

Appendix E

Functions of Normal Random Variables

If $Y_j \sim N(0, 1)$, $j = 1, \dots, J$, with Y_1, \dots, Y_J independent, then

$$Z = \sum_{j=1}^J Y_j^2 \sim \chi_J^2, \tag{E.1}$$

a chi-squared distribution with J degrees of freedom and $E[Z] = J$, $\text{var}(Z) = 2J$.

If $X \sim N(0, 1)$, $Y \sim \chi_d^2$, with X and Y independent, then

$$\frac{X}{(Y/d)^{1/2}} \sim T(0, 1, d), \tag{E.2}$$

a Student's t distribution with d degrees of freedom.

If $U \sim \chi_J^2$ and $V \sim \chi_K^2$, with U and V independent, then

$$\frac{U/J}{V/K} \sim F(J, K), \tag{E.3}$$

the F distribution with J, K degrees of freedom.