

PDF $P(a \leq X \leq b) = \int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^b f(t) dt$
 ↳ argument, symbol doesn't matter.

• $f(x) \geq 0$
 • $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$
 $= E(I(a < X < b))$

R.V. $I(a < X < b) \sim \text{Bernoulli}(P(a < X < b))$

CDF $P(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(y) dy$ expectation = p for Bernoulli

↳ PDF at point y, any y values in $(-\infty, x)$
 Here, x is a fixed value, so can't use $\int_a^x f(x) dx$, we need a symbol to represent whatever value of f(.)

moments 1st moment = mean = expectation = $E[X] = EX = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$
 $= \sum_{x \in X} x P(X=x)$

2nd moment = $EX^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx$
 $= \sum_{x \in X} x^2 P(X=x)$

Always ask "what's the R.V."

MGF X. R.V. $\in \mathbb{R}$, $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$, def MGF of X is.

$M_X(t) = E(e^{tx}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} f(x) dx$
 $= \sum_{x \in X} e^{tx} P(X=x)$

Taylor expression $e^{tx} = 1 + \frac{tx}{1!} + \frac{(tx)^2}{2!} + \frac{(tx)^3}{3!} + \dots$ on exponential function

① $M_X(t) = E(e^{tx}) = 1 + \frac{tEX}{1!} + \frac{t^2 EX^2}{2!} + \frac{t^3 EX^3}{3!} + \dots$

② $M_X(t) = M_X(0) + \frac{tM_X'(0)}{1!} + \frac{t^2 M_X''(0)}{2!} + \frac{t^3 M_X'''(0)}{3!} + \dots$

① = ② $M_X(0) = E(e^{0x}) = E(1) = 1$

$\frac{tM_X'(0)}{1!} = \frac{tEX}{1!} \Rightarrow M_X'(0) = EX$

$\frac{t^2 M_X''(0)}{2!} = \frac{t^2 EX^2}{2!} \Rightarrow M_X''(0) = EX^2$

works as long as Taylor expansion for $M_X(t)$ works around 0.
 $M_X(t)$ continuous and smooth around zero.

$\therefore E(X^k) = M_X^{(k)}(0)$ if $M_X^{(k)}(t)$ exist at interval around 0.

binomial
MGF

$$P(X=x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \quad x=0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$M_X(t) = E(e^{tx}) = \sum_{x=0}^n e^{tx} \cdot p(X=x)$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^n e^{tx} \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^n \binom{n}{x} (e^t p)^x (1-p)^{n-x} \Rightarrow \text{binomial formula}$$

$$= (e^t p + 1 - p)^n$$

binomial
formula

$$(a+b)^n = a^n + \binom{n}{1} a^{n-1} b + \binom{n}{2} a^{n-2} b^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{n-1} a b^{n-1} + b^n$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^k b^{n-k}$$

$$M_X'(t) = n(e^t p + 1 - p)^{n-1} \cdot p \cdot e^t \Rightarrow M_X'(0) = n \cdot p = EX$$

$$M_X''(t) = n(n-1)(e^t p + 1 - p)^{n-2} (e^t p)^2 + n(e^t p + 1 - p)^{n-1} \cdot p \cdot e^t$$

$$M_X''(0) = n(n-1) \cdot p^2 + n \cdot p = n^2 p^2 - np^2 + np$$

Poisson
MGF

$$X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda) \wedge P(X=x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} P(X=x) = 1 \\ \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!} = 1 \end{array} \right.$$

$$M_X(t) = E(e^{tx}) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{tx} P(X=x)$$

using the fact that

$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{tx} \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$$

$$\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} P(X=x) = 1$$

$$\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!} = 1$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{(e^t)^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!} = \frac{\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} (e^t)^x \cdot e^{-\lambda}}{x! \cdot e^{-\lambda}}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\lambda}}{e^{-\lambda}} \cdot \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{(e^t)^x \cdot e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\lambda}}{e^{-\lambda}} \cdot \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{(e^t)^x \cdot e^{-\lambda}}{x!} = e^{-\lambda + e^t \lambda}$$

$$\therefore M_X(t) = e^{-\lambda + e^t \lambda} \cdot e^t \lambda \quad M_X'(0) = \lambda$$

$$M_X''(t) = (e^{-\lambda + e^t \lambda}) \lambda \cdot e^t \lambda + e^{-\lambda + e^t \lambda} \cdot \lambda \Rightarrow M_X''(0) = \lambda^2 + \lambda$$

$$EX^2 = \text{Var}(X) + (EX)^2 = \lambda + \lambda^2$$

exponential
MGF

$X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$ $\lambda > 0$. PDF $f(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda \cdot e^{-\lambda x} & x > 0 \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$

$$E(e^{tx}) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{tx} \cdot f(x) dx \quad \triangleright \text{using the fact that}$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} e^{tx} \cdot \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx \quad \int_0^{\infty} \lambda \cdot e^{-\lambda x} dx = 1 \quad \forall \lambda > 0.$$

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

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\lambda(\lambda-t) \cdot e^{-(\lambda-t)x}}{\lambda-t} dx \quad [\text{restore the original term}]$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda-t} \quad [\text{if } \lambda-t > 0]$$

\triangleright We only want to evaluate $M_X(0)$

Standard
Normal
MGF

$X \sim N(0, 1)$ $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{x^2}{2}\right\}$

$$E(e^{tx}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \quad \triangleright \text{using the fact}$$

that $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{x^2}{2}\right\} dx = 1$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{\left\{-\frac{x^2}{2} + tx\right\}} dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{\left\{-\frac{x^2 - 2tx + t^2}{2}\right\}} dx \quad x^2 - 2tx + t^2$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{\left\{-\frac{(x-t)^2 - t^2}{2}\right\}} dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-t)^2}{2}} \cdot e^{\frac{t^2}{2}} dx$$

$$= e^{\frac{t^2}{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-t)^2}{2}} d(x-t) \quad \text{shift } x \text{ by } t$$

$$= e^{\frac{t^2}{2}}$$

properties of MGF

① If X has MGF $M_X(t)$ and $Y = a + bX$, $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. Then Y has MGF $M_Y(t) = e^{at} \cdot M_X(bt)$.

Pf: $M_Y(t) = E(e^{Yt}) = E(e^{(a+bX)t}) = E(e^{at} \cdot e^{bXt}) = e^{at} E(e^{bXt})$
 $= e^{at} M_X(bt)$ [by defn] { $E(e^{tX}) = M_X(t)$
 $E(e^{btX}) = M_X(bt)$ }

Example: $Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ $Y = \mu + \sigma X$ where $X \sim N(0, 1)$.

[using property ①]

$\therefore M_Y(t) = e^{\mu t} \cdot M_X(\sigma t)$ [we know $M_X(t) = e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}}$]
 $= e^{\mu t} \cdot e^{-\frac{(\sigma t)^2}{2}} = e^{\mu t - \frac{\sigma^2 t^2}{2}}$

[$Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ is complex, $X \sim N(0, 1)$ PDF is neat, so we can use MGF property ① to get the MGF of Y]

② X and Y are indep R.V.s with $M_X(t)$ and $M_Y(t)$ respectively, Then the MGF of $X+Y$ is $M_{X+Y}(t) = M_X(t) \cdot M_Y(t)$

Recall indep $P(X \in X, Y \in Y) = P(X \in X) P(Y \in Y)$
 $P(X \in X | Y \in Y) = P(X \in X)$

Pf $M_{X+Y}(t) = E(e^{t(X+Y)}) = E(e^{tX} \cdot e^{tY}) \stackrel{\text{indep}}{=} E(e^{tX}) E(e^{tY}) = M_X(t) M_Y(t)$

Example: if $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n_1, p)$, $Y \sim \text{Binomial}(n_2, p)$, and X, Y are indep.

[using property ②]

E.g. $M_X(t) = (e^{tp} + 1 - p)^{n_1}$ $M_Y(t) = (e^{tp} + 1 - p)^{n_2}$ same base
 then $M_{X+Y}(t) = (e^{tp} + 1 - p)^{n_1} \cdot (e^{tp} + 1 - p)^{n_2} = (e^{tp} + 1 - p)^{n_1 + n_2}$
 $\Rightarrow M_{X+Y}(t)$ has form of binomial, so $X+Y \sim \text{Bin}(n_1+n_2, p)$

► $X \sim \text{pois}(\lambda_1)$, $Y \sim \text{pois}(\lambda_2)$ X, Y indep. λ_1, λ_2 : # of events.

$M_X(t) = e^{\lambda_1(e^t - 1)}$ $M_Y(t) = e^{\lambda_2(e^t - 1)}$ $M_{X+Y}(t) = e^{(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)(e^t - 1)}$

$M_{X+Y}(t)$ belongs to the form of a pois. dist. $X+Y \sim \text{pois}(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)$

intuition: # of events in restaurant 1 + # of events in restaurant 2

= total # of events in rest 1 & 2.

example

▶ $X \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$, $Y \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$, X & Y indep.

$$M_X(t) = e^{\left\{ \mu_1 t + \frac{\sigma_1^2 t^2}{2} \right\}}$$

$$M_Y(t) = e^{\left\{ \mu_2 t + \frac{\sigma_2^2 t^2}{2} \right\}}$$

$$M_{X+Y}(t) = e^{\left\{ \mu_1 t + \frac{\sigma_1^2 t^2}{2} \right\}} \cdot e^{\left\{ \mu_2 t + \frac{\sigma_2^2 t^2}{2} \right\}} = e^{\left\{ (\mu_1 + \mu_2)t + \frac{(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)t^2}{2} \right\}}$$

$$\therefore X+Y \sim N(\mu_1 + \mu_2, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)$$

• Without MGF, we already know $E(X+Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$

$$\text{Var}(X+Y) = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y) \quad [X, Y \text{ indep}] \quad \hookrightarrow \text{Holds for any } X \text{ & } Y$$

• MGF confirms $X+Y \sim \text{Normal}$. doesn't require indep.

▶ X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n iid R.V.s. what's the MGF of $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$?

$$M_{\sum X_i}(t) = E(e^{t \sum X_i}) = E(e^{tX_1} \cdot e^{tX_2} \cdot \dots \cdot e^{tX_n})$$

$$\stackrel{\substack{\text{indep} \\ \text{identical dist}}}{\Rightarrow} E(e^{tX_1}) E(e^{tX_2}) \cdot \dots \cdot E(e^{tX_n}) = M_{X_1}(t) M_{X_2}(t) \cdot \dots \cdot M_{X_n}(t)$$

$$= [M_X(t)]^n$$

$$X_1, \dots, X_n \text{ iid } N(\mu, \sigma^2) \quad M_{\sum X_i}(t) = \left[e^{\left\{ \mu t + \frac{\sigma^2 t^2}{2} \right\}} \right]^n = e^{\left\{ n\mu t + \frac{n\sigma^2 t^2}{2} \right\}}$$

$$= e^{n\mu t} \cdot e^{\frac{n\sigma^2 t^2}{2}} \quad \text{nice property of exp family, put } n$$

$$\therefore \sum X_i \sim N(n\mu, n\sigma^2)$$

into the power

Joint MGF

consider a pair of R.V.s (X, Y) , $X, Y \in \mathbb{R}$

$$M_{X,Y}(s,t) = E(e^{sX+tY}) = E(e^{\langle (s,t), \mathbf{r} \rangle}) \quad s, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{if } X, Y \text{ discrete } M_{X,Y}(s,t) = \sum_x \sum_y e^{sX+tY} p(X=x, Y=y)$$

continuously

$$M_{X,Y}(s,t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{sX+tY} f_{(X,Y)}(x,y) dx dy$$

If X, Y are indep, we have:

$$M_{X,Y}(s,t) = E(e^{sX+tY}) = E(e^{sX} \cdot e^{tY}) \stackrel{\text{indep}}{=} E(e^{sX}) E(e^{tY})$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{to obtain the joint moments of } (X, Y) \quad = M_X(s) M_Y(t)$$

$$E[X^r Y^v] = \frac{\partial^r \partial^v M_{X,Y}(s,t)}{\partial s^r \partial t^v} \Big|_{s=0, t=0}$$

[use two-dimension Taylor expansion]

properties

① $M_{X,Y}(s,0) = E(e^{sX}) = M_X(s)$

② $M_{X,Y}(0,t) = E(e^{tY}) = M_Y(t)$

③ $M_{X,Y}(t,t) = E(e^{tX+tY}) = E(e^{t(X+Y)}) = M_{X+Y}(t)$