

Chapter Four Distributions of Functions of Random Variables

As the title of this chapter indicates, we are interested in finding the distributions of function of random variables. More precisely (say), for given r.v.s, say $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ denote (n) r.v.s having the joint pdf $P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$, and that $Y_1 = U_1(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$, $Y_2 = U_2(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n), \dots, Y_k = U_k(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ we want in general to find the joint dist. of $Y_1, \dots, Y_k$ where $k \leq n$ as well as the marginal dist. of any combination of $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_k$.

In this chapter three techniques for finding the dist. of functions of r.v.s will be presented. These three techniques are called:

- 1) The Transformation techniques.
- 2) The Cumulative distribution function technique.
- 3) The Moment generating function techniques.

(الطرق ثلاث لتوزيعات لـ دوال المتغيرات العشوائية)

$$(x_1, x_2) \xrightarrow{A} (y_1, y_2) \xrightarrow{B}$$

1) Transformation techniques of (2) random var.
a) Transformation of two discrete r.v's.

Let X_1 & X_2 are two d.r.v.s with J.P.M.F.
 $P(X_1, X_2) > 0$, such that A is space of (X_1, X_2)
Let

$$\begin{cases} Y_1 = U_1(X_1, X_2) \\ Y_2 = U_2(X_1, X_2) \end{cases}$$
 be (1-1) transformation of A onto B (the space of (y_1, y_2))

$$\begin{cases} X_1 = U_1^{-1}(y_1, y_2) \\ X_2 = U_2^{-1}(y_1, y_2) \end{cases}$$
 be (1-1) transformation of B to A

Then the J.P.M.F. of (y_1, y_2) is -

$$g(y_1, y_2) = P[U_1^{-1}(y_1, y_2), U_2^{-1}(y_1, y_2)]$$

Example: Given a J.P.M.F. of X_1 & X_2

$$P(X_1, X_2) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{X_1+X_2} & (1) \\ \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2-X_1-X_2} & (2) \end{cases}, (X_1, X_2) = (0,0), (0,1), (1,0), (1,1)$$

Find the J.P.M.F. of $\begin{cases} Y_1 = X_1 - X_2 \\ Y_2 = X_1 + X_2 \end{cases}$ & Marginal of y_1

Sol

$$\begin{aligned} U_1 &= Y_1 = X_1 - X_2 \\ U_2 &= Y_2 = X_1 + X_2 \end{aligned}$$

for X_2 & X_1 find Y_2 & Y_1

لا تتخرج قيم y_1 و y_2 تأخذ قيم x_1 و x_2 ونعوينها بالـ y_1 و y_2 هذه المعادلات
 مثلاً تأخذ $(x_1, x_2) = (0, 0)$ ونعوينها في المعادلة (*)

(*) بالحل

$$y_1 = x_1 - x_2$$

$$y_2 = x_1 + x_2$$

بالطرح

$$y_1 = x_1 - x_2$$

$$y_2 = x_1 + x_2$$

$$y_1 = 0 - 0 = 0$$

$$y_2 = 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$** (y_1, y_2) = (0, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow g(y_1, y_2)$$

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

$$y_2 - y_1 = 2x_2$$

$$x_2 = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{2}$$

$$g(y_1, y_2) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\frac{(y_1 + y_2)}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{\frac{(y_2 - y_1)}{2}}$$

$$** \text{For } (y_1, y_2) = (0, 0), (-1, 1), (1, 1), (0, 2)$$

o/w

$$g(y_1, y_2) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{y_2} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2 - y_2}, \quad (y_1, y_2) = (0, 0), (-1, 1), (1, 1), (0, 2)$$

o/w

$$g(y_1) = \sum_{\forall y_2} g(y_1, y_2), \quad y_2 = 0, 1, 1, 2$$

$$= \sum_{\forall y_2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{y_2} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2 - y_2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^0 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^1 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2-1} + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^1 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2-1} + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2-2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} + \frac{2}{9} + \frac{2}{9} + \frac{4}{9}$$

$$= 1$$

(3)

$$X \rightarrow f(x) = \text{Poisson}$$

$$X \sim \lambda, Y \rightarrow g(y) = ?$$

Example: Let X have Poisson p.d.f. find the dist. of $Y = 4X$ by using transformation techniques?

Sol:

$$P(X; \lambda) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}, & x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \infty \\ 0, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$Y = 4X, \quad A = \{x; x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \infty\}, \quad f(x) > 0$$

Sample space of x

$$X = \frac{Y}{4}, \quad B = \{y; y = 0, 4, 8, \dots, \infty\}, \quad g(y) > 0$$

Sample space of y

X	$Y = 4X$
0	0
1	4
2	8
$\vdots$	$\vdots$
∞	∞

$$g(y) = P_Y(Y=y) = P_Y(4X=y)$$

$$= P_Y\left(X = \frac{y}{4}\right)$$

$$g(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{\frac{y}{4}}}{(\frac{y}{4})!}, & y = 0, 4, 8, \dots, \infty \\ 0, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

① Y value of X value
 ② Y value of X value