

CHAPTER 4.3 : CONTINUOUS CASE

Integral Transform: Suppose that X is continuously distributed and $h(x)$ is a nice function; We expect $h(X) = Y$ to be a random variable, and its density $g_Y(y)$ is :

First calculate its distribution function $G_Y(a) = P(Y < a) = P(h(X) < a)$

For increasing $h(x)$, we can find the inverse $X < h^{-1}(a)$, and then

$$G_Y(a) = F_X(h^{-1}(a))$$

For decreasing $h(x)$, again we can rewrite the event $\{h(X) < a\}$ as $\{X > h^{-1}(a)\}$;

$$\text{Then } G_Y(a) = 1 - F_X(h^{-1}(a))$$

Finally, differentiate to get: $g_Y(y) = d/dy G_Y = f_X(h^{-1}(y)) \cdot |d/dy h^{-1}(y)|$

APPLICATIONS TO NON MONOTONE CASE

Consider the rv X which is uniformly distributed in $(-1, 2)$ or X is $U(-1,2)$:

(a) Calculate density function, $f_X(x) = 1/3$ Ex

(b) Calculate the density function of $Y = X^2$: $g_Y(y) = ??$

Ans: Note that the range of Y is $(0, 4)$; then $G_Y(a) = P(Y < a) = P(\{X^2 < a\})$;

For $0 < a < 1$, $\{X^2 < a\} = \{-\sqrt{a} < X < \sqrt{a}\}$ and
 $P(\{-\sqrt{a} < X < \sqrt{a}\}) = 2\sqrt{a} / 3$. Ex

For $1 < a < 4$, $\{X^2 < a\} = \{X < \sqrt{a}\}$ and $P(\{X < \sqrt{a}\}) = (\sqrt{a} + 1)/3$. Ex

Then $g_Y(y) = d/dy G_Y(a) = 1/(3\sqrt{y})$ for $0 < y < 1$. Ex. Calculate it for $1 < y < 4$??

INTEGRAL TRANSFORM

Theorem: Let X be a continuous rv with distribution function $F(a) = F_X(a) = P(X < a)$. Then $Y = F(X)$ is uniformly distributed $U(0,1)$, i.e., $g_Y(y) = 1$ if y is in $(0,1)$, and $g_Y(y) = 0$ if y is not in $(0,1)$,

Proof: $G_Y(b) = P(Y < b) = P(F(X) < b) = P(X < F^{-1}(b))$ if F monotone increasing. If F not strictly increasing, that is, for $a < c$, $F(a) = F(c)$, then take $F^{-1}(b) = \sup \{x \mid F(x) < b\}$.

Then $G_Y(b) = P(X < F^{-1}(b)) = F(F^{-1}(b)) = b$. QED

Ex: Why is $G_Y(b) = b$ for all b in $(0,1)$ indicative of a $U(0,1)$ distribution?.

MORE ON JOINTLY DISTRIBUTED RV: CHAP 4.4

Read example 4.19 upto and including theorem 4. 22:

Theorem: Let X and Y be independent rv's with density functions f_X and f_Y .

Then, $Z = X + Y$ has density

$$f_Z(z) = \text{convolution of } f_X \text{ and } f_Y.$$

Proof: The joint density function of X and Y is $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$. Thus,

The distribution function of $Z = X + Y$ is $F_Z(t) = P(\{Z < t\})$

$$= \text{double integral over } \{X + Y < t\} [f_X(x) f_Y(y)]$$

$$= \text{integral over reals } [f_X(x) dx] \text{ times integral from } -\text{inf to } (t-x) [f_Y(y) dy]$$

$$= \text{integral over reals } [f_X(x) F_Y(t-x) dx]$$

because $\text{integral from } -\text{inf to } (t-x) [f_Y(y) dy] = F_Y(t-x)$ by definition.

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Theorem: Suppose X and Y are jointly distributed with joint density $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$. Let $u = u(x,y)$, $v = v(x,y)$ be invertible mapping from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 . And let $U = u(X,Y)$, $V = v(X,Y)$ be jointly distributed rv's with density $g_{U,V}(u,v)$. Then $g_{U,V}(u,v) = f_{X,Y}(x(u,v), y(u,v)) J(u,v)$

Where $J(u,v)$ is the Jacobian of the inverse mapping $x = x(u,v)$, $y = y(u,v)$.

Proof:

Recall the change of variables formula from Multivar Calc: from definition, for arbitrary event A , $P(\{(U,V) \text{ in } A\}) = \text{integral over set } A [g_{U,V}(u,v) \, du \, dv] = P(\{(X,Y) \text{ in } B = (u,v)^{-1}(A)\})$ or

$$\begin{aligned} \text{integral over set } A [g_{U,V}(u,v) \, du \, dv] &= \text{integral over set } B [f_{X,Y}(x,y) \, dx \, dy] \\ &= \text{integral over set } A [f_{X,Y}(x(u,v), y(u,v)) J(u,v) \, du \, dv]. \end{aligned}$$

Since A arbitrary,
 $g_{U,V}(u,v) = f_{X,Y}(x(u,v), y(u,v)) J(u,v)$