

# Probability and Statistics

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Suppose we manufacture a large number of round bearings.

When we measure the diameter of the bearings, we find their diameters are not the same.

## Random Sample

It costs too much to measure each bearing, so we draw a random sample from the total population.

## Important Considerations

1. How many bearings are needed in the sample?  $N =$

2. How do we ensure that the sample  
is random and representative of the  
population?

### Measurement Model

$$X_i = X_t + b + E_i \quad i=1, 2 \dots N$$

$X, E$  - random variables (R.V.)

$X_t, b$  - deterministic (d)

$X_t$  - true value of diameter (d)

$b$  - measurement bias (d)

$E_i$  - random measurement error (R.V.)

$X_i$  - measured value of diameter (R.V.)

### Data Set

Sample values of R.V.  $X_i ; i=1, \dots 20$

Table 4.1 Sample of Random Variable  $x$

$i$	$x_i$	$i$	$x_i$
1	0.98	11	1.02
2	1.07	12	1.26
3	0.86	13	1.08
4	1.16	14	1.02
5	0.96	15	0.94
6	0.68	16	1.11
7	1.34	17	0.99
8	1.04	18	0.78
9	1.21	19	1.06
10	0.86	20	0.96

Why is  $X$ , called a R.V. when it has a deterministic value, 0.98, assigned?

If we drew another random sample, 20 bearings,  $X$ , would have a different value.

Every time we draw a random sample  $X$ , takes on a different value.

$X_1 = 0.98$  is called a realization of the R.

Plot the data set on the  $x$ -axis

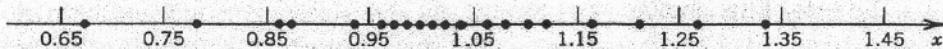


Figure 4.1 Concept of density in reference to a measured variable (from Example 4.1).

## Histogram

Divide the  $x$  axis into  $K$  equally sized bins starting at  $x_{\min}$  and ending at  $x_{\max}$ . Number of bins

$$K = 1.87(N-1)^{0.40} + 1$$

$$= 1.87(20-1)^{0.40} + 1 = 7.072$$

Use  $K = 7$ .

Divide the  $x$  axis into 7 bins starting at 0.65 and ending at 1.35. The following table shows the bins, counts and relative frequency.

$j$	Interval	$n_j$	$f_j = n_j/N$
1	$0.65 \leq x_i < 0.75$	1	0.05
2	$0.75 \leq x_i < 0.85$	1	0.05
3	$0.85 \leq x_i < 0.95$	3	0.15
4	$0.95 \leq x_i < 1.05$	7	0.35
5	$1.05 \leq x_i < 1.15$	4	0.20
6	$1.15 \leq x_i < 1.25$	2	0.10
7	$1.25 \leq x_i < 1.35$	2	0.10

Plot the number of counts in each bin and the relative frequency

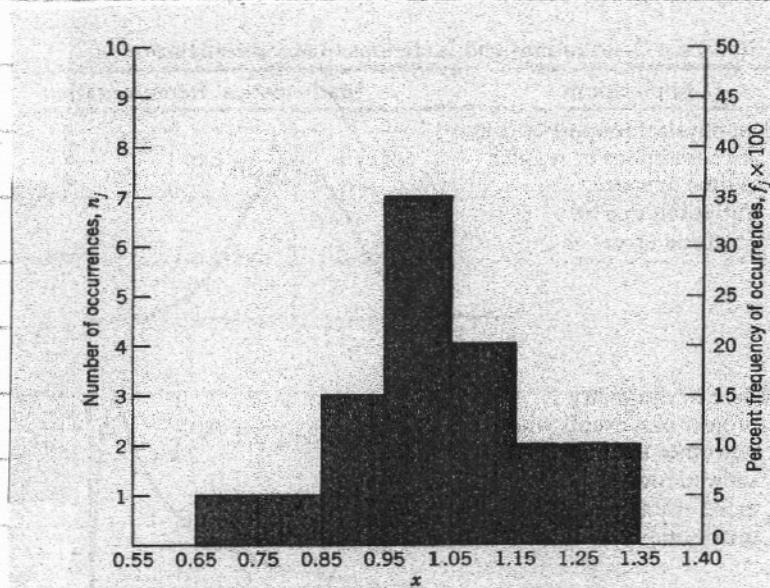


Figure 4.2 Histogram and frequency distribution for data in Table 4.1.

## continuous Random Variables

If the realizations of a random variable are any points on the  $x$ -axis, i.e. real numbers, they are continuous R.V.'s. The bearing diameter measurements,  $X_i$ , are continuous R.V.'s

Continuous R.V.'s have continuous probability density functions. The histogram suggests that the best model for the RV  $X$ : representing bearing diameter is

$$P_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_x} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{(x-\mu_x)^2}{\sigma_x^2}}$$

$\mu_x$  is the mean

$\sigma_x$  is the standard deviation

There are statistical test called Goodness of Fit Criterion that indicate whether the data set can be modeled by a normal density function. However, it takes a lot more data, say  $N=1000$ , to satisfy these tests. This analysis is beyond the

scope of this course.

## Discrete Random Variable

If the realizations of a RV are a set of integers, the R.V. is discrete

EX: Toss a die. Let the R.V.  $Y$  represent the number that comes up

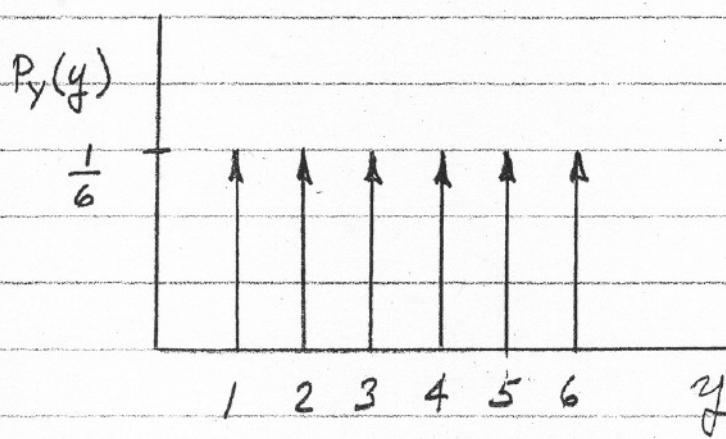
$$Y = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$P(Y=1) = \frac{1}{6}$$

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$$P(Y=6) = \frac{1}{6}$$

## Density function



Continuous R.V.'s

Expected-value

$$E\{g(x)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) p_x(x) dx$$

Mean  $\mu_x$

$$\text{Let } g(x) = x$$

$$\mu_x = E\{x\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p_x(x) dx$$

Variance  $\sigma_x^2$

$$\text{Let } g(x) = (x - \mu_x)^2$$

$$\sigma_x^2 = E\{(x - \mu_x)^2\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu_x)^2 p_x(x) dx$$

Standard Deviation

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{\sigma_x^2}$$

standardized Normal R.V.  $Z$

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu_X}{\sigma_X}$$

$$\mu_Z = 0$$

$$\sigma_Z = 1$$

Probability

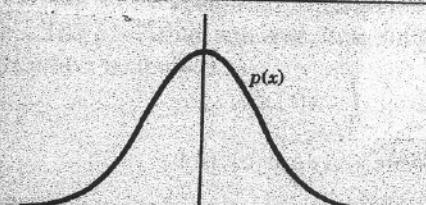
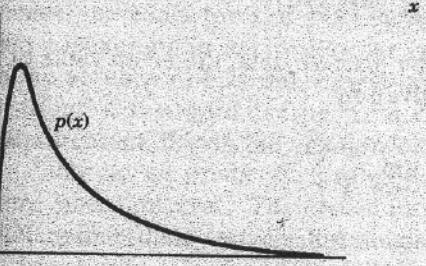
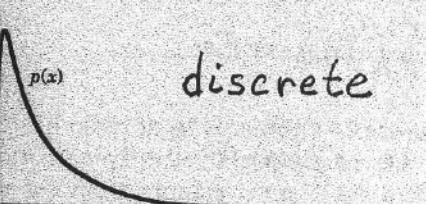
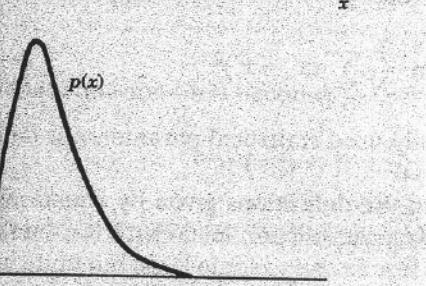
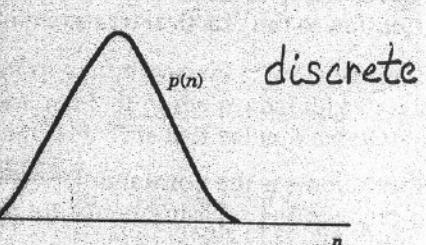
$$P\{Z < z_1\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{z_1} e^{-z^2/2} dz$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-z^2/2} dz + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^{z_1} e^{-z^2/2} dz$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \text{Table 4.3}$$

Table 4.2 Standard Statistical Distributions and Relations to Measurements

Distribution	Applications	Mathematical Representation	Shape
Normal	Most physical properties that are continuous or regular in time or space. Variations due to precision error.	$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma(2\pi)^{1/2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x - x')^2}{\sigma^2} \right]$ <i>Measurement error</i>	
Log normal	Failure or durability projections; events whose outcomes tend to be skewed toward the extremity of the distribution.	$p(x) = \frac{1}{x\sigma(2\pi)^{1/2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{(x - x')^2}{\sigma^2} \right]$ <i>Impurities in gases</i>	
Poisson	Events randomly occurring in time; $p(x)$ refers to probability of observing $x$ events in time $t$ . Here $\lambda$ refers to $x'$ .	$p(x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}$ <i>Particle counts in gases</i>	
Weibull	Fatigue tests; similar to log normal applications.	See [4] <i>strength of ceramics</i>	
Binomial	Situations describing the number of occurrences, $n$ , of a particular outcome during $N$ independent tests where the probability of any outcome, $P$ , is the same.	$p(n) = \left[ \frac{N!}{(N-n)!n!} \right] P^n (1-P)^{N-n}$ <i>Pass/fail</i>	

# confidence Intervals

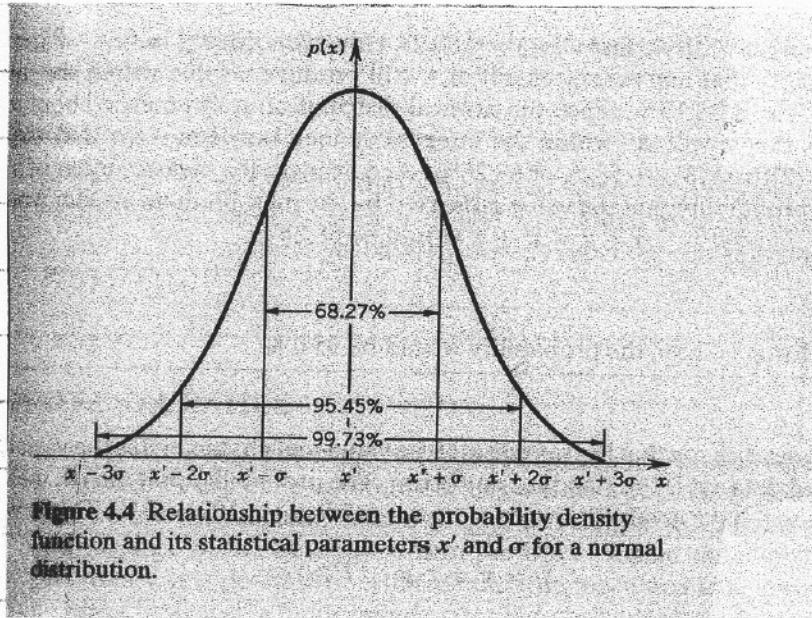


Figure 4.4 Relationship between the probability density function and its statistical parameters  $x'$  and  $\sigma$  for a normal distribution.

Assume a normal density with mean  $\mu_x$  and

Variance  $\sigma_x^2$

$$P\{N_x - \sigma_x < x < N_x + \sigma_x\} = 68.27\%$$

$$P\{N_x - 2\sigma_x < x < N_x + 2\sigma_x\} = 95.45\%$$

$$P\{N_x - 3\sigma_x < x < N_x + 3\sigma_x\} = 99.73$$

Also referred to as Sigma Bounds.