

STAT GR 5203 - Lecture 5

- Monday Oct 10-11 AM (room TBD)
- Midterm policies + coverage posted
- Practice midterm will be visible at 3:40
- Review session?
- STAT help room

Recap

- Intro to r.v.s and distributions
- pmf/pdf, cdf
- functions of r.v.s

$\Rightarrow g$ is one-to-one

THM: Suppose X is continuous and $g(x)$ is strictly monotone. Then $Y = g(X)$ has pdf given by

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} f_X(g^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{d}{dy} g^{-1}(y) \right| & \text{if } y = g(x) \text{ for some } x \\ 0 & \text{if } y \neq g(x) \text{ for all } x \end{cases}$$

$g^{-1}(y)$ is the value of x s.t. $g(x) = y$

Overall idea: If g is one to one

$P(g(X) \leq c) = P(X \leq g^{-1}(c))$
 $\leftarrow$ if X is discrete then use pmf
 $\leftarrow$ If X is continuous you can find the pdf by differentiation

Examples

1. X is a continuous r.v. with pdf f_X . What is the pdf of $Y = X^2$?
 X is supported on $\mathbb{R}$

1. Compute cdf of Y : for $y \geq 0$ (because $y = x^2 \geq 0$)
 $F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(X^2 \leq y) = P(-\sqrt{y} \leq X \leq \sqrt{y})$
 $= F_X(\sqrt{y}) - F_X(-\sqrt{y})$

$$F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } y < 0 \\ F_X(\sqrt{y}) - F_X(-\sqrt{y}) & \text{for } y \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

2. $y \geq 0$, $f_Y(y) = \frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = \frac{d}{dy} (F_X(\sqrt{y}) - F_X(-\sqrt{y}))$

$$= \frac{d}{dy} F_X(\sqrt{y}) - \frac{d}{dy} F_X(-\sqrt{y})$$

$$= f_X(\sqrt{y}) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} - f_X(-\sqrt{y}) \cdot -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} (f_X(\sqrt{y}) + f_X(-\sqrt{y}))$$

$y < 0$, $f_Y(y) = 0$

Chain rule

2. Let X be a continuous, nonnegative r.v. with pdf f_X . Let $Y = X^n$. What is the pdf of Y ? You can use THM or the cdf method

$\Rightarrow g$ is one-to-one

THM : Suppose X is continuous and $g(x)$ is strictly monotone. Then $Y = g(X)$ has pdf (Mon.) given by

(Example 2 $Y = X^n$ for $X \geq 0$)

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} f_X(g^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{d}{dy} g^{-1}(y) \right| & \text{if } y = g(x) \text{ for some } x \\ 0 & \text{if } y \neq g(x) \text{ for all } x \end{cases}$$

$g^{-1}(y)$ is the value of x s.t. $g(x) = y$

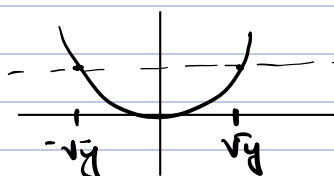
THM : Suppose X is continuous Then $Y = g(X)$ has pdf (non-Mon.) given by

(Example 1 $Y = X^2$ for $X \in \mathbb{R}$)

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \sum_{x: g(x)=y} f_X(g^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{d}{dy} g^{-1}(y) \right| & \text{if } y = g(x) \text{ for some } x \\ 0 & \text{if } y \neq g(x) \text{ for all } x \end{cases}$$

$g^{-1}(y)$ is the value of x s.t. $g(x) = y$

e.g., $Y = X^2$



$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} (f_X(-\sqrt{y}) + f_X(\sqrt{y}))$$

Probability integral transform (useful for generating random samples from a distribution)

THM : Let X be a continuous r.v. with cdf F_X and let $Y = F_X(X)$. Then $Y \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$ strictly monotone (general case is in Degroot)

Proof : Find the cdf of Y : for $y \in [0,1]$
 $F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(F_X(X) \leq y) = P(X \leq F_X^{-1}(y)) = F_X(F_X^{-1}(y)) = y$
 cdf of uniform!

$$F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & y < 0 \\ y & y \in [0,1] \\ 1 & y > 1 \end{cases}$$

(Implication of Th above)

Corollary : If $Y \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$ and F is a continuous cdf with quantile function F^{-1} , then $X = F^{-1}(Y)$ has cdf F

X want x to have pdf

e.g., How do you generate a random sample ~~from~~ ^{with} a distribution with pdf $f(x) = e^{-x}$ for $x > 0$?

1. Generate $Y \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$
2. Find $F^{-1}(y) = -\log(1-y)$
3. $-\log(1-Y)$ has cdf F (Corollary)

Indicator function

$$1_{\{X > 0\}} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$

How do we find F^{-1} ?

1. Find F

2. Solve for F^{-1}

$$F_X(x) = \int_0^x e^{-x} dx = (1 - e^{-x}) \mathbb{1}_{\{x > 0\}}$$

$$y = F_X(x) = 1 - e^{-x} \quad (x > 0)$$

$$e^{-x} = 1 - y \Rightarrow x = -\log(1 - y)$$
$$F^{-1}(y) = -\log(1 - y) \quad y \in (0, 1)$$

Multivariate random variables

Recall: Univariate r.v. $X: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Multivariate r.v. $X: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

Special case: Bivariate r.v. $X: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

e.g., Roll 2 dice. X = sum of the two rolls

Y = absolute difference between the two rolls

$$S = \{(i, j) : i, j = 1, \dots, 6\}$$

X can be $2, 3, \dots, 12$

Y can be $0, 1, \dots, 5$

$$\mathbb{P}(X=4, Y=0) = \mathbb{P}(\{(x, y) \in S \text{ st. } x+y=4, |x-y|=0\})$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(\{2, 2\}) = \frac{1}{36}$$

Bivariate cdf

DEF: If (X, Y) is a r.v. then the joint cdf $F_{XY}(x, y)$ is defined as

$$F_{XY}(x, y) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq x, Y \leq y) \text{ for } x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

(compared to univariate $F_X(x) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq x)$)

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Properties of joint cdf:

$$1) F_{XY}(\infty, \infty) = \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow \infty \\ y \rightarrow \infty}} F_{XY}(x, y) = 1 \quad (F_X(\infty) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F_X(x) = 1)$$

$$2) F_{XY}(-\infty, y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F_{XY}(x, y) = 0 \quad (F_X(-\infty) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F_X(x) = 0)$$

$$F_{XY}(x, -\infty) = \lim_{y \rightarrow -\infty} F_{XY}(x, y) = 0$$

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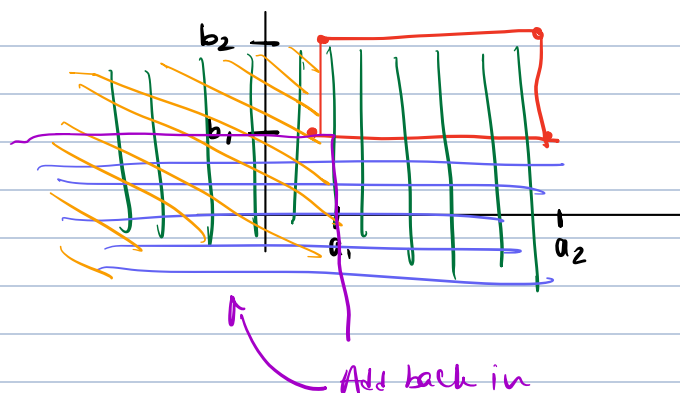
$$3) F_{XY}(x, \infty) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F_{XY}(x, y) = F_X(x) \leftarrow \text{marginal cdf of } X$$

$$F_{XY}(\infty, y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F_{XY}(x, y) = F_Y(y) \leftarrow \text{marginal cdf of } Y$$

$$3 \rightarrow 1 \quad F_{XY}(\infty, \infty) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F_{XY}(x, y) \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F_X(x) = 1$$

We can answer questions like

$$P(a_1 \leq X \leq a_2, b_1 \leq Y \leq b_2) = \underbrace{F(a_2, b_2)} - \underbrace{F(a_2, b_1)} - \underbrace{F(a_1, b_2)} + \underbrace{F(a_1, b_1)}$$



Discrete joint r.v.s

DEF: If X and Y are both discrete. Then we can define the joint pmf of X and Y as follows:

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = P(X=x, Y=y) \quad \text{for } x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

Note: The marginal pmf of X can be obtained from p_{XY} by "summing over y ":

$$p_X(x) = P(X=x) = \sum_{y: p_{XY}(x, y) > 0} p_{XY}(x, y)$$

$$\text{Similarly; } p_Y(y) = P(Y=y) = \sum_{x: p_{XY}(x, y) > 0} p_{XY}(x, y)$$

Marginal Distributions

Example: Suppose an urn contains 3W, 2R, 5B

X = # of W

Y = # of B

We choose 2 balls from the urn

What is p_{XY} ? What is p_X ?

X and Y can be $\{0, 1, 2\}$ $\nearrow X+Y \leq 2$
Write out $p(0, 0)$, $p(0, 1)$, etc. $\rightarrow$

- ① Identify possible values of (x, y)
- ② Calculate $p(1, 1)$ etc.

$$P(X=0) = p(0, 0) + p(0, 1) + p(0, 2)$$

$$P(X=1) = p(1, 0) + p(1, 1) + p(1, 2)$$

$$P(X=2) = p(2, 0) + p(2, 1) + \cancel{p(2, 2)} = 0$$

- ③ To find $p_X(x)$, we need to sum over y

$$\sum_y p_{XY}(x, y)$$

How to compute $p(x, y)$?

$$p(0, 0) = \frac{\# \text{ of ways to get OW and OB}}{\# \text{ of ways to choose 2 balls from 10}} = \frac{\binom{2}{2}}{\binom{10}{2}} \quad \text{Choosing only from Red balls}$$

$$p(0, 1) = \frac{\# \text{ of OW 1 B}}{\binom{10}{2}} = \frac{\binom{5}{1} \binom{2}{1}}{\binom{10}{2}}$$

$$p(2, 1) = 0$$

$$p(2, 2) = 0$$

Continuous joint r.v.s

DEF: A random vector (X, Y) is called continuous if for any $C \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, there is

"multivariate r.v."

some function $f(x, y)$ such that

$$P((X, Y) \in C) = \int_C f(x, y) dx dy$$

where $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

↑ joint pdf of (X, Y)

Relationship between pdf and cdf:

$$1) F(a, b) = P(X \leq a, Y \leq b) = \int_{-\infty}^a \int_{-\infty}^b f(x, y) dy dx$$

$a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

$$2) f(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F(x, y)$$

Note: We can obtain the marginal pdfs from the joint pdf

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx$$

Furthermore, $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx dy = 1$

e.g., Suppose (X, Y) have joint pdf $(c > 0)$

HW: compute integrals

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} ce^{-x}e^{-2y} & \text{for } 0 < x < \infty \\ & 0 < y < \infty \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(a) What is c ?

Set $\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty ce^{-x}e^{-2y} dy dx = 1$ and solve for $c = 2$

(b) $P(X > 1, Y < 1)$

$$\int_0^1 \int_1^\infty 2e^{-x}e^{-2y} dx dy$$

(c) $P(X < Y)$

(HW)

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^y 2e^{-x}e^{-2y} dx dy \quad (*) \leftarrow \int \int_{x < y} 2e^{-x}e^{-2y} dx dy$$

(d) $P(X < a)$ for $a > 0$?

$$1. f_x(x) = \int_0^\infty 2e^{-x}e^{-2y} dy$$

$$2. \int_0^a f_x(x) dx$$

Functions of bivariate r.v.s

- Suppose (X_1, X_2) is a continuous random vector with pdf $f_{X_1, X_2}(a, b)$
- Suppose that pdf is supported on $A \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \Rightarrow P((X_1, X_2) \in S) = 1$
- Suppose we apply functions g_1 and g_2 to (X_1, X_2) satisfying the following

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= g_1(x_1, x_2) \\ y_2 &= g_2(x_1, x_2) \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$

(1) The eq. in $(*)$ can be solved uniquely for x_1 and x_2 in S in terms of y_1 and y_2 . Denote the solutions by $x_1 = h_1(y_1, y_2)$ and $x_2 = h_2(y_1, y_2)$ (Think of this as $g_1^{-1}, g_2^{-1}, \dots$)

(2) g_1 and g_2 have continuous partial derivatives for all $(x_1, x_2) \in S$ and are such that

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial x_2} \end{vmatrix} \quad \leftarrow \text{determinant} = \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial x_2} - \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial x_2} \neq 0 \quad \forall (x_1, x_2) \in S$$

Then, $(Y_1, Y_2) = (g_1(X_1, X_2), g_2(X_1, X_2))$ has the following pdf:

$$f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2) = f_{X_1, X_2}(h_1(y_1, y_2), h_2(y_1, y_2)) |J(h_1(y_1, y_2), h_2(y_1, y_2))|^{-1}$$

for $(y_1, y_2) \in T$ where $T = (g_1, g_2)(S) \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is the image of g_1, g_2

e.g., Let (X_1, X_2) be continuous with pdf $f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2)$. Let $Y_1 = X_1 + X_2$ and $Y_2 = X_1 - X_2$
find $f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2)$

① Find h_1, h_2

↓
solve for x_1

↓
solve for x_2

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= g_1(x_1, x_2) = x_1 + x_2 \\ y_2 &= g_2(x_1, x_2) = x_1 - x_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$y_1 + y_2 = 2x_1$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} = h_1(y_1, y_2)$$

$$y_1 = x_1 + x_2 = \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} + x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = y_1 - \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} = \frac{y_1 - y_2}{2} = h_2(y_1, y_2)$$

② Compute J

$$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial x_2} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = (1)(-1) - (1)(1) = -2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{3} \quad f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2) &= f_{X_1, X_2}(h_1(y_1, y_2), h_2(y_1, y_2)) |J|^{-1} \\ &= f_{X_1, X_2}\left(\frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 - y_2}{2}\right) \cdot |2|^{-1} \quad \text{for } y_1, y_2 \in T \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Suppose } f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = \mathbb{1}\{0 < x_1 < 1\} \mathbb{1}\{0 < x_2 < 1\}$$

$$\text{Then from above, we have } \mathbb{1}\{0 < \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} < 1\} \mathbb{1}\{0 < \frac{y_1 - y_2}{2} < 1\} = f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2)$$