

## Recall

- $X$  is Discrete random variable  $(S, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ 
  - $X: S \rightarrow T$   $S$ -countable
  - $f_X(t) = \mathbb{P}(X=t)$   $t \in T$
  - } Distribution of  $X$

Distribution function

it has jump discontinuities  
- at most countable.

$$F_X(x) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq x) = \mathbb{P}(X^{-1}(-\infty, x]) = \sum_{\substack{t \in T \\ t \leq x}} f_X(t)$$

- Transformation :-  $Y = g(X)$

$$f_Y(t) = \mathbb{P}(g(X)=t) = \mathbb{P}(X \in g^{-1}(t))$$

[e.g.  $X \sim \text{Unif}(-2, 1, 0, 1, 4)$   $Y = X^2$ ]

$$= \sum_{\substack{u \in T \\ g(u)=t}} \mathbb{P}(X=u)$$

- $X, Y$  are independent discrete random variables on  $\mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$   
 $Z = X + Y$

$$f_Z(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n f_X(k) f_Y(n-k) \quad n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$$

## Section 5.3 : Transformation of Continuous random variables.

$\Phi$ :  $X$  is continuous random variable with pdf  $f_X(\cdot)$

$$\text{i.e. } \mathbb{P}(a < X < b) = \int_a^b f_X(x) dx$$

$Y = g(X)$  Find the distribution of  $Y$ .

$$F_X(x) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(s) ds$$

Distribution function

- certain properties for c.s to continuous  
e  $f$  is continuous  $\Rightarrow F' = f$

Caution:  $X$  is discrete random variable then  $X: S \rightarrow T$   
 $g: T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $Y = g(X)$  is also a discrete random variable.

$X$  is continuous random variable  $\in X: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $Y = g(X)$  - does not immediately  
 imply  $Y$  is continuous  
 or discrete or neither.

We need a standardised  
 way to understand distribution of  $Y$ .

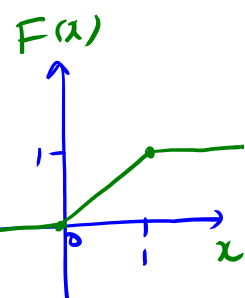
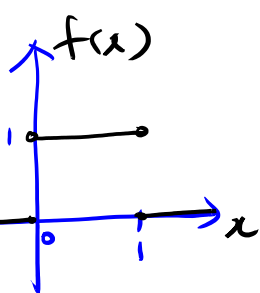
### Example 5.3.1

$X \sim \text{Uniform}(0,1)$

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

1d p.d.f

$$\mathbb{P}(a < X \leq b) = \int_a^b f_X(x) dx$$



Recall:  
 Distribution  
 function

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ x & 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Q:  $Y = X^2$ . Find "distribution" of  $Y$

If  $Y$  discrete then  
 find p.m.f.

neither: stop  
 at distribution  
 function of  $Y$ .

If  $Y$  is continuous  
 then find  
 p.d.f

Step 1 : Find distribution function of  $Y$ .

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) \quad y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$= P(X^2 \leq y) \quad \text{as } Y = X^2.$$

If  $y < 0$  then  $\{X^2 \leq y\} := X^2((-\infty, y]) = \emptyset$

$$\therefore P(X^2 \leq y) = P(\emptyset) = 0$$

$$F_Y(y) = 0 \quad \text{if } y < 0 \quad (*)$$

If  $y \geq 0$  then

$$\begin{aligned} F_Y(y) &= P(X^2 \leq y) \\ &= P(-\sqrt{y} \leq X \leq \sqrt{y}) \\ &= \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^{\sqrt{y}} f_X(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^0 0 dx + \int_0^{\sqrt{y}} 1 dx & \text{— if } \sqrt{y} \leq 1 \quad (\Leftrightarrow y \leq 1) \\ \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^0 0 dx + \int_0^1 1 dx + \int_1^{\sqrt{y}} 0 dx & \text{— if } \sqrt{y} > 1 \quad (\Leftrightarrow y > 1) \end{cases}$$

$$F_y(y) = \begin{cases} x|_0^{\sqrt{y}} & 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ x|_0^1 & y > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore F_y(y) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{y} & 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 1 & y > 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{--- (xx)}$$

(\*) and (xx)

$$F_y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & y < 0 \\ \sqrt{y} & 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 1 & y > 1 \end{cases}$$

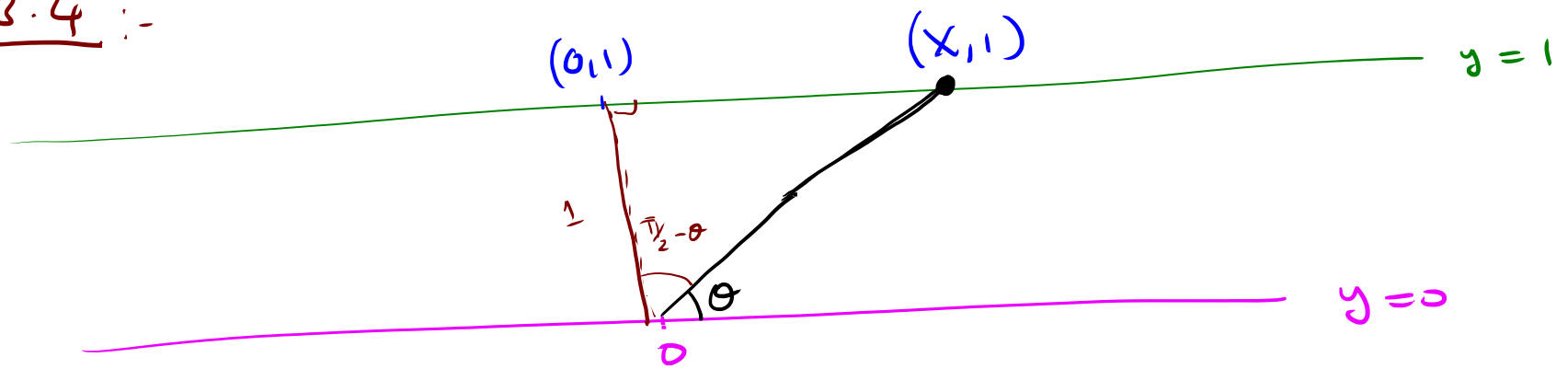
Step 2:- Differentiating  $F_y(\cdot)$  [as it's clearly differentiable except 0 and 1 at all points]

$$f_y(y) = F'_y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & y < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} & 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & y > 1 \end{cases}$$

Also:-  $f_y(0) = 0$   $f_y(1) = 0$

$y$  has p.d.f given by  $f_y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{otherwise} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} & 0 < y < 1 \end{cases}$

Example 5.3.4 :-



- choose an angle in  $(0, \pi)$   $\theta \sim \text{Uniform}(0, \pi)$   
 What is the p.d.f. of  $X$ ?

$$X = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)$$

p.d.f. of  $\theta$  :- 
$$f_{\theta}(\theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\pi-0} & 0 < \theta < \pi \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Step 1: Find distribution function of  $X$

$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x)$$

$$= P\left(\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right) \leq x\right)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \leq \arctan(x)\right)$$

$$= P\left(\theta \geq \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(x)\right)$$

Observe:

$$= 1 - P\left(\theta < \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(x)\right)$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(x) \in (0, \pi)$$

$$= 1 - \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(x)} f_{\theta}(\theta) d\theta$$

$$= 1 - \left[ \int_{-\infty}^0 0 d\theta + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(x)} \frac{1}{\pi} d\theta \right]$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \arctan(x) \right)$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R} \quad F_X(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\arctan(x)}{\pi}$$

Step 2: Differentiate  $F_X(\cdot)$  to get  $f_X(\cdot)$

$$\therefore f_X(x) = F_X'(x)$$

$$= 0 + \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{1+x^2} \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

### Definition 5.3.5

$$X \sim \text{Cauchy}(\theta, \alpha^2)$$

$$\theta \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha > 0$$

if p.d.f of  $X$  is given by

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + (x - \theta)^2}; x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Then distribution function of  $F_X$  is given by

$$F_X(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \arctan\left(\frac{x - \theta}{\alpha}\right)$$

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Lemma 5.3.2:  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ .  $X$  is a continuous random variable with <sup>continuous</sup> probability density function  $f_X$ .

$$g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad g(x) = ax + b$$

$$Y = g(X)$$

Then  $Y$  is also continuous random variable with p.d.f

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{|a|} f_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right) \quad y \in \mathbb{R}$$

Proof:-

Step 1: Find distribution function of  $Y$

- Assume  $a > 0$

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y)$$

$$= P(aX + b \leq y)$$

$$= P(aX \leq y - b)$$

$$= P\left(X \leq \frac{y-b}{a}\right)$$

if  $a > 0$

$$= F_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$$

- Assume  $a < 0$

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y)$$

$$= P(aX + b \leq y)$$

$$= P(aX \leq y - b)$$

$$= P\left(X \geq \frac{y-b}{a}\right)$$

if  $a < 0$

$$= 1 - P\left(X < \frac{y-b}{a}\right)$$

$X$ -continuous

$$= 1 - P\left(X \leq \frac{y-b}{a}\right)$$

$$= 1 - F_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$$

step 2: Find p.d.f of  $Y$  by differentiating  $F_Y(\cdot)$

$a > 0$

$$F_Y(y) = F_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$$

$$\therefore f_Y(y) = F_Y'(y)$$

chain rule  $\leftarrow = F_X'\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right) \cdot \frac{d}{dy}\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$

$$= f_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{a}$$

$a < 0$

$$F_Y(y) = 1 - F_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$$

$$f_Y(y) = F_Y'(y)$$

chain rule  $\leftarrow = 0 - F_X'\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right) \cdot \frac{d}{dy}\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$

$$= -\frac{1}{a} f_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$$

$a \neq 0$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{|a|} f_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right) \quad \forall y \in \mathbb{R}$$

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## 5.2.2 Individual outcomes for Continuous random variables

$X$  - continuous random variable with p.d.f  $f_X(\cdot)$   
 $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \quad P(X=a) = \int_a^a f_X(x) dx = 0. \quad \square$

E.g.  $X \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Take

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$   
•  $f(x) = g(x)$  otherwise

$$f(0) \neq g(0) \quad \& \quad f(1) \neq g(1)$$

$f, g$  are both density functions  $\in$  Probabilities  
determined by  $f \& g$  are the same i.e.

$A \in \mathcal{F}$  ; 
$$P(A) = \int_A f(x) dx = \int_A g(x) dx$$

provided  $f$  and  $g$  disagree at  
at most countably many points

Convention :- Think of  $f \equiv g$  if they are  
densities functions that differ at at most  
finite / countably many points.  
- as they produce the same probabilities

• Previous calculation :- Differentiating  $F_Y(\cdot)$  we can  
forget finitely many points to get  $f_Y(\cdot)$   
[ as we can alter the density function  
at finitely many / countably many points and  
it won't affect the probabilities. ! ]

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TOMORROW

Thursday

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