

<b>Notation</b>	$\xi = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}, \alpha = \frac{a - \mu}{\sigma}, \beta = \frac{b - \mu}{\sigma}$ $Z = \Phi(\beta) - \Phi(\alpha)$
<b>Parameters</b>	$\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ $\sigma^2 \geq 0$ (but see definition) $a \in \mathbb{R}$ – minimum value of $x$ $b \in \mathbb{R}$ – maximum value of $x$ ( $b > a$ )
<b>Support</b>	$x \in [a, b]$
<b>PDF</b>	$f(x; \mu, \sigma, a, b) = \frac{\varphi(\xi)}{\sigma Z}$ [1]
<b>CDF</b>	$F(x; \mu, \sigma, a, b) = \frac{\Phi(\xi) - \Phi(\alpha)}{Z}$
<b>Mean</b>	$\mu + \frac{\varphi(\alpha) - \varphi(\beta)}{Z} \sigma$
<b>Median</b>	$\mu + \Phi^{-1} \left( \frac{\Phi(\alpha) + \Phi(\beta)}{2} \right) \sigma$
<b>Mode</b>	$\begin{cases} a, & \text{if } \mu < a \\ \mu, & \text{if } a \leq \mu \leq b \\ b, & \text{if } \mu > b \end{cases}$
<b>Variance</b>	$\sigma^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{\beta\varphi(\beta) - \alpha\varphi(\alpha)}{Z} - \left( \frac{\varphi(\alpha) - \varphi(\beta)}{Z} \right)^2 \right]$
<b>Entropy</b>	$\ln(\sqrt{2\pi e} \sigma Z) + \frac{\alpha\varphi(\alpha) - \beta\varphi(\beta)}{2Z}$
<b>MGF</b>	$e^{\mu t + \sigma^2 t^2 / 2} \left[ \frac{\Phi(\beta - \sigma t) - \Phi(\alpha - \sigma t)}{\Phi(\beta) - \Phi(\alpha)} \right]$

**Two sided truncation:**

Let  $\alpha = (a - \mu)/\sigma$  and  $\beta = (b - \mu)/\sigma$ . Then:

$$E(X | a < X < b) = \mu - \sigma \frac{\varphi(\beta) - \varphi(\alpha)}{\Phi(\beta) - \Phi(\alpha)}$$

and

$$\text{Var}(X | a < X < b) = \sigma^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{\beta\varphi(\beta) - \alpha\varphi(\alpha)}{\Phi(\beta) - \Phi(\alpha)} - \left( \frac{\varphi(\beta) - \varphi(\alpha)}{\Phi(\beta) - \Phi(\alpha)} \right)^2 \right]$$

**One sided truncation (of lower tail):**

In this case  $b = \infty, \varphi(\beta) = 0, \Phi(\beta) = 1$ , then

$$E(X | X > a) = \mu + \sigma\varphi(\alpha)/Z,$$

and

$$\text{Var}(X | X > a) = \sigma^2 [1 + \alpha\varphi(\alpha)/Z - (\varphi(\alpha)/Z)^2],$$

where  $Z = 1 - \Phi(\alpha)$ .

**One sided truncation (of upper tail):**

In this case  $a = \alpha = -\infty, \varphi(\alpha) = 0, \Phi(\alpha) = 0$ , then

$$E(X | X < b) = \mu - \sigma \frac{\varphi(\beta)}{\Phi(\beta)},$$

$$\text{Var}(X | X < b) = \sigma^2 \left[ 1 - \beta \frac{\varphi(\beta)}{\Phi(\beta)} - \left( \frac{\varphi(\beta)}{\Phi(\beta)} \right)^2 \right].$$

## Some R-commands

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mu      <- 50
sigma   <- 5
n       <- 10000

lowlimit <- 47
hilimit  <- 55

res1 <- rnorm(n, mu, sigma)

res1a <- res1[res1 > lowlimit]
res1b <- res1[res1 > lowlimit & res1 < hilimit]

hist(res1)
hist(res1a)
hist(res1b)

res2a <- ifelse(res1 < lowlimit, lowlimit, res1)
hist(res2a)
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