

Recall :-

S - uncountable set

\mathcal{F} - (σ -field) - proper event space definition

\mathbb{P} - Probability

$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ - piecewise continuous, $f(-) \geq 0$, $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$

[Probability density function]

$$\mathbb{P}(A) = \int_A f(x) dx$$

$X: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ was a continuous random variable

if $\mathbb{P}(X \in A) = \int_A f(x) dx$ with $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

being a probability density function.

$\mathbb{P}(X=a) = 0$ [unlike a discrete r.v.]

Examples:

choosing a number from (a,b) in an "equally likely" manner

$X \sim \text{Uniform}(a,b)$ ($a < b$)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & x \in (a,b) \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

lifetime of a bulb or decay time of a radioactive particle

$X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$ ($\lambda > 0$)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$X \sim \text{Normal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ($\mu \in \mathbb{R}, \sigma > 0$)

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}, x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$X_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$ independent

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

$S_n \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p)$

$$\mu_n = np, \sigma_n = \sqrt{np(1-p)}$$

[Sketch]

$$\mathbb{P}\left(a \leq \frac{S_n - np}{\sqrt{np(1-p)}} \leq b\right)$$

$$\rightarrow \int_a^b \frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx$$

$X \sim \text{Normal}(0,1)$

Calculating

Probabilities

associated to x

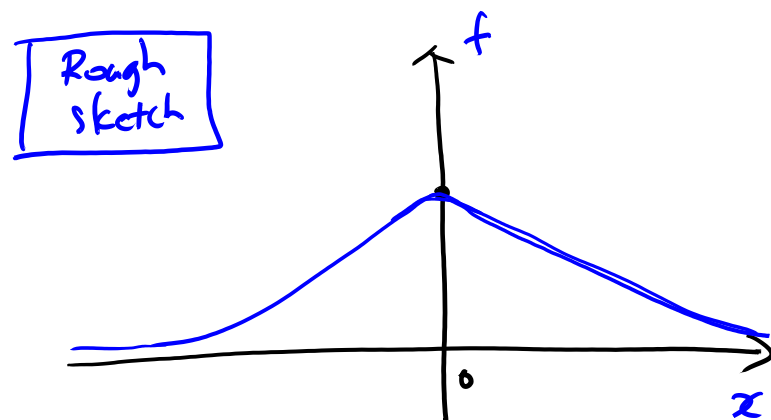
$$P(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy$$

no Anti derivative; need to do this numerically.

Properties of Normal $(0,1) \equiv X$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

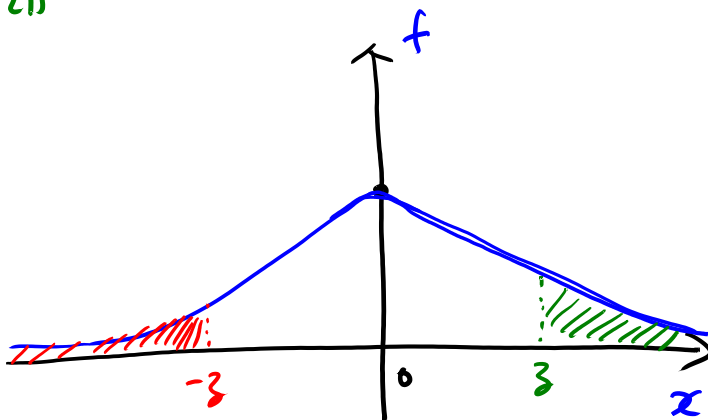
Symmetric $\cdot f(x) = f(-x), \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$



$$P(X \leq 3) = \int_{-\infty}^3 \frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx$$

c.o.v.
 $y = -x$

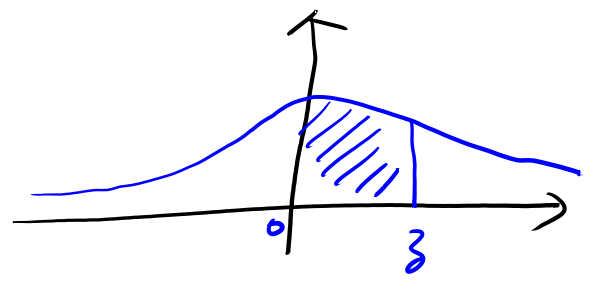
$$\int_{-3}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy = 1 - \int_{-\infty}^{-3} \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy = 1 - P(X \leq -3)$$



Rewrite (*)

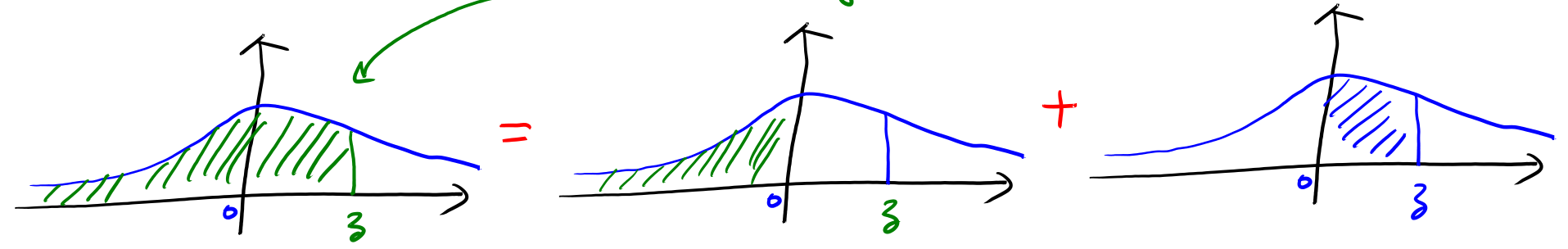
$$1 - P(X \leq 3) = P(X > 3) = P(X \leq -3) = \int_{-\infty}^{-3} \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy$$

Numerically: $z \geq 0$ - compute $\equiv \int_0^z \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy$



- $[0, z]$
 - can be done by Riemann approximation or other sophisticated methods

$z \in \mathbb{R}$: $z > 0 \Rightarrow P(X \leq z) = \int_{-\infty}^z \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy$



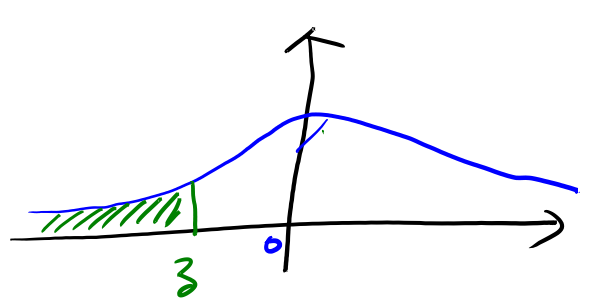
$$= \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy + \int_0^z \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy$$

(*) $P(X \leq 0) = P(X \geq 0)$
 $\Leftarrow P(X \geq 0) + P(X \leq 0) = 1$

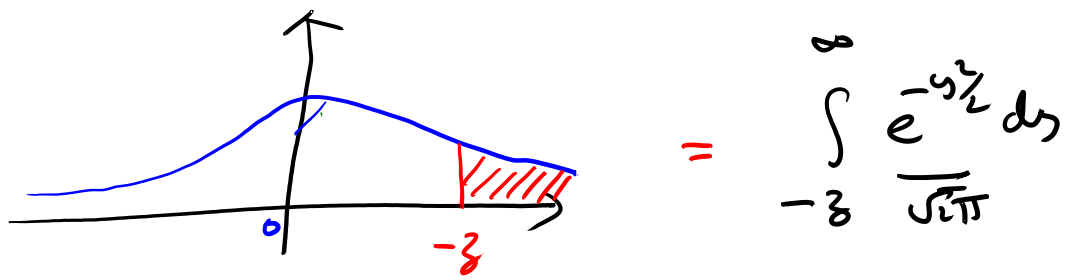
$$= P(X \leq 0) + \dots$$

$\nearrow E_x = \frac{1}{2}$

$z < 0$: $\Rightarrow P(X \leq z) = \int_{-\infty}^z \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy$



Rewrite
 (*)



$$= 1 - \int_{-z}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy = 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} + \int_0^{-z} \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy \right) = \frac{1}{2} - \int_0^{-z} \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy$$

$z \in \mathbb{R}$

$P(X \leq z)$

$=$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \int_0^z \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy \quad z > 0$$

$z > 0$

$$\frac{1}{2} - \int_{-\infty}^{-z} \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dy \quad z < 0$$

$z < 0$

- Numerically compute

$z > 0$;

$$\int_0^z \frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx \equiv$$

Normal Tables

(Available in literature)

Extend: Normal (μ, σ^2) :

$Y \sim \text{Normal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$P(Y \leq y) =$

$$\int_{-\infty}^y \frac{e^{-\frac{(z-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma} dz$$

Substitute

$$x = \frac{z-\mu}{\sigma};$$

$$dx = \frac{1}{\sigma} dz$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\frac{y-\mu}{\sigma}} \frac{e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{y-\mu}{\sigma}} \frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx = P(X \leq \frac{y-\mu}{\sigma})$$

where $X \sim \text{Normal}(0,1)$

- Use normal tables to compute Probabilities of Y .

Change of Variable :- [Transformation]

- illustrate methodology via examples

- via distribution functions of random variables

- pm.f / p.d.f \leftrightarrow
Discrete / Continuous

distribution functions

- Consider Continuous random variables

Example 5.3.1

$X \sim \text{Uniform}(0,1)$

$$Y = X^2$$

- p.d.f of Y?

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1-0} & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases} = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases} \quad (+)$$

Step 1: Compute distribution function of X.

$$F_X(x) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(y) dy = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ x & 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & x \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad (++)$$

Step 2:- Compute distribution function of Y

$$F_Y(y) = \mathbb{P}(Y \leq y) = \mathbb{P}(X^2 \leq y) \equiv ?$$

$$Y = X^2 \Rightarrow 0 < X < 1 \Rightarrow Y \in (0, 1)$$

$$\bullet \quad y < 0 \quad F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(X^2 \leq y) = 0 \quad - (*)$$

($x^2 \geq 0$ so
 $P(X^2 \leq y) = 0$)

$$\bullet \quad y \geq 0 \quad F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(X^2 \leq y) = P(-\sqrt{y} \leq X \leq \sqrt{y})$$

($\sqrt{y} > 0$)

$$= \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^{\sqrt{y}} f_X(x) dx \quad (+)$$

$$= \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^0 0 \cdot dx + \int_0^{\sqrt{y}} f_X(x) dx$$

$$\quad (+) = \int_0^{\sqrt{y}} f_X(x) dx = F_X(\sqrt{y})$$

$$\quad (+) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{y} & 0 < y < 1 \\ 1 & y \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad - (**)$$

From (*) & (**)

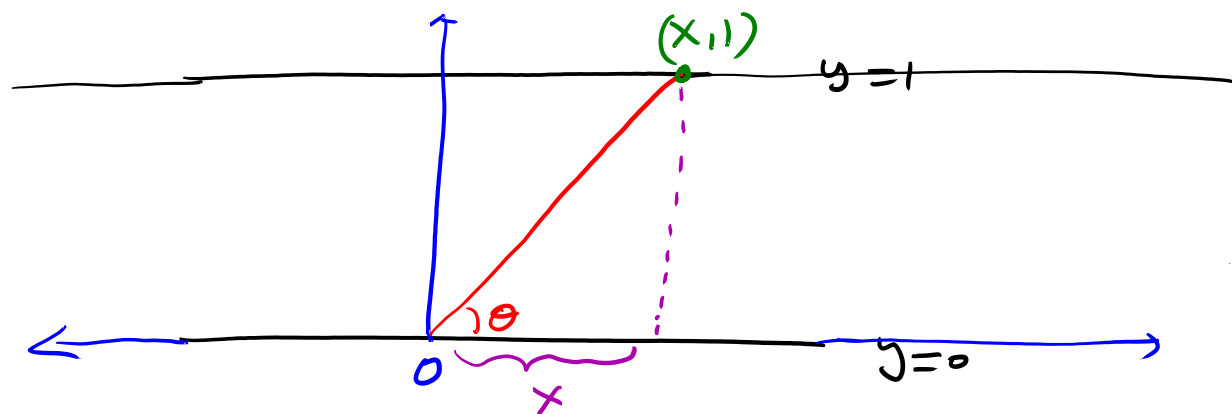
$$F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & y \leq 0 \\ \sqrt{y} & 0 < y < 1 \\ 1 & y \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Step 3:- Compute p.d.f of Y. $[F_Y'(y) = f(y) \quad - (+++)]$

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & y \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} & 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & y \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad \left[\frac{d(y^{\frac{1}{2}})}{dy} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \right]$$

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Example 5.3.5 :-



Choose an angle: - $\theta \sim \text{Uniformly } (0, \pi)$
draw a line segment from $(0,0)$ to line $y=1$

: Say point hit by segment = $(x,1)$
Find the p.d.f of X [$X \in \mathbb{R}$ - "continuous r.v."]

Observe :- $X = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)$

Step 1 :- Find distribution function of θ .
 $\theta \sim \text{Uniform } (0, \pi)$

$$F_{\theta}(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & y \leq 0 \\ y/\pi & 0 < y < \pi \\ 1 & y \geq \pi \end{cases} \quad - \text{ (⊕)}$$

Step 2 :- Find distribution function of X

$$\begin{aligned} F_X(x) &= \mathbb{P}(X \leq x) \\ &= \mathbb{P}\left(\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) \leq x\right) \\ &= \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \leq \arctan(x)\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= P(\theta \geq \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(x))$$

$$= 1 - P(\theta < \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(x))$$

$$= 1 - F_{\theta}(\underbrace{\frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(x)})$$

$$\boxed{x \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(x) \in (0, \pi)} \Rightarrow$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{\pi} (\frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(x))$$

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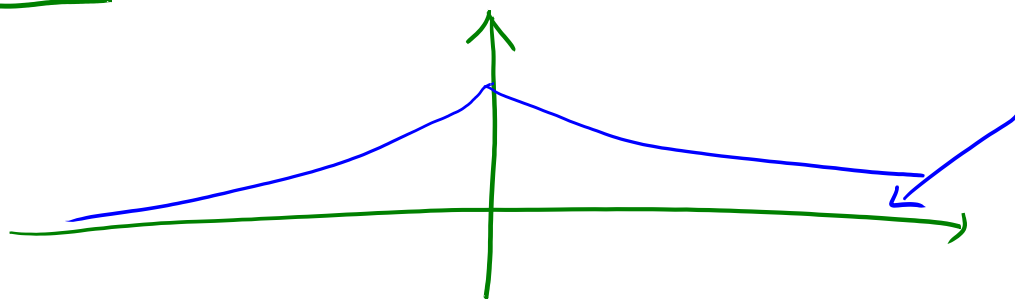
$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\arctan(x)}{\pi}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Step 3:- Compute p.d.f of X [$F'_x(\cdot) = f_x(\cdot)$]

$$\Rightarrow f_x(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1+x^2} \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\boxed{X \sim \text{Cauchy}(0,1)}$$

- Cauchy distribution



decays is
not like
normal