

# Random Walk and Central Limiting Theorem

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# Stochastic Processes (確率過程)

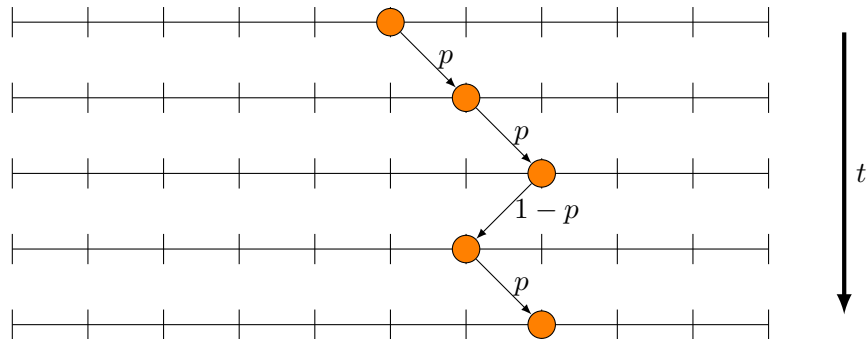
- System evolves non-deterministically
  - evolve with probability
- random walks (酔歩)
  - Fundamental model of stochastic processes
  - one-dimensional lattice
  - At every step, move right with  $p$  and left with  $1 - p$

Sample Program

https:

`//github.com/modeling-and-simulation-mc-saga/RandomWalk`

## Image of random walk



# Theoretical Analysis

- Position  $x$  of a particle starting from  $x = 0$
- At  $t$ , a particle position is  $x$  if the particle moves right  $m = (t + x)/2$ .
  - Note possible combination of left and right movements.
- binomial distribution

$$P(x) = \binom{t}{\frac{t+x}{2}} p^{(t+x)/2} (1-p)^{(t-x)/2} \quad (1)$$

# Generating Function

- Tool for evaluating moments such as average and deviation.
- Convert probability  $P(x)$  for  $x$  to probability  $Q(m)$  for  $m$

$$P(x) : x = 2m - t, m \in [0, t] \quad (2)$$

$$Q(m) : m = \frac{t+x}{2}, m \in [0, t] \quad (3)$$

- Generating function

$$G(z) = \sum_{m=0}^t Q(m)z^m \quad (4)$$

## General theory of Generating Functions and Moments

$$G(1) = \sum_{m=0}^t Q(m) = 1 \quad (5)$$

$$G'(z) = \sum_{m=1}^t mQ(m)z^{m-1} = \sum_{m=0}^t mQ(m)z^{m-1} \quad (6)$$

$$G'(1) = \sum_{m=0}^t mQ(m) = \langle x \rangle \quad (7)$$

$$G''(z) = \sum_{m=2}^t m(m-1)Q(m)z^{m-2} = \sum_{m=0}^t m(m-1)Q(m)z^{m-2} \quad (8)$$

$$G''(1) = \sum_{m=0}^t m(m-1)Q(m) = \langle m^2 \rangle - \langle m \rangle \quad (9)$$

## Generating Function for Binomial Distribution

$$G(z) = \sum_{m=0}^t \binom{t}{m} p^m (1-p)^{t-m} z^m = (zp + 1 - p)^t \quad (10)$$

$$G(1) = 1 \quad (11)$$

$$G'(z) = tp(zp + 1 - p)^{t-1} \quad (12)$$

$$\langle m \rangle = tp \quad (13)$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \langle 2m - 1 \rangle = 2tp - t = t(2p - 1) \quad (14)$$



$$G''(z) = t(t-1)p^2(zp+1-p)^{t-2} \quad (15)$$

$$G''(1) = \langle m^2 \rangle - \langle m \rangle = t(t-1)p^2 \quad (16)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^2 &= \langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2 = \langle 4m^2 - 4mt + t^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2 \\ &= 4(\langle m^2 \rangle - \langle m \rangle) + 4\langle m \rangle(1-t) + t^2 - \langle x \rangle^2 \\ &= 4G''(1) + 4\langle m \rangle(1-t) + t^2 - \langle x \rangle^2 \\ &= 4tp^2(t-1) + 4tp(1-t) + t^2 - t^2(4p^2 - 4p + 1) \\ &= 4tp(1-p) \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

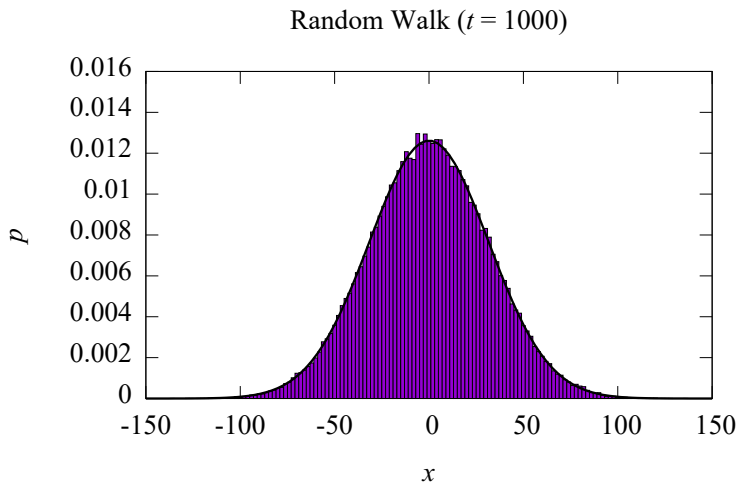
## Approximated shape at the vicinity of the mean

$$P(x) \propto \exp \left[ -\frac{(x - \langle x \rangle)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right]$$

$$\langle x \rangle = t(2p - 1)$$

$$\sigma^2 = 4tp(1 - p)$$

- Normal distribution
- Is this a special for this random walk?



## Random Walk in other viewpoints

- Sequence of random variables  $\{X_i\}$  with  $P(x)$

$$P(x) = \begin{cases} p & x = 1 \\ 1 - p & x = -1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (18)$$

- Sum  $S_i$  of the random variables

$$S_0 = 0 \quad (19)$$

$$S_n = S_{n-1} + X_{n-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} X_k \quad (20)$$

- $S_n$ : position of a walker at  $t = n$
- Distribution of  $S_n$  is the distribution of walkers at  $t = n$

## Extension of one-dimensional Random Walks

- Sequence of random variables  $\{X_k\}$  obeying probability density  $f(x)$

$$S_0 = 0 \quad (21)$$

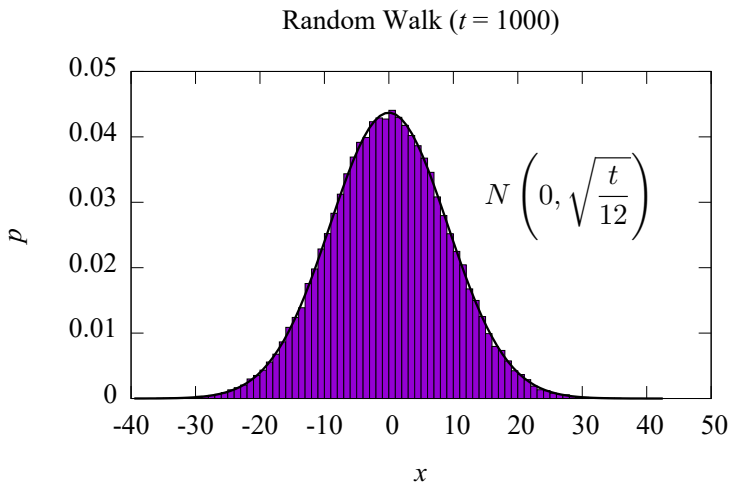
$$S_n = S_{n-1} + X_{n-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} X_k \quad (22)$$

- Note that  $S_i$  is continuous.

## Example: uniform distribution

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (23)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x \rangle &= \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} x f(x) dx = \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} x dx = \left[ \frac{1}{2} x^2 \right]_{-1/2}^{1/2} = 0 \\ \langle x^2 \rangle &= \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} x^2 f(x) dx = \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} x^2 dx = \left[ \frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_{-1/2}^{1/2} = \frac{1}{12} \\ \sigma^2 &= \frac{1}{12} \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

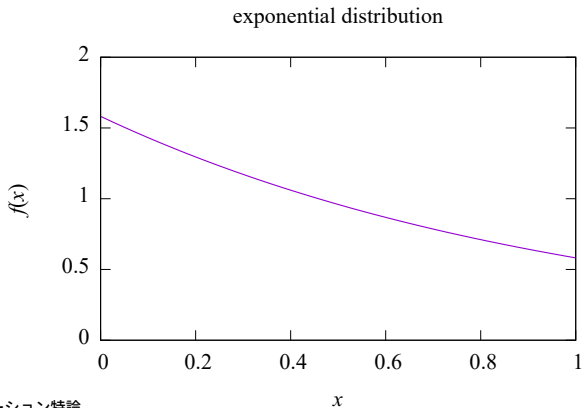




## Example: Exponential distribution

$$f(x) = Ae^{-x}, \quad (0 \leq x < 1) \quad (25)$$

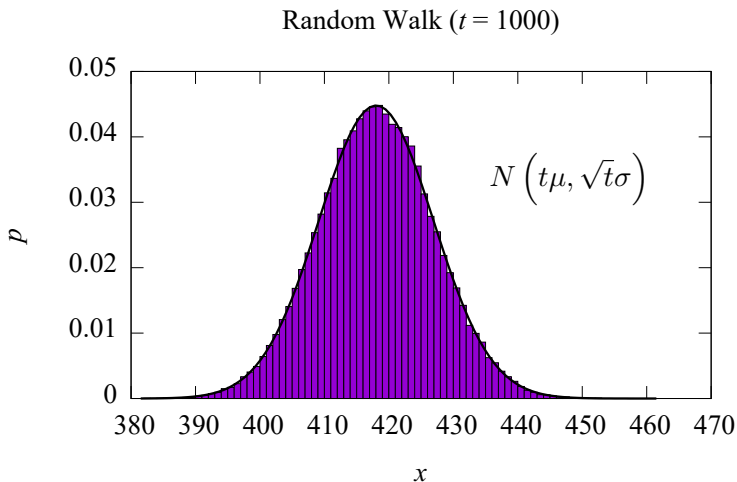
$$A = \frac{e}{e-1} \quad (26)$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle x \rangle &= \int_0^1 A x e^{-x} dx = \int_0^1 A e^{-x} dx - A [x e^{-x}]_0^1 \\
 &= 1 - \frac{e}{e-1} e^{-1} = \frac{e-2}{e-1} = 1 - \frac{1}{e-1}
 \end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle x^2 \rangle &= \int_0^1 A x^2 e^{-x} dx = 2 \int_0^1 A x e^{-x} dx - A [x^2 e^{-x}]_0^1 \\
 &= 2 \frac{e-2}{e-1} - \frac{e}{e-1} e^{-1} = \frac{2e-5}{e-1} = 2 - \frac{3}{e-1}
 \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2 = \frac{e^2 - 3e + 1}{(e-1)^2} = 1 - \frac{e}{(e-1)^2} \tag{29}$$



## Central Limiting Theorem (中心極限定理)

- $\{X_k\}$ : random variables obeying an identical distribution with the mean  $\mu$  and deviation  $\sigma^2$

$$S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n X_k \quad (30)$$

$$S_n^* = \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \quad (31)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(S_n^* \leq a^*) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{a^*} \exp\left[-\frac{x^2}{2}\right] dx \quad (32)$$

- In the limit  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $S_n^*$  obeys the standard normal distribution  $N(0, 1)$

## Probability Characteristic Function (特性関数)

- Continuous probability density  $f(x)$  defined in  $[a, b)$

$$G(t) = \int_a^b f(x)e^{itx} dx \quad (33)$$

$$G(0) = \int_a^b f(x)dx = 1 \quad (34)$$

$$G'(t) = \int_a^b ix f(x)e^{itx} dx \quad (35)$$

$$G'(0) = i \int_a^b x f(x)dx = i \langle x \rangle \quad (36)$$

$$G''(t) = - \int_a^b x^2 f(x)e^{itx} dx \quad (37)$$

$$G''(0) = - \int_a^b x^2 f(x)dx = - \langle x^2 \rangle \quad (38)$$

$$\langle x \rangle = -iG'(0) \quad (39)$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = -G''(0) \quad (40)$$

$$\sigma^2 = -G''(0) + G'(0)^2 \quad (41)$$

## Example: uniform

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (42)$$

$$\begin{aligned} G(t) &= \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} e^{itx} dx = \left[ \frac{1}{it} e^{itx} \right]_{-1/2}^{1/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{it} \left( e^{it/2} - e^{-it/2} \right) = \frac{2 \sin\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)}{t} \\ &= \frac{2}{t} \left( \frac{t}{2} - \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{t}{2}\right)^3 + \frac{1}{5!} \left(\frac{t}{2}\right)^5 + O(t^7) \right) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{24} t^2 + \frac{1}{5! 2^4} t^4 + O(t^6) \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

$$G(0) = 1 \quad (44)$$

$$G'(t) = -\frac{1}{12}t + \frac{1}{5!2^3}t^3 + O(t^5) \quad (45)$$

$$G'(0) = 0 \quad (46)$$

$$G''(t) = -\frac{1}{12} + \frac{3}{5!2^3}t^2 + O(t^4) \quad (47)$$

$$G''(0) = -\frac{1}{12} \quad (48)$$

$$\langle x \rangle = 0 \quad (49)$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{12} \quad (50)$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{12} \quad (51)$$



## Example: Exponential

$$f(x) = Ae^{-x}, \quad A = \frac{e}{e-1} \quad (52)$$

$$G(t) = \int_0^1 Ae^{-x} e^{itx} dx = \frac{A}{it-1} \left[ e^{(it-1)x} \right]_0^1 = \frac{A}{it-1} [e^{it-1} - 1] \quad (53)$$

$$G(0) = -A(e^{-1} - 1) = -\frac{e}{e-1} e^{-1} (1 - e) = 1 \quad (54)$$

$$G'(t) = -\frac{iA}{(it-1)^2} (e^{it-1} - 1) + \frac{iA}{it-1} e^{it-1} \quad (55)$$

$$G'(0) = -iA(e^{-1} - 1) - iAe^{-1} = -iA(e^{-1} - 1) = i\frac{e-2}{e-1} \quad (56)$$

$$G''(t) = -\frac{2A}{(it-1)^3} (e^{it-1} - 1) + \frac{2A}{(it-1)^2} e^{it-1} - \frac{A}{it-1} e^{it-1} \quad (57)$$

$$G''(0) = 2A(e^{-1} - 1) + 2Ae^{-1} + Ae^{-1} = -\frac{2e-5}{e-1} \quad (58)$$

$$\langle x \rangle = -i \times i \frac{e-2}{e-1} = \frac{e-2}{e-1} \quad (59)$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \frac{2e-5}{e-1} \quad (60)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^2 &= \frac{2e-5}{e-1} - \left( \frac{e-2}{e-1} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{e^2 - 3e + 1}{(e-1)^2} \end{aligned} \quad (61)$$