

Transformation of One Random Variable.

X is a r.v. (we know its distribution).

$Y = g(x)$ is a new r.v.

what is Y 's distribution?

①. Discrete Case:

PMF of $g(x)$

$$P(Y = y) = P(g(x) = y)$$

$$= \sum_{x: g(x)=y} P(X = x).$$

if $g(x)$ is 1-1, There is only one value of x such that $g(x) = y$.

$$\Rightarrow P(Y = y) = P(X = g^{-1}(y))$$

②. Continuous Case.

A universal approach start from CDF of $Y = g(x)$ and translate the event

$\{g(x) \leq y\}$ to an event about X .

$$F_Y(y) = P\{g(x) \leq y\}.$$

$$\equiv P\{x \in A\}.$$

if g is continuous and strictly increasing.

$$\Rightarrow \{g(x) \leq y\} = \{x \leq g^{-1}(y)\}.$$

$$F_Y(y) = P\{x \leq g^{-1}(y)\}.$$

$$= F_X(g^{-1}(y)).$$

if g is continuous and strictly decreasing.

$$\Rightarrow \{g(x) \leq y\} = \{x \geq g^{-1}(y)\}.$$

$$F_Y(y) = P\{x \geq g^{-1}(y)\}.$$

$$= 1 - F_X(g^{-1}(y))$$

Change of Variables Theorem:

Let X be a continuous random variable with p.d.f. f_X and $Y = g(X)$ where g is differentiable and strictly increasing.

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(x) \frac{dx}{dy} \leftarrow$$

1.

The p.d.f of Y is given by $f_Y(y) = -f_X(x) \frac{dx}{dy}$ ^{decreasing.}

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

$$x = g^{-1}(y)$$

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{1}{\frac{dy}{dx}} = \frac{1}{\frac{dg(x)}{dx}}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{dg^{-1}(y)}{dy}$$

$$f_Y(t) = f_X(g^{-1}(t)) \times |g^{-1}'(t)|$$

Example: $Z \sim N(0, 1)$.

The distribution of Z^2 is called χ^2 .

Find an expression for the p.d.f. of χ^2 ?

($g(x) = x^2$ is not strictly increasing or decreasing).

$$P(Z^2 \leq t) = P(-\sqrt{t} \leq Z \leq \sqrt{t}).$$

$$= F_Z(\sqrt{t}) - F_Z(-\sqrt{t}).$$

$$= \Phi(\sqrt{t}) - (1 - \Phi(\sqrt{t})).$$

\Rightarrow

$$F_{Z^2}(t) = 2\Phi(\sqrt{t}) - 1.$$

$$f_{Z^2}(t) = 2\phi(\sqrt{t}) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \phi(\sqrt{t})$$

p.d.f. of $N(0,1)$.

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{t}{2} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}}, \quad t > 0.$$

Simulation.

Theorem Let F be a CDF which is a continuous function and strictly increasing on the support of distribution. This ensures F^{-1} exist $[0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

1. Let $U \sim \text{Uniform}(0,1)$, $X = F^{-1}(U)$.

Then X is a r.v. with c.d.f. F .

2. Let X be a r.v. with c.d.f. F

Then $F(X) \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$.

Proof: Let $U \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$.

$$P(F^{-1}(u) \leq t) = P(u \leq F(t)) = F(t).$$

$$P(F(x) \leq t) = 0 \quad t < 0.$$

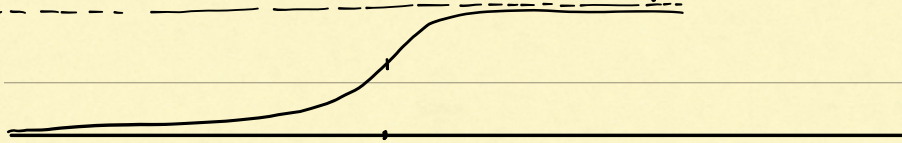
$$P(F(x) \leq t) = 1 \quad t > 1.$$

$$P(F(x) \leq t) = P(x \leq F^{-1}(t)) = F(F^{-1}(t)) = t$$

$$0 \leq t \leq 1$$

Example: Logistic Distribution.

$$\text{Logistic CDF } F(x) = \frac{e^x}{1+e^x} \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$



$$F^{-1}(U) = \log\left(\frac{U}{1-U}\right) \quad \sim \text{Logistic}$$

$$F(y) = x.$$

$$\frac{e^y}{1+e^y} = x.$$

$$e^y = \frac{x}{1-x} \Rightarrow y = \log\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow F^{-1}(x) = \log\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)$$

Example: How to generate sample from $N(0,1)$?

$$\underline{\Phi}(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} du.$$

It's hard to find inverse of $\underline{\Phi}$.

Recap: Once we can generate random variables from $(0,1)$, we can generate sample from any discrete as well as continuous distribution if we can compute F^{-1} .