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Transformation of two-dimensional random variable :

Step 1 : Find the joint density function of (X, Y) if it is not given.

Step 2 : Consider the new random variables U & V and from this find x and y .

$$\text{Find } |J| = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix}$$

Step 3 : Find the pdf of (u, v) .

$$\text{i.e., } f_{UV}(u, v) = f_{XY}(x, y) |J|$$

Step 4 : Find the values of $f_U(u)$ and $f_V(v)$ using the method of finding the marginal densities.

Step 5 : Change the domain values in terms of u, v using the given relation.

PROBLEMS :

① If x and y are independent random variables having density functions

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2e^{-2x}, & x > 0 \\ 0, & x < 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad g(y) = \begin{cases} 3e^{-3y}, & y > 0 \\ 0, & y < 0 \end{cases}$$

find the density function of their sum $U = X + Y$

Solution :

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Step 1 :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2e^{-2x}, & x > 0 \\ 0, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$g(y) = \begin{cases} 3e^{-3y}, & y > 0 \\ 0, & y < 0 \end{cases}$$

Since x and y are independent,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= f(x) \cdot f(y) \\ &= 2e^{-2x} \cdot 3e^{-3y} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{f(x, y) = 6e^{-(2x+3y)}}, \quad x > 0, y > 0$$

Step 2 :

$$u = x + y$$

$$\text{Let } v = x$$

$$\text{i.e., } u = x + y ; v = x$$

$$u = v + y ; x = v$$

$$y = u - v ; x = v$$

$$x = v \Rightarrow \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} = 0 ; \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} = 1$$

$$y = u - v \Rightarrow \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} = 1 ; \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} = -1$$

$$|J| = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = |0 - 1| = 1$$

$$|J| = 1$$

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Step 3 :

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$$\begin{aligned}f_{uv}(u, v) &= f_{xy}(x, y) |J| \\&= 6e^{-(2x+3y)}, \quad x > 0; y > 0 \\&= 6e^{-(2v+3(u-v))} \\&= 6e^{-(2v+3u-3v)} \\&= 6e^{-(3u-v)}\end{aligned}$$

$$f_{uv}(u, v) = 6e^{v-3u}$$

Step 4 :

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Given: } x > 0 \quad &\& \quad y > 0 \\ \text{i.e., } v > 0 \quad &\& \quad u-v > 0 \\ && \quad u > v \\ \therefore u > v > 0 &\Rightarrow 0 < v < u \\ \text{i.e., } u > 0 \quad &\& \quad 0 < v < u\end{aligned}$$

Step 5 :

Hence the pdf of U & V is,

$$f_{uv}(u, v) = \begin{cases} 6e^{v-3u}, & u > 0, 0 < v < u \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Step 6 :

The density function of U is,

$$\begin{aligned}f_U(u) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{uv}(u, v) dv \\&= \int_0^u 6e^{v-3u} dv\end{aligned}$$

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$$f_u(u) = 6e^{-3u} \int_0^u e^v dv$$
$$= 6e^{-3u} [e^v]_0^u$$

$$f_u(u) = 6e^{-3u} (e^u - 1), u > 0$$

$$\therefore f_u(u) = \begin{cases} 6e^{-3u} (e^u - 1), & u > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

② Let (x, y) be a two-dimensional random variable having the joint density

$$f_{xy}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 4xy e^{-(x^2+y^2)}, & x > 0, y > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find the density function of $U = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

Solution:

Step 1:

$$f_{xy}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 4xy e^{-(x^2+y^2)}, & x > 0, y > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Step 2:

$$U = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\text{Let } v = x$$

$$\text{i.e., } u^2 = x^2 + y^2, v = x$$

$$x = v; u^2 = v^2 + y^2$$

$$y^2 = u^2 - v^2$$

$$y = \sqrt{u^2 - v^2}$$

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