

A8-MATH411

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Problem 11 (textbook)

a)

b)

c)

Problem 1

$$Z = X - \frac{\mu}{\sigma}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mu - \sigma \leq X \leq \mu + \sigma) &= P\left(\frac{(\mu - \sigma) - \mu}{\sigma} \leq \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \leq \frac{(\mu + \sigma) - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \\ &= P\left(-\frac{\sigma}{\sigma} \leq \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \leq \frac{\sigma}{\sigma}\right) \\ &= P\left(-1 \leq \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \leq 1\right) \\ &= P(-1 \leq Z \leq 1) \\ &= P(Z \leq 1) - P(Z \leq -1) \end{aligned}$$

$= 0.68...$

Both intervals below follow exact same method as above:

$$P(-2 \leq Z \leq 2) = P(Z \leq 2) - P(Z \leq -2)$$

$= 0.95...$

$$P(-3 \leq Z \leq 3) = P(Z \leq 3) - P(Z \leq -3)$$

$= 0.997...$

Problem 2

a)

$$\begin{aligned}f_X(x) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \\1 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) \, dx \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \, dx \\&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \, dx \\u = \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \quad du &= \frac{1}{\sigma} \, dx \\&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} \, du\end{aligned}$$

We can assume that:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} \, du = \sqrt{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

$$1 = 1$$

b)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) \, dx \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \, dx \\&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \, dx \\u = \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} \right)^2 \quad du &= \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma^2} \, dx\end{aligned}$$

Now we have to modify our main function in order to be able to do u-sub:

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x}{\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} - \frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} + \frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right) dx \\
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} + \frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right) dx \\
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx + \frac{\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx \\
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-u} du + \frac{\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx
\end{aligned}$$

We have the same integral bounds for the first integral. This makes it zero so we can remove it:

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx \\
&= \mu \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx \right) \\
&\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx = 1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \mu$$

Now to get the variance we can follow a similar pattern:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Var}[X] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f_X(x) dx - \mu^2 \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx - \mu^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx - \mu^2
\end{aligned}$$

Some u-sub:

$$\begin{aligned}
u &= \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} & du &= \frac{1}{\sigma} dx \\
x^2 &= (\sigma u + \mu)^2 \\
x^2 &= \sigma^2 u^2 + 2\sigma\mu u + \mu^2
\end{aligned}$$

Substituting x for u :

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\sigma^2 u^2 + 2\sigma\mu u + \mu^2) e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} du - \mu^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sigma^2 u^2 e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} du + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 2\sigma\mu u e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} du + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mu^2 e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} du - \mu^2 \\
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u^2 e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} du + \frac{2\sigma\mu}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} du + \frac{\mu^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} du - \mu^2
\end{aligned}$$

We can assume that we already know:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \sqrt{2\pi}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = 0$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \sqrt{2\pi}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u^2 e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} du + \frac{2\sigma\mu}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} du + \frac{\mu^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} du - \mu^2 \\
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \sqrt{2\pi} + \frac{\mu^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \sqrt{2\pi} - \mu^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}[X] = \frac{\sigma^2}{\sigma} + \frac{\mu^2}{\sigma} - \mu^2$$

Problem 3

a)

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$$

$$P(15 - k \leq X \leq 15 + k) = 0.90$$

$$P\left(\frac{15 - k - \mu}{\sigma} \leq \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \leq \frac{15 + k - \mu}{\sigma}\right) = 0.90$$

$$P\left(\frac{15 - k - 15}{4} \leq \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \leq \frac{15 + k - 15}{4}\right) = 0.90$$

$$P\left(-\frac{k}{4} \leq Z \leq \frac{k}{4}\right) = 0.90$$

$$P\left(Z \leq \frac{k}{4}\right) - P\left(Z \leq -\frac{k}{4}\right) = 0.90$$

$$P\left(Z \leq \frac{k}{4}\right) - \left(1 - P\left(Z \leq \frac{k}{4}\right)\right) = 0.90$$

$$2P\left(Z \leq \frac{k}{4}\right) - 1 = 0.90$$

$$2P\left(Z \leq \frac{k}{4}\right) = 1.90$$

$$P\left(Z \leq \frac{k}{4}\right) = 0.95$$

$$\frac{k}{4} = 1.65$$

$$k = 6.6$$

b)

$$2P\left(Z \leq \frac{k}{4}\right) - 1 = 0.95$$

$$2P\left(Z \leq \frac{k}{4}\right) = 1.95$$

$$P\left(Z \leq \frac{k}{4}\right) = 0.975$$

$$\frac{k}{4} = 1.96$$

$$k = 7.84$$

Problem 4

Problem 5