
Chapter - 4:

Expectation and Moments

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Mean - two views

- Mean is the the number z that minimizes the summed distance-square distance from all the points in the set.

$$D^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N (z - x_i)^2$$
$$\frac{dD^2}{dz} = 2Nz - 2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i = 0$$
$$z = \mu_s = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i$$

- Variance is the square of standard deviation

$$\sigma_s = \left[\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu_s)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

- If an experiment is repeated N times with the rv. X taking M distinct values x_i , n_i times, then for large N the average is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_X &\simeq \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N x^{(k)} \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^M n_i x_i = \sum_{i=1}^M x_i \left(\frac{n_i}{N} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^M x_i P[X = x_i] \end{aligned}$$

PMF of x_i

- **Definition:** The expected value of a discrete rv X taking on values x_i with PMF $P_X(x_i)$

$$E[X] = \sum_i x_i P_X(x_i)$$

- For rv with pdf $f_X(x)$

$$E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx$$

Expected value of Gaussian

Let $X: N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. The expected value of X is

$$E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2\right) \right) dx.$$

Let $z \triangleq (x - \mu)/\sigma$. Then

$$E[X] = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z e^{-\frac{1}{2}z^2} dz + \mu \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}z^2} dz \right).$$

The first term is zero because the integrand is odd, and the second term is μ because the term in parentheses is $P[Z \leq \infty]$ for $Z: N(0, 1)$. Hence

$$E[X] = \mu \quad \text{for } X: N(\mu, \sigma^2).$$

Theorem

Riemann Sum approximation of an integral

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{\|\Delta x\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \Delta x_i$$

- The expected value of $Y=g(x)$ is given by

$$E[Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_X(x) dx$$

- Proof: if $x_j^{(rj)}$ are roots of $y_j - g(x) = 0$, then

$$\{y_j < Y \leq y_j + \Delta y_j\} = \bigcup_{k=1}^{r_j} \{x_j^{(k)} < X \leq x_j^{(k)} + \Delta x_j^{(k)}\}$$

m partitions along Y axis

$$E[Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_Y(y) dy = \sum_{j=1}^m y_j f_Y(y_j) \Delta y_j$$

(Reimann sum approximation of integrals)

$$\begin{aligned} &\simeq \sum_{j=1}^m y_j P[y_j < Y \leq y_j + \Delta y_j] \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^{r_j} g(x_j^{(k)}) P[x_j^{(k)} < X \leq x_j^{(k)} + \Delta x_j^{(k)}] \end{aligned}$$

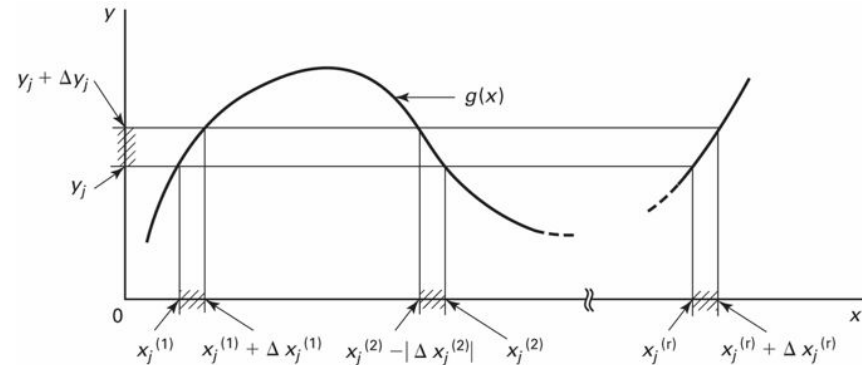
All terms are unique in the sum

$$\begin{aligned} &\simeq \sum_{i=1}^n g(x_i) P[x_i < X \leq x_i + \Delta x_i] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n g(x_i) f_X(x_i) \Delta x_i \end{aligned}$$

as $\Delta y, \Delta x \rightarrow 0$

$$E[Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_X(x) dx$$

What happens if $g(x,y) = x$?



- For discrete rv. X

$$E[Y] = \sum_i g(x_i) P_X(x_i)$$

- For functions of multiple variables $z=g(X, Y)$

$$\begin{aligned} E[Z] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z f_Z(z) dz \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy \end{aligned}$$

Linearity of $E[\]$ operator

- Linear over functions of rv X , $g_i(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} E\left[\sum_{i=1}^N g_i(X)\right] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=1}^N g_i(X)\right) f_X(x) dx \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g_i(X) f_X(x) dx = \sum_{i=1}^N E[g_i(X)] \end{aligned}$$

- Linear over addition of multiple variables as well

$$\begin{aligned} E[X + Y] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x + y) f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dy \right) dx + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dx \right) dy \\ &= E[X] + E[Y] \end{aligned}$$

- Linear over sum of N rv, X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots

$$E\left[\sum_{i=1}^N X_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^N E[X_i]$$

Conditional Expectation (Avg of a subset)

Consider a continuous r.v. X and the event $B \triangleq \{X \geq a\}$.

Using Bayes' rule

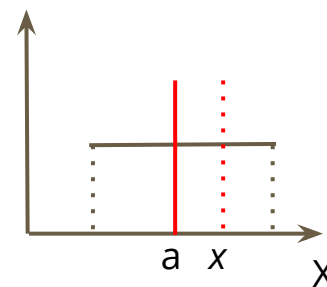
$$F_{X|B}(x|X \geq a) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < a \\ \frac{F_X(x) - F_X(a)}{1 - F_X(a)}, & x \geq a. \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$f_{X|B}(x|X \geq a) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < a \\ \frac{f_X(x)}{1 - F_X(a)}, & x \geq a. \end{cases}$$

and

$$E[X|X \geq a] = \frac{\int_a^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx}{\int_a^{\infty} f_X(x) dx} = \frac{\int_{65}^{100} x f_X(x) dx}{\int_{65}^{100} f_X(x) dx} = \frac{100^2 - 65^2}{2 \times (100 - 65)} = 82.5$$



Definition

- If X, Y are discrete

$$E[Y|X = x_i] = \sum_j y_j P_{Y|X}(y_j|x_i)$$

Conditional Probability that $\{Y=y_j\}$ occurs given $\{X=x_i\}$ has occurred

- We can derive a formula for $E[Y]$

$$\begin{aligned} E[Y] &= \sum_j y_j P_Y(y_j) \\ &= \sum_j y_j \sum_i P_{X,Y}(x_i, y_j) \\ &= \sum_i \left[\sum_j y_j P_{Y|X}(y_j|x_i) \right] P_X(x_i) \\ &= \sum_i E[Y|X = x_i] P_X(x_i) \end{aligned}$$

Definition of total probability as a sum of disjoint conditionals of $\{X=x_i\}$. Note the change in index of the summation

- Similarly, for continuous rv, $E[Y|X = x] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_{Y|X}(y|x) dy$

Since, $E[Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy$

$$E[Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_{Y|X}(y|x) dy \right] dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[Y|X = x] f_X(x) dx$$

Nice trick to add a new rv y into the integrand by using the definition of marginal density

Alternate method to calculate $E[Y]$ in terms of $f(x)$

Properties of Conditional Expectation

1. $E[Y] = E[E[Y|X]]$

We know that,

$$E[Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[Y|X=x] f_X(x) dx$$

Also, when $Y=g(X)$, we can write

$$E[Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_X(x) dx$$

- Using the similarity between the two, we can write $E[Y] = E[E[Y|X]]$
- Inner expectation is with respect to Y and outer with respect to X

2. If X and Y are independent, then $E[Y|X] = E[Y]$

We know, $E[Y|X=x] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_{Y|X}(y|x) dy$

- But, $f_{XY}(x, y) = f_{Y|X}(y|x) \cdot f_X(x) = f_Y(y) \cdot f_X(x)$ if X and Y are independent
- Hence $E[Y|X=x] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_Y(y) dy = E[Y]$

3. $E[Z|X] = E[E[Z|X, Y]|X]$

$$\begin{aligned} E[Z|X=x] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z f_{Z|X}(z|x) dz = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z \frac{f_{ZX}(z, x)}{f_X(x)} dz = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{ZXY}(z, x, y) dy}{f_X(x)} dz = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Z|XY}(z|x, y) f_{XY}(x, y) dy}{f_X(x)} dz \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z f_{Z|X, Y}(z|x, y) f_{Y|X}(y|x) dz dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy f_{Y|X}(y|x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z f_{Z|X, Y}(z|x, y) dz = E[E[Z|X, Y]|X=x] \end{aligned}$$

Example 4.2-3

Let X and Y be two zero-mean r.v.'s with joint density

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2 - 2\rho xy}{2\sigma^2(1-\rho^2)}\right) \quad |\rho| < 1. \quad (4.2-16)$$

We shall soon find out (Section 4.3) that the pdf in Equation 4.2-16 is a special case of the general joint Gaussian law for two r.v.'s. First we see that when $\rho \neq 0$, $f_{XY}(x, y) \neq f_X(x)f_Y(y)$; hence X and Y are not independent when $\rho \neq 0$. When $\rho = 0$, we can indeed write $f_{XY}(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$ so that $\rho = 0$ implies independence. For the present, however, our unfamiliarity with the meaning of ρ (ρ is called the normalized *covariance* or *correlation coefficient*) is not important. From Equations 2.6-34 and 2.6-35 it is easy to show that X and Y are zero-mean Gaussian r.v.'s, that is,

$$f_X(x) = f_Y(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-x^2/2\sigma^2}.$$

However, the conditional expectation of Y given $X = x$ is not zero even though Y is a zero-mean r.v.! In fact from Equation 4.2-9:

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2(1-\rho^2)}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y-\rho x)^2}{2\sigma^2(1-\rho^2)}\right). \quad (4.2-17)$$


Hence $f_{Y|X}(y|x)$ is Gaussian with mean ρx . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} E[Y|X = x] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_{Y|X}(y|x) dx \\ &= \rho x. \end{aligned} \quad (4.2-18)$$

Example 4.2-5

(Continuation of Example 4.2-4.) Let X_1, X_2, X_3 denote multinomial random variables. Then

$$P_X[X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2, X_3 = x_3] = \frac{n!}{x_1!x_2!x_3!} p_1^{x_1} p_2^{x_2} p_3^{x_3},$$

where $n = x_1 + x_2 + x_3$ and $p_1 + p_2 + p_3 = 1$. We wish to compute $E[X_1|X_1 + X_2 = y]$. 

Solution As in the previous example, we need to compute $P[X_1 = x_1|X_1 + X_2 = y]$. We write

$$P[X_1 = x_1|X_1 + X_2 = y] = \frac{P[X_1 = x_1, X_1 + X_2 = y]}{P[X_1 + X_2 = y]}.$$

Note that for the multinomial, the event $\{\zeta: X_1(\zeta) + X_2(\zeta) = y\} \cap \{\zeta: X_1(\zeta) = x_1\}$ is identical to the event $\{\zeta: X_1(\zeta) = x_1, X_2(\zeta) = y - x_1, X_3(\zeta) = n - y\}$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} P[X_1 = x_1|X_1 + X_2 = y] &= \frac{P[X_1 = x_1, X_2 = y - x_1, X_3 = n - y]}{P[X_3 = n - y]} \\ &= \frac{n!}{x_1!(y - x_1)!(n - y)!} p_1^{x_1} p_2^{y - x_1} p_3^{n - y} \\ &\quad \div \frac{n!}{(n - y)!y!} p_3^{n - y} (1 - p_3)^y \\ &= \binom{y}{x_1} p_1^{x_1} p_2^{y - x_1} (p_1 + p_2)^{-y}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, using

$$E[X_1|X_1 + X_2 = y] = \sum_{x_1} x_1 P[X_1 = x_1|X_1 + X_2 = y]$$

we obtain that

$$E[X_1|X_1 + X_2 = y] = y \frac{p_1}{p_1 + p_2}.$$

We leave it to the reader to compute that

$$E[X_2|X_1 + X_2 = y] = y \frac{p_2}{p_1 + p_2}.$$

Moments

- The r^{th} Moments of a RV X is defined as,,

$$m_r = E[X^r] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^r f_X(x) dx, \quad \text{where } r = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$m_r = \sum_i x_i^r P_X(x_i)$$

- The r^{th} Central Moments are defined as,

$$c_r = E[(X - \mu)^r] \quad \text{where } r = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$c_r = \sum_i (x_i - \mu)^r P_X(x_i) \xrightarrow{\text{Generalization}} c_r = \sum_{i=0}^r \binom{r}{i} (-1)^i \mu^i m_{r-i}$$

- An important derivation

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^2 &= E[(X - \mu)^2] = E[X^2] - E[2\mu X] + E[\mu^2] \\ &= E[X^2] - 2\mu E[X] + \mu^2 \\ &= E[X^2] - \mu^2 \end{aligned}$$

Joint Moments

- The ij^{th} moments of RV \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} is defined as,

$$\begin{aligned} m_{ij} &= E [X^i Y^j] \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^i y^j f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy \end{aligned}$$

$$m_{ij} = \sum_l \sum_m x_l^i y_m^j P_{X,Y}(x_l, y_m)$$

- The ij^{th} central moments of RV \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} is defined as,
 - The order of the moment is $\mathbf{i+j}$

$$c_{ij} = E \left[(X - \bar{X})^i (Y - \bar{Y})^j \right]$$

$$m_{02} = E [Y^2] \quad c_{02} = E [(Y - \bar{Y})^2]$$

$$m_{20} = E [X^2] \quad c_{20} = E [(X - \bar{X})^2]$$

$$m_{11} = E[XY] \quad c_{11} = E[(X - \bar{X})(Y - \bar{Y})] = E[XY] - \bar{X}\bar{Y} \triangleq \text{Cov}[X, Y]$$

- **Correlation coefficient is defined by** $\rho \triangleq \frac{c_{11}}{\sqrt{c_{20} c_{02}}}$

Example 4.3-4 - Self Study

- Application of $\text{Cov}(X,Y)$ in Linear regression

Chebyshev Inequality

- **Theorem:** Let X a rv with mean \bar{X} and variance σ^2 . Then for any δ

$$P[|X - \bar{X}| \geq \delta] \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{\delta^2}$$

- **Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma^2 &\triangleq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \bar{X})^2 f_X(x) dx \geq \int_{|x - \bar{X}| \geq \delta} (x - \bar{X})^2 f_X(x) dx \\ &\geq \delta^2 \int_{|x - \bar{X}| \geq \delta} f_X(x) dx \\ &\geq \delta^2 P[|X - \bar{X}| \geq \delta]\end{aligned}$$

Since, $\{|X - \bar{X}| \geq \delta\} \cup \{|X - \bar{X}| < \delta\} = \Omega$

Thus, it follows,

$$P[|X - \bar{X}| < \delta] \geq 1 - \frac{\sigma^2}{\delta^2}$$

Markov Inequality

- **Theorem:** Consider a rv X with non-negative pdf, $f_X(x) = 0$, for $x < 0$, the Markov inequality applies as

$$P[X \geq \delta] \leq \frac{E[X]}{\delta}$$

- **Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= \int_0^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx \geq \int_{\delta}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx \geq \delta \int_{\delta}^{\infty} f_X(x) dx \\ &\geq \delta P[X \geq \delta] \end{aligned}$$

Schwarz Inequality

- **Theorem:** For rv X and Y $\text{Cov}^2(X, Y) \leq E[(X - \bar{X})^2] E[(Y - \bar{Y})^2]$

- **Proof:** Consider the non-negative expression

$$E[(\lambda(X - \bar{X}) - (Y - \bar{Y}))^2] \geq 0$$

Expanding the expression that is quadratic in λ

$$Q(\lambda) = \lambda^2 c_{20} + c_{02} - 2\lambda c_{11} \geq 0$$

The quadratic equation to have at least one real root, the discriminant satisfies,

$$\left(\frac{c_{11}}{c_{20}}\right)^2 - \frac{c_{02}}{c_{20}} \leq 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad c_{11}^2 \leq c_{02} \cdot c_{20} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \left| \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X^2 \cdot \sigma_Y^2} \right| \leq 1$$

(Weak) Law of Large Numbers

- LLN defines the conditions under which the **sample mean** converges to **ensemble mean**.
- If X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be iid rv, then the sample mean estimator is given by

$$\hat{\mu}_n \triangleq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

- Chebyshev inequality is used to show that $\hat{\mu}_n$ is a perfect estimator of μ_X

$$\begin{aligned} E[\hat{\mu}_n] &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} n \mu_X \\ &= \mu_X \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[\hat{\mu}_n] &= \frac{1}{n^2} \text{Var} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right] \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{n^2} \right) n \sigma_X^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sigma_X^2 \end{aligned}$$

- Therefore, from Chebyshev inequality we get,

$$P \left[\left| \hat{\mu}_n - \mu_X \right| \geq \delta \right] \leq \sigma_X^2 / n \delta^2$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P \left[\left| \hat{\mu}_n - \mu_X \right| \geq \delta \right] = 0$$

Moment-Generating Functions

- MGF is used to completely characterize a PDF (similar to Laplace transform)
- If t is a complex variable, the MGF for pdfs is defined as

$$\begin{aligned}\theta(t) &\triangleq E[e^{tX}] \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} f_X(x) dx\end{aligned}\qquad \theta(t) = \sum_i e^{tx_i} P_X(x_i)$$

- Expanding the exponent

$$\begin{aligned}E[e^{tX}] &= E\left[1 + tX + \frac{(tX)^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{(tX)^n}{n!} + \dots\right] \\ &= 1 + t\mu + \frac{t^2}{2!}m_2 + \dots + \frac{t^n}{n!}m_n + \dots\end{aligned}$$

- If the moments $M(t)$ exists, then it can be computed as

$$m_k = M^{(k)}(0) \triangleq \left. \frac{d^k}{dt^k} (M(t)) \right|_{t=0} \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, \dots$$

Chernoff Bound

- Upper bound on the tail probability $P[X \geq a]$

- **Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned} P[X \geq a] &= \int_a^{\infty} f_X(x) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) u(x - a) dx \end{aligned}$$

Noting that $u(x - a) \leq e^{t(x-a)}$ for any $t > 0$ we can write,

$$P[X \geq a] \leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) e^{t(x-a)} dx = e^{-at} M_X(t)$$

- The tightest bound is found when the above expression wrt t .

Characteristics Functions

- Characteristics functions are analogous to Fourier transform of pdf $f_X(x)$ by replacing t with $j\omega$

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_X(\omega) &\triangleq E[e^{j\omega X}] \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x)e^{j\omega x} dx\end{aligned}\xrightarrow{\text{INVERSION}} f_Z(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_Z(\omega)e^{-j\omega z} d\omega$$

Discrete form $\Phi_X(\omega) = \sum_i e^{j\omega x_i} P_X(x_i)$

- It can be used to calculate the convolution product for sums of rv $Z = X+Y$

$$\begin{aligned}f_Z(z) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X_1}(x)f_{X_2}(z-x)dx \\ \Phi_Z(\omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j\omega z} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X_1}(x)f_{X_2}(z-x)dx \right] dz \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X_1}(x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X_2}(z-x)e^{j\omega z} dx dz\end{aligned}$$

- Change the variable $\alpha = z - x$ we obtain

$$\Phi_Z(\omega) = \Phi_{X_1}(\omega)\Phi_{X_2}(\omega)$$

Joint Characteristics Functions

- Similar to characteristic functions of single rv, the joint CF is given by

$$\Phi_{X_1 \dots X_N}(\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_N) = E \left[\exp \left(j \sum_{i=1}^N \omega_i X_i \right) \right]$$

- The pdf is obtained by the inverse transform

$$f_{X_1 \dots X_N}(x_1, \dots, x_N) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_{X_1 \dots X_N}(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_N) \\ \times \exp \left(-j \sum_{i=1}^N \omega_i x_i \right) d\omega_1 d\omega_2 \dots d\omega_N$$

- **See example 4.7-8**

Central Limit Theorem

- **Theorem 1:** Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be n mutually independent (scalar) random variables with CDF $F_{X_1}(x_1), F_{X_2}(x_2), \dots, F_{X_n}(x_n)$ such that $\mu_{X_k} = 0$ and $\text{Var}(X_k) = \sigma_k^2$ and let $s_n \triangleq \sigma_1^2 + \dots + \sigma_n^2$. Then if for given $\epsilon > 0$, and large n , $\sigma_k < \epsilon s_n$, the normalized sum $Z_n \triangleq (X_1 + \dots + X_n) / s_n$ converges to the **Standard Normal CDF**. That is $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{Z_n}(z) = 1/2 + \text{erf}(z)$
- **Proof for a special case:** if $\mu_{X_i} = 0$ and $\text{Var}(X_i) = 1$, then $Z_n \triangleq \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ tends to Normal in the sense that its CF, satisfies

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Phi_{Z_n}(\omega) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}\omega^2}$$

General Case

- Let $Z_i \triangleq (X_i - \mu)/\sigma$ and $\varphi_Z(v) \triangleq E[e^{j\omega Z_i}]$ then \mathbf{Z}_i has zero mean, unity variance.

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_{Y_n}(\omega) &:= E[e^{j\omega Y_n}] \\ &= E\left[\exp\left(j\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{i=1}^n Z_i\right)\right] \\ &= E\left[\prod_{i=1}^n \exp\left(j\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{n}}Z_i\right)\right] \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n E\left[\exp\left(j\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{n}}Z_i\right)\right] \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \varphi_Z\left(\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \\ &= \varphi_Z\left(\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n\end{aligned}$$

For any complex ξ , we can write $e^\xi = 1 + \xi + \frac{1}{2}\xi^2 + R(\xi)$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Thus, } \varphi_Z\left(\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{n}}\right) &= E\left[e^{j(\omega/\sqrt{n})Z_i}\right] \\ &= E\left[1 + j\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{n}}Z_i + \frac{1}{2}\left(j\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{n}}Z_i\right)^2 + R\left(j\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{n}}Z_i\right)\right]\end{aligned}$$

Since, \mathbf{Z}_i has zero mean, unity variance

$$\varphi_Z\left(\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\omega^2}{n} + E\left[R\left(j\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{n}}Z_i\right)\right]$$

$$\varphi_Z\left(\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \approx 1 - \frac{\omega^2/2}{n} \longrightarrow \varphi_{Y_n}(\omega) = \varphi_Z\left(\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n \approx \left(1 - \frac{\omega^2/2}{n}\right)^n \rightarrow e^{-\omega^2/2}$$

The remainder term goes to zero for higher orders of n

$$e^{\ln(1+\frac{x}{n})^n} = e^{n \ln(1+\frac{x}{n})}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 + \frac{x}{n}\right)^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} e^{n \ln(1+\frac{x}{n})}$$

$$= e^{\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} n \ln(1+\frac{x}{n})} = e^{\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\ln(1+\frac{x}{n})}{\frac{1}{n}}}$$

Apply L'Hopital's Rule:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\frac{(-x)}{n^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1+\frac{x}{n}}}{-\frac{1}{n^2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x}{1+\frac{x}{n}} = e^x$$

Therefore,

$$\left(1 + \frac{x}{n}\right)^n \rightarrow e^x$$