

TRANS form's

- ① Probability Generating function (PGF) (z-transform)
- ② Moment Generating function (MGF) (Laplace)
- ③ Characteristic Generating fun (CGF) (Fourier)

These transform techniques are at some level, we can think of some frequency domain techniques.

* Just Like in Signals and systems, we have time domain techniques, and frequency domain techniques, so we can think of all our PDF's and PMF's are some kind of time domain functions and these transforms as some frequency domain functions.

(z-Transform)

Probability Generating function (PGF)

Used for discrete r.v.'s.

Let X be an integer valued r.v. Then

$$G_X(z) \triangleq E[z^X] = \sum_i z^i P(X=i)$$

Generally z would be complex numbers.

Convergence:

For a non-negative valued r.v.

$\exists R$, possibly $+\infty$, s.t. the PGF converges for $\forall z$ s.t. $|z| < R$, and diverges for $|z| > R$.

Example:

$X \sim \text{Poisson r.v.}$

$$P(X=i) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^i}{i!}, i \geq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{then } G_X(z) &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^i \lambda^i e^{-\lambda}}{i!} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{(z\lambda)^i e^{-\lambda} e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda}}{i!} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{(z\lambda)^i e^{-\lambda}}{i!} \cdot e^{\lambda(z-1)} \\
 &= 1 \cdot e^{\lambda(z-1)} \\
 &= e^{\lambda(z-1)}, \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 2

$X \sim \text{geometric } p, p$

$$P(X=i) = (1-p)^{i-1} p, \quad i \geq 1$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_X(z) &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (1-p)^{i-1} p \cdot z^i \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} ((1-p)z)^{i-1} p z
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{(z - zp)^{i-1} (1 - z - zp) pz}{(1 - z(1-p))}$$

$$= \frac{pz}{1 - z(1-p)} \quad \forall 0 < z - zp < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |z| < \frac{1}{1-p}$$

Properties of PGF

$$\textcircled{1} \quad G_X(1) = 1$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \left. \frac{d}{dz} G_X(z) \right|_{z=1} = E[X]$$

Proof: $G_X(z) = E[z^X]$

$$= \sum_i z^i P(X=i)$$

$$\frac{d}{dz} G_X(z) = \frac{d}{dz} \sum_i z^i P(X=i)$$

$$= \sum_i \frac{d}{dz} z^i P(X=i)$$

$$= \sum_i i z^{i-1} P(X=i)$$

$$\text{Hence } \left. \frac{d}{dz} G_X(z) \right|_{z=1} = \sum_i i P(X=i) \\ = E[X]$$

$$\textcircled{3} \left. \frac{d^k}{dz^k} G_X(z) \right|_{z=1} = E[X(X-1)(X-2)\dots(X-k+1)]$$

④ if X and Y are independent

and $Z = X + Y$ then

$$G_Z(z) = G_X(z) G_Y(z)$$

Proof:

$$G_Z(z) = E[z^Z]$$

$$= \mathbb{E} [z^{x+y}]$$

$$= \mathbb{E} [z^x \cdot z^y]$$

$$= \mathbb{E} [z^x] \cdot \mathbb{E} [z^y]$$

$$= G_x(z) \cdot G_y(z)$$