

Example 2.12

Find the MGF of the r.v. X, then use it to find the first four moments. Where

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{2}; \quad 0 < x < 2$$

Solution

$$M_X(t) = E(e^{tX}) = \int_0^2 \frac{xe^{tx}}{2} dx.$$

Use integration by parts:

$$u = \frac{x}{2} \quad dv = e^{tx} dx$$

$$du = \frac{1}{2} dx \quad v = \frac{e^{tx}}{t}$$

Hence,

$$M_X(t) = \frac{xe^{tx}}{2t} \Big|_0^2 - \int_0^2 \frac{e^{tx}}{2t} dx = \frac{e^{2t}}{t} - \frac{e^{tx}}{2t^2} \Big|_0^2 = \frac{e^{2t}}{t} - \frac{e^{2t}}{2t^2} + \frac{1}{2t^2}.$$

Since the derivative of $M_X(t)$ does not exist at $t = 0$, we will use the Taylor series form. Thus, we have to put the MGF on the form

$$\text{If we put } t=0, \text{ then } M_X(t) = \frac{e^{2t}}{t} - \frac{e^{2t}}{2t^2} + \frac{1}{2t^2} \text{ (at } t = 0) = \frac{e^{2t}}{0} + \frac{e^{2t}}{2(0)} + \frac{1}{2 \times 0^2} = \text{not exist}$$

Then,

We will use Taylor series to find the value of MGF $M_X(t)$:

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}.$$

$$M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} E(X^k) \frac{t^k}{k!} = 1 + E(X)t + E(X^2) \frac{t^2}{2!} + E(X^3) \frac{t^3}{3!} + \dots.$$

نستخدم المتسلسلة لحل MGF: قيمة $M_X(t)$ التي تم حسابها بالمثل كانت كالتالي :

$$\begin{aligned} M_X(t) &= \frac{e^{2t}}{t} + \frac{e^{2t}}{2t^2} + \frac{1}{2t^2} = \frac{1}{2t^2} + \frac{e^{2t}}{t} + \frac{e^{2t}}{2t^2} = \frac{1}{2t^2} + e^{2t} \left(\frac{1}{t} + \frac{1}{2t^2} \right) = \frac{1}{2t^2} + e^{2t} \left(\frac{2t}{2t^2} + \frac{1}{2t^2} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{2t^2} + e^{2t} \left(\frac{2t-1}{2t^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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

Use the **Taylor series** :

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}$$

Let $x=2t$, then the **Taylor series** :

$$e^{2t} = 1 + 2t + \frac{(2t)^2}{2!} + \frac{(2t)^3}{3!} + \frac{(2t)^4}{4!} + \frac{(2t)^5}{5!} + \frac{(2t)^6}{6!} \dots \dots \dots$$

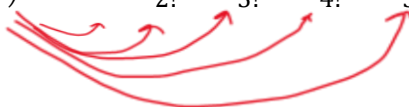
Now, substitute series e^{2t} in MGF $M_X(t)$:

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

$$M_X(t) = \frac{1}{2t^2} + e^{2t} \left(\frac{2t-1}{2t^2} \right) = \frac{1}{2t^2} + \left(\frac{2t-1}{2t^2} \right) \left(1 + 2t + \frac{(2t)^2}{2!} + \frac{(2t)^3}{3!} + \frac{(2t)^4}{4!} + \frac{(2t)^5}{5!} + \frac{(2t)^6}{6!} \dots \dots \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2t^2} + \left(\frac{2t-1}{2t^2} \right) \left(1 + 2t + \frac{(2t)^2}{2!} + \frac{(2t)^3}{3!} + \frac{(2t)^4}{4!} + \frac{(2t)^5}{5!} + \frac{(2t)^6}{6!} \dots \dots \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2t^2} + \left(\frac{2t-1}{2t^2} \right) \left(1 + 2t + \frac{2^2 t^2}{2!} + \frac{2^3 t^3}{3!} + \frac{2^4 t^4}{4!} + \frac{2^5 t^5}{5!} + \frac{2^6 t^6}{6!} \dots \dots \dots \right)$$



$$= \frac{1}{2t^2} + \frac{2t-1}{2t^2} + \frac{2t-1}{t} + 2t - 1 + (2t-1) \frac{2^2 t^2}{3!} + (2t-1) \frac{2^3 t^3}{4!} + (2t-1) \frac{2^4 t^4}{5!} + (2t-1) \frac{2^5 t^5}{6!} \dots \dots \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{2t^2} + \frac{1}{t} + \frac{1}{2t^2} + 2 - \frac{1}{t} + 2t - 1 + \frac{2^3 t^2}{3!} - \frac{2^2 t}{3!} + \frac{2^4 t^3}{4!} - \frac{2^3 t^2}{4!} + \frac{2^5 t^4}{5!} - \frac{2^4 t^3}{5!} + \frac{2^6 t^5}{6!} - \frac{2^5 t^4}{6!} \dots \dots \dots$$

$$= 1 + 2t + \frac{2^3 t^2}{3!} - \frac{2^2 t}{3!} + \frac{2^4 t^3}{4!} - \frac{2^3 t^2}{4!} + \frac{2^5 t^4}{5!} - \frac{2^4 t^3}{5!} + \frac{2^6 t^5}{6!} - \frac{2^5 t^4}{6!} + \dots \dots \dots$$

$$= 1 + 2t - \frac{2^2 t}{3!} + \frac{2^3 t^2}{3!} - \frac{2^3 t^2}{4!} + \frac{2^4 t^3}{4!} - \frac{2^4 t^3}{5!} + \frac{2^5 t^4}{5!} - \frac{2^5 t^4}{6!} + \frac{2^6 t^5}{6!} \dots \dots \dots$$

$$= 1 + \left(2 - \frac{2^2}{3!} \right) t + \left(\frac{2^3}{3!} - \frac{2^3}{4!} \right) t^2 + \left(\frac{2^4}{4!} - \frac{2^4}{5!} \right) t^3 + \left(\frac{2^5}{5!} - \frac{2^5}{6!} \right) t^4 + \left(\frac{2^6}{6!} - \frac{2^6}{7!} \right) t^5 + \dots \dots \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{4}{3} t + 1 t^2 + \frac{8}{15} t^3 + \frac{2}{9} t^4 + \frac{8}{15} t^5 \dots \dots \dots = 1 + \frac{4}{3} t + 2 \frac{t^2}{2!} + \frac{16 t^3}{5 \cdot 3!} + \frac{16 t^4}{3 \cdot 4!} + \frac{8}{15} t^3 + \frac{8}{105} t^4 + 64 \frac{t^5}{5!} \dots \dots \dots$$

By compare with the Taylor series for the first 4 terms with

$$M_X(t) = 1 + E(X)t + E(X^2) \frac{t^2}{2!} + E(X^3) \frac{t^3}{3!} + E(X^4) \frac{t^4}{4!} + E(X^5) \frac{t^5}{5!} + E(X^6) \frac{t^6}{6!} + \dots \dots \dots$$

$$M_X(t) = 1 + \frac{4}{3} t + 2 \frac{t^2}{2!} + \frac{16 t^3}{5 \cdot 3!} + \frac{16 t^4}{3 \cdot 4!} + \frac{8}{15} t^3 + \frac{8}{105} t^4 + 64 \frac{t^5}{5!} \dots \dots \dots$$

Then , the first four moments are

$$E(X) = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$E(X^2) = 2$$

$$E(X^3) = \frac{16}{5}$$

$$E(X^4) = \frac{16}{3}$$

Mean and variance :

$$\text{The mean} = \mu = E(X) = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\text{Variance} = \sigma^2 = E(X^2) - E(X)^2$$

$$= 2 - \frac{4^2}{3} = \frac{2}{9}$$