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# The Modification of Chi-Square Tests for the Identification of Hydrological Data Distribution

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**Abstract** The growing population in the community has led to an increase in the need for community infrastructure. Civil engineers have to provide secure community infrastructures. The infrastructures must resist the load caused by extreme events, such as rainstorms. Therefore, civil engineers must design the water infrastructure based on the exact parameters of the hydrological data. Engineers obtain the precise parameters of a return period through frequency analysis. Good data distribution will lead to obtaining the parameters. Civil engineers can use the Chi-Square method to test the fitness of the data distribution type. However, the original way to get the Expected Frequency is complicated because it uses the integral solving method. This weakness causes the engineers to linger to test the distribution suitability. This article proposes a modification to ease obtaining the expected frequency in the Chi-Square test. This article demonstrated the proposal using rainfall data from 1997 to 2021 from the Semongkat station, Sumbawa Regency, Indonesia. The demonstration results show that the proposal is easy to implement. The Maximum Daily Rain data from Semongkat Station follows the Lognormal Distribution.

**Keywords** Rainstorms, Data [distribution](#), [Return](#) Period, Chi-Square Test

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## 1. Introduction

Design discharge is essential information in water construction design [1-3]. Researchers and civil engineers use design discharges to obtain the dimensions of water structures. Unrealistic design discharge can lead to the failure or the over-budget of construction [4]. Researchers and engineers derive discharge designs based on an acceptable type of discharge data distribution in the frequency analysis [5-8]. However, there are difficulties in recognizing the distribution. The problem is such as obtaining the parameters of data distribution. So far, the well-known methods for estimating the parameters of distribution data are the Method of Moments, the Method of Maximum Likelihood Estimation, the Method of Probability Weighted Moment, and the Richardson Method [9-11]. Those methods have some weaknesses [12], including: (1) an iterative procedure for maximum likelihood estimation is based only on a complete sample of various population parameters; (2) the solution is only based on a linear system; (3) the method cannot find the precise parameter if the system has more than one peak (4), the method cannot find the parameter if the distribution members are infinite, (5) the solution requires complex mathematical solving skills, such as integral approach [13-16].

To anticipate the weaknesses above, engineers utilize the statistical parameters of distribution to understand the type of distribution [17,18]. The distribution parameters are the skewness coefficient and the kurtosis coefficient. However, engineers have to compare the frequency of the observed data to the expected frequency to ensure the type of distribution [19,20]. The expected frequency in the Chi-Square Test is the theoretical frequency that we expect to occur in the data according to the type of distribution. Generally, researchers and engineers calculate the expected frequency based on the equation of the data distribution curve or the Probability Density Function (PDF) plot. Researchers and engineers can draw PDF plots using a mathematical solution approach to the theoretical distribution function [13-16]. Fig. 1 shows the PDFs of several distribution functions.

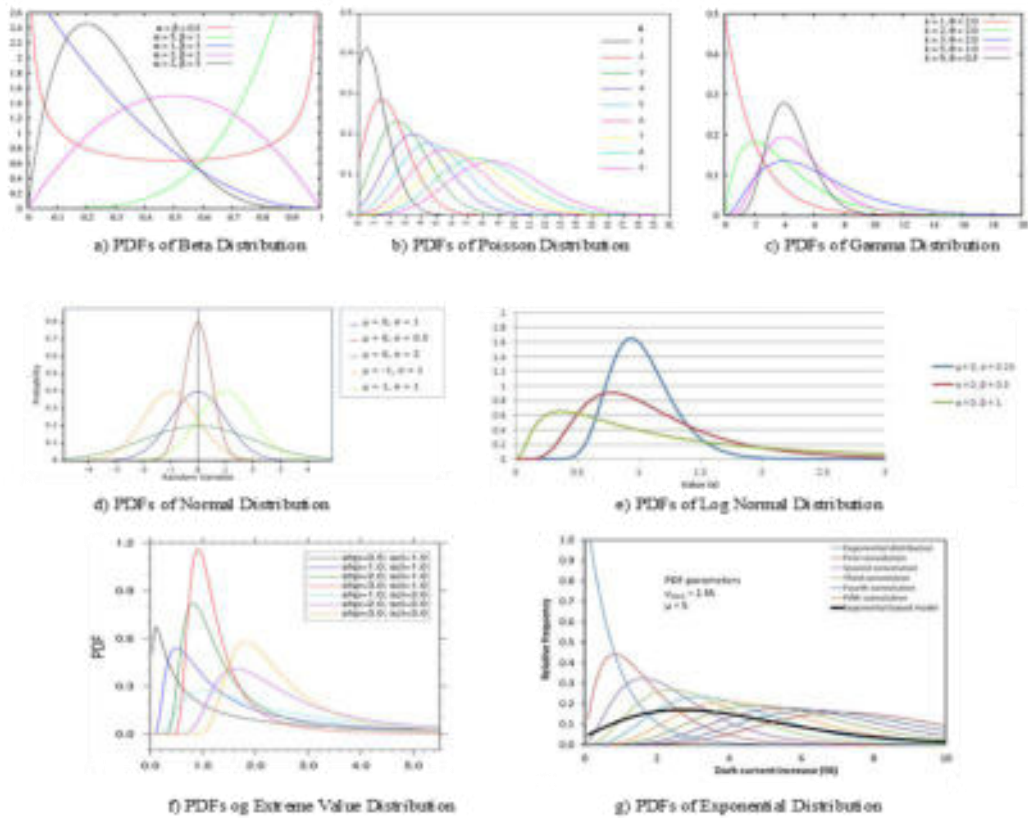


Figure 1. The Plots of Probability Density Function

Statisticians and mathematicians use an integration approach to calculate the area under the PDF curve as the estimate of expected frequency [13-16]. However, this integration approach is complicated; consequently, the chi-square test has become unpopular among engineers.

This paper proposes a modification of Chi-Square Tests to identify the data distribution. This technique helps engineers obtain the type of hydrological data distribution without having a problem.

## 2. Materials and Methods

### 2.1 Chi-Square

Pearson [19] developed the method of Chi-Square for the goodness of fit test. The Chi-Square tests the similarity between **observational** data and theory using the sum of squares of the difference based on data classes. Pearson gave the equation below [21, 22].

$$\chi^2 = \frac{\sum (OF - EF)^2}{\sum (EF)} \quad (1)$$

where:  $\chi$  is Pearson's cumulative test statistic, OF is the number of observation Frequencies, EF is the expected (theoretical) frequency.

A calculated Pearson's Chi-square smaller than the critical Chi-square from the table indicates the observed data follow the expected distribution. Table 1 presents critical Chi-square. Fig. 2 shows the technique of using the Chi-square method for the identification of hydrological data distribution types.

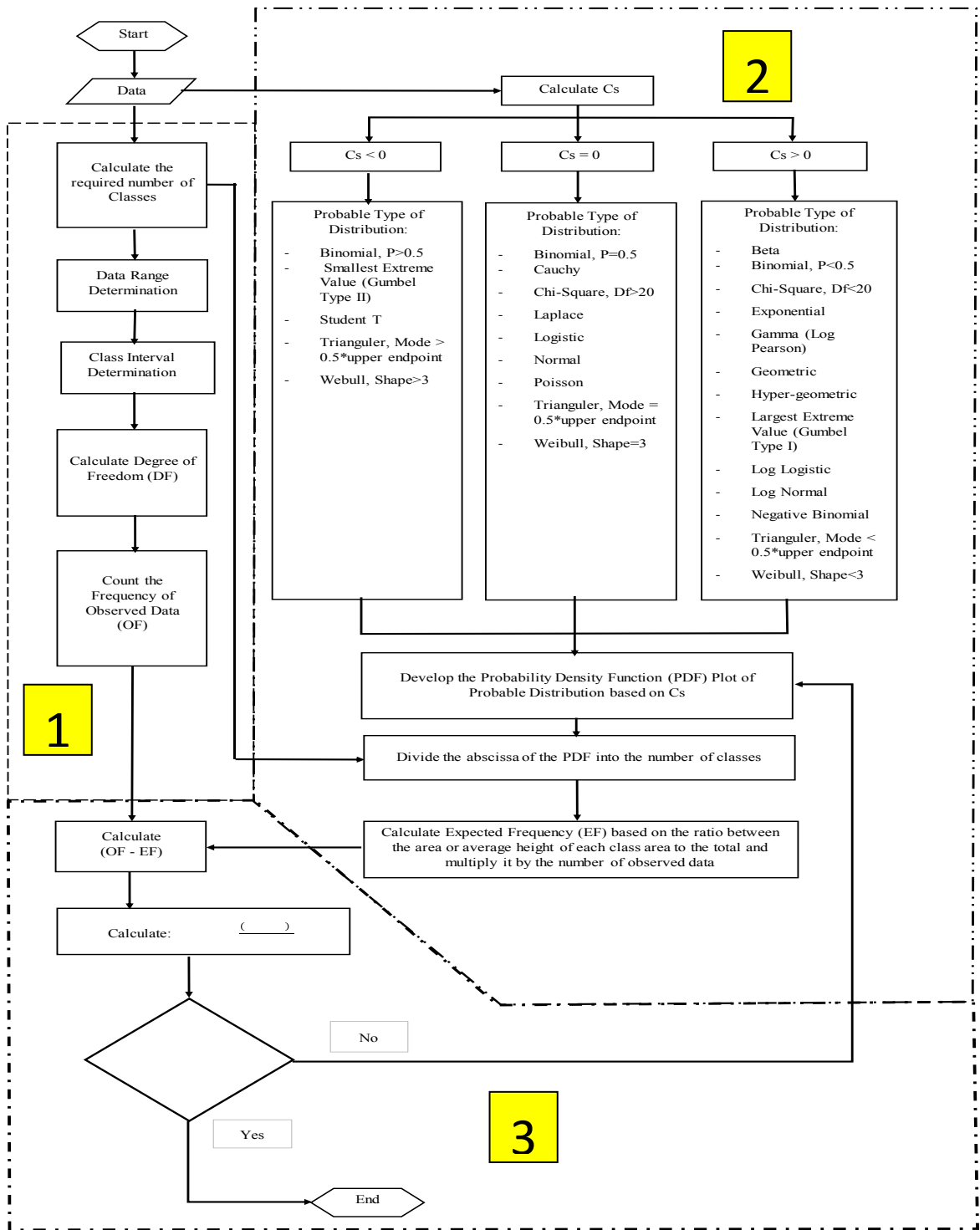


Figure 2. The Proposed Process Diagram

Fig. 2 shows the Chi-square test technique to identify the distribution type of hydrological data. This technique contains three parts of analysis. The first part is to prepare data into classes according to the number of data. The second part is to obtain the expected frequency and the modification. Finally, the third part examines the acceptability of the data distribution.

**Table 1. Percentage Points of the Chi-Square Distribution**

Degree of Freedom	Probability of a Larger Value of $\chi^2$								
	0.99	0.95	0.90	0.75	0.50	0.25	0.10	0.05	0.01
1	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.10	0.45	1.32	2.71	3.84	6.63
2	0.02	0.10	0.21	0.57	1.38	2.77	4.61	5.99	9.21
3	0.11	0.35	0.58	1.21	2.36	4.11	6.25	7.81	11.34
4	0.29	0.71	1.06	1.92	3.35	5.39	7.78	9.49	13.34
5	0.55	1.14	1.61	2.67	4.35	6.63	9.24	11.07	15.09
6	0.87	1.63	2.20	3.45	5.34	7.84	10.64	12.59	16.81
7	1.23	2.16	2.83	4.25	6.34	9.04	12.02	14.07	18.48
8	1.64	2.73	3.49	5.07	7.34	10.22	13.36	15.51	20.09
9	2.08	3.32	4.16	5.89	8.34	11.39	14.68	16.92	21.67
10	2.55	3.32	4.16	5.89	8.34	11.39	14.68	16.92	21.67

(Source: Devore, 1995)

## 2.2 Calculations

### 2.2.1 The Number of Class

In calculating Chi-Square using tables, **engineers** need to group the data based on an interval to count the frequency of occurrence. Therefore, **Engineers** have to divide data into several classes using the **equation** of Sturges **as follows** [23,24,20].

$$k = 1 + 3.322 (\log_{10} (n)) \quad (2)$$

where k is the number of class, n is the number of data

### 2.2.2 The Range of Data

The range of data shows how the data spreads from the smallest to the largest. Equation (3) obtains the range

$$R = H - L \quad (3)$$

where R is the range of data, H is the largest value of data, L is the smallest value of data.

### 2.2.3 The Interval of Class

Equation (4) obtains the interval of class

$$I = R / k \quad (4)$$

where I is the interval of class, R is the range of data, k is the number of class.

### 2.2.4 The Degree of Freedom

The degree of freedom (DF) is the number of independent variables in the data set, which still independently maintain fixed parameters [25,26]. The equation of the degree of freedom for the Chi-Square calculation is

$$DF = k - 1 \quad (5)$$

where DF is the Degree of Freedom, k is the number of classes.



### 2.2.5 Coefficient of Skewness

Some researchers and **civil engineers** use the Coefficient of Skewness (Cs) to identify whether the data follow a symmetrical distribution. Symmetrical distributions have Cs equal to zero. Otherwise, the distribution is asymmetrical. The two types of asymmetrical distributions are positive and negative asymmetrical distributions. Pearson gave an **equation** to calculate the Coefficient of Skewness (Cs) below [27-30].

$$Cs = [n/(n-1)(n-2)] \Sigma [(xi-\mu)/\sigma]^3 \quad (6)$$

where Cs is the Coefficient of Skewness, n is the number of data, xi is the individual data,  $\mu$  is the average of data, and  $\sigma$  is the standard deviation of data.

### 2.2.6 The Modification of the Expected Frequency Calculation

The modification is replacing the original method of calculating the area of a PDF curve based on an integration [19,13-16] with the technique of measuring the height of the curve. The solution becomes simpler. The following steps **explain how to obtain the expected frequency using the new approach**

**Step 1: Get the PDF curve,**

**Step 2: Divide the abscissa of the curve according to the number of classes,**

**Step 3: Obtain the height of each class,**

**Step 4: Sum all of the heights of the class,**

**Step 5: Determine the Expected Frequency of each class by the height line of each class divided by the total height, then multiplied by the number of data**

## 2.3 Case Study

The following section presents several case studies to demonstrate the application of the proposed technique. This paper performs a Chi-Square test to identify the distribution type of hydrological data. This study analyzes the following two sample data: Rainfall Data and Flow Data.

Table 2 presents the Historical Rainfall Data from the Semongkat Station, Sumbawa – Indonesia.

**Table 2.** The Maximum Daily Rainfall Data from the Semongkat Station

No	Year	<b>Xi</b>	No	Year	<b>Xi</b>
1	1997	145.2	14	2010	86.2
2	1998	92	15	2011	62.3
3	1999	162.3	16	2012	122.3
4	2000	96.6	17	2013	100
5	2001	115.3	18	2014	113.5
6	2002	146.2	19	2015	117.5
7	2003	98.7	20	2016	92
8	2004	145.7	21	2017	145
9	2005	86.4	22	2018	67.5
10	2006	76.8	23	2019	78.3
11	2007	87.8	24	2020	221.1
12	2008	82.4	25	2021	56.4
13	2009	189.3			

### 2.3.1 The Classes

Using Equations (2), (3), and (4), the classes will be as shown in Table 3

**Table 3.** The Classes

No	Lower Bond	Upper Bond	Classes
1	-	83.85	$0 < X \leq 83.85$
2	83.85	111.3	$83.85 < X \leq 111.3$
3	111.3	138.75	$111.3 < X \leq 138.75$
4	138.75	166.2	$138.75 < X \leq 166.2$
5	166.2	193.65	$166.2 < X \leq 193.65$
6	193.65	221.1	$193.65 < X \leq 221.1$

### 2.3.2 Degree of Freedom

Using Equation (5), the Degree of Freedom (DF) is

$$DF = k - 1 = 6 - 1 = 5$$

### 2.3.3 Coefficient of Skewness

Using Eq. (6), the Coefficient of Skewness is

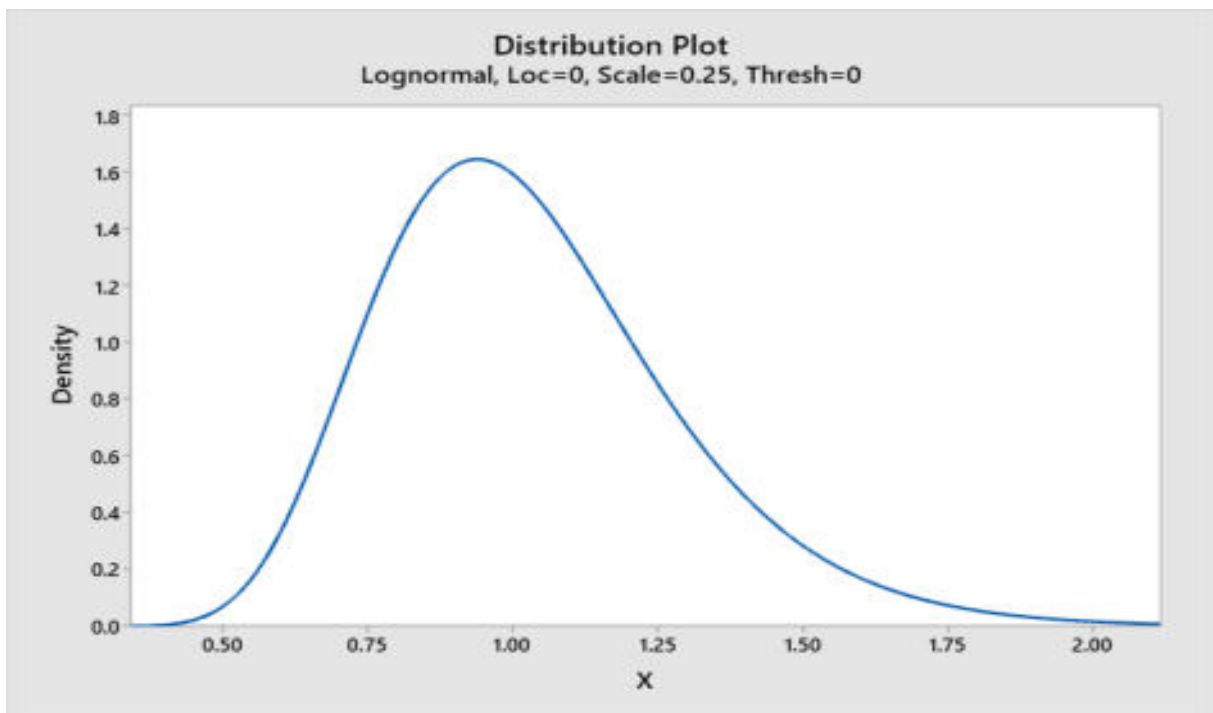
$$Cs = [25/(25-1)(25-2)] \sum [(xi-111.47)/40.37]^3 = 1.06$$

As the Cs is close to one (1), the expected distribution is a Log Normal.

### 2.3.4 The Modification of the Expected Frequency Calculation

This paper proposes a method for calculating the Expected Frequency based on the ratio of the heights of each data class interval instead of calculating the area using integration operations. The following is a detailed description of the expected frequency calculation for the case in this paper.

Step 1: The PDF of a Log Normal Distribution. Figure 3 shows a PDF Plot of Lognormal Distribution.



**Figure 3.** A PDF Plot of Lognormal Distribution

Step 2: The Division of the abscissa. Figure 4 shows the abscissa of the PDF Plot divided into six parts.

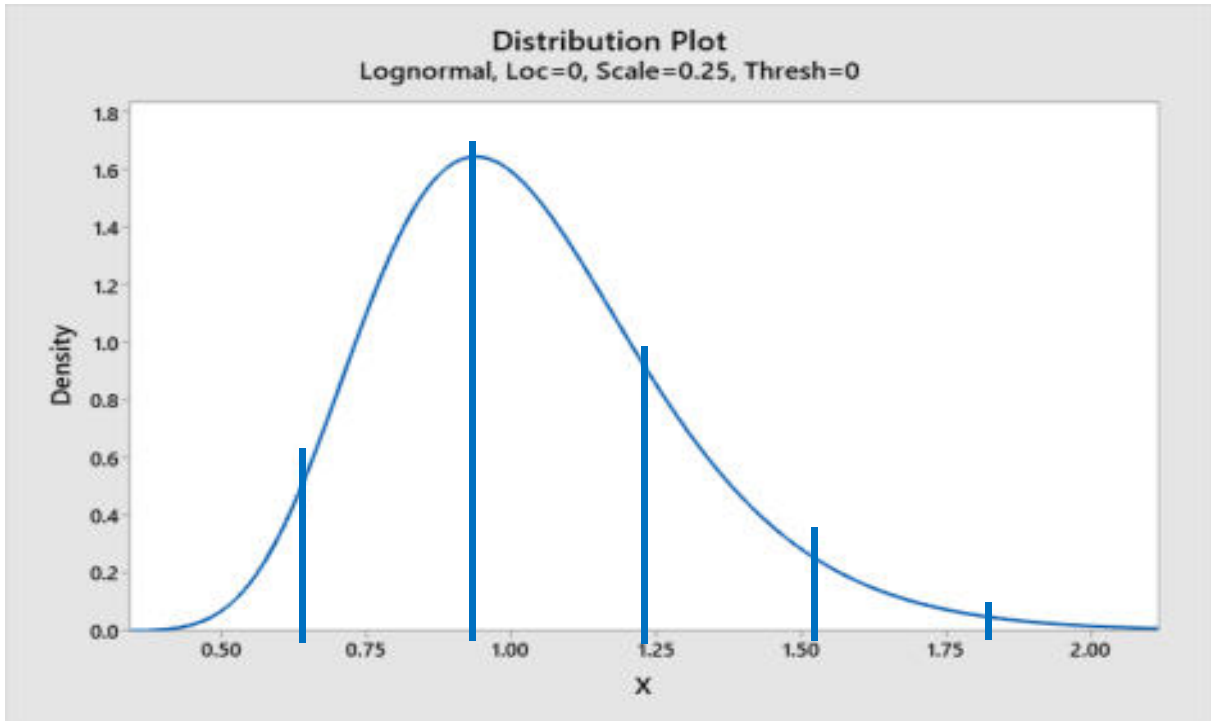


Figure 4. The six parts of PDF Plot

Step 3: The high line of each class. The red lines in Figure 5 represent the high lines

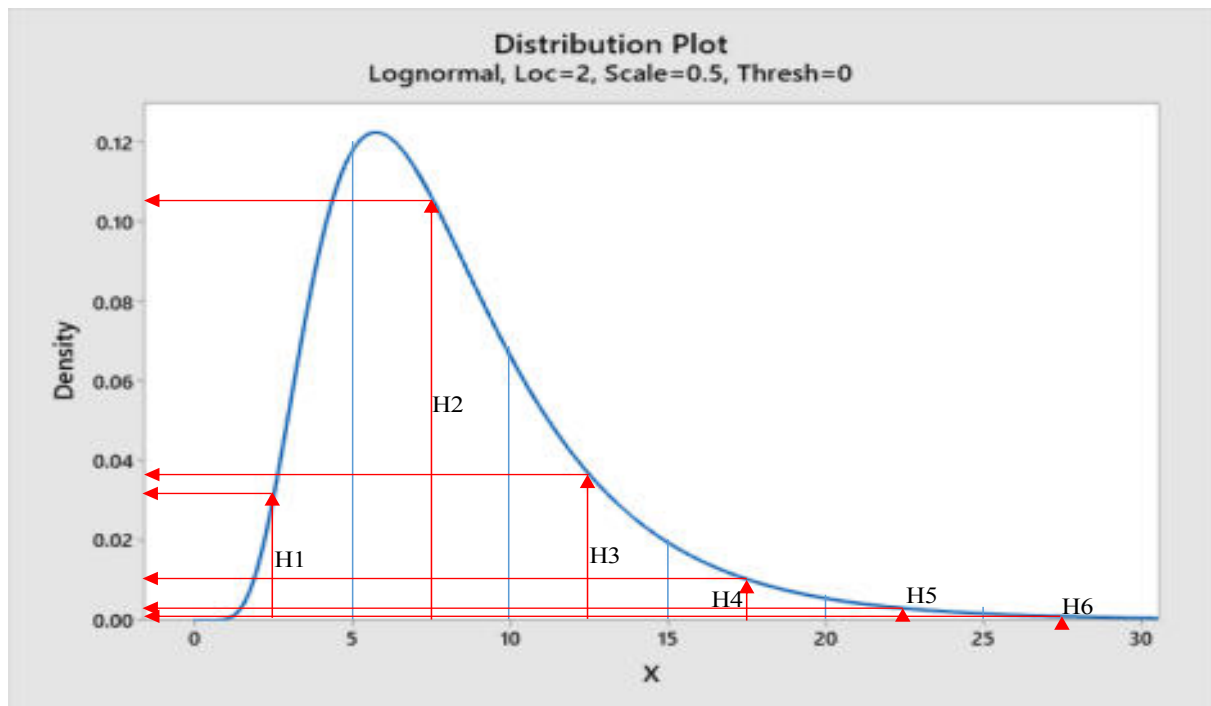


Figure 5. The height lines

Figure 5 shows H1 is 0.031, H2 is 0.105, H3 is 0.039, H4 is 0.010, H5 is 0.001, and H6 is 0.000.

Step 4: The total of all high lines. The sum of high lines is 0.186

Step 5: The Expected Frequency. Table 4 shows the calculation of the Expected Frequency

**Table 4** The Calculation of Expected Frequency

Classes	Calculation of EF	EF
$0 < X \leq 83.85$	$= (0.031/0.186) * 25 = 4.16$	4
$83.85 < X \leq 111.3$	$= (0.105/0.186) * 25 = 14.11$	14
$111.3 < X \leq 138.75$	$= (0.039/0.186) * 25 = 5.24$	5
$138.75 < X \leq 166.2$	$= (0.010/0.186) * 25 = 1.34$	2
$166.2 < X \leq 193.65$	$= (0.001/0.186) * 25 = 0.13$	0
$193.65 < X \leq 221.1$	$= (0.000/0.186) * 25 = 0.00$	0
Total		25

### 2.3.5 The Examination of Distribution Acceptability

The examination uses Equation (1). Table 5 shows the calculation

**Table 5** The Calculation

No	Class	OF	EF	OF-EF	$(OF-EF)^2 / EF$
1	$0 < X \leq 83.85$	6	4	2	1
2	$83.85 < X \leq 111.3$	8	14	-6	2.57
3	$111.3 < X \leq 138.75$	4	5	-1	0.2
4	$138.75 < X \leq 166.2$	5	2	3	4.5
5	$166.2 < X \leq 193.65$	1	0	1	0
6	$193.65 < X \leq 221.1$	1	0	1	0
	Total	25	25		8.27

Table 5 shows the calculated Chi-Square is 8.27. While Table 1 shows the critical Chi-Square value based on the degree of freedom of 5 and a significant error of 5% of 11.70. So, the calculated Chi-Square is smaller than the critical Chi-Square. The calculation shows that the data follows the Lognormal Distribution. Furthermore, data frequency analysis can use the parameters and conditions of the Lognormal Distribution to obtain a return period for rainstorms.

## 3. Conclusion

The right type of hydrological data distribution is essential in water resources analyses. Imprecise data distribution will cause inaccuracies in the calculation of the return period. The modification of the Chi-Square test simplifies the determination of the precise distribution of hydrological data. This paper has demonstrated the modification technique to test the maximum daily rainfall data from the Semongkat rain station, Sumbawa Regency, Indonesia. The results show that the data follow a Lognormal Distribution. The demonstration also shows that the proposed technique is easy to understand.

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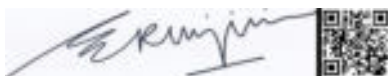
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