

9. Find the moment generating function of the RV X whose probability function $P[X=x] = \frac{1}{2^x}$, $x=1, 2, \dots, \infty$. Hence find the mean.

Solution: Given $P(X=x) = \frac{1}{2^x}$, $x=1, 2, \dots, \infty$

∴ Wkt $M_X(t) = E[e^{tx}] = \sum e^{tx} P(X=x)$

$$= \sum_{x=1, 2}^{\infty} e^{tx} \cdot \frac{1}{2^x} = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{e^t}{2}\right)^x$$

$$= \frac{e^t}{2} + \left(\frac{e^t}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{e^t}{2}\right)^3 + \dots$$

$$= \frac{e^t}{2} \left[1 + \left(\frac{e^t}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{e^t}{2}\right)^2 + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{e^t}{2} [1 + x + x^2 + \dots], \text{ where } x = \frac{e^t}{2}$$

$$= \frac{e^t}{2} [1 - x]^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{e^t}{2} \left[1 - \frac{e^t}{2} \right]^{-1} = \frac{e^t}{2} \left[\frac{2 - e^t}{2} \right]^{-1}$$

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

$$M_X(t) = \frac{e^t}{2 - e^t}$$

(i) Mean:

$$E[X] = \left[\frac{d}{dt} M_X(t) \right]_{t=0} = \left[\frac{d}{dt} \frac{e^t}{2 - e^t} \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= \left[\frac{(2 - e^t)e^t - e^t(2 - e^t)}{(2 - e^t)^2} \right]_{t=0}$$

$$E(X) = \left[\frac{(2 - e^0)e^0 + e^0}{(2 - e^0)^2} \right]$$

$$= \left[\frac{(2 - 1) + 1}{(2 - 1)^2} \right]$$

$$\boxed{E(X) = 2}$$

10. If a random variable X has the moment generating function $M_X(t) = \frac{2}{2-t}$. Determine the variance of X .

Solution:

Given $M_X(t) = \frac{2}{2-t}$

Mean:

$$\text{Wkt } E(X) = \left[\frac{d}{dt} M_X(t) \right]_{t=0} = \left[\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{2}{2-t} \right) \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= 2 \left(\frac{-1}{(2-t)^2} (-1) \right)_{t=0}$$

$$\boxed{\because \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) = -\frac{1}{x^2}}$$

$$E(X) = \frac{2}{2^2}$$

$$\boxed{E(X) = \frac{1}{2}}$$

Variance

$$E(X^2) = \left[\frac{d^2}{dt^2} M_X(t) \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= \left[\frac{d}{dt} \frac{2}{(2-t)^2} \right]_{t=0}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{x^2} \right) = -\frac{2}{x^3}}$$

$$= \left[2 \left(\frac{-2}{(2-t)^3} (-1) \right) \right]_{t=0}$$

$$E(x^2) = \frac{4}{8}$$

$$\boxed{E(x^2) = \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$V(x) = E(x^2) - (E(x))^2$$

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\boxed{V(x) = \frac{1}{4}}$$

11. For the triangular distribution $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & ; 0 < x < 1 \\ 2-x & ; 1 < x < 2 \\ 0 & ; \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Find the mean, Variance and MGF.

Solution:

(i) Mean: $E(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx = \int_0^1 x(x) dx + \int_1^2 x(2-x) dx$

$$= \int_0^1 x^2 dx + \int_1^2 (2x - x^2) dx$$

$$= \left(\frac{x^3}{3}\right)_0^1 + \left(\frac{2x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3}\right)_1^2$$

$$E(x) = \left(\frac{1}{3} - 0\right) + \left(4 - \frac{8}{3} - \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{3} - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5-2}{3} = \frac{3}{3}$$

$$\boxed{E(x) = 1}$$

(ii) Variance:

$$E(x^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx = \int_0^1 x^2(x) dx + \int_1^2 x^2(2-x) dx$$

$$E(x^2) = \int_0^1 x^3 dx + \int_1^2 (2x^2 - x^3) dx$$

$$E(x^2) = \left(\frac{x^4}{4}\right)_0^1 + \left(\frac{2x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4}\right)_1^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{4} - 0\right) + \left(\frac{2 \times 2^3}{3} - \frac{2^4}{4}\right) - \left(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$E(x^2) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{16}{3} - \frac{16}{4} - \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$E(x^2) = -\frac{14}{4} + \frac{14}{3} = 14 \left[-\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} \right]$$

$$E(x^2) = 14 \left[\frac{-3+4}{12} \right]$$

$$E(x^2) = 14 \left(\frac{1}{12} \right)$$

$$\boxed{E(x^2) = \frac{7}{6}}$$

$$V(x) = E(x^2) - (E(x))^2$$

$$= \frac{7}{6} - 1$$

$$\boxed{V(x) = \frac{1}{6}}$$

Moment Generating function: (MGF)

$$M_x(t) = E(e^{tx}) = \int_{-p}^p e^{tx} f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 e^{tx} (x) dx + \int_1^2 e^{tx} (2-x) dx$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 u = x \quad v = e^{tx} \quad u = (2-x) \\
 u' = 1 \quad v_1 = \frac{e^{tx}}{t} \quad u' = -1 \\
 u'' = 0 \quad v_2 = \frac{e^{tx}}{t^2} \quad u'' = 0
 \end{array}$$

$$M_x(t) = \left(\frac{x e^{tx}}{t} - \frac{e^{tx}}{t^2} \right)_0^1 + \left((2-x) \frac{e^{tx}}{t} + \frac{e^{tx}}{t^2} \right)_1^2$$

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

$$M_x(t) = \frac{e^t}{t} - \frac{e^t}{t^2} + \frac{1}{t^2} + \frac{e^{2t}}{t^2} - \frac{e^t}{t} - \frac{e^t}{t^2}$$

$$M_x(t) = \frac{e^{2t} - 2e^t + 1}{t^2}$$

$$M_x(t) = \frac{(e^t - 1)^2}{t^2}$$

12. Let the random variable X has the pdf $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{x}{2}} & x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Find MGF, Mean and Variance

Solution:

To find MGF:

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_x(t) = E(e^{tx}) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} f(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} e^{tx} \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{x}{2}} dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(\frac{1}{2} - t)x} dx
 \end{aligned}$$

$$M_x(t) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{e^{-\left(\frac{1}{2}-t\right)x}}{-\left(\frac{1}{2}-t\right)} \right]_0^{\infty}$$

$$M_x(t) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{e^{-\infty}}{-\left(\frac{1}{2}-t\right)} - \frac{e^0}{-\left(\frac{1}{2}-t\right)} \right]$$

$$M_x(t) = \frac{1}{2} \left[0 + \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{2}-t\right)} \right]$$

$$M_x(t) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{\frac{1-2t}{2}} \right]$$

$$M_x(t) = \frac{1}{1-2t}$$

Mean:

$$E(x) = \left[\frac{d}{dt} M_x(t) \right]_{t=0} = \left[\frac{d}{dt} \frac{1}{1-2t} \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= \left[\frac{-1}{(1-2t)^2} \cdot (-2) \right]_{t=0}$$

$$\frac{d\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{dx} = -\frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$E(x) = 2$$

Variance:

$$E(x^2) = \left[\frac{d^2}{dt^2} M_x(t) \right]_{t=0} = \left[\frac{d}{dt} \frac{2}{(1-2t)^2} \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= 2 \left[\frac{-2}{(1-2t)^3} \cdot (-2) \right]_{t=0}$$

$$E(x^2) = 8$$

$$V(x) = E(x^2) - (E(x))^2 = 8 - 4$$

$$V(x) = 4$$

13. The density function of a random variable x is given by

$f(x) = kx(2-x)$, $0 \leq x \leq 2$. Find k , Mean, Variance and r^{th} moment.

Solution:

To find k :

$$\text{WKT } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$$

$$\int_0^2 kx(2-x) dx = 1 \Rightarrow k \int_0^2 (2x - x^2) dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k \left[\frac{2x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^2 = 1$$

$$k \left[\left(4 - \frac{8}{3}\right) - 0 \right] = 1$$

$$k \left[\left(\frac{12-8}{3}\right) \right] = 1$$

$$k \left(\frac{4}{3} \right) = 1$$

$$\boxed{k = \frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = \frac{3}{4}x(2-x), \quad 0 \leq x \leq 2$$

(ii) r^{th} moment

$$\mu_r' = E[x^r] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^r f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^2 x^r \frac{3}{4}x(2-x) dx$$

$$= \frac{3}{4} \left[\int_0^2 x^{r+1} (2-x) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{4} \int_0^2 (2x^{r+1} - x^{r+2}) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(x^r) &= \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{2x^{r+2}}{r+2} - \frac{x^{r+3}}{r+3} \right)_0^2 \\
 &= \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{2(2^{r+2})}{r+2} - \frac{2^{r+3}}{r+3} - 0 + 0 \right) \\
 &= \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{2^{r+3}}{r+2} - \frac{2^{r+3}}{r+3} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(x^0) &= \frac{3}{4} \times 2^{r+3} \left(\frac{1}{r+2} - \frac{1}{r+3} \right) \\
 &= \frac{3}{4} \times 2^{r+1} \times 2^2 \left[\frac{r+3-r-2}{(r+2)(r+3)} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mu_0^1 = E(x^r) = 3 \times \frac{2^{r+1}}{(r+2)(r+3)} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

(ii) Mean: put $r=1$ in (1)

$$\mu_1^1 = E(x) = 3 \times \frac{2^2}{(1+2)(1+3)}$$

$$\mu_1^1 = 3 \times \frac{4}{3 \times 4}$$

$$\boxed{E(x) = 1}$$

put $r=2$ in (2)

$$\mu_2^1 = E(x^2) = 3 \times \frac{2^{2+1}}{4 \times 5}$$

$$= 3 \times \frac{8}{4 \times 5}$$

$$\boxed{E(x^2) = \frac{6}{5}}$$

(iv) Variance

$$v(x) = E(x^2) - (E(x))^2$$
$$= \frac{6}{5} - (1)^2$$

$$v(x) = \frac{6}{5} - 1$$

$$v(x) = \frac{1}{5}$$

14. Find the MGF of the random variable X having the probability density function $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2e^{-2x}, & x > 0 \\ 0, & x < 0 \end{cases}$. Also find the first four moments about the origin.

Solution:

$$\text{MGF} = M_X(t) = E(e^{tx}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} f(x) dx$$

$$M_X(t) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{tx} 2e^{-2x} dx = 2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(2-t)x} dx$$

$$= 2 \left[\frac{e^{-(2-t)x}}{-(2-t)} \right]_0^{\infty}$$

$$M_X(t) = 2 \left[\frac{e^{-\infty}}{-(2-t)} - \frac{e^0}{-(2-t)} \right]$$

$$M_X(t) = \frac{2}{(2-t)}$$

Nkt $M_X(t) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^r}{r!} m_r$ in $M_X(t)$

$$\text{Consider } M_X(t) = \frac{2}{(2-t)} = \frac{2}{2(1-\frac{t}{2})}$$

$$M_X(t) = \left(1 - \frac{t}{2}\right)^{-1}$$

$$M_X(t) = 1 + \left(\frac{t}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{t}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{t}{2}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{t}{2}\right)^4 + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{t^1}{1!}\right) + \frac{t^2}{2!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{t^3}{3!} \left(\frac{6}{8}\right) + \frac{t^4}{4!} \left(\frac{4!}{16}\right) + \dots$$

First four moments about the origin

$$\mu_1' = \text{coefficient of } \frac{t^1}{1!} = \frac{1}{2} = E(x)$$

$$\mu_2' = \text{coefficient of } \frac{t^2}{2!} = \frac{1}{2} = E(x^2)$$

$$\mu_3' = \text{coefficient of } \frac{t^3}{3!} = \frac{6}{8} = \frac{3}{4} = E(x^3)$$

$$\mu_4' = \text{coefficient of } \frac{t^4}{4!} = \frac{4!}{16} = \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4}{16} = \frac{24}{16} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\mu_4' = \frac{3}{2} = E(x^4)$$