

Problems: 4 to 12

## Transformation of Random Variables

Let  $X : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a random variable and  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function.

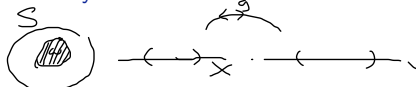
Then  $g(X) : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , defined as  $[g(X)](\omega) = g[X(\omega)]$  for all  $\omega \in S$ , is a random variable.

Q: Given the distribution of  $X$ , how to find the distribution of the transformed random variable  $Y = g(X)$ ?

# Transformation of Random Variables: Discrete Case

## Theorem

Let (i)  $X$  be a discrete random variable whose p.m.f. is  $f_X(x)$  and  
(ii)  $Y = g(X)$  be another r.v. where  $g$  is a bijective map, so that  
 $X = h(Y)$  (i.e. inverse of  $g$  exists). Then the probability mass function of  
 $Y$  is

$$f_Y(y) = f_X[h(Y)].$$


Proof: Let spectrum of  $X$  is  $\{x_i : i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$

$$P(X=x_i) = f_X(x_i) \quad \forall i = 0, \pm 1, \dots$$

spectrum of  $Y : \{y_i = g(x_i) : i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$

$$P(Y=y_i) = P(X=x_i) \quad (Y=y_i) = (g(X) = g(x_i)) = (X=x_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow f_Y(y_i) = f_X(x_i) = f_X(h(y_i))$$

# Transformation of Random Variables: Discrete Case

PS-5,1: Find the distribution of the square of a Poisson ( $\mu$ ) variate.

Sol.

$$X \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu)$$

$$P(X=i) = f_X(i) = \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^i}{i!}, \quad i=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$Y = X^2. \quad \text{spectrum of } Y : \{i^2 : i=0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$P(Y=i^2) = ? \quad i=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$P(Y=i^2) = P(X^2=i^2) = P(X=i) = \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^i}{i!}$$

$$P(Y=4) = \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^2}{2!} \quad i=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$f_Y(j) = P(Y=j) = \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^{\sqrt{j}}}{(\sqrt{j})!}, \quad j=0, 1, 4, 9, \dots$$

# Transformation of Random Variables: Continuous Case

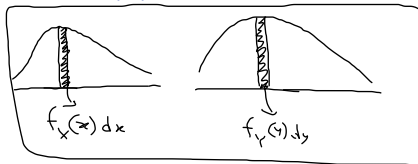
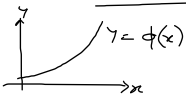
## Theorem

Let (i)  $X$  be a continuous random variable with p.d.f.  $f_X(x)$  and  
 (ii)  $y = \phi(x)$  be continuously differentiable and either strictly increasing or strictly decreasing throughout, so that  $x = \psi(y)$  (i.e. inverse of  $\phi$  exists).  
 Then the p.d.f. of the transformed random variable  $Y = \phi(X)$  is

Proof: Case I:  $\phi$  is strictly increasing

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(x) \left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right|$$

$$= f_X(\psi(y)) \left| \frac{d\psi}{dy} \right|$$



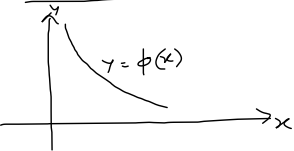
$$F_Y(y) = \text{d.f. of } Y = P(Y \leq y) = P(\phi(X) \leq \phi(x))$$

Since  $\phi$  is strictly increasing  $(\phi(X) \leq \phi(x)) \Leftrightarrow (X \leq x)$

$$F_Y(y) = P(\phi(X) \leq \phi(x)) = P(X \leq x) = F_X(x)$$

$$f_Y(y) = \text{p.d.f. of } Y = \frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = \frac{d}{dx} F_X(x) \frac{dx}{dy} = f_X(x) \frac{dx}{dy} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Case II:  $\phi$  is strictly decreasing



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

$$= P(\phi(X) \leq \phi(x))$$

$$= P(X \geq x) \quad (\text{since } \phi \text{ is strictly dec.})$$

$$= 1 - F_X(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f_Y(y) = -f_X(x) \frac{dx}{dy} \quad \dots \dots \textcircled{II}$$

From (i) & (ii)

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(x) \left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right| = f_X(\psi(y)) \left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right|$$

# Transformation of Random Variables: Continuous Case

PS-5,2:

$$f_x(x) = \underline{2xe^{-x^2}, x > 0}$$
$$= 0, \text{ elsewhere}$$

$$Y = X^2$$

Sol transformation:  $y = x^2$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x > 0 \text{ for } x > 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  transformation is strictly increasing for  $x > 0$

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(x) \frac{dx}{dy}$$
$$= \cancel{2x} e^{-x^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\cancel{2x}} \text{ for } x > 0$$
$$= \begin{cases} e^{-y} & \text{for } y > 0 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

since  $x$  varies from  $0$  to  $\infty$   
 $y \dots 0$  to  $\infty$

Prob 10:

$$X \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$Y = \frac{X^2}{2} \text{ is } \chi^2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right).$$

Sol. transformation (in terms of real variables)

$$y = \frac{x^2}{2}$$

$x$  varies from  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$

$y$  . . . . .  $0$  to  $\infty$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = x \Rightarrow$  neither strictly inc. nor strictly dec.  
throughout the dom.

$$F_Y(y) = \text{d.f. of } Y = P(Y \leq y)$$

$y < 0$ ,  $F_Y(y) = 0$ , since  $(Y \leq y) = \left(\frac{X^2}{2} \leq y\right)$  is an impossible event.



For  $y > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} F_Y(y) &= P(Y \leq y) = P\left(\frac{X^2}{2} \leq y\right) \\ &= P(-\sqrt{2y} \leq X \leq \sqrt{2y}) \\ &= P(-\sqrt{2y} < X \leq \sqrt{2y}) \\ &= \Phi(\sqrt{2y}) - \Phi(-\sqrt{2y}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dy}(\sqrt{2y}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2y}}$$

since  $X$  is cont.  
 $P(X = -\sqrt{2y}) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow f_Y(y) &= \frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2y}} \Phi'(\sqrt{2y}) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2y}} \Phi'(-\sqrt{2y}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2y}} \phi(\sqrt{2y}) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2y}} \phi(-\sqrt{2y}) \\ &= \frac{y^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \left[ e^{-y} + e^{-y} \right] \\ &= \frac{e^{-y} y^{\frac{1}{2}-1}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})}, \quad y > 0 \\ &= 0, \quad \text{elsewhere} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y \sim \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right).$$

$$\phi_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

## Stochastic Process

A family of random variables  $\{X(t) : t \in \mathcal{T}\}$  which depends parametrically on time  $t$ , is called a stochastic process.

## Examples

1.  $X(t)$ : Total number of customers that have entered in a supermarket at time  $t$ .
2.  $X(t)$ : Number of persons infected by a disease in a given time  $t$ .
3.  $X(t)$ : Number of persons in a queue at time  $t$ .

# Poisson Process

A particular example of stochastic process which counts number of changes in a given time interval. This process obeys two laws:

1. The number of changes during the time interval  $(t, t+h)$  is independent of number of changes occurred in  $(0, t)$ , for all  $t$  and  $h (> 0)$ .
2. (i) The probability of exactly one change in  $(t, t+h)$  is  $\lambda h + o(h)$  where  $\lambda$  is a positive constant and  $o(h)$  is a function of  $h$  such that  $\frac{o(h)}{h} \rightarrow 0$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$ .  
(ii) The probability of more than one change in  $(t, t+h)$  is  $o(h)$ .



## Theorem

Number of changes of a stochastic process in a given time interval, satisfying the above two laws, follow the Poisson distribution.

(For proof see Ref. book 1 or 2)

$X(t)$  : Number of changes in interval  $(0, t)$ .

$$P(X(t) = i) = e^{-\lambda t} \frac{(\lambda t)^i}{i!}, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Poisson ( $\lambda t$ )

$\lambda$  : rate of the Poisson process

(average number of changes per unit time)

$\lambda t$  : average number of changes in a given time interval  $(0, t)$

PS-4, 11:

$X(t)$  : no. of wars in  $(0, t)$

$\lambda$  = average no. of changes per unit time  
 $= \frac{1}{15}$

$$X(t) \sim \text{Poisson}\left(\frac{t}{15}\right)$$

$$X(25) \sim \text{Poisson}\left(\frac{25}{15}\right) = \text{Poisson}\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)$$

$$P(X(25)=0) = \frac{e^{-\frac{5}{3}} \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^0}{0!} = e^{-\frac{5}{3}}.$$

Prob 12):

$X(t)$ : no. of particles emitted in  $(0, t)$

$\lambda$  = no. of . . . . . per unit time

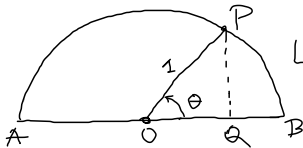
$$= 2.5$$

$$X(4) \sim \text{Poisson}(2.5 \times 4)$$

$$\sim \text{Poisson}(10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X(4) \geq 3) &= 1 - P(X(4)=0) - P(X(4)=1) - P(X(4)=2) \\ &= \dots (\text{check!}) \end{aligned}$$

PS-5  
(6)



Let,  $\theta = \angle POQ$

The r.v.  $\theta$  corr. to  $\theta$  has uniform distribution

$$f_{\theta}(\theta) = \frac{1}{\pi}, \quad 0 < \theta < \pi$$

$$= 0, \quad \text{elsewhere.}$$

$$\boxed{OQ = \cos \theta}, \quad \boxed{Y = \cos \theta}$$

To find distribution of  $Y = \cos \theta$

$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = -\sin \theta < 0 \Rightarrow Y(\theta)$  is mon. dec. fn in  $(0, \pi)$

$$f_Y(y) = \text{p.d.f. of } Y = f_{\theta}(\theta) \left| \frac{d\theta}{dy} \right|$$

\* Since  $\theta$  varies from 0 to  $\pi$   
 $Y \dots \dots \dots -1$  to  $1$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{\sin \theta}, \quad \theta \in (0, \pi)$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-y^2}}, & y \in (-1, 1) \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

⑧

$$t^2 + 2t - x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 4x}}{2}$$

$$= -1 \pm \sqrt{1+x}$$

$$f_x(x) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad x \in (0, 2)$$

$$= 0, \quad \text{else}$$

$Y = -1 + \sqrt{1+x}$  is the larger root.

transformer:  $Y = -1 + \sqrt{1+x}$

if  $x$  varies from 0 to 2

$Y$  - - - - - 0 to  $-1 + \sqrt{3}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1+x}} > 0 \quad \text{for } x \in (0, 2)$$

$\Rightarrow Y(x)$  is a mon. inc. fn of  $x$

$$f_Y(y) = \text{p.d.f. of } Y = f_x(x) \cdot \left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right| = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\sqrt{1+x} = \begin{cases} (1+y), & y \in (0, \sqrt{3}-1) \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$\int_0^{\sqrt{3}-1} (1+y) dy$$

$$= \left[ y + \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_0^{\sqrt{3}-1}$$

$$= \sqrt{3}-1 + \frac{1}{2} (\sqrt{3}-1)^2$$

$$= 1, \quad (\text{check!})$$



⑨  $X \sim N(m, \sigma)$

$$P(a < X < b) = \Phi\left(\frac{b-m}{\sigma}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{a-m}{\sigma}\right)$$

$\Phi$ : std. normal d.f.

Sol.  $f_X(x) = \text{p.d.f. of } X = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x-m)^2}, -\infty < x < \infty$

Let,  $Y = \frac{X-m}{\sigma}$ . transform:  $y = \frac{x-m}{\sigma}$

Since  $x$  varies from  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$   
 $Y$  - - - -  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sigma} > 0 \Rightarrow Y(x) \text{ is a mon. inc. fn of } x$$

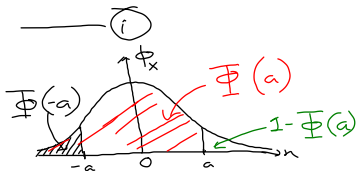
$$f_Y(y) = \text{p.d.f of } Y = f_X(x) \frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \cancel{\sigma}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x-m)^2} \cdot \cancel{\sigma}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y \sim N(0, 1) \text{ with d.f. } \Phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}y^2}, -\infty < y < \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(a < X < b) &= P(a < X \leq b) \\
 &= P\left(\frac{a-m}{\sigma} < \frac{X-m}{\sigma} \leq \frac{b-m}{\sigma}\right) \\
 &= \Phi\left(\frac{b-m}{\sigma}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{a-m}{\sigma}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

II.  $P(|X-m| > a\sigma) = 2[1 - \Phi(a)]$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{LHS} &= 1 - P(|X-m| \leq a\sigma) \\
 &= 1 - P(-a\sigma < X-m \leq a\sigma) \\
 &= 1 - P\left(-a < \frac{X-m}{\sigma} \leq a\right) \\
 &= 1 - [\Phi(a) - \Phi(-a)] \\
 &= 2[1 - \Phi(a)]
 \end{aligned}$$



$\Phi(-a) = 1 - \Phi(a)$

$$\Phi(-a) = \int_{-\infty}^{-a} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx$$

Put  $x = -y$

$$= 1 - \Phi(a)$$