

**Add Example. X1 and X2 are uncorrelated, but not statistically independent**

Exercise. Find elements of the covariance matrix of the bivariate Gaussian distribution

$$p(x, y) = \text{const} \cdot \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (ax^2 + 2bxy + cy^2) \right] ,$$

where  $ac - b^2 > 0$ ,  $a, c > 0$ .

Show that for such distribution the notions of "uncorrelated" and "independent" are equivalent.

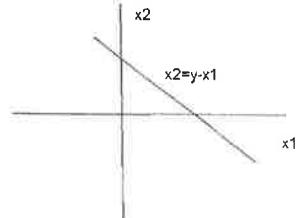
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### 6. Addition of stochastic variables

Consider r.v.  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ ,  $-\infty < X_1, X_2 < \infty$ , joint PDF  $p_2(x_1, x_2)$ .

$Y = X_1 + X_2$ ,  $p_Y(y) = ?$

6.1. General case:  $X_1, X_2$  are not i.r.v.



Cumulative distribution function:

$$\begin{aligned} P(y) &= \Pr\{Y \leq y\} = \int_{-\infty}^y p_Y(z) dz = \Pr\{X_1 + X_2 \leq y\} = \iint_{x_1 + x_2 \leq y} p_2(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2 = \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_1 \int_{-\infty}^{y-x_1} dx_2 p_2(x_1, x_2) , \end{aligned}$$

therefore, the PDF

$$p_Y(y) = \frac{dP(y)}{dy} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_1 \frac{d}{dy} \int_{-\infty}^{y-x_1} dx_2 p_2(x_1, x_2) ,$$

$$p_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_2(x_1, y - x_1) dx_1 .$$

(6.1)

Reminder.  $\frac{d}{dx} \int_{a(x)}^{b(x)} f(x, z) dz = f(x, b(x)) \frac{db}{dx} - f(x, a(x)) \frac{da}{dx} + \int_{a(x)}^{b(x)} \frac{d}{dx} f(x, z) dz .$

Remark. Multivariate Gaussian distribution.

$$\vec{X} = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ \vdots \\ X_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{\mu} = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & \dots & C_{1n} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} & \dots & C_{2n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ C_{n1} & C_{n2} & \dots & C_{nn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad |C| = \det C$$

$$p_w(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} |C|^{1/2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu})^T C^{-1} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}) \right]$$

$C^{-1}$  inverse of  $C$ , " $T$ " transposed

Isserlis/Wick's Theorem  $\vec{\mu} = 0$

$$\langle X_p \dots X_q \rangle = C_{p\dots q}$$

$$\underbrace{C_{p\dots q}}_{\text{odd}} = 0, \quad \underbrace{C_{p\dots q}}_{\text{even}} = \sum_{\substack{\uparrow \text{sum over all possible pairs}}} C_{pq} \dots C_{rs}$$

$$\text{Example. } \langle X_1 X_2 X_3 X_4 \rangle = \langle X_1 X_2 \rangle \langle X_3 X_4 \rangle + \langle X_1 X_3 \rangle \langle X_2 X_4 \rangle + \langle X_1 X_4 \rangle \langle X_2 X_3 \rangle$$

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## 6.2. $X_1$ and $X_2$ are i.r.v.

$$p_2(x_1, x_2) = p_{X_1}(x_1)p_{X_2}(x_2)$$

$$p_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_{X_1}(x_1)p_{X_2}(y-x_1) dx_1 \quad (\text{convolution integral}) . \quad (6.2)$$

The same via the CF:

$$\hat{p}_Y(k) = \langle e^{ikY} \rangle = \langle e^{ik(X_1+X_2)} \rangle = \langle e^{ikX_1} \rangle \langle e^{ikX_2} \rangle ,$$

$$\hat{p}_Y(k) = \hat{p}_{X_1}(k)\hat{p}_{X_2}(k) . \quad (6.3)$$

Is (6.3) equivalent to (6.2) ? Let us check.

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{p}_Y(k) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{iky} p_Y(y) dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{iky} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_{X_1}(x_1)p_{X_2}(y-x_1) dx_1 dy = \left\langle \text{change the order of integration} \right\rangle = \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_1 e^{ikx_1} p_{X_1}(x_1) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy e^{ik(y-x_1)} p_{X_2}(y-x_1) = \left\langle y-x_1 = x_2 \right\rangle = \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_1 e^{ikx_1} p_{X_1}(x_1) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_2 e^{ikx_2} p_{X_2}(x_2) = \hat{p}_{X_1}(k)\hat{p}_{X_2}(k) . \text{OK} \end{aligned}$$

## 6.3. Three rules concerning the moments of i.r.v. $X_1, X_2, Y = X_1 + X_2$

(i) the means

$$\langle Y \rangle = \langle X_1 \rangle + \langle X_2 \rangle . \quad (6.4)$$

(ii) the variances

$$\sigma_Y^2 = \sigma_{X_1}^2 + \sigma_{X_2}^2 . \quad (6.5)$$

(iii) the CFs

$$\hat{p}_Y(k) = \hat{p}_{X_1}(k)\hat{p}_{X_2}(k) . \quad (6.6)$$

*Remark.* (6.4) – (6.6) are also valid for sums with  $n > 2$ .

## 6.4. Instructive example: discrete-time random walk

## 7. Transformation of variables

We have r.v.  $X$ , PDF  $p_X(x)$ ,  $Y = f(X)$ ,  $p_Y(y) = ?$

Examples :

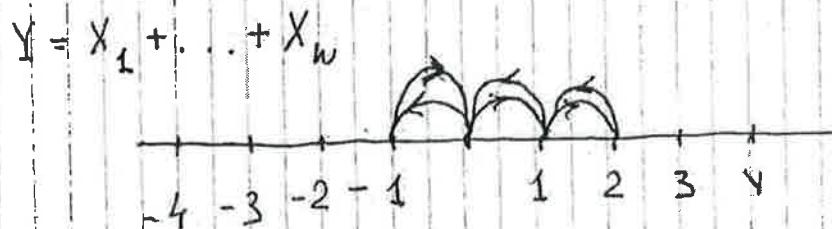
- (i) plotting on a log-scale  $Y = \ln X$

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### 6.4. Instructive example: discrete-time random walk

each step  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  i.r.v., time  $n = \text{time}$

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{2} \delta(x-1) + \frac{1}{2} \delta(x+1)$$



$$\langle X \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p(x) dx = 0 \Rightarrow \langle Y \rangle = 0$$

$$\text{MSD } \langle X^2 \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 p(x) dx = 1 \Rightarrow \langle Y^2 \rangle = n \langle X^2 \rangle = n$$

$\boxed{\text{MSD} \sim \text{number of steps (time)}}$

hallmark  
of normal  
diffusion

$$\hat{P}_X(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ikx} p(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} e^{ik\bar{x}} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-ik\bar{x}} = \cos \bar{x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{P}_Y(k) &= \hat{P}_{X_1}(k) \hat{P}_{X_2}(k) \dots \hat{P}_{X_n}(k) = \left[ \hat{P}_X(k) \right]^n \\ &= \frac{1}{2^n} (e^{ik\bar{x}} + e^{-ik\bar{x}})^n = \cos^n(k) \end{aligned}$$

$$P_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos^n(k) e^{-iky} dk =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^n} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (e^{ik\bar{x}} + e^{-ik\bar{x}})^n e^{-iky} dk \Rightarrow$$

Digression. Binomial theorem

$$(x+y)^n = \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} x^{n-l} y^l,$$

where

$$\binom{n}{l} = \frac{n!}{(n-l)! l!}, \quad \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} = 2^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{\frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \frac{n!}{(n-l)! l!}} \quad \frac{1}{2^n} \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{l=0}^n \frac{n!}{(n-l)! l!} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i(n-l)k} e^{-iky} dk$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \frac{n!}{(n-l)! l!} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i(n-2l-y)k} dk \Rightarrow$$

Digression:  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{iky} dk = \delta(y)$

$$\Rightarrow p_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \frac{n!}{(n-l)! l!} \delta(n-2l-y)$$

Normalization.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_Y(y) dy = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} = 1 \quad \text{OK}$$

Q. What happens if  $n \rightarrow \infty$  ( $t \rightarrow \infty$ ) ?

Very preliminary estimate

$$\hat{P}_Y(k) = \cos^n k$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 P_Y(y) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos^n k e^{-iky} dk \approx \\
 &\approx \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ 1 - \frac{k^2}{2} + O(k^4) \right] e^{-iky} dk = \\
 &\quad \uparrow \\
 &\quad \text{neglect (?!) naively: } k \text{ small?} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{n \ln(1 - \frac{k^2}{2})} e^{-iky} dk \approx \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{nk^2}{2}} e^{-iky} dk \\
 &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi n}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2n}}}_{\text{Gaussian with}} \\
 &\quad \langle Y \rangle = 0 \\
 &\quad \langle Y^2 \rangle = n \quad (= t^1), \\
 &\quad \text{see above}
 \end{aligned}$$

Do the same, but differently:

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X, Y only integer numbers

$P_Y(y) \rightarrow P_n(j)$  Probability of arriving at site  $j$  after  $n$  steps

$$P_n(j) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos^n k e^{-ikj} dk =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos^n k (\cos kj - i \sin kj) dk =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos^n k \cos kj dk = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{tabulated integrals} \\ \text{MATHEMATICA} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \left[ 1 + (-1)^{n+j} \right] \frac{n!}{\left(\frac{n+j}{2}\right)! \left(\frac{n-j}{2}\right)!} \quad (*)$$

Consequences of (\*)

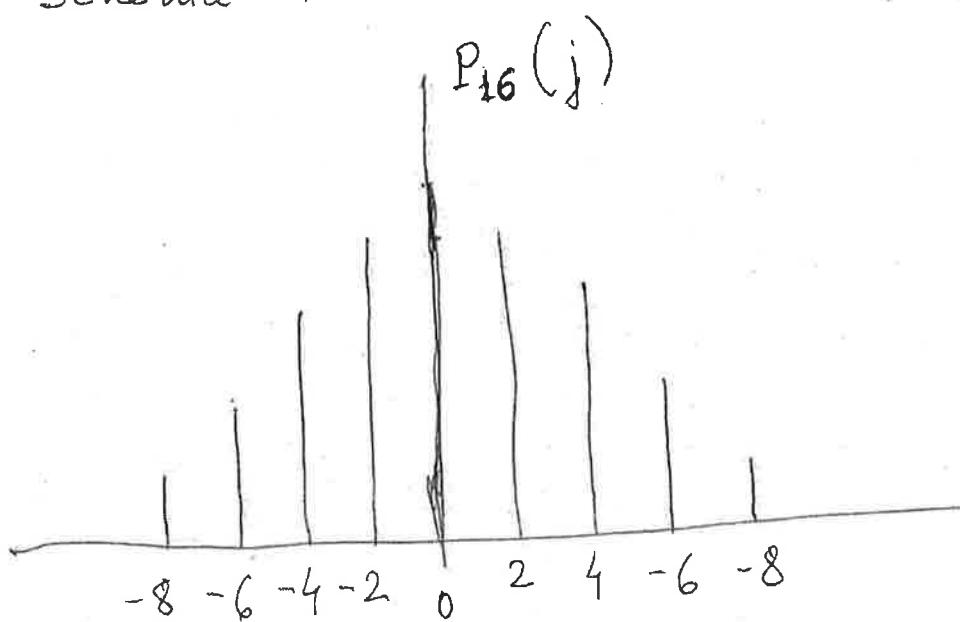
1.  $P_n(j) = 0$  if  $n$  and  $j$  have different parities:

After even number of steps  $n$  the walker can reside only on a site with even number  $j$  (even  $\leftrightarrow$  odd)

2.  $P_n(j) = 0$  if  $j > n$  due to  $(n-j)! = 0$ ,  $j > n$ :  
The displacement of walker ~~never exceeds~~ after  $n$  steps never exceeds  $n$

Schematic view

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Q. What happens if  $n \rightarrow \infty$  ?

Reminder. Stirling formula (effective approximation for factorial)

$$n! \approx \sqrt{2\pi n} n^n e^{-n} \quad (\text{for } n=2 \text{ relative error } \approx 2\%)$$

$$P_n(j) \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi n}} \exp\left(-\frac{j^2}{2n}\right) \quad \begin{matrix} \text{Probability} \\ \text{to get } j \text{ after} \\ n \text{ steps} \end{matrix}$$

To interpret as the formula for PDF of  $j$ :  
divide by 2: the sites with either only even or only odd numbers can be reached

$$P_n(j) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi n}} \exp\left(-\frac{j^2}{2n}\right) \Leftrightarrow p_y(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi n}} e^{-y^2/2n}$$

Exercise. A symmetric random walk  
 $p(x) = p\delta(x-1) + q(x+1), \quad p+q=1$

# 7. Transformation of variables

r.v.  $X$ , PDF  $p_X(x)$ ,  $Y = f(X)$ ,  $p_Y(y) = ?$

Example (ii)  $Y = \frac{1}{X}$ ,  $Y = \ln X$ .

## 7.1. General case

$$P_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^y p_Y(z) dz = \Pr\{Y \leq y\} = \int_{f(x) \leq y} p_X(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_X(x) \Theta(y - f(x)) dx ,$$

Where  $\Theta(x)$  is the Heaviside step function,  $\Theta(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & , x \geq 0 \\ 0 & , x < 0 \end{cases}$ , and  $\frac{d\Theta(x)}{dx} = \delta(x)$ .

Then,

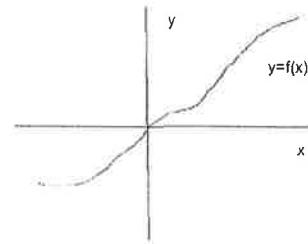
$$\boxed{\frac{dP_Y(y)}{dy} = p_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_X(x) \delta(y - f(x)) dx} . \quad (7.1)$$

## 7.2. CF $\hat{p}_Y(k)$

$$\hat{p}_Y(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{iky} p_Y(y) dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{iky} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_X(x) \delta(y - f(x)) dx dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_X(x) e^{ikf(x)} dx .$$

$$\boxed{\hat{p}_{Y=f(X)}(k) = \left\langle e^{ikf(X)} \right\rangle} . \quad (7.2)$$

## 7.3. Particular case: single valued $f(X)$



$$Y = f(X) \Rightarrow X = f^{-1}(Y)$$

Recall.  $p_X dx = \Pr\{x \leq X < x + dx\}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr\{x_1 \leq X < x_2\} &= \int_{x_1}^{x_2} p_X(x) dx = \\ &= \left\langle \text{change of variable of integration: } y_{1,2} = f(x_{1,2}), \quad dx = \left| \frac{df^{-1}(y)}{dy} \right| dy \dots \right\rangle = \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_{y_1}^{y_2} p_X(x = f^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{df^{-1}(y)}{dy} \right| dy = \int_{y_1}^{y_2} p_Y(y) dy = \Pr\{y_1 \leq Y < y_2\} ,$$

$$\boxed{p_Y(y) = p_X(x = f^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{df^{-1}(y)}{dy} \right|} . \quad (7.3)$$

*Remark.* Keep this in mind as  $p_Y(y)dy = p_X(x)dx$ , but then  $p_Y(y) = p_X(x) \left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right|$ .

#### 7.4. Multivalued function $f(X)$

$$Y = f(X) , \quad X = \varphi_1(Y), \dots, \varphi_n(Y)$$

$$\boxed{p_Y(y) = \sum_{j=1}^n p_X(x = \varphi_j(y)) \left| \frac{d\varphi_j(y)}{dy} \right|} . \quad (7.4)$$

*Remark.* Eqs. (7.3) and (7.4) can be obtained from (7.1) by using the properties of  $\delta$ -function.

#### 7.5. Linear transformation of variables

$$Y = a_1 + a_2 X , \quad X = \frac{1}{a_2} Y - \frac{a_1}{a_2}$$

$$f(X) = a_1 + a_2 X , \quad f^{-1}(Y) = \frac{1}{a_2} Y - \frac{a_1}{a_2}$$

Use (7.3).

(a) PDF

$$\boxed{p_Y(y) = \frac{1}{a_2} p_X\left(x = \frac{y-a_1}{a_2}\right)} . \quad (7.5)$$

(b) CF

$$\hat{p}_Y(k) = \langle e^{ikY} \rangle = \langle e^{ik(a_1 + a_2 X)} \rangle = e^{ika_1} \langle e^{ika_2 X} \rangle .$$

$$\boxed{\hat{p}_Y(k) = e^{ika_1} \hat{p}_X(a_2 k)} . \quad (7.6)$$

(c) Example

$X$  is a Gaussian r.v. with

$$p_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{x^2}{2}\right] \div \exp\left(-\frac{k^2}{2}\right) ,$$

where  $\langle X \rangle = 0$ ,  $\text{Var}[X] = \langle X^2 \rangle - \langle X \rangle^2 = 1$ . Standard normal Gaussian distribution.

Take  $a_1 = \mu$ ,  $a_2 = \sigma$ ,  $Y = \mu + \sigma X$ , then

$$p_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{(y-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right] \div \exp\left(i\mu k - \frac{\sigma^2 k^2}{2}\right),$$

where  $\langle Y \rangle = \mu$ ,  $Var[Y] = \langle Y^2 \rangle - \langle Y \rangle^2 = \sigma^2$ .

### 7.6. Multidimensional generalization

$$\vec{X} = \{X_1, X_2\}$$

$$Y_1 = f(X_1, X_2) , \quad X_1 = \varphi_1(Y_1, Y_2) , \quad \varphi_1 = f_1^{-1}$$

$$Y_2 = f_2(X_1, X_2) , \quad X_2 = \varphi_2(Y_1, Y_2) , \quad \varphi_2 = f_2^{-1}$$

$$p_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2) = p_{X_1, X_2}(x_1 = \varphi_1(y_1, y_2), x_2 = \varphi_2(y_1, y_2)) \left| \frac{\partial(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)}{\partial(y_1, y_2)} \right| , \quad (7.7)$$

$$\text{where Jacobian } \equiv \left| \frac{\partial(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)}{\partial(y_1, y_2)} \right| = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial \varphi_1}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial \varphi_1}{\partial y_2} \\ \frac{\partial \varphi_2}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial \varphi_2}{\partial y_2} \end{vmatrix}.$$

### 7.7. Example: Maxwell -> energy distribution

7. ~~Ex~~ Example. Maxwell  $\rightarrow$  Energy distr. (2.10)

$$P_M(\vec{v}) = \frac{m^{3/2}}{(2\pi kT)^{3/2}} e^{-\frac{mv^2}{2kT}}, \quad 3d \rightarrow 1d$$

$$\vec{v} = \{v_x, v_y, v_z\}$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{1}{2}m(v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_E(E) &= \int \delta(E - \frac{1}{2}mv^2) P_M(\vec{v}) d\vec{v} = \\ &= \int_0^\infty dv v^2 \underbrace{\int_0^\pi d\theta \sin\theta}_{2\pi} \underbrace{\int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi}_{2\pi} P_M(\vec{v}) \delta\left(\frac{1}{2}mv^2 - E\right) \Rightarrow \\ &\quad \leftarrow - \int_0^\pi d\theta (\cos\theta) = -\cos\theta \Big|_0^\pi = 2 \\ \delta\left(\frac{mv^2}{2} - E\right) &= \frac{2}{m} \delta\left(v^2 - \frac{2E}{m}\right) \stackrel{\text{Reminder}}{=} = \frac{1}{2|m|} [\delta(x-a) + \delta(x+a)] \\ &= \frac{2}{2m\sqrt{\frac{2E}{m}}} \left[ \delta\left(v + \sqrt{\frac{2E}{m}}\right) + \delta\left(v - \sqrt{\frac{2E}{m}}\right) \right] \\ &\Rightarrow \left(\frac{m}{2\pi kT}\right)^{3/2} \frac{4\pi \cdot \int_{\sqrt{\frac{2E}{m}}}^\infty}{m\sqrt{\frac{2E}{m}}} \left[ \delta\left(v + \sqrt{\frac{2E}{m}}\right) + \delta\left(v - \sqrt{\frac{2E}{m}}\right) \right] \times \\ &\quad \times v^2 e^{-\frac{mv^2}{2kT}} dv = \\ &= 2\pi^{-1/2} (kT)^{-3/2} E^{1/2} e^{-E/kT} \quad \text{Check} \\ &\quad \int_0^\infty P_E(E) dE = 1 \end{aligned}$$