

1) Mean

X : random variable following a normal distribution

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

$$E(X) = \mu$$

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot f(x) dx \quad \dots \textcircled{1}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \cdot \sigma} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \right)^2 \right] \quad \dots \textcircled{2}$$

for normal distribution

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow E(X) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \cdot \sigma} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \right)^2 \right] dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \cdot \sigma} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \right)^2 \right] dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \cdot \sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \right)^2 \right] dx \end{aligned}$$

$$z = x - \mu$$

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \cdot \sigma} \int_{-\infty, \mu}^{\infty, -\mu} (z + \mu) \cdot \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{z}{\sigma} \right)^2 \right] d(z + \mu)$$

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

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

The general antiderivatives are

$$\int x \cdot \exp[-ax^2] dx = -\frac{1}{2a} \cdot \exp[-ax^2]$$

$$\int \exp[-ax^2] dx = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}} \operatorname{erf}[\sqrt{a}x]$$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z \cdot \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} z^2 \right] dz$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\sigma^2 \cdot \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} z^2 \right]$$

$$= -\sigma^2 \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} z^2 \right]$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} z^2 \right] dz$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\pi \cdot 2 \cdot \sigma^2} \cdot \operatorname{erf} \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}} z \right)$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot \sigma \cdot \operatorname{erf} \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}} z \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma} \left(\left[-\sigma^2 \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} z^2 \right] \right]_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \mu \cdot \left[\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot \sigma \cdot \operatorname{erf} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\sigma^2}} z \right] \right]_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma} \left(\left[\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} (-\sigma^2 \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} z^2 \right]) \right] \right. \\ \left. - \lim_{z \rightarrow -\infty} (-\sigma^2 \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} z^2 \right]) \right]$$

$$+ \mu \left[\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sigma \operatorname{erf} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\sigma^2}} z \right] \right) \right. \\ \left. - \lim_{z \rightarrow -\infty} \left(\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sigma \operatorname{erf} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\sigma^2}} z \right] \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma} \left([0 - 0] + \mu \left[\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot \sigma - (-\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot \sigma) \right] \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma} \cdot \mu \cdot 2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot \sigma$$

$$= \mu$$

Standard Deviation

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

$$\text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - E(X))^2 \cdot f_X(x) dx$$

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

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

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty - \mu}^{+\infty - \mu} z^2 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{z}{\sigma}\right)^2\right) d(z\sigma)$$

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

$$z = \sqrt{2}\sigma a$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\sqrt{2}\sigma a)^2 \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}\sigma a}{\sigma}\right)^2\right] d(\sqrt{2}\sigma a)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \cdot 2\sigma^2 \cdot \sqrt{2}\sigma \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a^2 \exp[-a^2] da$$

$$= \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a^2 \cdot e^{-a^2} da$$

the integrand is symmetric,

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{4\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} a^2 \cdot e^{-a^2} da$$

$$z = a^2, \quad a = \sqrt{z} \quad da = \frac{1}{2} \cdot z^{-\frac{1}{2}} dz$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{4\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} z \cdot e^{-z} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot z^{-\frac{1}{2}} dz$$

$$= \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} z^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot e^{-z} dz$$

$$\Gamma(x) = \int_0^{\infty} z^{x-1} \cdot e^{-z} dz$$

$$\therefore \text{Var}(X) = \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} = \sigma^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Standard deviation} = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)} = \sigma$$

Skewness

Normal distribution is a symmetric distribution and has a skewness of zero.

$$r = E\left(\left(\frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^3\right)$$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2\right]$$

$$r = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^3 \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{(x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) dx$$

$$u = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

$$r = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{u}{\sigma}\right)^3 \cdot \exp\left[-\frac{u^2}{2\sigma^2}\right] du$$

$$(-u)^3 \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{(-u)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) = -u^3 \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{u^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

\Rightarrow the integral is odd.

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{u}{\sigma}\right)^3 \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{u^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) du = 0$$

$$r = 0$$

Kurtosis

$$\alpha = E\left(\left(\frac{X-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^4\right)$$

$$= \frac{E(X^4) - 4\mu E(X^3) + 6\mu^2 E(X^2) - 3\mu^4}{\sigma^4}$$

$$= \frac{E(X^4) - 4\mu(3\mu\sigma^2 + \mu^3) + 6\mu^2(\sigma^2 + \mu^2) - 3\mu^4}{\sigma^4}$$

$$E(X^4) = M_X^{(4)}(0) \text{ (Moment Generating Function)}$$

$$M_X^{(4)}(t) = (3\sigma^4 + 6\sigma^2(\mu + \sigma^2 t)^2 + (\mu + \sigma^2 t)^4) \exp(\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2)$$

$$E(X^4) = \mu^4 + 6\mu^2\sigma^2 + 3\sigma^4$$

$$\alpha = \frac{(\mu^4 + 6\mu^2\sigma^2 + 3\sigma^4) - 4\mu(3\mu\sigma^2 + \mu^3) + 6\mu^2(\sigma^2 + \mu^2) - 3\mu^4}{\sigma^4}$$

$$= \frac{(1 - 4 + 6 - 3)\mu^4 + (6 - 12 + 6)\mu^2\sigma^2 + 3\sigma^4}{\sigma^4}$$

$$= \frac{3\sigma^4}{\sigma^4}$$

$$= 3$$