

1. Find the expected value and variance of a continuous distribution with following probability density:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0.3 & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0.7 & 1 < x < 2 \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

$$E X = \int_{S_x} x f(x) dx = \int_0^2 x f(x) dx = \int_0^1 x f(x) dx + \int_1^2 x f(x) dx = \int_0^1 x(0.3) dx + \int_1^2 x(0.7) dx$$

$$= (0.3) \int_0^1 x dx + 0.7 \int_1^2 x dx = 0.3 \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} \Big|_0^1 + 0.7 \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} \Big|_1^2 = 0.3 \left( \frac{1^2}{2} - 0 \right) + 0.7 \left( \frac{2^2}{2} - \frac{1^2}{2} \right)$$

$$E X^2 = \int_{S_x} x^2 f(x) dx = \int_0^1 x^2 f(x) dx + \int_1^2 x^2 f(x) dx = \int_0^1 x^2(0.3) dx + \int_1^2 x^2(0.7) dx = 0.3 \left( \frac{1}{3} \right) + 0.7 \left( \frac{2^3}{3} - \frac{1^3}{3} \right) = 1.2$$

$$= 0.3 \frac{x^3}{3} \Big|_0^1 + 0.7 \frac{x^3}{3} \Big|_1^2 = 0.3 \left( \frac{1^3}{3} - 0 \right) + 0.7 \left( \frac{2^3}{3} - \frac{1^3}{3} \right)$$

$$= 0.3 \left( \frac{1}{3} \right) + 0.7 \left( \frac{7}{3} \right) = 1.73$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{var } X = E X^2 - (E X)^2$$

$$= 1.73 - (1.2)^2$$

$$= 0.29$$

2.  $X$  has a continuous distribution with the following pdf.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} c \exp(-2x) & 0 < x < \infty \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find  $c$  such that  $f(x)$  is a pdf. (need to find  $c$  such that  $\int_0^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$ )

$$1 = \int_0^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} c e^{-2x} dx = c \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2x} dx = c \left( -\frac{1}{2} e^{-2x} \Big|_0^{\infty} \right) = c \left( -\frac{1}{2} [e^{-2(\infty)} - e^{-2(0)}] \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = c \left( -\frac{1}{2} (0 - 1) \right) \Rightarrow 1 = c \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \Rightarrow c = 2$$

- (b) Find  $P(X \geq 5)$

$$P(X \geq 5) = \int_5^{\infty} 2 e^{-2x} dx = -e^{-2x} \Big|_5^{\infty} = - \left[ \underbrace{e^{-2(\infty)}}_0 - \underbrace{e^{-2(5)}}_{e^{-10}} \right]$$

$$= - (0 - e^{-10}) = e^{-10} \approx 4.53 \times 10^{-5}$$

- (c) Find the  $E(X)$

$$E X = \int_0^{\infty} x f(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} x \underbrace{2 e^{-2x}}_{dv} dx$$

Note: Integrated by parts:

$$\int \underline{u} \underline{dv} = \underline{uv} - \int \underline{v} \underline{du}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} u = x \rightarrow \boxed{du = dx} \\ \int dv = \int 2 e^{-2x} dx \Rightarrow v = -e^{-2x} \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} x 2 e^{-2x} dx = x (-e^{-2x}) \Big|_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} -e^{-2x} dx$$

$$= -x e^{-2x} \Big|_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2x} dx$$

$$= \underbrace{-(\infty) e^{-2(\infty)}}_0 + \underbrace{0 e^{-2(0)}}_0 + \left( -\frac{1}{2} e^{-2x} \Big|_0^{\infty} \right)$$

$$= 0 - \frac{1}{2} e^{-2x} \Big|_0^{\infty}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \left( \underbrace{e^{-2(\infty)}}_0 - \underbrace{e^{-2(0)}}_1 \right) = -\frac{1}{2} (0 - 1)$$

$$\boxed{= \frac{1}{2}}$$

3. Suppose that  $X$  is a Normal random variable with mean  $\mu = 10.2$  and standard deviation  $\sigma = 0.7$ . Evaluate the following probabilities:

(a)  $P(X \leq 10.1) = P\left(\frac{X - 10.2}{0.7} \leq \frac{10.1 - 10.2}{0.7}\right) = P(Z \leq -\frac{0.1}{0.7}) = \Phi(-0.14) = 0.4432$

(b)  $P(9.0 < X \leq 10.3) = P\left(\frac{9.0 - \mu}{\sigma} < \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \leq \frac{10.3 - \mu}{\sigma}\right) = P\left(\frac{9.0 - 10.2}{0.7} < Z \leq \frac{10.3 - 10.2}{0.7}\right)$   
 $= P(-1.71 < Z < 0.14) = P(Z < 0.14) - P(Z < -1.71)$

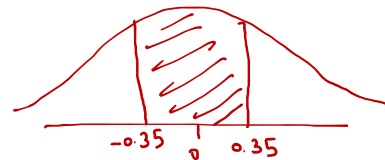
$= \Phi(0.14) - \Phi(-1.71) = 0.5556 - 0.0436 = 0.512$

(c)  $P(|X - 10.2| \leq 0.25)$

$= P(-0.25 \leq X - 10.2 \leq 0.25)$

$= P\left(\frac{-0.25}{0.7} \leq \frac{X - 10.2}{0.7} \leq \frac{0.25}{0.7}\right)$

$= P(-0.35 \leq Z \leq 0.35) = P(Z \leq 0.35) - P(Z \leq -0.35) = \Phi(0.35) - \Phi(-0.35) = 0.6368 - 0.3631 = 0.2737$



using the symmetry of Normal =  $1 - 2P(Z \leq 0.35) = 1 - 2\Phi(0.35) = 1 - 2(0.3631)$

Find numbers # such that the following statements about  $X$  are true:

(a)  $P(|X - 10.2| \geq \#) = 0.8$

$0.8 = P(|X - 10.2| \geq \#) = P(X - 10.2 \geq \# \cup X - 10.2 \leq -\#)$

$= P(X - 10.2 \geq \#) + P(X - 10.2 \leq -\#)$

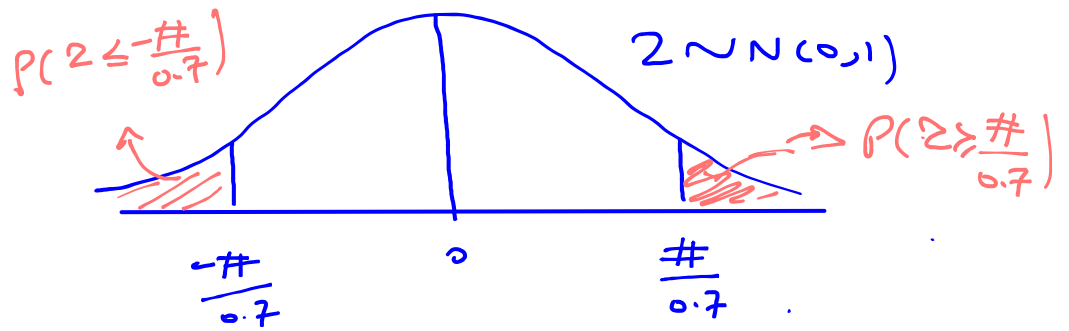
$= P(X \geq \# + 10.2) + P(X \leq -\# + 10.2)$

$= P\left(\frac{X - 10.2}{0.7} \geq \frac{\# + 10.2 - 10.2}{0.7}\right) + P\left(\frac{X - 10.2}{0.7} \leq \frac{-\# + 10.2 - 10.2}{0.7}\right)$

$= P\left(Z \geq \frac{\#}{0.7}\right) + P\left(Z \leq \frac{-\#}{0.7}\right)$

(b)  $P(X < \#) = 0.8$

$P(Z \geq a) = P(Z \leq -a) = 2P(Z \leq -\frac{\#}{0.7})$



$$\Rightarrow 0.4 = \frac{0.8}{2} = P\left(Z \leq -\frac{\#}{0.7}\right) = \Phi\left(-\frac{\#}{0.7}\right)$$

$$-1.75 = \frac{-\#}{0.7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \# = 0.7(1.75)$$

Part (b)

$$P(X \leq \#) = 0.8$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.8 = P\left(X - 10.2 \leq \frac{\# - 10.2}{0.7}\right)$$

$$= P\left(Z \leq \frac{\# - 10.2}{0.7}\right)$$

$$= \Phi\left(\frac{\# - 10.2}{0.7}\right)$$

by the table  $\Rightarrow \frac{\# - 10.2}{0.7} = 0.8416$

$$\Rightarrow \# = 10.7891$$

