

Probability and Statistics (September 13) Lecture



- Transformations in the case of continuous r.v.s.

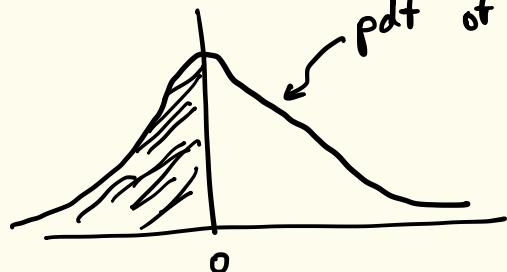
- "scaling"

$$q(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

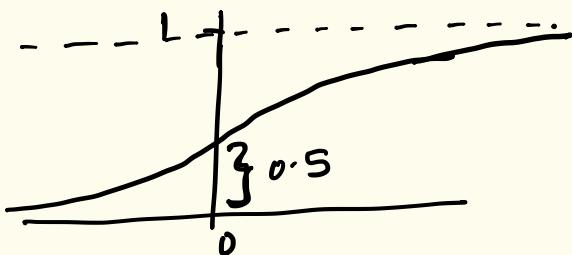
This pdf is called as standard normal density.

$$x \sim N(0,1)$$

(std. normal density)



$\Phi(x)$ = CDF of std. normal.

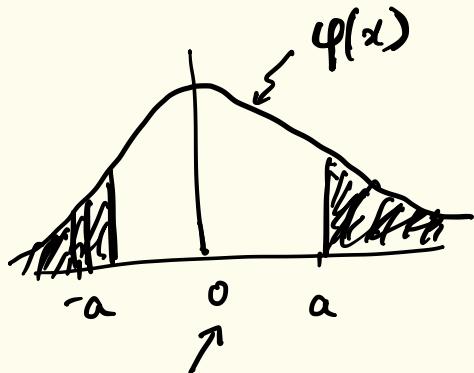


Probability computation:

$$P(a \leq x \leq b) = \Phi(b) - \Phi(a)$$

and $\Phi(x)$ for any real number $x \in \mathbb{R}$ can be
"read" from std. normal table.

$$\Phi(a) = \int_{-\infty}^a \varphi(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^a \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} dx$$



For $a > 0$, $\Phi(a) \nearrow$

For $a < 0$, $\Phi(-a) = 1 - \Phi(a)$

True for any
symmetric density.

Let X be standard normal r.v.

Define

$$Y = \mu + \sigma X$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \sigma > 0 \\ \mu \end{cases} \in \mathbb{R}$$

Q: Compute density of Y ??

Let $g(y)$ be the density of Y .

$$g(y) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \varphi\left(\frac{y-\mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sigma} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{y-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}$$

$$\varphi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$$

$$g(y) = \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad -\infty < y < \infty$$

Y is said to follow normal density with two parameters μ & σ^2 .

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

$$g(y) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} ; -\infty < y < \infty$$

Probability computation:

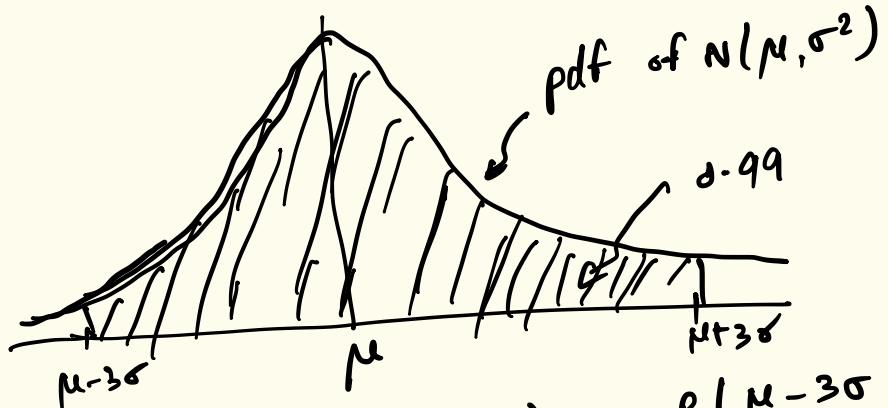
$$\begin{aligned} P(a < Y < b) &= P(a < \mu + \sigma X < b) \\ &= P(a - \mu < \sigma X < b - \mu) \\ &= P\left(\frac{a - \mu}{\sigma} < X < \frac{b - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \Phi\left(\frac{b - \mu}{\sigma}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{a - \mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

can be read from std. normal table.

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

$$\frac{Y - \mu}{\sigma}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\mu - 3\sigma < Y < \mu + 3\sigma) &= P(\mu - 3\sigma - \mu < Y - \mu < \mu + 3\sigma - \mu) \\
 &= P\left(-\frac{3\sigma}{\sigma} < \frac{Y - \mu}{\sigma} < \frac{3\sigma}{\sigma}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= P(-3 < Z < 3)$$

$$= \Phi(3) - \Phi(-3)$$

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where
 $Z \sim N(0, 1)$

Gamma densities:

Let $x \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

Consider the transformation

$$y = x^2$$

$f_x(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2\sigma^2}$ $-\infty < x < \infty$

$x \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$;

Let $g(y)$ be the density of $y = x^2$.

$$g(y) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} (f_x(\sqrt{y}) + f_x(-\sqrt{y})) \quad y > 0$$

$g(y) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}y} e^{-y/2\sigma^2} \quad y > 0$

Gamma density.

Gamma functions:

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda x} dx = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{\lambda^\alpha}$$

Gamma pdf:

pdf

$$\Gamma(x; \alpha, \lambda) = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda x} & x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

parameters of this density are α and λ .

(when $\alpha = 1$; $\Gamma(1) = 0! = 1$)

$$\Gamma(x; 1, \lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$$

$x > 0$: exponential density.

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2} ; \quad \lambda = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}$$

then one gets $g(y) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi y}} e^{-y/2\sigma^2}$ $y > 0$

$$Y = X^2 \quad (X \sim N(0, \sigma^2))$$

M.W. $B(x; \alpha, \beta)$: densities.

r.v.s.

discrete

continuous

R_x

countable

finite/infinite

p.m.f.

$$P(X=i) = f(i)$$

i) Bernoulli (p)

ii) Binomial (n, p)

iii) geometric (p)

iv) NB

v) Poisson

vi) Hypergeometric
vii) Discrete uniform

p.d.f.

$$f(x) \neq P(X=x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(a < X < b) &= F(b) - F(a) \\ &= \int_a^b f(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

i) continuous uniform

ii) exp

iii) Cauchy

iv) Normal

v) Gamma

vi) Beta

only defined expectation, variance, median

Defn: Let x be discrete r.v. with R_x as its range.

$$E(x) = \sum_{x \in R_x} x p(x=x)$$

provided that
the sum
is convergent.

Ex: Let x be discrete uniform r.v. on

$$R_x = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n} & \text{for } x \in R_x \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$E(x) = \sum_{x \in R_x} x f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i p(x_i) = \frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n}$$

Ex: Let x be a discrete r.v. with the pmf

x	x_1	x_2	\dots	x_n
$f(x)$	p_1	p_2	\dots	p_n

$$E(x) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} x f(x) = p_1 x_1 + p_2 x_2 + \dots + p_n x_n$$

(In general, we can understand $E(x)$ as weighted average).

Ex: $X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(P)$

x	0	1
$f(x)$	$1-p$	p

$$E(X) = 0(1-p) + 1.p$$

$$E(X) = p$$

$$0 \leq p \leq 1$$

Ex: $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p)$

$$f(x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$
$$= 0$$

$$x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$0.w$$

$$E(x) = \sum_{x \in R_x} x f(x)$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^n j \binom{n}{j} p^j (1-p)^{n-j}$$

Notice : $j \binom{n}{j} = \frac{j \cdot n!}{(n-j) \cdot j!} = n \binom{n-1}{j-1}$

$$E(x) = np$$

$$x \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p) ; E(x) = np$$

Ex: $x \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$

$$f(x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$\bullet \cdot w \cdot$

$$= 0$$

$$E(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} j \cdot c \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^j}{j!}$$

$E(x) = \lambda$

Ex: Let x be a discrete r.v. with pmf

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x(x+1)} & x = 1, 2, 3, \dots \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

To check whether $f(x)$ is a pmf.

i) $f(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

ii) $\sum_{x \in \mathbb{R}_x} f(x) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x(x+1)} = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x+1} \right]$

$$E(x) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x f(x) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{1}{x(x+1)} = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x+1}$$

does Not exist.

Ex: $X \sim \text{geometric}(p)$

$$E(X) = \frac{1-p}{p}$$

} H.W.

Prepare a chart.

C.r.v.s

i) name / pdf / cdf / $E(X)$ / $\text{var}(x)$ / $\text{median}(x)$
mgf

d.r.v.s.