

Assignment 6 of MATH 2005

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}[X < -\theta \log(1-p)] &= \int_{-\infty}^{-\theta \log(1-p)} f(y) dy \\ &= \int_0^{-\theta \log(1-p)} \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{y}{\theta}} dy \\ &= -e^{-\frac{y}{\theta}} \Big|_0^{-\theta \log(1-p)} \\ &= 1 - (1-p) \\ &= p\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} x 2\alpha x e^{-\alpha x^2} dx \\ &= 2\alpha \int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-\alpha x^2} dx\end{aligned}$$

Let $u = x$ and $v' = x e^{-\alpha x^2}$, thus $u' = 1$ and $v = -\frac{1}{2\alpha} e^{-\alpha x^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}\int x^2 e^{-\alpha x^2} dx &= -\frac{x}{2\alpha} e^{-\alpha x^2} + \int \frac{1}{2\alpha} e^{-\alpha x^2} dx \\ &= -\frac{x}{2\alpha} e^{-\alpha x^2} + \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{erf}(\sqrt{\alpha} x)}{2\sqrt{\alpha}}\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X] &= \left[-\frac{x}{2\alpha} e^{-\alpha x^2} + \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{erf}(\sqrt{\alpha} x)}{2\sqrt{\alpha}} \right] \Big|_0^{\infty} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{\alpha}}\end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X^2] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} x^2 2\alpha x e^{-\alpha x^2} dx \\ &= 2\alpha \int_0^{\infty} x^3 e^{-\alpha x^2} dx\end{aligned}$$

Let $u = x^2$ and $v' = xe^{\alpha x^2}$, thus $u' = 2x$ and $v = -\frac{1}{2\alpha}e^{-\alpha x^2}$

$$\int x^3 e^{-\alpha x^2} dx = -\frac{x^2}{2\alpha} e^{-\alpha x^2} + \int \frac{x}{\alpha} e^{-\alpha x^2}$$