

hw-lect4-1:

Consider the Bernoulli dist. with parameter π :

$$p(x) = \pi^x (1-\pi)^{1-x}, \quad x=0,1 \quad 0 < \pi < 1$$

a) Show that it's a distribution (prob. mass function).

b) Find the prob that $x=1$.

a) $p(x) \geq 0$ for $x=0,1$. ✓

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\text{all } x} p(x) &= \sum_{x=0}^1 p(x) = p(x=0) + p(x=1) \\ &= \pi^0 (1-\pi)^1 + \pi^1 (1-\pi)^0 = 1-\pi + \pi = 1 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

b) $\text{prop}(x=1) = p(x=1) = \pi^1 (1-\pi)^0 = \pi$.

This gives the param π a nice interpretation. It's the prop. of times we get $x=1$. If $x=0,1$ represent heads and tails, then π is the prob. of getting Heads.

hw-lect4-2:

Based on data, we have observed that x is between 0 and 1/2 about 25% of the time. Which of the following is the more reasonable distribution from which our data may have come? Show work (always!)

A) $f(x) = 2x \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1$

B) $f(x) = e^{-x} \quad 0 \leq x < \infty$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{A) } \int_0^{1/2} 2x \, dx &= 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^2 \Big|_0^{1/2} = \frac{1}{4} = \boxed{25\%} \leftarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{It's more likely that} \\ \text{our data have come} \\ \text{from this distr./pop.} \end{array} \right. \\ \text{B) } \int_0^{1/2} e^{-x} \, dx &= -e^{-x} \Big|_0^{1/2} = 1 - e^{-1/2} \approx 40\% \end{aligned}$$

hw_lect4_3: What's the prob of getting 1 or 2 boys in a sample of size 10, taken from a population in which the proportion of boys is exactly 50%?

$X = \{\text{The number of boys in a sample of size 10}\}$ has all the characteristics of being a Binomial r.v. with $n=10$.

Since the prop. of Boys in the pop is 0.5, then the prob of drawing a boy is 0.5, and that's the π parameter of Binomial.

$$\therefore p(x=1) = \frac{10!}{1!9!} (0.5)^1 (1-0.5)^9 = \frac{10(9!)}{9!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{10} = 10\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{10}$$

$$p(x=2) = \frac{10!}{2!8!} (0.5)^2 (1-0.5)^8 = \frac{10(9)8!}{2(8!)} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{10} = 45\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{10}$$

$$p(x=1 \text{ or } x=2) = (10 + 45)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{10} = 55\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{10}$$

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Show That

a) $\int_0^{\infty} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = 1$ $y = \lambda x \rightarrow dy = \lambda dx$

$$\text{LHS} = \int_0^{\infty} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y} dy = -e^{-y} \Big|_0^{\infty} = -(0-1) = +1.$$

b) $\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} = 1$

[Hint: use the Taylor series expansion for $e^{+\lambda}$]

$$\text{LHS} = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} = e^{-\lambda} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} = \frac{\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^x}{x!}}{e^{\lambda}} = 1.$$

Taylor series exp. of $e^{\lambda} = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} = (1 + \lambda + \frac{1}{2!} \lambda^2 + \dots)$

c) $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma})^2} dx = 1$ [use $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx = \sqrt{2\pi}$]

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma})^2} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}z^2} dz$$

$$z = \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \Rightarrow dz = \frac{1}{\sigma} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}z^2} dz}_{\sqrt{2\pi}} = 1.$$

$\sum_x p_{x+1} = 1$ for binomial will be proved, later,
(and in a different way)

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Let x have a normal dist. with params μ, σ , i.e. $x \sim N(\mu, \sigma)$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2} \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

a) Find The density function ($f(z)$) for $z = \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}$.

Hint Start with $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$, do not do The integral, but instead, do a change of variables until you get $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [\dots] dz = 1$. Then $[\dots]$ is $f(z)$.

Important

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2} dx = 1$$

$$z = \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \Rightarrow dz = \frac{1}{\sigma} dx$$

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

$$\therefore \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}z^2} dz = 1 \Rightarrow$$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}z^2}$$

not rigorous!
but ok for now.

b) In $f(z)$, in the place where you would expect to find μ and σ , what numbers do you see?

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(1)}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{z-0}{1}\right)^2} \Rightarrow \mu=0, \sigma=1$$

Moral 1: if $x \sim N(\mu, \sigma)$, Then $z = \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$.

Moral 2: if $x \sim$ any distr., Then This method can be used to find The distr. of any function of x (e.g. $\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}$).

hw-lect5-3 Find The prob. of $x \leq 2$ if

a) $X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\pi = \text{arbitrary})$ b) $X \sim \text{exp}(\lambda = 3)$

c) $X \sim \text{poiss}(\lambda = 3)$ d) $X \sim \text{Binom}(n=10, \pi = \frac{1}{4})$

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

a) $\sum_{x=0}^2 p(x) = \sum_{x=0}^2 \pi^x (1-\pi)^{1-x} = \pi^0 (1-\pi)^1 + \pi (1-\pi)^0 = 1$

b) $\int_0^2 3e^{-3x} dx = \left. \frac{3e^{-3x}}{-3} \right|_0^2 = -1(e^{-6} - 1) = 1 - e^{-6}$

c) $\sum_{x=0}^2 \frac{e^{-3} 3^x}{x!} = e^{-3} \left(\frac{3^0}{0!} + \frac{3^1}{1!} + \frac{3^2}{2!} \right) = e^{-3} \left(1 + 3 + \frac{9}{2} \right) = \frac{17}{2} e^{-3}$

d) $\sum_{x=0}^2 \frac{10!}{x!(10-x)!} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^x \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{10-x} = \frac{10!}{0!10!} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{10} + \frac{10!}{1!9!} \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^9 + \frac{10!}{2!8!} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^8$
 $= 1 \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{10} + 10 \frac{3^9}{4^{10}} + 45 \frac{3^8}{4^{10}}$
 $= \frac{3^8}{4^{10}} (3^2 + 10(3) + 45) = \frac{3^8 (86)}{4^{10}}$

Any of These answers is acceptable.

e) $\int_{-\infty}^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx = 0.9772$
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Table I.

hw-lect6-1 If x follows $N(\mu, \sigma)$, what's The prob. of x being within 1σ of μ ?

$= 0.8413 - 0.1587 = 0.6826$

$\hookrightarrow z = \frac{\mu - \sigma - \mu}{\sigma} = -1$

hw-lect 6-2 Standardization is important in finding probs.

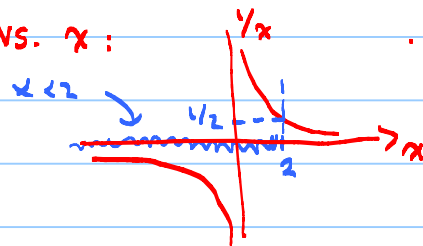
Although it almost always refers to The change of variable $z = \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}$, taking $N(\mu, \sigma)$ to $N(0, 1)$, Sometimes a different change of variable is required to obtain something That has $N(0, 1)$ distr.

Find The $pr(x < 2)$ if $\frac{1}{x}$ has a std. Normal dist.

$$? = pr(x < 2) = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Standardize}}}{pr(\frac{1}{x} > \frac{1}{2})} = pr(z > 0.5) = 1 - pr(z < 0.5) = 1 - \overset{0.6915}{\cancel{.9772}} = \cancel{.0228} \quad \underline{0.3085}$$

I've asked The grader to give full credit for This, But

Technically, This soln is incomplete/wrong, because $x < 2$ is equivalent to $\frac{1}{x} > \frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{1}{x} < 0$. You can see this by looking at The graph of $\frac{1}{x}$ vs. x :



$$\text{So } pr(x < 2) = pr(\frac{1}{x} > \frac{1}{2}) + pr(\frac{1}{x} < 0) = \underline{\text{above} + 0.5}$$

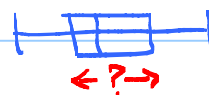
hw-lect 6-3 Another of The named distributions is The so-called power-law dist. It's formula is $f(x) = \alpha x^{\alpha-1}$, $0 < x < 1$, where $\alpha > 0$ is its parameter.

a) Find The n^{th} percentile of That distribution. Hint: The answer will depend on α and n .

$$\int_0^{n^{\text{th percentile}}} \alpha x^{\alpha-1} dx = \frac{n}{100} \Rightarrow \cancel{\alpha} \cdot \frac{\cancel{x}}{\cancel{\alpha}} \Big|_0^{n^{\text{th percentile}}} = \frac{n}{100} \Rightarrow (n^{\text{th percentile}})^{\alpha} = \frac{n}{100}$$

$$\underline{n^{\text{th percentile}} = \left(\frac{n}{100}\right)^{1/\alpha}}$$

b) How long is The box portion of The corresponding box plot?
Hint: The answer will depend on α .



$$? = 75^{\text{th percentile}} - 25^{\text{th percentile}}$$

$$= \left(\frac{75}{100}\right)^{1/\alpha} - \left(\frac{25}{100}\right)^{1/\alpha} = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{1/\alpha} - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{1/\alpha}$$

hw_lect6_4

Consider ONE of the 2 continuous random vars, and ONE of The 2 discrete (categorical variables in the data you collected. Make comparative boxplots for the continuous variable for each level of the discrete variable. E.g. if the discrete var. has 4 levels, then you need to show 4 boxplots for the cont-variable, all on the same plot, side-by-side. Interpret/discuss them. By R.

The answers will vary across students, but The code will be something like This :

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dat = read.table ( ... ).
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x1 = dat[,1]      # 1st categorical/discrete var.
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x2 = dat[,2]      # 2nd " "
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x3 = dat[,3]      # 1st continuous var.
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x4 = dat[,4]      # 2nd " "
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boxplot ( x3[x1 == A], x3[x1 == B], ..., x3[x1 == z] )
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# where A, B, ..., z are the levels of x1.
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Interpretations include The "shape" of The boxplot (e.g., is There a skew), The width (which ones are wider, why?), and The relative position of The boxplots (is There a difference between The groups?)