

Probability and Statistics

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Continuous random vectors.

Joint CDF \rightarrow joint pdf \rightarrow marginal pdfs \rightarrow
independence of random variables.

Let X and Y be continuous random variables
with joint pdf $f(x, y)$

Define $Z = \underline{\varphi(x, y)}$

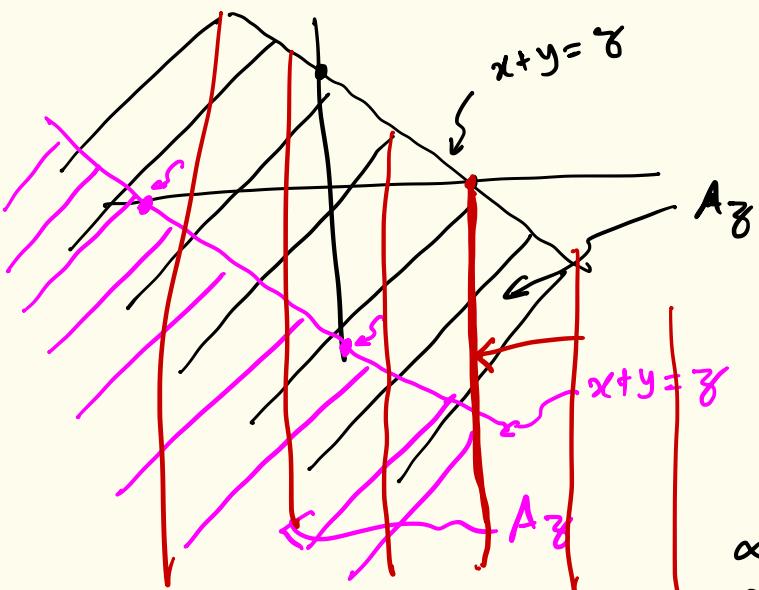
for a fixed $z \in \mathbb{R}$, we are interested in the
event $\{Z \leq z\}$.

By $A_z \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ define $A_z = \{(x, y) \mid \varphi(x, y) \leq z\}$

$F_Z(z) = \text{Prob}\{Z \leq z\} = \text{Prob}(X, Y) \in A_z \leftarrow$

$$F_Z(z) = \iint_{A_z} f(x, y) dx dy$$

Distribution of sum ($f(x, y) = x + y$) .
 $A_z = \{(x, y) \mid x + y \leq z\}$ for a fixed $z \in \mathbb{R}$.



We are interested in computing

$$P((x, y) \in A_z)$$

$$= \iint_{A_z} f(x, y) dx dy$$

$$F_z(z) = \iint_{A_z} f(x, y) dx dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{z-x} f(x, y) dy \right] dx$$

Substitute $y = v - x$ in inner integral.

$$F_Z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\int_{-\infty}^z f(x, z-x) dx \right] dz$$

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Convolution integral.

PDF of Z is obtained as $f_Z(z) = \frac{d}{dz} F_Z(z)$

$$f_{X+Y}(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, z-x) dx ; -\infty < z < \infty$$

If X and Y are independent,

$$f_{X+Y}(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) f_Y(z-x) dx ; -\infty < x < \infty$$

If x and y are both non-negative r.v.s.

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$$f_{x+y}(z) = \int_0^z f_x(x) f_y(z-x) dx ; \quad 0 < z < \infty$$

otherwise .

Ex: Let $x, y \sim \exp(\lambda)$ are independent .

$$f_x(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \quad x > 0$$
$$= 0 \quad \text{o.w.}$$

Find the
density of

$$f_y(y) = \lambda e^{-\lambda y} \quad y > 0$$
$$= 0 \quad \text{o.w.}$$

$$f_{x+y}(z) = \int_0^z f_x(x) f_y(z-x) dx$$

z > 0

0 < z < 0

$$= 0$$

For $z > 0$

$$f_{x+y}(z) = \int_0^z f_x(x) f_y(z-x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^z \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \lambda e^{-\lambda(z-x)} dx$$

$$= \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda z} \int_0^z dx$$

$$f_{x+y}(z) = \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda z} \cdot z \quad z > 0$$

$$f_{x+y}(z) = \lambda^2 z e^{-\lambda z} \quad z \geq 0$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{o.w.}$$

thus $x+y \sim \text{gamma}(2, \lambda)$

Generalizing: $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \sim \text{exp}(\lambda)$ are iid.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \sim \text{gamma}(n, \lambda)$$

Ex: $x, y \sim U(0, 1)$ are iid

$$f_{x+y} = ??$$

$$\int_0^z [f_x(x) f_y(z-x)] dx$$

$$z \geq 0$$

o.w.

$$f_x(x) = 1 \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1 \quad f_y(y) = 1 \quad 0 \leq y \leq 1$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{otherwise} \quad = 0 \quad \text{otherwise}$$

The integrand $f_x(x) f_y(3-x)$ takes only two values 0 or 1.

$f_x(x) f_y(3-x)$ takes value 1 when

$$0 \leq x \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \leq 3-x \leq 1$$

If $0 \leq y \leq 1$, then integrand has value 1

on the set $0 \leq x \leq y$.

$$f_{x+y}(y) = \int_0^y 1 dx = y \quad 0 \leq y \leq 1$$

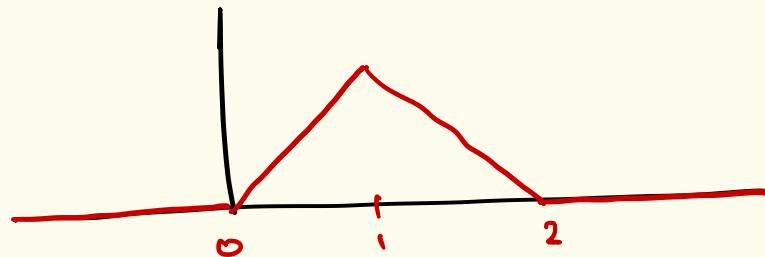
If $1 < \gamma \leq 2$, then the integrand has value 1
on $\gamma - 1 \leq x \leq 1$

$$f_{x+y}(\gamma) = 2 - \gamma \quad ; \quad 1 < \gamma \leq 2$$

for $\gamma > 2$, $f_{x+y}(\gamma) = 0$

Thus,

$$f_{x+y}(\gamma) = \begin{cases} 0 & \gamma < 0 \\ \gamma & 0 \leq \gamma \leq 1 \\ 2 - \gamma & 1 < \gamma \leq 2 \\ 0 & \gamma > 2 \end{cases}$$



Ex: Let $X \sim \Gamma(\alpha_1, \lambda)$ and $Y \sim \Gamma(\alpha_2, \lambda)$ be independent random variables. Then

$$X+Y \sim \Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \lambda)$$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{\lambda^{\alpha_1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} x^{\alpha_1-1} e^{-\lambda x} \quad x > 0$$

0. w.

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{\lambda^{\alpha_2}}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} y^{\alpha_2-1} e^{-\lambda y} \quad y > 0$$

0. w.

$$= 0$$

Note X and Y are non-negative.

$$f_{x+y}(z) = \int_0^z f_x(x) f_y(z-x) dx$$

if $z > 0$
0 otherwise.

$$= 0$$

for $z > 0$

$$f_{x+y}(z) = \frac{\lambda^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1) \Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^z e^{-\lambda x} x^{\alpha_1 - 1} (z-x)^{\alpha_2 - 1} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow X+Y \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \lambda)$$

If X and Y are continuous r.v.s. with joint pdf $f_{XY}(x, y)$. Then

$$E(h(x, y)) = \iint h(x, y) f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy$$

Suppose $h(x, y) = \varphi_1(x) \varphi_2(y)$ and x & y are independent.

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(h(x, y)) &= \iint \varphi_1(x) \varphi_2(y) \frac{f_{xy}(x, y) dx dy}{\text{independent}} \\
 &= \iint \varphi_1(x) \varphi_2(y) \frac{f_x(x) f_y(y) dx dy}{f_x \neq f_y} \\
 &= \int \varphi_1(x) f_x(x) dx \cdot \int \varphi_2(y) f_y(y) dy \\
 &= E(\varphi_1(x)) E(\varphi_2(y))
 \end{aligned}$$

Let x & y be independent r.v.s.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{MGF of } x + y &= M_{x+y}(t) = E(e^{t(x+y)}) \\
 &= E(e^{tx} \cdot e^{ty}) = E(e^{tx}) \cdot E(e^{ty}) = M_x(t) M_y(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

Ex: Let $x_i \sim \Gamma(\alpha_i, \lambda)$ for $i=1, 2$ are indep.

$$M_{X_i}(t) = \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda-t} \right)^{\alpha_i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_{X_1+X_2}(t) &= [M_{X_1}(t) \quad M_{X_2}(t)] \\ &= \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda-t} \right)^{\alpha_1} \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda-t} \right)^{\alpha_2} \\ &= \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda-t} \right)^{\underbrace{\alpha_1+\alpha_2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow X_1 + X_2 \sim \Gamma(\underbrace{\alpha_1+\alpha_2}, \lambda)$$

$$E(e^{tx})$$

$$\int e^{tx} f(x) dx$$

Ex: Let x, y be independent r.v.s with
 $x \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$, $y \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$
pdf of $x+y$??

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{x+y}(t) &= M_x(t) M_y(t) \\
&= e^{\mu_1 t + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_1^2 t^2} \cdot e^{\mu_2 t + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_2^2 t^2} \\
&= e^{(\mu_1 + \mu_2)t + \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)t^2} \\
\Rightarrow x+y &\sim N(\mu_1 + \mu_2, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)
\end{aligned}$$

Generalization:

Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are independent r.v.s.

$$M_{x_1 + \dots + x_n}(t) = M_{x_1}(t) M_{x_2}(t) \dots M_{x_n}(t)$$

If x_1, \dots, x_n are iid. r.v.s.

$$M_{x_1 + \dots + x_n}(t) = [M_{x_1}(t)]^n$$

1. $x_i \sim \exp(\lambda)$ iid for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \sim \text{gamma}(n, \lambda)$$

2. $x_i \sim \text{gamma}(\alpha_i, \lambda)$ are independent.
for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \sim \text{gamma}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i, \lambda\right)$$

3. $x_i \sim \text{normal}(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2)$ are independent
for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \sim \text{normal}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i, \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2\right)$$

Let x_1, \dots, x_n iid $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$x_1 + \dots + x_n \sim N(n\mu, n\sigma^2)$$

$$\bar{x} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$$

What we had seen earlier is
 x_1, \dots, x_n are independent with
mean μ and variance σ^2 .

then $\text{mean } (\bar{x}) = \mu$

$\text{var } (\bar{x}) = \sigma^2/n$

Let x_1, \dots, x_n iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

Prove : $\bar{x} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$

Soln: $M_{\frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n}}(t) = M_{\bar{x}}(t)$

$$= M_{x_1 + \dots + x_n}\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)$$

$$= M_{x_1}\left(\frac{t}{n}\right) \dots M_{x_n}\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)$$

$$= \left[M_{x_1}\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)\right]^n$$

$$= \left[e^{\mu \frac{t}{n} + \sigma^2 \frac{t^2}{2n^2}}\right]^n = e^{\mu t + \sigma^2 \frac{t^2}{2n}}$$

$\bar{x} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$

$$M_{ax+b}(t)$$

$$= E(e^{tax+b})$$

$$= E(e^b \cdot e^{tax})$$

$$= e^b \cdot E(e^{atx})$$

$$= e^b \cdot M_x(at)$$

$$x = x_1 + \dots + x_n$$

$$a = \frac{1}{n}, b = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (\text{mean}) t + (\text{variance}) t^2/2 \\
 & e^{Nt} + \sigma^2 t^2 / 2n \\
 & e^{\mu t} + \circled{\sigma^2/n} \cdot t^2/2 \\
 = & e^{\boxed{\mu t}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{x} \sim N(N, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$$

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Some topics I had left (as easy exercises!)

y (is cts. random variable) is said to follow Weibull density with parameters γ and β if its pdf is given as:

$$f_y(y) = \frac{\gamma}{\beta} y^{\gamma-1} e^{-y^\gamma/\beta}, \quad 0 < y < \infty$$

$\gamma > 0$
 $\beta > 0$

$$= 0 \quad \text{O.W.}$$

If $\gamma = 1$, then we get exponential density (f_y).

Ex: Show that if $x \sim \text{exponential}(\lambda)$, then
 $y = x^{\frac{1}{\beta}}$ has Weibull density.

Beta distribution:

A random variable x is said to follow Beta density with parameters α & β if it has the pdf

$$f_x(x) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} \boxed{x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1}}, \quad 0 < x < 1$$

o.w.

$$= 0$$

$$\alpha > 0, \beta > 0$$

$$\text{Here, } B(\alpha, \beta) = \int_0^1 x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} dx$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}$$

$$E(x^n) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} \int_0^1 x^n \cdot x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} \cdot B(\alpha+n, \beta)$$

For $n=1$

$$E(x) = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta}$$

$$\text{var}(x) = \frac{\alpha\beta}{(\alpha+\beta)^2(\alpha+\beta+1)}$$

Lognormal distribution:

If x is a random variable whose logarithm is normally distributed (i.e. $\ln x \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$), then x has lognormal density. The pdf is given by :

$$f_x(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sqrt{2\pi}}} \frac{1}{x} e^{-(\log x - \mu)^2 / 2\sigma^2} \quad 0 < x < \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(x) &= E(e^{\log x}) = E(e^y) \\ &= e^{\mu + \sigma^2/2} \end{aligned}$$

where $y = \log x \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$\text{var}(x) = e^{2(\mu+\sigma^2)} - e^{2\mu+\sigma^2}$$

(This density is popular in modeling skew-data (right-skewed data)).

Examples: Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n be iid r.v.s.

with CDF $F(x)$.

$$Y = \max \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$$

Find pdf of Y ??

$G(y)$: CDF of Y .

$$G(y) = P(Y \leq y)$$

$$= P(x_1 \leq y, x_2 \leq y, \dots, x_n \leq y)$$

$$= P(x_1 \leq y) P(x_2 \leq y) \cdots P(x_n \leq y)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n F(y)$$

dependence

$$G(y) = (F(y))^n$$

Special case: $x_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} U(0,1)$

$$G(y) = y^n$$

$$g(y) = \frac{d}{dy} G(y) = ny^{n-1}$$
$$= 0$$

$$y \in [0, 1]$$

otherwise.

$$g(y) = \begin{cases} ny^{n-1} & y \in [0, 1] \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

This is Beta(n, 1)

Ex: x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are all iid with

CDF $F(x)$ and pdf $f(x)$

$$Z = \min\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$$

Let $G(z)$ be the CDF of Z .

$$\begin{aligned} G(z) &= P(Z \leq z) \\ &= P\{\min\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \leq z\} \\ &= 1 - P(\min\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} > z) \end{aligned}$$

$$G(\gamma) = 1 - P(x_1 > \gamma, x_2 > \gamma, \dots, x_n > \gamma)$$

$$= 1 - P(x_1 > \gamma) P(x_2 > \gamma) \cdots P(x_n > \gamma)$$

↑ indep.
of x_i 's

$$= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - F(\gamma))$$

$$G(\gamma) = 1 - (1 - F(\gamma))^n$$

In particular, $x_i \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} U[0,1]$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$

$$G(\gamma) = 1 - (1 - \gamma)^n \quad \gamma \in [0,1]$$

$g(\gamma)$: pdf of 2

$$g(\gamma) = \frac{d}{d\gamma} G(\gamma) = n(1-\gamma)^{n-1}$$

$\gamma \in [0,1]$
o.w.

Note: $x_i \sim U[0,1]$ for $i=1,2,\dots,n$

$\max x_i \sim \text{Beta}(n, 1)$

$\min x_i \sim \text{Beta}(1, n)$