

Glossary

1. **Symmetric distribution:** $f(t) = f(-t)$ or $f(x) = f(-x)$ where f is the density function of a random variable.
2. $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$ is an unbiased estimator of the population variance σ^2 .
3. **Limiting case :** Here we try to find the distribution of a random variable when n is large.
4. **Jacobian transformation :** It is used to find the distribution of a transformed random variable.
5. **Mean deviation about mean** = $E|X - \text{mean}(X)|$, where X is a random variable.
6. **Degrees of freedom(d.f.):** Number of independent observations in the given set of data.
7. $\Gamma_n = (n-1)! = (n-1) \Gamma_{(n-1)}$.
8. **Heavier tails :** The probability curve which is more flat to produce values that fall far from its mean.
9. $B(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{n}{2}) = \frac{\Gamma_{\frac{1}{2}} \times \Gamma_{\frac{n}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{n+1}{2})}$.
10. μ_r = The r^{th} central moments = $E [X - E(X)]^r$