

CS2810 Day 16

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Quiz2 grades release thurs (quiz2 mean .830 vs quiz 1 mean .832)

Content:

Continuous Distributions

Normal Distributions

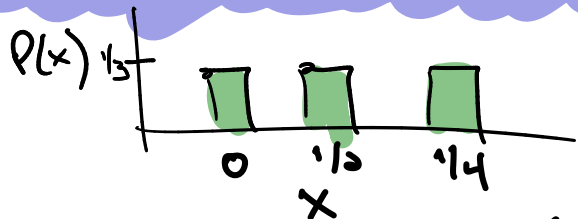
Cumulative Distribution Functions

Central Limit Theorem

DISCRETE DISTRIBUTION

VS

CONTINUOUS DISTRIBUTION

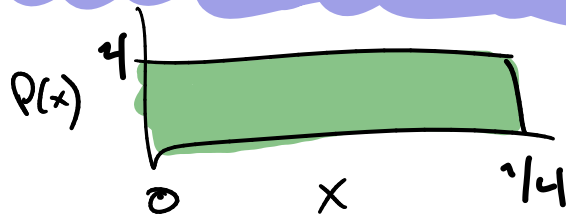


X HAS SAMPLE SPACE $\{0, 1/2, 1/4\}$

$$\sum_i P(x) = 1$$

$$0 \leq P(X=x) \leq 1$$

PROB MASS FUNCTIONS
PMF



X TAKES ANY VALUE FROM 0 TO 1/4

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(x) dx = 1$$

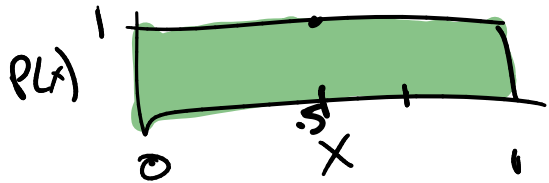
$$0 \leq P(x)$$

PROB DENSITY FUNCTION
PDF

THE $P(X) = X$ CONUNDRUM

LET X BE A CONTINUOUS RANDOM VARIABLE ON

$[0, 1]$



(includes 0, 1)

WHAT IS PROB THAT X IS EXACTLY $.5$?

$$P(X=.5) = 1$$

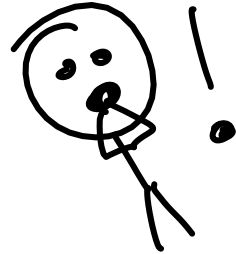
x is always $.5$ (no prob left for any other outcome)

$$P(X=.5) > 0$$

given there is an infinite amount of outcomes, each outcome can't have a positive probability (no number theory dive)

THE $P(x) = x$ CONUNDRUM

$$P(x = 1/2) = 0$$



PROBABILITY OF OUTCOMES IN CONTINUOUS
DISTRIBUTION CAN BE ZERO

↳ WHATS PDF GOOD FOR THEN?

→ CONTINUOUS DISTRIBUTION

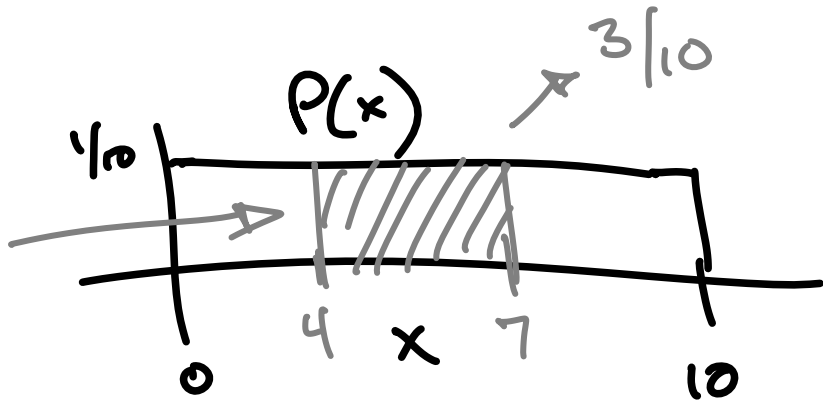
Continuous Distribution's Prob Distribution Function gives the probability an outcome falls in some range via integration:

Given X has PDF

Compute

AREA UNDER
PDF FROM
4 TO 7

$$P(4 < X < 7) = \int_4^7 \frac{1}{10} dx = \left. \frac{x}{10} \right|_4^7 = \frac{7}{10} - \frac{4}{10} = \frac{3}{10}$$

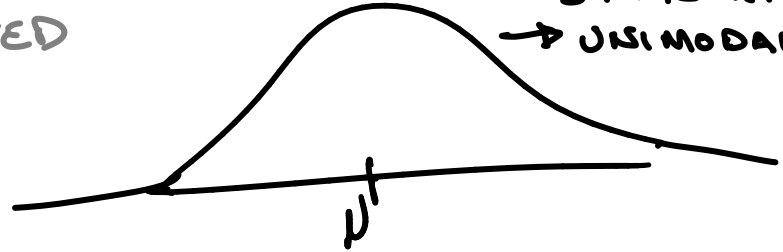


NORMAL / GAUSSIAN DISTRIBUTION

X is R.V. Normally Distributed

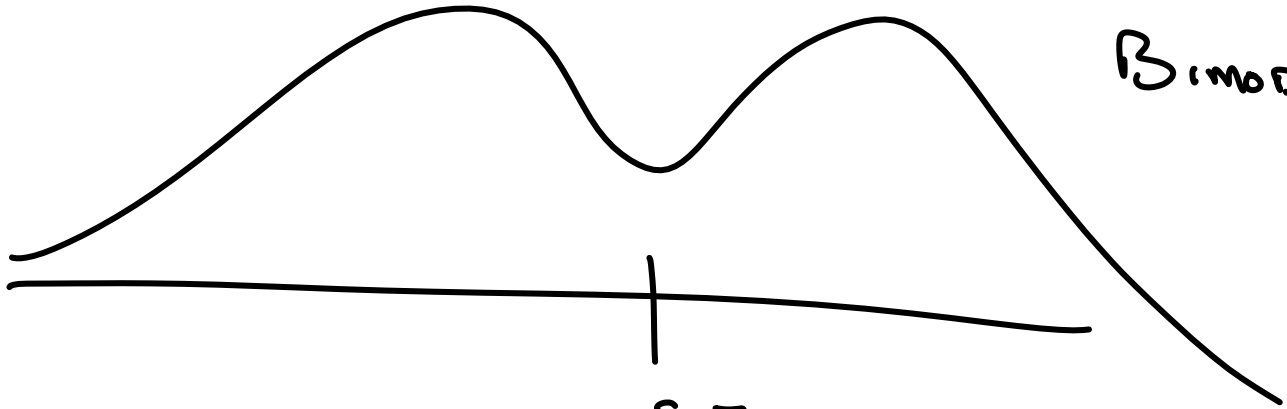
$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X=x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2}}$$



- CONTINUOUS
- UNBOUNDED
- SYMMETRIC
- UNIMODAL

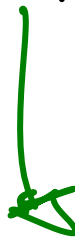
$$E[X] = \mu$$
$$\text{VAR}(X) = \sigma^2$$



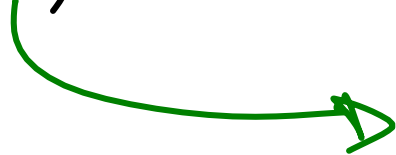
BIMODAL

$E[x]$

$$x \sim N(7, 11)$$



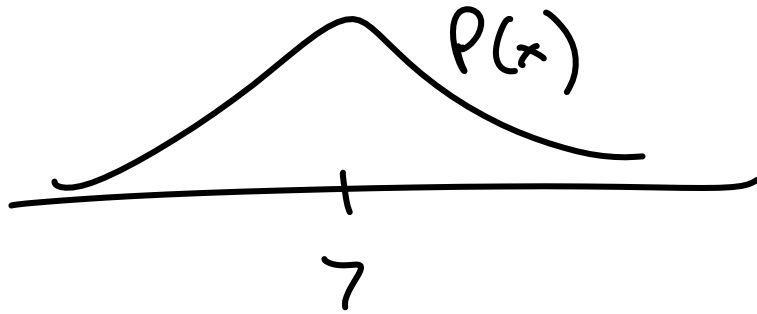
$$\mu = E[x]$$



$$\sigma^2 = \text{VAR}(x)$$

Given $X \sim N(7, 11)$ COMPUTE PROB THAT

X IS BETWEEN 6 AND 10



$$P(7 < X < 11)$$

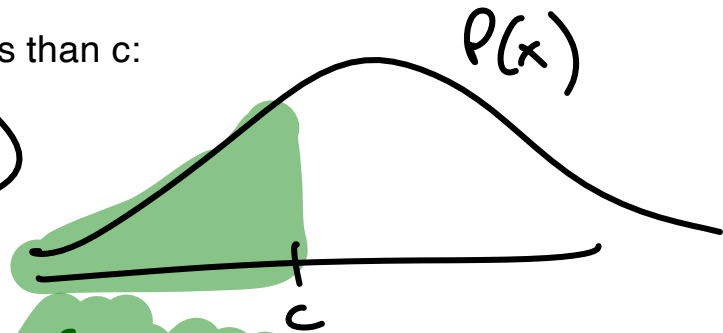
$$= \int_7^{11}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{11} \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x-7)^2}{11}}$$

CUMULATIVE DISTRIBUTION FUNCTIONS

The CDF gives the probability that an outcome is less than c :

GIVEN RV X WITH PDF $P(x)$

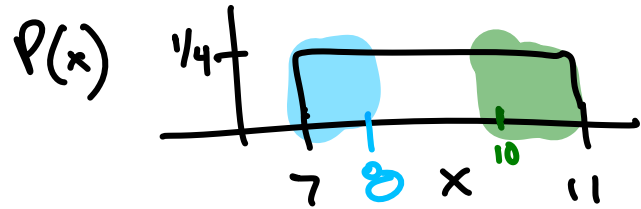


$$\text{CDF}(c) = P(X \leq c) = \int_{-\infty}^c P(x) dx$$

CDF DEMO

1 CA

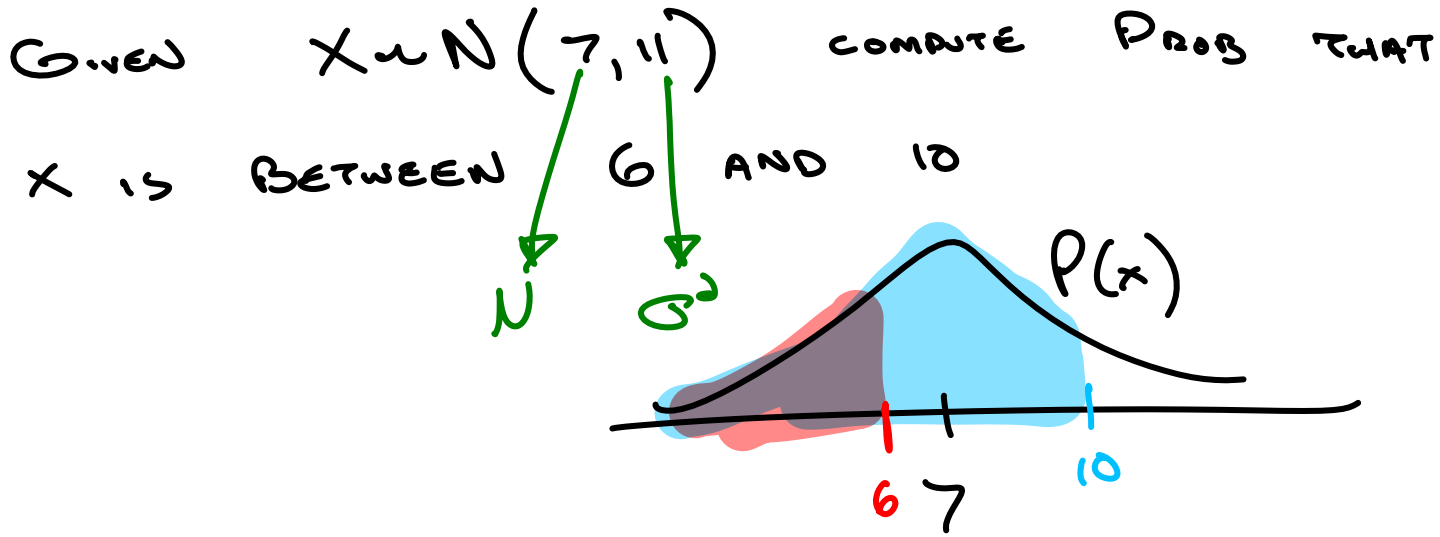
Given the PDF to the right, compute:



1. the probability that X is between 10 and 11
 2. the probability X is less than 8
 3. Express your answers for each of the above using only the CDF (not the PDF)
- (+) As c gets smaller and smaller, describe the behavior of the CDF
(+) As c gets larger and larger, describe the behavior of the CDF

① $\frac{1}{4}$ AREA UNDER PDF FROM 10 TO 11
 $CDF(11) - CDF(10)$

② $\frac{1}{4}$ AREA UNDER PDF FROM 7 TO 8
 $CDF(8) - CDF(7) = CDF(8)$



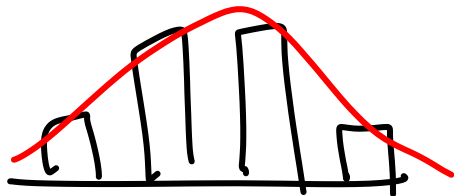
Demo: Updated Prob / Stats Calculator

$$\text{CDF}(10) - \text{CDF}(6) \approx .435$$

Central Limit Theorem

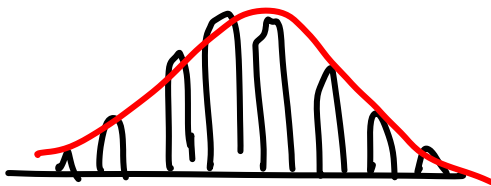
As we add more independent random variables together, the resulting sum gets closer and closer to normally distributed.

SUM OF 3
COIN FLIPS



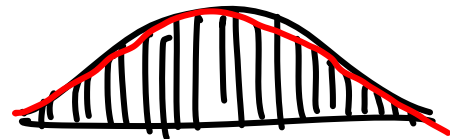
0 1 2 3
BINOM ($n=3, p=.5$)

SUM OF 7
COIN FLIPS



0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
BINOM ($n=7, p=.5$)

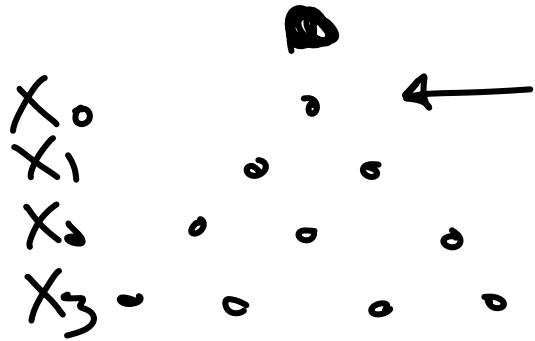
SUM OF 100
COIN FLIPS



0 50 100
BINOM ($n=100, p=.5$)

Demo: CLT

Galton Board on YouTube



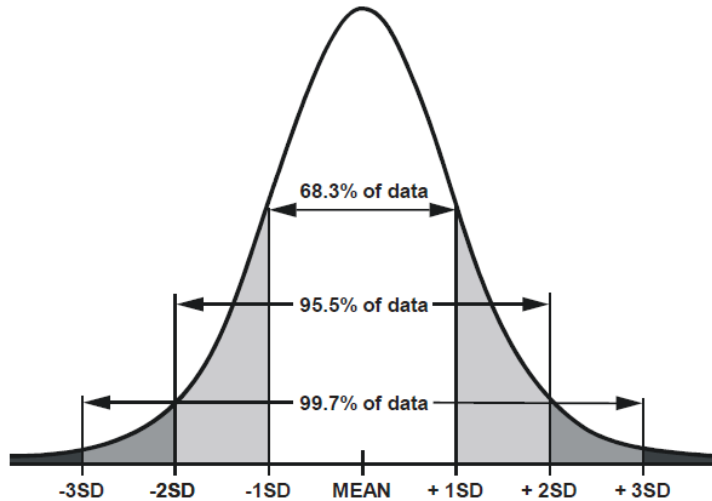
EACH PEG IS A BINARY
RANDOM VARIABLE X_i



FINAL POSITION OF
BALL IS SUM
OF X_i

NORMAL DISTRIBUTIONS

USEFUL LANDMARKS



95% OF DATA LIES
IN 1.96 STD DEVIATION)

Why is the normal distribution so popular?

1. We often sum independent random variables

CLT tells us this sum is (roughly) normally distributed




2. Linear Functions of Normal Random Variables are also Normal!

And the linearity of expectation formulae can tell us the mean and variance of the sum!

$$X_0 + X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{399}$$

The following distribution gives the prices of ice creams bought at a shop.

X_0

| x |  |  |  |
|--------|---|---|---|
| | \$1 | \$2 | \$10 |
| $P(x)$ | .5 | .4 | .1 |

What is the probability that the shop sells more than \$1000 of ice cream to 400 customers?
(make any assumptions you deem necessary)

→ EACH CUSTOMER PURCHASES INDEPENDENTLY

→ ASSUME TOTAL ICE CREAM SOLD IS NORMAL
(CLT)

| | | | |
|--------|---|---|--|
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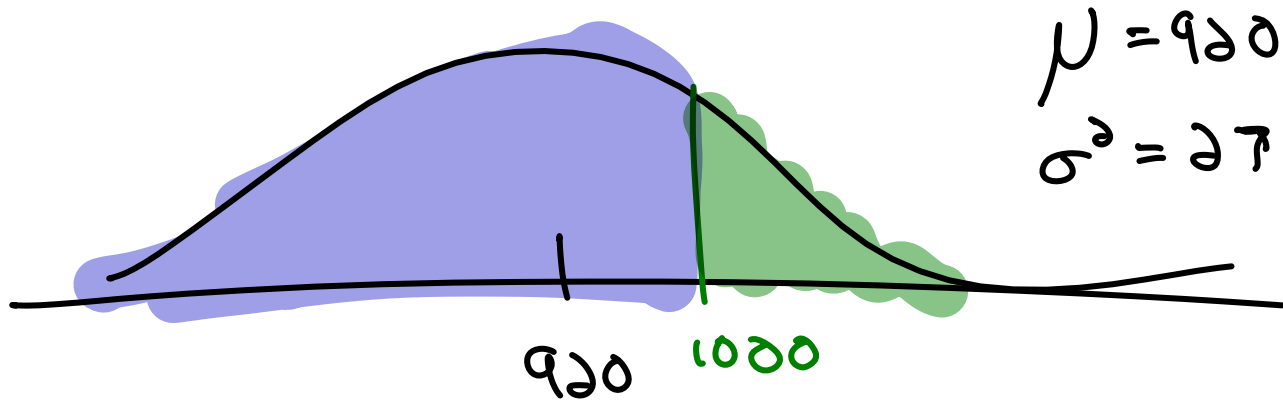
$$\begin{aligned}E[x] &= 1 \cdot .5 + 2 \cdot .4 + 10 \cdot .1 \\ &= .5 + .8 + 1 = 2.3\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}E[x^2] &= 1^2 \cdot .5 + 2^2 \cdot .4 + 10^2 \cdot .1 \\ &= .5 + 1.6 + 10 = 12.1\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{VAR}(x) &= E[x^2] - E[x]^2 \\ &= 12.1 - 2.3^2\end{aligned}$$

$$E[X_0 + X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{399}] = E[X_0] + E[X_1] + \dots + E[X_{399}]$$
$$= 400 \cdot E[x] = 920$$

$$\text{VAR}(X_0 + X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{399}) = \text{VAR}(X_0) + \text{VAR}(X_1) + \dots$$
$$= 400 \text{ VAR}(x) \approx 2724$$



$$\mu = 920$$
$$\sigma^2 = 2724$$

$$1 - \text{CDF}(1000)$$

INVERSE OF CDF IS

$$\text{PPF}(\text{AREA}) = C \quad \text{WHERE}$$



PERCENT POINT FUNCTION



$$\text{VAR} (X_0 + X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{399}) \neq \text{VAR} (400 x)$$

↑
Sum of 400
CUSTOMER'S BILLS

↑
1 CUSTOMER'S
BILL x 400