

Example Let X_1 and X_2 have the joint pdf

$$f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} 10x_1x_2^2 & 0 < x_1 < x_2 < 1 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

Suppose $Y_1 = X_1/X_2$ and $Y_2 = X_2$. Hence, the inverse transformation is $x_1 = y_1y_2$ and $x_2 = y_2$, which has the Jacobian

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} y_2 & y_1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = y_2.$$

The inequalities defining the support \mathcal{S} of (X_1, X_2) become

$$0 < y_1y_2, \quad y_1y_2 < y_2, \quad \text{and} \quad y_2 < 1.$$

These inequalities are equivalent to

$$0 < y_1 < 1 \quad \text{and} \quad 0 < y_2 < 1,$$

which defines the support set \mathcal{T} of (Y_1, Y_2) . Hence, the joint pdf of (Y_1, Y_2) is

$$f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2) = 10y_1y_2y_2^2|y_2| = 10y_1y_2^4, \quad (y_1, y_2) \in \mathcal{T}.$$

The marginal pdfs are

$$f_{Y_1}(y_1) = \int_0^1 10y_1y_2^4 dy_2 = 2y_1, \quad 0 < y_1 < 1,$$

zero elsewhere, and

$$f_{Y_2}(y_2) = \int_0^1 10y_1y_2^4 dy_1 = 5y_2^4, \quad 0 < y_1 < 1,$$

zero elsewhere.

Example: Let X_1 and X_2 have independent gamma distribution with parameters α, θ and β, θ respectively.

If $Z_1 = \frac{x_1}{x_1+x_2}$ and $Z_2 = X_1 + X_2$, find the joint pdf Z_1 and Z_2 .

Solution: - $X_1 \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \theta)$

$X_2 \sim \text{Gamma}(\beta, \theta)$

$$f(x_1) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\theta^\alpha} x_1^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{x_1}{\theta}}, \quad 0 < x_1 < \infty$$

$$f(x_2) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\beta)\theta^\beta} x_2^{\beta-1} e^{-\frac{x_2}{\theta}}, \quad 0 < x_2 < \infty$$

Since X_1 and X_2 are independents, then:

$$f(x_1, x_2) = f(x_1) * f(x_2)$$

$$f(x_1, x_2) = \left\{ \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\theta^{\alpha+\beta}} x_1^{\alpha-1} x_2^{\beta-1} e^{-\frac{(x_1+x_2)}{\theta}} , 0 < x_1 < \infty , 0 < x_2 < \infty \right\}$$

and $z_1 = \frac{x_1}{x_1+x_2}$, $z_2 = x_1 + x_2 \Rightarrow$

$$x_1 = z_1 z_2 \text{ and } x_2 = z_2(1 - z_1)$$

$$|J| = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{dx_1}{dz_1} & \frac{dx_1}{dz_2} \\ \frac{dx_2}{dz_1} & \frac{dx_2}{dz_2} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} z_2 & z_1 \\ -z_2 & (1 - z_1) \end{vmatrix} = z_2$$

The joint pdf of z_1 and z_2 is $f(z_1, z_2) = |J|. f(h_1^{-1}(z_1, z_2), \dots, h_n^{-1}(z_1, z_2))$

$$= |z_2|. \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\theta^{\alpha+\beta}} (z_1 z_2)^{\alpha-1} (z_2(1 - z_1))^{\beta-1} e^{-\frac{z_2}{\theta}} , 0 < z_2 < \infty , 0 < z_1 < 1$$

2.2.2 Transformations for Several Random Variables:

Let $(X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n)$ be n - dimensional continuous random variable with joint pdf $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ and suppose that $Y_i = h_i(X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n), i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

Consider an integral of the form

$$\int \cdots \int_A f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_n$$

taken over a subset A of an n -dimensional space S . Let

$$y_1 = u_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), \quad y_2 = u_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), \dots, y_n = u_n(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n),$$

together with the inverse functions

$$x_1 = w_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n), \quad x_2 = w_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n), \dots, x_n = w_n(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$$

define a one-to-one transformation that maps S onto T in the y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n space and, hence, maps the subset A of S onto a subset B of T . Let the first partial derivatives of the inverse functions be continuous and let the n by n determinant (called the Jacobian)

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_n} \\ \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial y_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial y_n} \end{vmatrix}$$

not be identically zero in T . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \cdots \int_A f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_n \\ &= \int \cdots \int_B f[w_1(y_1, \dots, y_n), w_2(y_1, \dots, y_n), \dots, w_n(y_1, \dots, y_n)] |J| dy_1 dy_2 \cdots dy_n. \end{aligned}$$

The joint pdf of the random variables

$$Y_1 = h_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k), \text{ and } Y_2 = h_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k), \dots, Y_k = h_k(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$$

Is given by

$$g(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = f(h_1^{-1}(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n), h_2^{-1}(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \dots, h_n^{-1}(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)) |J|$$

Example : Let X_1, X_2, X_3 have the joint pdf

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \begin{cases} 48x_1x_2x_3 & 0 < x_1 < x_2 < x_3 < 1 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

If $Y_1 = X_1/X_2, Y_2 = X_2/X_3$, and $Y_3 = X_3$, then the inverse transformation is given by

$$x_1 = y_1y_2y_3, \quad x_2 = y_2y_3, \quad \text{and} \quad x_3 = y_3.$$

The Jacobian is given by

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} y_2y_3 & y_1y_3 & y_1y_2 \\ 0 & y_3 & y_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = y_2y_3^2.$$

Moreover, inequalities defining the support are equivalent to

$$0 < y_1y_2y_3, \quad y_1y_2y_3 < y_2y_3, \quad y_2y_3 < y_3, \quad \text{and} \quad y_3 < 1,$$

which reduces to the support \mathcal{T} of Y_1, Y_2, Y_3 of

$$\mathcal{T} = \{(y_1, y_2, y_3) : 0 < y_i < 1, i = 1, 2, 3\}.$$

Hence the joint pdf of Y_1, Y_2, Y_3 is

$$\begin{aligned} g(y_1, y_2, y_3) &= 48(y_1y_2y_3)(y_2y_3)y_3|y_2y_3^2| \\ &= \begin{cases} 48y_1y_2^3y_3^5 & 0 < y_i < 1, i = 1, 2, 3 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

EXERCISES

1. Let X_1, X_2, X_3 be iid, each with the distribution having pdf $f(x) = e^{-x}$, $0 < x < \infty$, zero elsewhere. Show that

$$Y_1 = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2}, \quad Y_2 = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{X_1 + X_2 + X_3}, \quad Y_3 = X_1 + X_2 + X_3$$

are mutually independent.

2. If $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}$, $-1 < x < 1$, zero elsewhere, is the pdf of the random variable X , find the pdf of $Y = X^2$.

3. If X has the pdf of $f(x) = \frac{1}{4}$, $-1 < x < 3$, zero elsewhere, find the pdf of $Y = X^2$.

Hint: Here $T = \{y : 0 \leq y < 9\}$ and the event $Y \in B$ is the union of two mutually exclusive events if $B = \{y : 0 < y < 1\}$.

4. Let X_1, X_2, X_3 be iid with common pdf $f(x) = e^{-x}$, $x > 0$, 0 elsewhere. Find the joint pdf of $Y_1 = X_1$, $Y_2 = X_1 + X_2$, and $Y_3 = X_1 + X_2 + X_3$.

2.3 Student t-distribution:

Let W be a random variable having pdf. $W \sim N(0,1)$ and V a random variable with pdf $V \sim \chi^2(r)$ and both W and V are independent random variable. Then the PDF. of $T = \frac{W}{\sqrt{\frac{V}{r}}}$

is known as **t – distribution** with r degree freedom (df) and given by

$$g(t) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{r+1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{r}{2}) \sqrt{r\pi}} \left(1 + \frac{t^2}{r}\right)^{-\frac{(r+1)}{2}} ; -\infty < t < \infty , r > 0.$$

Proof:- We have

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

$$V \sim \chi^2(r)$$

$$f_1(w) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{w^2}{2}} ; -\infty < w < \infty ,$$

$$f_2(v) = \frac{v^{\frac{r}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{v}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{r}{2}) 2^{\frac{r}{2}}}, v > 0$$

Since v and w are independent, then

$$f(w, v) = f(w) \cdot f(v)$$

$$f(w, v) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{w^2}{2}} \cdot \frac{v^{\frac{r}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{v}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{r}{2}) 2^{\frac{r}{2}}}$$

$$f(w, v) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \Gamma(\frac{r}{2}) 2^{\frac{r}{2}}} v^{\frac{r}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{(w^2+v)}{2}} \quad -\infty < w < \infty , v > 0$$

Space of w and v :

$$A = \{(w, v); -\infty < w < \infty; v > 0\}$$

$$t = \frac{w}{\sqrt{\frac{v}{r}}} \quad \text{let } v = u, \text{ then}$$

$$t = \frac{w}{\sqrt{\frac{u}{r}}} \Rightarrow w = t \sqrt{\frac{u}{r}}$$

$$V=u \Rightarrow w^2 = t^2 \left(\frac{u}{r}\right) = \frac{t^2 u}{r}$$

Space of t and u :

$$B = \{(t, u); -\infty < t < \infty; u > 0\}$$