

# Assignment 5

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## Papoulis chap5 Ex 5.16

If  $x$  represents a beta random variable with parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , show that  $1 - x$  also represents a beta random variable with parameters  $\beta$  and  $\alpha$ .

# Solution

Given  $x$  is beta random variable,

$$\Rightarrow f_X(x) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1}, 0 < x < 1, \alpha > 0, \beta > 0$$

Let  $Y = 1 - X$  and  $y = 1 - x$ ,

$$\Rightarrow f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} y^{\alpha-1} (1-y)^{\beta-1}$$

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Therefore,  $1 - x$  is a beta random variable with parameters  $\beta$  and  $\alpha$ .