

Transformation of Several Random Variables

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Outline

- **A Function of Several Random Variables**
- **Two Functions of Two Random Variables**
- **Uncorrelated Random Variables**
- **Orthogonality**
- **Jointly Normal Random Variables**

$$Z(\xi) = g[X(\xi), Y(\xi)]$$

By definition

$$F_Z(z) = P\{Z(\xi) \leq z\} = P\{g(x, y) \leq z\}$$

D_z : region of xy-plane such that $g(x, y) \leq z$

$$F_Z(z) = P\{(X, Y) \in D_z\} = \iint_{D_z} f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy$$

$$Z = g(X, Y) \quad W = h(X, Y)$$

By definition

$$F_{ZW}(z, w) = P\{Z \leq z \cap W \leq w\} = P\{g(X, Y) \leq z \cap h(X, Y) \leq w\}$$

D_{ZW} : region of xy-plane such that $g(x, y) \leq z$ and $h(x, y) \leq w$

$$F_{ZW}(z, w) = P\{(X, Y) \in D_{ZW}\} = \iint_{D_{ZW}} f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy$$

Uncorrelated Random Variables

Uncorrelated Random Variables X_i

$$E\{X_i X_j\} = E\{X_i\}E\{X_j\} \quad \text{or} \quad E\{(X_i - \eta_i)(X_j - \eta_j)\} = 0 \quad i \neq j$$

$$\sigma_{X_1 + \dots + X_n}^2 = \sigma_{X_1}^2 + \sigma_{X_2}^2 + \dots + \sigma_{X_n}^2$$

Orthogonal Random Variables

$$E\{X_i X_j\} = 0 \quad i \neq j$$

If X_i are independent, they are uncorrelated

Jointly Normal Random Variables

Jointly Normal Random Variables X, Y

$$f_{xy}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_1\sigma_2\sqrt{1-r^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2(1-r^2)}\left[\frac{(x-\eta_1)^2}{\sigma_1^2} - \frac{2r(x-\eta_1)(y-\eta_2)}{\sigma_1\sigma_2} + \frac{(y-\eta_2)^2}{\sigma_2^2}\right]\right\}$$

$$\eta_1 = E\{X\}$$

$$\eta_2 = E\{Y\}$$

$$\sigma_1^2 = E\{(X - \eta_1)^2\}$$

$$\sigma_2^2 = E\{(Y - \eta_2)^2\}$$

$$r = \frac{E\{(X - \eta_1)(Y - \eta_2)\}}{\sigma_1\sigma_2}$$

X and Y are uncorrelated if $r = 0$

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Concluding Remarks

- A Function of Several Random Variables
- Two Functions of Two Random Variables
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- Orthogonality
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Thank you!

Questions?