

# Bi(Multi)variate Transformation of Variables

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- **Bivariate Transformation of Variables**  
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# Bivariate Continuous Distributions

A bivariate (2D) PDF  $f(x_1, x_2 | \theta)$

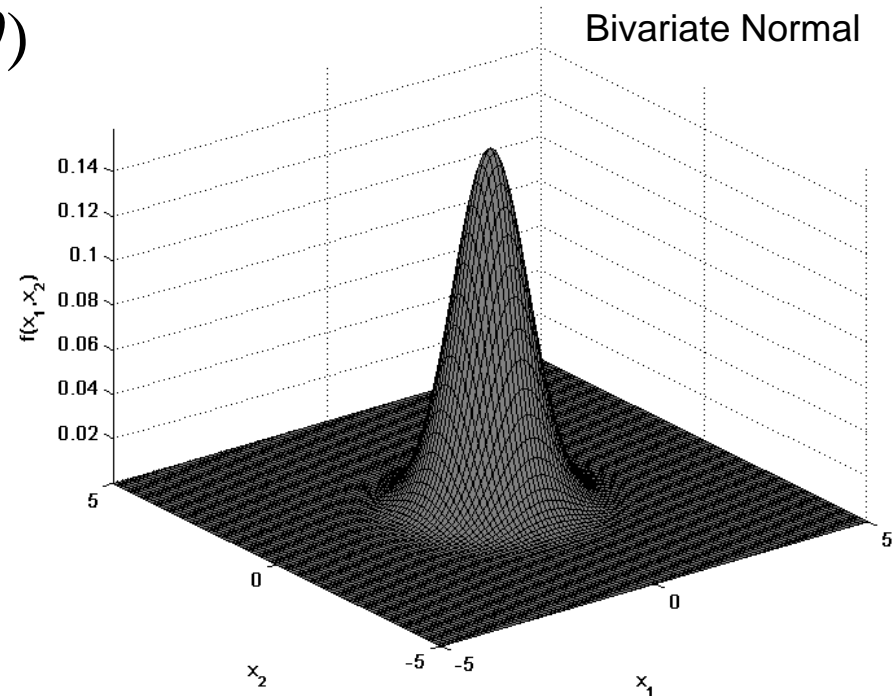
of two continuous random

variables  $(x_1, x_2)$  depending

upon parameters  $\theta$  satisfies

$$1) \quad 0 \leq f(x_1, x_2 | \theta), \quad \forall (x_1, x_2)$$

$$2) \quad \iint_{x_1 x_2} f(x_1, x_2 | \theta) dx_1 dx_2 = 1 \quad .$$



# Bivariate Continuous Distributions

## Marginal Distributions

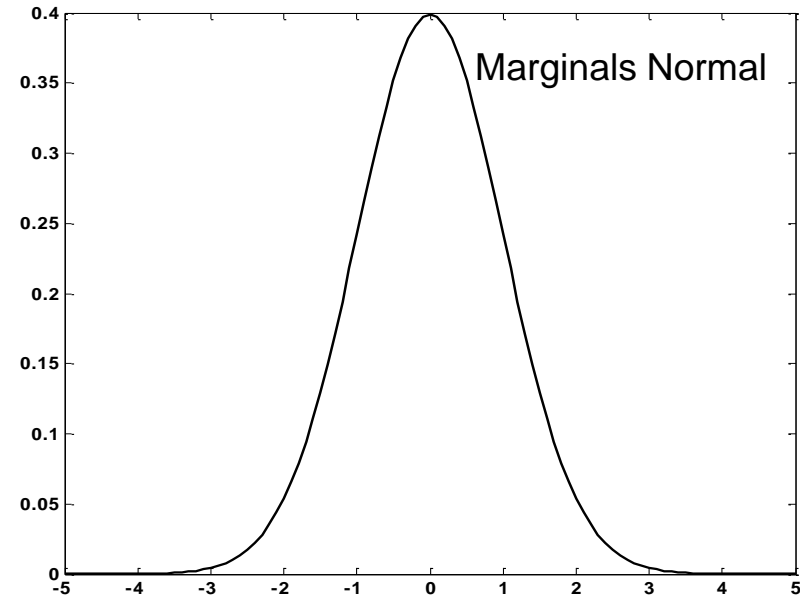
$$f(x_1 | \theta) = \int_{x_2} f(x_1, x_2 | \theta) dx_2$$

$$f(x_2 | \theta) = \int_{x_1} f(x_1, x_2 | \theta) dx_1$$

## Marginal Expectations

$$E(g(X_1) | \theta) = \int_{x_1} g(x_1) f(x_1 | \theta) dx_1$$

$$E(g(X_2) | \theta) = \int_{x_2} g(x_2) f(x_2 | \theta) dx_2$$



Provided integral exists

# Bivariate Continuous Distributions

## Marginal Means

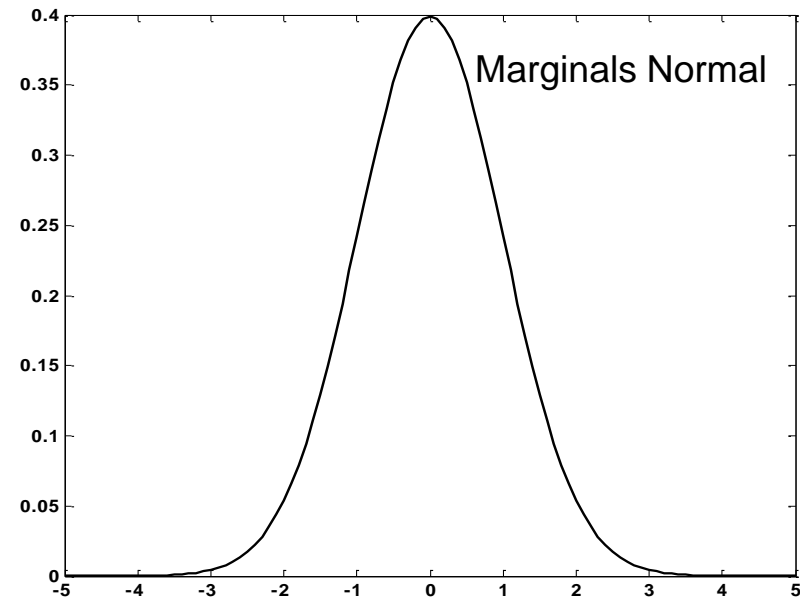
$$E(X_1 | \theta) = \int_{x_1} x_1 f(x_1 | \theta) dx_1 = \mu_1$$

$$E(X_2 | \theta) = \int_{x_2} x_2 f(x_2 | \theta) dx_2 = \mu_2$$

## Marginal Variances

$$E([X_1 - E(X_1 | \theta)]^2 | \theta) = \int_{x_1} [x_1 - E(X_1 | \theta)]^2 f(x_1 | \theta) dx_1 = \sigma_1^2$$

$$E([X_2 - E(X_2 | \theta)]^2 | \theta) = \int_{x_2} [x_2 - E(X_2 | \theta)]^2 f(x_2 | \theta) dx_2 = \sigma_2^2$$



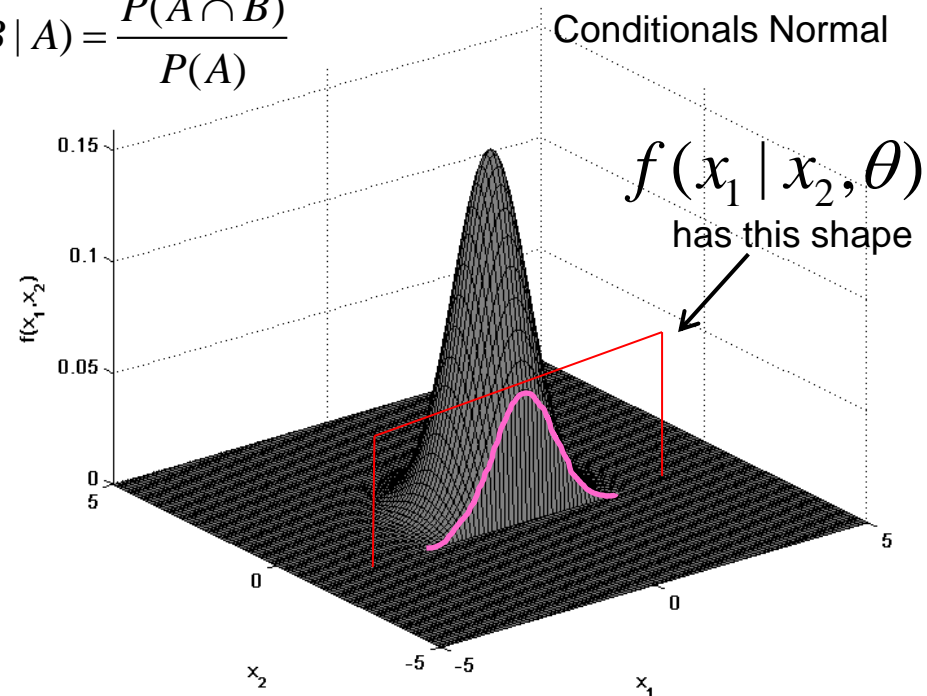
# Bivariate Continuous Distributions

## Conditional Distributions

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$

$$f(x_1 | x_2, \theta) = \frac{f(x_1, x_2 | \theta)}{f(x_2 | \theta)}$$

$$f(x_2 | x_1, \theta) = \frac{f(x_1, x_2 | \theta)}{f(x_1 | \theta)}$$



## Conditional Expectations

$$E(g(X_1) | X_2, \theta) = \int_{x_1} g(x_1) f(x_1 | x_2, \theta) dx_1$$

$$E(g(X_2) | X_1, \theta) = \int_{x_2} g(x_2) f(x_2 | x_1, \theta) dx_2$$

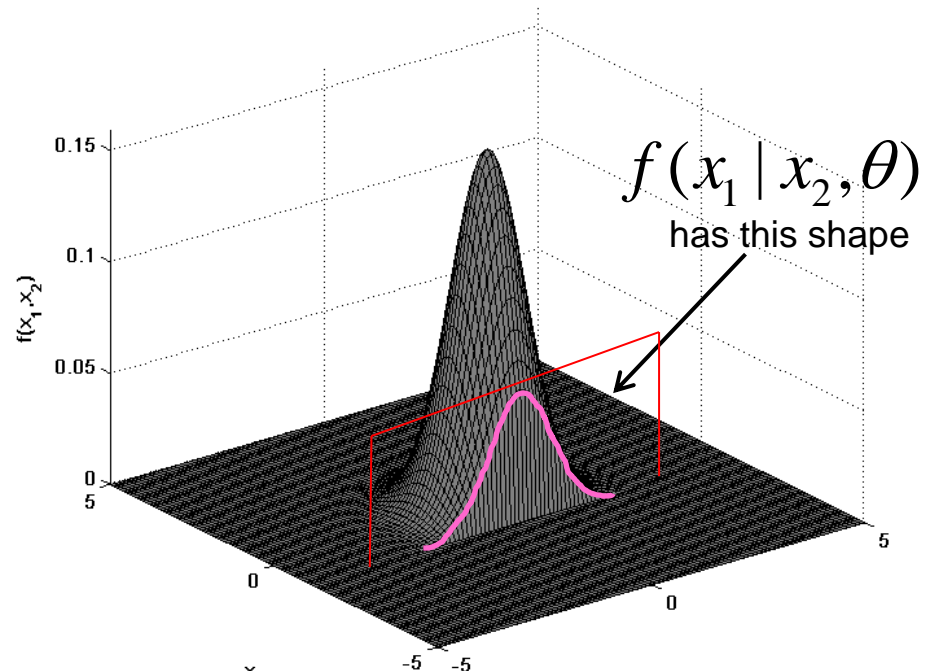
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# Bivariate Continuous Distributions

## Conditional Means

$$E(X_1 | X_2, \theta) = \int_{x_1} x_1 f(x_1 | x_2, \theta) dx_1$$

$$E(X_2 | X_1, \theta) = \int_{x_2} x_2 f(x_2 | x_1, \theta) dx_2$$



## Conditional Variances

$$E([X_1 - E(X_1 | X_2, \theta)]^2 | X_2, \theta) = \int_{x_1} [x_1 - E(X_1 | X_2, \theta)]^2 f(x_1 | x_2, \theta) dx_1$$

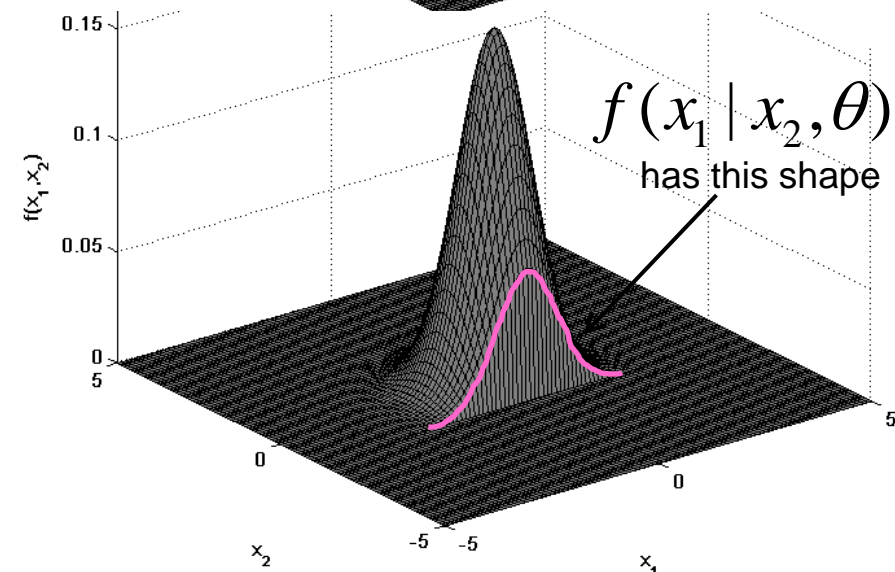
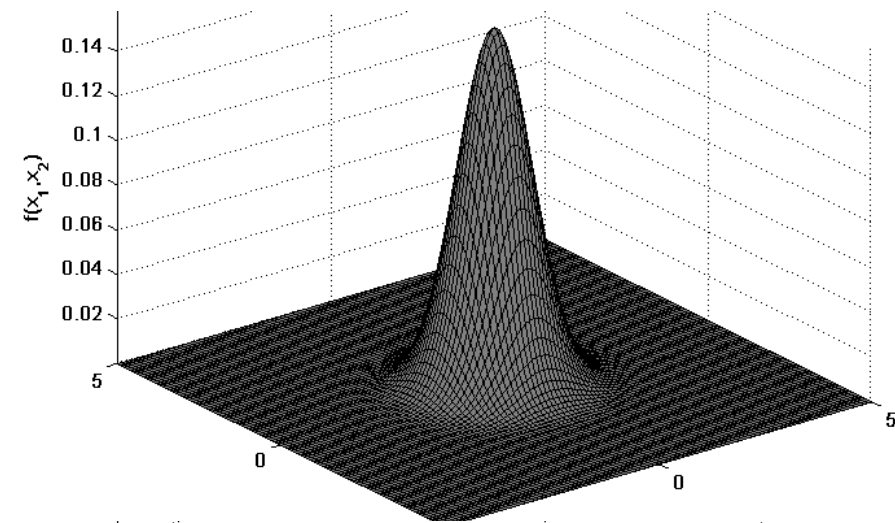
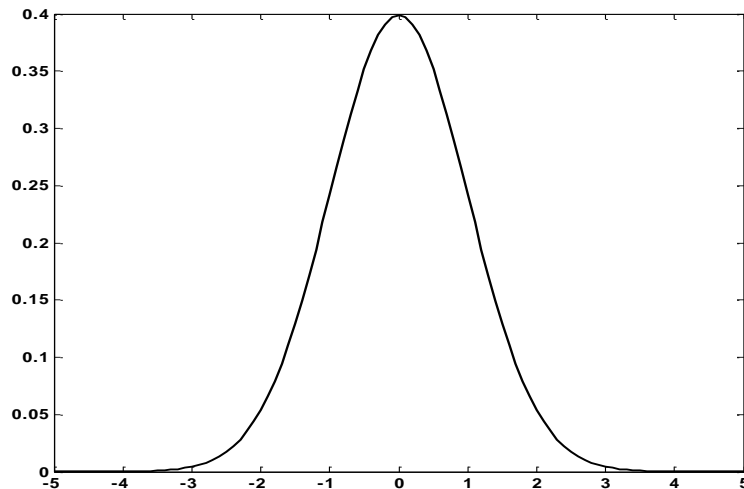
$$E([X_2 - E(X_2 | X_1, \theta)]^2 | X_1, \theta) = \int_{x_2} [x_2 - E(X_2 | X_1, \theta)]^2 f(x_2 | x_1, \theta) dx_2$$

# Bivariate Continuous Distributions

## Marginal Distributions

$$f(x_2 | \theta) = \int_{x_1} f(x_1, x_2 | \theta) dx_1$$

$$f(x_2 | \theta) = \frac{f(x_1, x_2 | \theta)}{f(x_1 | x_2, \theta)}$$





# Bivariate Continuous Distributions

## Covariance

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cov}(X_1, X_2 | \theta) &= \iint_{x_1 x_2} [x_1 - E(X_1 | \theta)][x_2 - E(X_2 | \theta)] f(x_1, x_2 | \theta) dx_1 dx_2 \\ &= \sigma_{12} \end{aligned}$$

$\swarrow \mu_1$                        $\swarrow \mu_2$

## Correlation

$$\text{corr}(X_1, X_2 | \theta) = \frac{\text{cov}(X_1, X_2 | \theta)}{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}$$

# Bivariate Continuous Distributions

## Statistical Independence

Two random variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are independent if and only if

$$f(x_1, x_2 | \theta) = f(x_1 | \theta_1) f(x_2 | \theta_2) \cdot$$

If two random variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are uncorrelated,

$$\text{corr}(X_1, X_2 | \theta) = 0$$

then they are not necessarily independent. (Only for normal).

# Bivariate Change of Variable

Given two continuous random variables,  $(x_1, x_2)$

with joint probability distribution function  $f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2 | \theta)$ .

Let  $\begin{pmatrix} y_1(x_1, x_2) \\ y_2(x_1, x_2) \end{pmatrix}$  be a transformation from  $(x_1, x_2)$  to  $(y_1, y_2)$

with inverse transformation  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1(y_1, y_2) \\ x_2(y_1, y_2) \end{pmatrix}$ .

# Bivariate Change of Variable

Then, the joint probability distribution function  $f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2 | \theta)$

of  $(y_1, y_2)$  can be found via

$$f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2 | \theta) = f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1(y_1, y_2), x_2(y_1, y_2) | \theta) \times |J(x_1, x_2 \rightarrow y_1, y_2)|$$

$$\text{where } J(x_1, x_2 \rightarrow y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{dx_1(y_1, y_2)}{dy_1} & \frac{dx_1(y_1, y_2)}{dy_2} \\ \frac{dx_2(y_1, y_2)}{dy_1} & \frac{dx_2(y_1, y_2)}{dy_2} \end{vmatrix} .$$

$$|J(x_1, x_2 \rightarrow y_1, y_2)| = 1 / |J(y_1, y_2 \rightarrow x_1, x_2)|$$

# Bivariate Change of Variable - Sum

Let  $x_1$  have PDF  $f_{X_1}(x_1|\theta)$  and  $x_2$  have PDF  $f_{X_2}(x_2|\theta)$ ,

then, the PDF of  $y_1 = x_1 + x_2$  can be found via the

bivariate change of variable technique

$$f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2 | \theta) = f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1(y_1, y_2), x_2(y_1, y_2) | \theta) \times |J(x_1, x_2 \rightarrow y_1, y_2)|$$

with marginalization  $f_{Y_1}(y_1 | \theta) = \int_{y_2} f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2 | \theta) dy_2$  .

# Bivariate Change of Variable - Sum

The joint PDF of  $(x_1, x_2)$  is

$$f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2 | \theta) = f_{X_1}(x_1 | \theta_1) f_{X_2}(x_2 | \theta_2). \quad (\text{need not be independent})$$

Let  $y_1 = x_1 + x_2$  and  $y_2 = x_2$ , then  $x_1 = y_1 - y_2$  and  $x_2 = y_2$ .

$$J(x_1, x_2 \rightarrow y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{dx_1(y_1, y_2)}{dy_1} & \frac{dx_1(y_1, y_2)}{dy_2} \\ \frac{dx_2(y_1, y_2)}{dy_1} & \frac{dx_2(y_1, y_2)}{dy_2} \end{vmatrix} = 1$$

# Bivariate Change of Variable - Sum

## Example: Normal

Let  $x_1 \sim \text{normal}(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$  and  $x_2 \sim \text{normal}(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$ ,  $x_1$  &  $x_2$  independent.  
The joint PDF of  $(x_1, x_2)$  is

$$f(x_1, x_2 | \mu_1, \sigma_1^2, \mu_2, \sigma_2^2) = \frac{1}{\sigma_1 \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1} \right)^2} \frac{1}{\sigma_2 \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2} \right)^2} .$$

With  $x_1 = y_1 - y_2$   $x_2 = y_2$   $J(x_1, x_2 \rightarrow y_1, y_2) = 1$

$$f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2 | \theta) = \frac{1}{\sigma_1 \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{y_1 - y_2 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1} \right)^2} \frac{1}{\sigma_2 \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{y_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2} \right)^2} \times 1$$

# Bivariate Change of Variable - Sum

Rearranging leads to

$$f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2 | \theta) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_1\sigma_2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left[\left(\frac{y_1 - y_2 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2}\right)^2\right]}$$

Complete square in exponent to get

$$f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2 | \theta) = \frac{1}{\tau\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{y_2 - \delta}{\tau}\right)^2} \frac{\tau}{\sigma_1\sigma_2\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\gamma - \tau^{-2}\delta^2)}$$

$\delta$  does not depend on  $y_2$

$$\delta = \frac{\sigma_2^2(y_1 - \mu_1) + \mu_1\sigma_2^2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}$$

$$\tau^2 = \frac{\sigma_1^2\sigma_2^2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{(y_1 - \mu_1)^2\sigma_2^2 + \mu_2^2\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}$$



# Bivariate Change of Variable - Sum

Marginalizing leads to  $f_{Y_1}(y_1 | \theta_1) = \int_{y_2} f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2 | \theta) dy_2$

$$f_{Y_1}(y_1 | \theta_1) = \frac{\tau}{\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\gamma - \tau^{-2} \delta^2)} \underbrace{\int_{y_2} \frac{1}{\tau \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{y_2 - \delta}{\tau} \right)^2} dy_2}_{=1}$$

algebra leads to

$$f_{Y_1}(y_1 | \theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)}} e^{-\frac{[y_1 - (\mu_1 + \mu_2)]^2}{2(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)}}$$

$$\tau^2 = \frac{\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}$$

$$\delta = \frac{\sigma_2^2 (y_1 - \mu_1) + \mu_2 \sigma_1^2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{(y_1 - \mu_1)^2 \sigma_2^2 + \mu_2^2 \sigma_1^2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}$$

$$y_1 \sim N(\mu_1 + \mu_2, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)$$

# Bivariate Change of Variable - Sum

This change of variable technique can be repeated.

If  $x_3 \sim \text{normal}(\mu_3, \sigma_3^2)$ ,  $x_3$  ind of  $x_1$  &  $x_2$ , then if we let  $y_3 = x_3 + y_1$  (don't forget  $y_1 = x_1 + x_2$ ),

then we can find that  $y_3 \sim N(\mu_1 + \mu_2 + \mu_3, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2)$

we can repeat the procedure to get  $y_n \sim N\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i, \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2\right)$ .

We can also find that  $y = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \sim N\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i, \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2\right)$ .

# Homework 7:

- 1) Let  $x_1 \sim \text{normal}(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$ ,  $x_2 \sim \text{normal}(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$ ,  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  independent.
  - a) Use transformation to obtain the distribution of  $y_1 = x_1 + x_2$ .
  - b) Use transformation to obtain the distribution of  $y_1 = x_1 - x_2$ .
  - c) Use transformation to obtain the distribution of  $y_1 = x_1 x_2$ .
  - d) Use transformation to obtain the distribution of  $y_1 = x_1 / x_2$ .In any of a)-d) you may need to constrain  $\mu$ 's and/or  $\sigma^2$ 's.  
(But try not to.)
  - e) Use numerical integration (rectangles) to get
$$\mu_{y_1} = \int y_1 f(y_1) dy_1 \text{ and } \sigma^2 = \int (y_1 - \mu_{y_1})^2 f(y_1) dy_1 \text{ for a)-d).}$$
  - f) Use numerical integration to get 50<sup>th</sup> and 99<sup>th</sup> percentiles.

# Homework 7:

2) Let  $x_1 \sim \text{normal}(5,4)$ ,  $x_2 \sim \text{normal}(10,1)$ ,  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  independent.

a) For the transformation  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  to  $y_1 = x_1x_2$  and  $y_2 = x_2$ .

Use numerical integration with rectangular volumes to obtain the mean of  $y_2$  from  $f(y_1, y_2)$ . Set up lower and upper bounds  $(a,b)$  for  $y_1$  and  $(c,d)$  for  $y_2$ , then compute

$$\mu = \int_{y_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{y_2=-\infty}^{\infty} y_1 f(y_1, y_2) dy$$

$$\sigma^2 = \int_{y_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{y_2=-\infty}^{\infty} (y_1 - \mu)^2 f(y_1, y_2) dy_2 dy_1 \quad \leftarrow \text{can make 2 integrals}$$

b) Repeat a) but for  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  to  $y_1 = x_1/x_2$  and  $y_2 = x_2$ .

# Homework 7:

3) Let  $x_1 \sim \text{normal}(5,4)$ ,  $x_2 \sim \text{normal}(10,1)$ ,  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  independent.

Generate  $10^6$   $x_1$ 's and  $10^6$   $x_2$ 's.

a) Let  $10^6$  new random variates be  $y = x_1 + x_2$  .

b) Let  $10^6$  new random variates be  $y = x_1 - x_2$  .

c) Let  $10^6$  new random variates be  $y = x_1 x_2$  .

d) Let  $10^6$  new random variates be  $y = x_1 / x_2$  .

e) For a)-d) generate histogram, means, variances  
50<sup>th</sup> and 99<sup>th</sup> percentiles.

Compare results to 2). In any of a)-d) reconsider with any constraints you put on  $\mu$ 's and/or  $\sigma^2$ 's in 1).

# Homework 7:

- 4) Let  $f(x | a, b, \alpha, \beta) = \alpha(x - \beta)^2$  for  $x \in (a, b)$ ,  $a \in (-\infty, \infty)$ ,  $b \in (a, \infty)$
- Sketch this probability function. Consider  $a < \beta$  and  $a > \beta$ .
  - Find the normalizing constant  $\alpha$  in terms of  $a$  and  $b$ .
  - Derive the mean of this distribution.
  - Derive the variance of this distribution.
  - Derive the median of this distribution.
  - What is the mode of this distribution.
  - Derive an expression for the CDF of this distribution.

# Homework 7:

5) Let  $u \sim \text{uniform}(0,1)$ .

a) Derive the distribution of  $x = \sqrt[3]{3 \frac{u}{\alpha} + (a - \beta)^3} + \beta$ ,  $x \in (a,b)$ .

b) Generate  $10^6$  random  $u$ 's and transform to  $x$ 's.

use  $a=5$ ,  $b=15$ ,  $\beta=10$ .

c) Make a histogram of  $u$ 's and  $x$ 's.

d) Calculate mean, median, mode, and variance of  $x$ 's.

e) Make ecdf for  $F(x)$ .

f) Repeat for  $a=7$ ,  $\beta=10$ ,  $b=17$ .

g) Compare your answers to their theoretical values.