Plot P_e in problems 7.1 and 7.3 on the same graph w.r.t γ . Comment.

8 Two Dimensions

Let

$$\mathbf{y} = A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{n},\tag{4.1}$$

where

$$x \in (\mathbf{s}_0, \mathbf{s}_1), \mathbf{s}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{s}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (4.2)

$$\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} n_1 \\ n_2 \end{pmatrix}, n_1, n_2 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1). \tag{4.3}$$

8.1 Plot

$$\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{s}_0$$
 and $\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{s}_1$ (8.1.1)

on the same graph using a scatter plot.

- 8.2 For the above problem, find a decision rule for detecting the symbols s_0 and s_1 .
- 8.3 Plot

$$P_e = \Pr\left(\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{s}_1 | \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{s}_0\right) \tag{8.3.1}$$

with respect to the SNR from 0 to 10 dB.

8.4 Obtain an expression for P_e . Verify this by comparing the theory and simulation plots on the same graph.