

# Probability & Statistics.

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$X \rightarrow$  continuous RV  $\infty$

pdf:  $f(x) \geq 0, \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$

PDF: Probability distribution f.

$$F_x(t) = P(X \leq t), t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$E(x), V(x),$  moments " $M_n$ "

Moment generating function (mgf)

$$g(t) = E(e^{tx}) < \infty$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} f(x) dx$$

$< \infty$

$$\begin{aligned} M_n &= E(X^n) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^n f(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$M_n = g^{(n)}(0)$$

Ex. Let  $X \sim U[0,1]$

$$g(t) = \int_0^1 e^{tx} dx$$

$$= \frac{e^t - 1}{t}$$

Ex.  $X \sim E_\lambda$ ,  $f_X(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$ ,  $0 < x < \infty$

$$g(t) = \int_0^\infty e^{tx} \cdot \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

$$= \lambda \int_0^\infty e^{(t-\lambda)x} dx$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - t}$$

Ex  $X \sim N(0,1)$

$$g(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int e^{tx} \cdot e^{-x^2/2} dx$$

$$= e^{-t^2/2}$$

osition: If  $x$  is a odd continuous random variable then the mgf  $g(t)$  determines the density  $f$ : uniquely.

# Functions of continuous RV.

$$Y = aX + b$$

Q. What about the distribution f.c. of  $Y$  i.e.  $F_Y(t)$  given  $F_X(t)$  !!  
 $F_X(t) = P(X \leq t)$

Case I  $a > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} F_Y(t) &= P(Y \leq t) \\ &= P(aX + b \leq t) \\ &= P\left(X \leq \frac{t-b}{a}\right) \\ &= F_X\left(\frac{t-b}{a}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Case II  $a < 0$

$$\begin{aligned} F_Y(t) &= P(Y \leq t) \\ &= P\left(X \geq \frac{t-b}{a}\right) \\ &= 1 - P\left(X < \frac{t-b}{a}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$P\left(X = \frac{t-b}{a}\right) = 0$$

Assuming the continuity.

$$\begin{aligned} F_Y(t) &= 1 - P\left(X \leq \frac{t-b}{a}\right) \\ &= 1 - F_X\left(\frac{t-b}{a}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Q. Given  $p_x(x)$ , what is  
 $p_y(y)$  when  $Y = aX + b$

Case I  $a > 0$

$$F_y(t) = \frac{P(Y \leq t)}{P(Y \leq t)}$$

$$= F_x\left(\frac{t-b}{a}\right)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{t-b}{a}} p_x(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^t p_y(y) dy$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^t \frac{1}{a} p\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right) dy$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^t q(y) dy$$

Then  $q(y) = \frac{1}{a} p_x\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Case II  $a < 0$ .  $F_y(t) = 1 - F_x\left(\frac{t-b}{a}\right)$

$$= \int_{\frac{t-b}{a}}^{\infty} p_x(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^t \frac{1}{|a|} p\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right) dy = \int_{-\infty}^t q(y) dy$$

$$f_{\text{trans}}(y) = \frac{1}{|a|} P_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$$

Exp.  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

Q.  $Y = aX + b$

(1)  $Y \sim ?$

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

$$P_Y(y) = \frac{1}{|a|} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-b)^2}{2a^2}}$$

$$= \mathcal{N}(b, |a|^2)$$

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

from  $Y \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

Cor. Recall: the Gaussian

$\Phi$ -function

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

$$N(\mu, \sigma^2) [a, b]$$

$$= P(a \leq N(\mu, \sigma^2) \leq b)$$

$$= P(a \leq \sigma N(0,1) + \mu \leq b)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{a-\mu}{\sigma} \leq N(0,1) \leq \frac{b-\mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

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

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

Then the next result shows that  $X$  with high probability (more than 99.7%) attains the values in  $[\mu - 3\sigma, \mu + 3\sigma]$ .

[Therefore, one may assume  $X$  maps into  $[\mu - 3\sigma, \mu + 3\sigma]$ ]

### 3 $\sigma$ -Rule

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

$$P(|X - \mu| \leq 2\sigma) \geq 0.954$$

$$\text{or } P(|X - \mu| \leq 3\sigma) \geq 0.997$$

Pf.

$$= P(|X - \mu| \leq \alpha\sigma)$$

$$= P(\mu - \alpha\sigma \leq X \leq \mu + \alpha\sigma)$$

$$= \Phi(\alpha) - \Phi(-\alpha)$$

$$\text{for } \alpha = 2, P(|X - \mu| \leq 2\sigma) = \Phi(2) - \Phi(-2) = 0.9545$$

$$\alpha = 3, P(|X - \mu| \leq 3\sigma) = \Phi(3) - \Phi(-3) = 0.9973$$

## Recall

Random vectors,  $\Omega$   
 $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$

$$X_i: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\vec{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n): \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\vec{X}(\omega) = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

Prob. distribution.

$$P(\vec{X} \in B) = P_{(X_1, \dots, X_n)}(B)$$

$$B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

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Joint density  $f_{\vec{X}}$ .

A random vector  $\vec{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$  is said to be continuous if there is a function  $p: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $a_j < b_j, 1 \leq j \leq n$

$$P(a_1 \leq X_1 \leq b_1, \dots, a_n \leq X_n \leq b_n) \\ = \int_{a_1}^{b_1} \dots \int_{a_n}^{b_n} p(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \dots dx_n$$

# marginal distribution.

Given  $\vec{P}_X(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

and  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$

$$P_{X_j}(B) = P(x_1, \dots, x_n) \quad (\mathbb{R} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R} \times B \times \mathbb{R} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R})$$

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$$= P(-\infty < X_1 < \infty, \dots, -\infty < X_{j-1} < \infty, \\ a \leq X_j \leq b, \dots, -\infty < X_{n+1} < \infty)$$

is called the marginal distribution.

Proposition: If a random vector  $\vec{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$  has density  $p: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  then for each  $j \leq n$ , the random variable  $X_j$  is continuous with density

$$p_j(x_j) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(\dots, x_{j-1}, x_j, x_{j+1}, \dots) dx_n \dots dx_{j+1}, dx_{j-1} \dots dx_1$$

In  $n=2$  ..

$$p(x_1, x_2) = \dots$$

$$p_{x_1}(x_1) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x_1, x_2) dx_2$$

$$p_{x_2}(x_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x_1, x_2) dx_1$$

Exp. Choose by random a point  $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$  in the unit ball of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

How have are the coordinates

$x_1, x_2, x_3$  are distributed?

Pf. Let  $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$  be uniformly distributed on the unit ball

$$K = \left\{ (x_1, x_2, x_3) \mid x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 \leq 1 \right\}$$

$$p_{\vec{x}}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{4\pi}, & x \in K \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$