

MATH 3235 Probability Theory

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X r.v.

$$m_k(X) = \mathbb{E}(X^k) = \begin{cases} \int_{\mathbb{R}} x^k f_X(x) dx \\ \sum_x x^k p_X(x) \end{cases}$$

$$m_0(X) = 1$$

$$m_1(X) = \mathbb{E}(X)$$

$$m_2(X) = \mathbb{E}(X^2)$$

$$\text{var}(X) = m_2(X) - m_1(X)^2$$

$a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ X_1, X_2 r.v.

$$m_1(aX_1 + bX_2) = a m_1(X_1) + b m_1(X_2)$$

X_1, X_2 $f(x_1, x_2)$

$$\mathbb{E}(X_1^2) = \iint x_1^2 f(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2$$

$$= \int x_1^2 f_{X_1}(x_1) dx_1$$

if $X_2 = 1$ with prob 1

$$m_1(aX + b) = a m_1(X) + b$$

$$\text{var}(aX + b) = a^2 \text{var}(X)$$

$$\sigma_{aX+b} = |a| \sigma_X$$

$$\text{var}(X_1 + X_2) = \text{var}(X_1) + \text{var}(X_2) + 2 \text{cov}(X_1, X_2)$$

$$\text{var}(aX_1 + bX_2) = a^2 \text{var}(X_1) + b^2 \text{var}(X_2) + 2ab \text{cov}(X_1, X_2)$$

if $X_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp X_2$

$$\text{var}(X_1 + X_2) = \text{var}(X_1) + \text{var}(X_2)$$

$$\text{var}(X) = \mathbb{E} \left((X - \mathbb{E}(X))^2 \right) = \mathbb{E}(X^2) - \mathbb{E}(X)^2$$

$$\text{var}(X) > 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbb{E}(X^2) > \mathbb{E}(X)^2$$

Exp r.v. par λ

$$\lambda e^{-\lambda x}$$

$$m_k(X) = \int_0^{\infty} \lambda x^k e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

$$y = \lambda x$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \lambda (x\lambda)^k \lambda^{-k} e^{-\lambda x} \frac{d(\lambda x)}{\lambda}$$

$$= \lambda^{-k} \int_0^{\infty} y^k e^{-y} dy$$

$$\frac{d}{dy} e^{-y} = -e^{-y}$$

$$= -y^k e^{-y} \Big|_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} k y^{k-1} e^{-y} dy$$

$$(F G)' = F' G + F G'$$

$$\int F' G = F G - \int F G'$$

$$\int y^k e^{-y} dy = k \int y^{k-1} e^{-y} dy$$

$$\int e^{-y} dy = 1$$

$$\int y e^{-y} dy = 1$$

$$\int y^2 e^{-y} dy = 2 \cdot 1 = 2$$

$$\int y^3 e^{-y} dy = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 6$$

$$\int y^k e^{-y} dy = k!$$

Induction

$$a_k = \int_0^{\infty} y^k e^{-y} dy = k!$$

$a_0 = 1$ works for $k=0$

$$a_{k+1} = \int_0^{\infty} y^{k+1} e^{-y} dy = (k+1) a_k =$$

$$= (k+1) k! = (k+1)!$$

X m_k

\rightarrow

X discrete with values \mathbb{N}

$$p_k = \mathbb{P}(X = k)$$

$$G_X(\lambda) = \sum_k \lambda^k p_k = \mathbb{E}(X^X)$$

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$$M_X(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{k!} m_k = \mathbb{E}(e^{tX})$$

$$\mathbb{E}(e^{tX}) = \mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^k X^k}{k!}\right) =$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{k!} \mathbb{E}(X^k)$$

$$M_X(t) = \mathbb{E}(e^{tX})$$

P.g.f. $G_X(x) \rightarrow p_k = \mathbb{P}(X=k)$

p_k define X uniquely.

X is any r.v.

if I have all the moments

m_k of $X \Rightarrow$ I know the
p.d.f. of X ?

if X_1 and X_2 are r.v. and

$m_k(X_1) = m_k(X_2) \quad \forall k$ Then

The p.d.f of X_1 is equal to The p.d.f. of X_2 .

NO! In general.

But $\sum_k \frac{t^k}{k!} |m_k| < +\infty$ for

some t , Then uniqueness holds.

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ e^{-\frac{1}{x}} & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{d^k}{dx^k} h(0) = 0 \quad \forall k$$

$$\frac{1}{x^2} e^{-\frac{1}{x}}$$

$$M_X(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} f_X(x) dx$$

$$t > 0 \quad e^{tx}$$



$$M_X(0) = 1$$

$$M_X(t) < +\infty \quad t > 0$$

iff $\int_X f(x) \rightarrow 0$ exponentially fast when $x \rightarrow \infty$

$$M_X(t) < +\infty \quad t < 0$$

iff $\int_X f(x) \rightarrow 0$ exponentially fast when $x \rightarrow -\infty$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1+x^2} \quad \text{Cauchy}$$

$$M_X(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t = 0 \\ +\infty & t \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$G_X(\lambda) = E(\lambda^X) \quad \lambda = e^t$$

$$G_X(e^t) = E(e^{tX}) = M_X(t)$$

$$\phi_X(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{itx} f_X(x) dx$$

Characteristic function of X .

Fourier Transform of f_X

$$1) \quad E(X^k) = M_X^{(k)}(0)$$

$$2) \quad M_{X_1 + X_2}(t) = E(e^{t(X_1 + X_2)}) =$$

$$X_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp X_2 \quad = E(e^{tX_1}) E(e^{tX_2})$$

$$= M_{X_1}(t) M_{X_2}(t)$$

$$\mathbb{E}(e^{t(X_1 + X_2)}) = \mathbb{E}(e^{tX_1} e^{tX_2}) = \mathbb{E}(e^{tX_1}) \mathbb{E}(e^{tX_2})$$

if $X_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp X_2$

3) if $M_X(t)$ exists for $T \neq 0$

Then $M_X(t)$ defines uniquely

The p.d.f. of X .

X is exponential r.v.

$$M_X(t) = \lambda \int_0^{\infty} e^{tx} e^{-\lambda x} dx =$$

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

$$= \frac{\lambda}{t-\lambda} e^{(t-\lambda)x} \Big|_0^{\infty} =$$

$$\sim \frac{\lambda}{t - \lambda} \left(e^{(t-\lambda)\infty} - 1 \right)$$

$$M_X(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - t} & \text{if } t < \lambda \\ t \infty & \text{if } t \geq \lambda \end{cases}$$