

Probability and Random Process

Lecture 9

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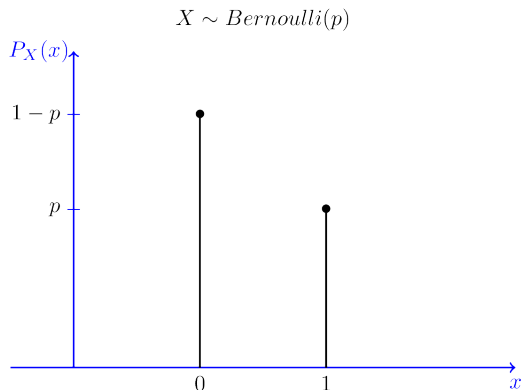
Review

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Bernoulli distribution

A Bernoulli trial has two possible outcomes, success and failure.

The probability of success is p and the probability of failure is $1 - p$ where $p \in \{0, 1\}$



Bernoulli distribution

$$E(X) = p$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = p(1 - p)$$

Binomial distribution

Consider a Bernoulli trial with parameter p . The binomial distribution models the number of success in N independent Bernoulli trial.

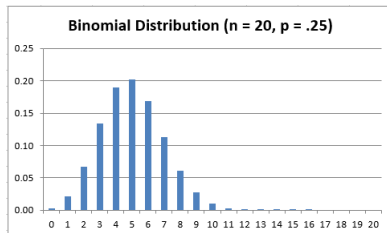
Given n independent trials the number of successes k can vary from 0 to n

The pdf of binomial distribution is

$$f(k, n, p) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$$

$$\sum_0^n \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k} = (p + (1 - p))^n = 1$$

Binomial distribution

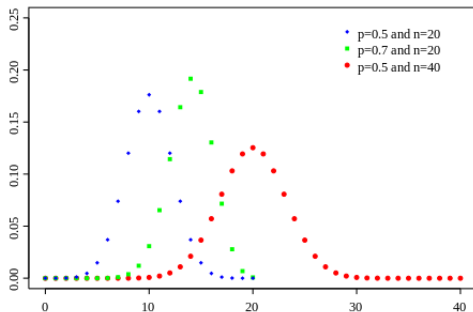


Binomial distribution

If X is binomially distributed random variable

$$E(X) = np$$

$$\text{var}(X) = np(1 - p)$$



Gaussian distribution

The probability density function of a Gaussian distributed random variable is given by

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

The expected value of a Gaussian random variable is μ

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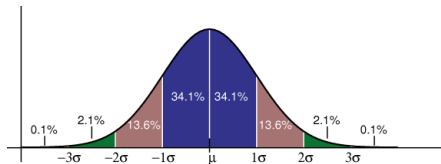
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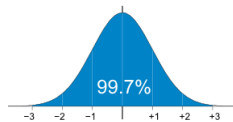
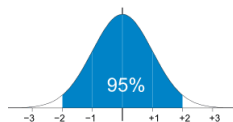
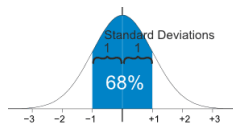
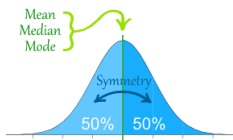


Normal distribution

A Gaussian distribution with $\mu = 0$ and $\sigma^2 = 1$ is called a normal distribution.

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

Normal distribution

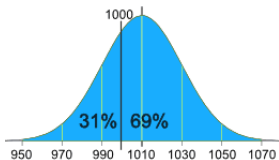


Example of Gaussian

Your company packages sugar in 1 kg bags.

When you weigh a sample of bags you get these results:

- 1007g, 1032g, 1002g, 983g, 1004g, ... (a hundred measurements)
- Mean = 1010g
- Standard Deviation = 20g



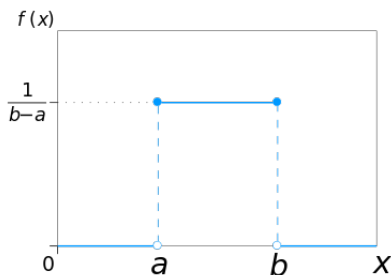
To reduce error adjust the machine so that 1000g is at -3 standard deviations away from mean.

Uniform distribution

The probability density function of uniform distribution is

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{b-a} \text{ for } a \leq x \leq b$$

$$f_X(x) = 0 \text{ otherwise}$$



Uniform distribution

Expected value = $\frac{1}{1}(a + b)$
The variance is $\frac{1}{12}(b - a)^2$

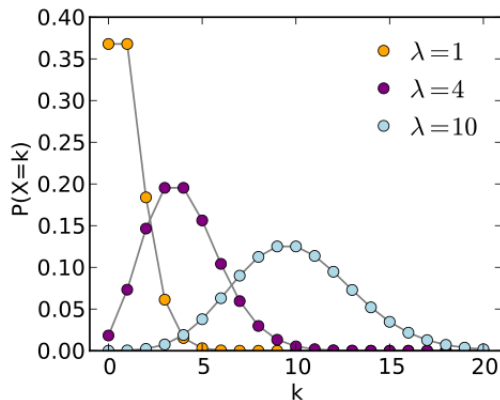
Poisson distribution

A discrete random variable X is said to have a Poisson distribution with parameter $\lambda > 0$ if, for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$,

$$f(k, \lambda) = P(X = k) = \frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!}$$

$$E(X) = \text{Var}(X) = \lambda$$

Poisson distribution



Rayleigh distribution

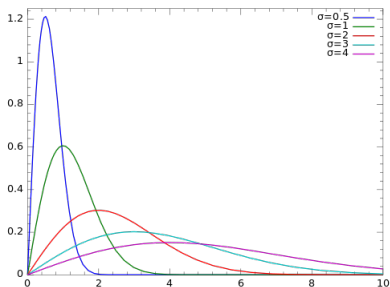
If U_1 and U_2 are independent normal variables with mean 0 and standard deviation $\sigma > 0$ then $X = \sqrt{U_1^2 + U_2^2}$ has the Rayleigh distribution with scale parameter σ .

The pdf of Rayleigh distribution is given by

$$f(x, \sigma) = \frac{x}{\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}}, \quad x \geq 0$$

The expected value is $\sigma\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}$

The variance is $\frac{4-\pi}{2}\sigma^2$



Sum of random variables

Suppose you have two random variables X and Y with expected values μ_X and μ_Y , and variances σ_X^2 and σ_Y^2

The expected value of $X + Y$ will be $\mu_X + \mu_Y$.

The variance of $X + Y = \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2$

The same can be extended to n random variables.

iid random variables

Independent and identically distributed random variables.

Throw the dice 5 times and observe the values. Each throw is independent of every other throw. But all the throws have identical distribution.

Central limit theorem

Consider n iid random variables X_i

We take N samples from each of the above variables and compute the sample mean. Central limit theorem states that the probability distribution of sample mean will approach Gaussian distribution as N approaches infinity.

Central limit theorem: illustration

Consider four 6 faced dice. on every dice ,each face has a probability of $1/6$. The dices are independent and identically distributed with mean 3.5.

Suppose we throw the set of dice several times. For each throw we get a sample.

2 4 5 6

1 3 2 5

1 2 2 5

For each sample we can compute the mean.

The probability distribution of this mean will tend to a gaussian with mean μ_x and variance σ^2/n