

PS01
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1 Probability Review

Please use the accompanying bubble sheet for submitting your solutions for this problem.
In what follows, Φ is the CDF of the standard Gaussian (Normal) distribution.

1.1 Sinusoidal PDF

Let X be a random variable taking values between 0 and π , with pdf given by

$$f(x) = c \sin x, \quad x \in [0, \pi]. \quad (1)$$

1. What is the value of c ?

- (a) π (b) $1/2$ (c) 2 (d) $1/\pi$

For f to be a valid pdf:

$$c \int_0^\pi \sin x \, dx = 1 \quad (2)$$

Solving:

$$\int_0^\pi \sin x \, dx = [-\cos x]_0^\pi = 2 \quad (3)$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{2} \quad (4)$$

Answer: (b)

2. What is $\mathbb{E}[X]$?

- (a) $\pi/2$ (b) π (c) 1 (d) $1/2$

Integration by parts ($u = x$, $dv = \sin x \, dx$):

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\pi x \sin x \, dx \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [-x \cos x + \sin x]_0^\pi \quad (6)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \pi = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (7)$$

Answer: (a)

1.2 Gaussian Random Variable

Let X be a Gaussian random variable with mean $\mu > 0$ and variance σ^2 .

3. What is $\mathbb{E}[X]$?
(a) 0 (b) σ^2 (c) $\mu^2 + \sigma^2$ (d) μ

By definition, **Answer: (d)**

4. What is $\mathbb{V}[X]$?
(a) σ^2 (b) $\mu^2 + \sigma^2$ (c) μ^2 (d) σ

By definition, **Answer: (a)**

5. What is $\mathbb{E}[X^2]$?
(a) μ^2 (b) $(\mu + \sigma)^2$ (c) $\mu^2 + \sigma^2$ (d) σ^2

Using $\mathbb{V}[X] = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - (\mathbb{E}[X])^2$:

$$\mathbb{E}[X^2] = \mathbb{V}[X] + (\mathbb{E}[X])^2 = \sigma^2 + \mu^2 \quad (8)$$

Answer: (c)

6. What is $\mathbb{E}[X^3]$?
(a) $\mu^3 + 3\mu\sigma$ (b) $\mu^3 + 3\mu\sigma^2$
(c) μ^3 (d) $3\mu\sigma^2$

Write $X = \mu + \sigma Z$ with $Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$:

$$\mathbb{E}[X^3] = \mathbb{E}[(\mu + \sigma Z)^3] \quad (9)$$

$$= \mu^3 + 3\mu^2\sigma \underbrace{\mathbb{E}[Z]}_0 + 3\mu\sigma^2 \underbrace{\mathbb{E}[Z^2]}_1 + \sigma^3 \underbrace{\mathbb{E}[Z^3]}_0 \quad (10)$$

$$= \mu^3 + 3\mu\sigma^2 \quad (11)$$

Answer: (b)

7. What is $\mathbb{V}[X^2]$?
(a) $4\mu^2\sigma^2$ (b) $(\mu^2 + \sigma^2)^2$
(c) $2\sigma^4$ (d) $4\mu^2\sigma^2 + 2\sigma^4$

For a Gaussian, $\mathbb{E}[X^4] = \mu^4 + 6\mu^2\sigma^2 + 3\sigma^4$ (via MGF):

$$\mathbb{V}[X^2] = \mathbb{E}[X^4] - (\mathbb{E}[X^2])^2 \quad (12)$$

$$= (\mu^4 + 6\mu^2\sigma^2 + 3\sigma^4) - (\mu^2 + \sigma^2)^2 \quad (13)$$

$$= 4\mu^2\sigma^2 + 2\sigma^4 \quad (14)$$

Answer: (d)

8. What is $\mathbb{P}(X > 0)$ in terms of Φ ?
(a) $\Phi(\mu/\sigma)$ (b) $\Phi(\mu/\sigma^2)$ (c) $1 - \Phi(\mu/\sigma)$ (d) $\Phi(\mu)$

Standardize:

1.2 Gaussian Random Variable

$$\mathbb{P}(X > 0) = \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} > -\frac{\mu}{\sigma}\right) \quad (15)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}\left(Z > -\frac{\mu}{\sigma}\right) \quad (16)$$

$$= \Phi(\mu/\sigma) \quad (17)$$

by symmetry of the standard normal. **Answer: (a)**

1.3 Lognormal Distribution

Let $X \sim \text{Lognormal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$, i.e., $\log X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ with $\sigma > 0$.

9. What is $\mathbb{E}[X]$?

- (a) e^μ (b) $e^{\mu+\sigma^2/2}$ (c) $e^{\mu+\sigma^2}$ (d) $\mu + \sigma^2/2$

Standard lognormal result from the MGF of the normal:

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = e^{\mu+\sigma^2/2} \quad (18)$$

Answer: (b)

10. What is the median of X ?

- (a) $e^{\mu+\sigma^2/2}$ (b) $e^{\mu-\sigma^2}$ (c) e^μ (d) μ

The median of $\log X$ is μ (dist is symmetric). Since $x \mapsto e^x$ is monotone:

$$\text{median}(X) = e^{\text{median}(\log X)} = e^\mu \quad (19)$$

Answer: (c)

11. What is $\mathbb{P}(X > 1)$ in terms of Φ ?

- (a) $1 - \Phi(\mu/\sigma)$ (b) $\Phi(\mu)$ (c) $\Phi(\mu/\sigma^2)$ (d) $\Phi(\mu/\sigma)$

Standardize:

$$\mathbb{P}(X > 1) = \mathbb{P}(\log X > 0) \quad (20)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}\left(Z > \frac{0 - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \quad (21)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}\left(Z > -\frac{\mu}{\sigma}\right) = \Phi(\mu/\sigma) \quad (22)$$

Answer: (d)

Let $X, Y \sim \text{Lognormal}(0, 1)$ be independent.

12. What is $\mathbb{P}(XY > 1)$?

- (a) $1/4$ (b) $1/2$ (c) $1/\sqrt{2\pi}$ (d) $1/e$

Since $\log X, \log Y \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ independently:

$$\log(XY) = \log X + \log Y \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 2) \quad (23)$$

By symmetry of the normal about 0:

$$\mathbb{P}(XY > 1) = \mathbb{P}(\log(XY) > 0) = \frac{1}{2} \quad (24)$$

Answer: (b)

1.4 Bernoulli ± 1

Let X be a random variable such that

$$X = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{with probability } p \\ -1 & \text{with probability } 1 - p \end{cases} \quad (25)$$

for some $p \in [0, 1]$.

13. What is $\mathbb{E}[X]$?

- (a) $-p$ (b) p (c) $1 - 2p$ (d) $2p - 1$

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = p \cdot 1 + (1 - p) \cdot (-1) \quad (26)$$

$$= 2p - 1 \quad (27)$$

Answer: (d)

14. What is $\mathbb{V}[X]$?

- (a) $p(1 - p)$ (b) $4p - p^2$ (c) $4p(1 - p)$ (d) $4p^2(1 - p)$

$$\mathbb{E}[X^2] = p \cdot 1 + (1 - p) \cdot 1 \quad (28)$$

$$= 1 \quad (29)$$

Thus:

$$\mathbb{V}[X] = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - (\mathbb{E}[X])^2 \quad (30)$$

$$= 1 - (2p - 1)^2 \quad (31)$$

$$= 1 - (4p^2 - 4p + 1) \quad (32)$$

$$= 4p(1 - p) \quad (33)$$

Answer: (c)

15. For what p is $\mathbb{V}[X]$ maximized?

- (a) 1 (b) 0 (c) 0.5 (d) $1/\sqrt{2}$

$\mathbb{V}[X] = 4p(1 - p) = -4(p^2 - p)$ is maximized at $p = 1/2$.

Answer: (c)

16. What is $\mathbb{E}[X^k]$?

- (a) p^k (b) $p^k - (1 - p)^k$ (c) $p(-1)^k + (1 - p)$ (d) $p + (1 - p)(-1)^k$

$$\mathbb{E}[X^k] = p \cdot 1^k + (1 - p) \cdot (-1)^k \quad (34)$$

$$= p + (1 - p)(-1)^k \quad (35)$$

Answer: (d)

1.5 Independent Standard Gaussians

Let X, Y be two independent standard Gaussian random variables.

17. What is $\mathbb{E}[X^2Y]$?

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3

By independence:

$$\mathbb{E}[X^2Y] = \mathbb{E}[X^2] \cdot \mathbb{E}[Y] \quad (36)$$

$$= 1 \cdot 0 \quad (37)$$

$$= 0 \quad (38)$$

Answer: (a)

18. What is $\mathbb{V}(X + Y)$?

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3

By independence:

$$\mathbb{V}(X + Y) = \mathbb{V}(X) + \mathbb{V}(Y) = 1 + 1 = 2 \quad (39)$$

Answer: (c)

19. What is $\mathbb{V}(XY)$?

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3

$$\mathbb{E}[XY] = \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y] = 0 \quad (40)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[(XY)^2] = \mathbb{E}[X^2]\mathbb{E}[Y^2] = 1 \quad (41)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{V}(XY) = 1 - 0 = 1 \quad (42)$$

Answer: (b)

20. What is $\text{Cov}(X, X + Y)$?

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3

$$\text{Cov}(X, X + Y) = \text{Cov}(X, X) + \text{Cov}(X, Y) = \mathbb{V}(X) + 0 = 1 \quad (43)$$

Answer: (b)

21. What is $\text{Cov}(X, XY)$?

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3

$$\text{Cov}(X, XY) = \mathbb{E}[X^2Y] - \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[XY] = 0 - 0 = 0 \quad (44)$$

Answer: (a)

1.6 Exponential Lifetime

Let X be an exponential random variable with parameter $1/2$ that models the lifetime (in years) of a lightbulb.¹

22. What is (approximately) the probability that the lightbulb will last at least 2 years?
(a) 0.002 (b) 0.018 (c) 0.180 (d) 0.810

Under the AoS convention, $\text{Exp}(\beta)$ has mean β , so $\mathbb{E}[X] = 1/2$ and rate = 2, we can use the survival function $\mathbb{P}(X \geq x) = e^{-x/\beta}$:

$$\mathbb{P}(X \geq 2) = e^{-2 \cdot 2} = e^{-4} \approx 0.018 \quad (45)$$

Answer: (b)

23. Given that the lightbulb has already lasted for at least 3 years, what is (approximately) the probability that it will last for at least two more years?
(a) 0.002 (b) 0.018 (c) 0.180 (d) 0.810

By the memoryless property of the exponential:

$$\mathbb{P}(X \geq 5 \mid X \geq 3) = \mathbb{P}(X \geq 2) = e^{-4} \approx 0.018 \quad (46)$$

Answer: (b)

¹We use the convention from AoS for the parameter of an exponential distribution.

1.7 i.i.d. Sample Statistics

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d with mean μ and variance σ^2 .

24. What is $\mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right]$?
(a) μ (b) $n\sigma$ (c) $n\mu$ (d) σ

By linearity of expectation:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right] = n\mu \quad (47)$$

Answer: (c)

25. What is $\mathbb{V}\left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right]$?
(a) $n^2\sigma^2$ (b) $n\sigma^2$ (c) $n\sigma^2 + n^2\mu^2$ (d) $n\mu$

Since the X_i are independent:

$$\mathbb{V}\left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{V}[X_i] = n\sigma^2 \quad (48)$$

Answer: (b)

26. What is $\mathbb{E}\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right)^2\right]$?
(a) $n^2\mu^2$ (b) $n\sigma^2$ (c) $n\mu$ (d) $n\sigma^2 + n^2\mu^2$

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left(\sum X_i\right)^2\right] = \mathbb{V}\left[\sum X_i\right] + \left(\mathbb{E}\left[\sum X_i\right]\right)^2 = n\sigma^2 + n^2\mu^2 \quad (49)$$

Answer: (d)

27. What is $\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right]$?
(a) σ (b) $n\sigma^2$ (c) $n\mu$ (d) μ

$$\mathbb{E}[\bar{X}_n] = \frac{1}{n} \cdot n\mu = \mu \quad (50)$$

Answer: (d)

28. What is $\mathbb{V}\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right]$?
(a) μ (b) σ^2/n (c) σ^2 (d) $n\mu$

$$\mathbb{V}[\bar{X}_n] = \frac{1}{n^2} \cdot n\sigma^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \quad (51)$$

Answer: (b)

2 Convergence of Uniforms

Let $X_n \sim \text{Unif}(-1/n, 1/n)$ and let X be a random variable such that $\mathbb{P}(X = 0) = 1$.

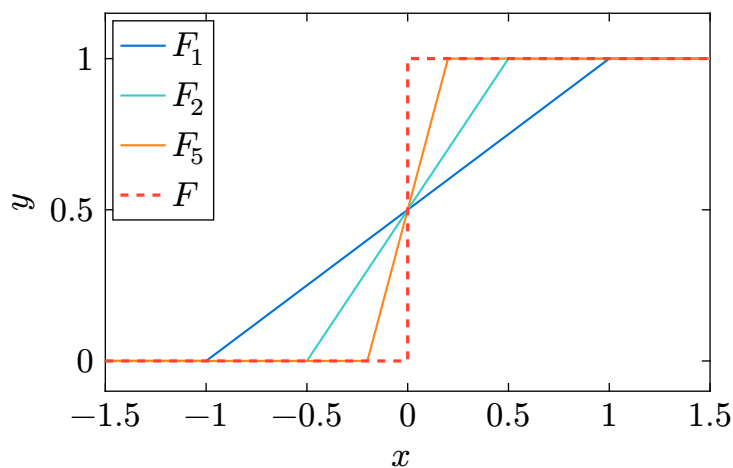
1. Compute and draw the CDF $F_n(x)$ and $F(x)$ of X_n and X respectively.

$$F_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < -1/n \\ \frac{nx+1}{2} & \text{if } -1/n \leq x \leq 1/n \\ 1 & \text{if } x > 1/n \end{cases} \quad (52)$$

This is a linear ramp from 0 to 1 on $[-1/n, 1/n]$.

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad (53)$$

This is a unit step function at $x = 0$.



2. Does $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$? (prove or disprove)

Yes. Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. For $n > 1/\varepsilon$:

$$X_n \in (-1/n, 1/n) \subset (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \tag{54}$$

So $|X_n| < \varepsilon$. Therefore $\mathbb{P}(|X_n| > \varepsilon) = 0$ for all $n > 1/\varepsilon$.

3. Does $X_n \rightsquigarrow X$? (prove or disprove)

Yes. By definition, $X_n \rightsquigarrow X$ iff $F_n(x) \rightarrow F(x)$ at every continuity point of F .

The only discontinuity of F is at $x = 0$, so we check $x \neq 0$:

Case $x < 0$: Pick $N > 1/|x|$. Then for all $n \geq N$:

$$x < -1/n \Rightarrow F_n(x) = 0 = F(x) \checkmark \quad (55)$$

Case $x > 0$: Pick $N > 1/x$. Then for all $n \geq N$:

$$x > 1/n \Rightarrow F_n(x) = 1 = F(x) \checkmark \quad (56)$$

In both cases $F_n(x) = F(x)$ eventually, so $F_n(x) \rightarrow F(x)$.

Note: Since convergence in probability implies convergence in distribution, this also follows directly from part 2.

3 Gaussian Probabilities

Let $X \sim \mathcal{N}(2, 1.44)$. Note $\sigma = \sqrt{1.44} = 1.2$.

$$1. \quad \mathbb{P}(2X - 1 < 0)$$

$\mathbb{P}(2X - 1 < 0) = \mathbb{P}(X < 1/2)$. Standardize:

$$\mathbb{P}(X < 1/2) = \Phi\left(\frac{0.5 - 2}{1.2}\right) \tag{57}$$

$$= \Phi(-1.25) \tag{58}$$

$$= 1 - \Phi(1.25) \approx 0.1056 \tag{59}$$

$$2. \mathbb{P}(7/5 \leq X \leq 16/5)$$

Standardize:

$$z_1 = \frac{1.4 - 2}{1.2} = -0.5, \quad z_2 = \frac{3.2 - 2}{1.2} = 1 \quad (60)$$

Thus:

$$\mathbb{P} = \Phi(1) - \Phi(-0.5) \quad (61)$$

$$= 0.8413 - 0.3085 = 0.5328 \quad (62)$$

$$3. \mathbb{P}(X > 16/5 \mid X > 7/5)$$

Using the z-scores from part 2:

$$\mathbb{P}(X > 3.2 \mid X > 1.4) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(X > 3.2)}{\mathbb{P}(X > 1.4)} \quad (63)$$

$$= \frac{1 - \Phi(1)}{\Phi(0.5)} \quad (64)$$

$$= \frac{0.1587}{0.6915} \approx 0.2295 \quad (65)$$

$$4. \mathbb{P}(X \leq 4/5 \text{ or } X \geq 16/5)$$

Standardize:

$$z_1 = \frac{0.8 - 2}{1.2} = -1, \quad z_2 = \frac{3.2 - 2}{1.2} = 1 \quad (66)$$

These are symmetric about 0:

$$\mathbb{P} = \Phi(-1) + [1 - \Phi(1)] \quad (67)$$

$$= 2(1 - \Phi(1)) \approx 2(0.1587) = 0.3174 \quad (68)$$

4 Bivariate Normal

Let

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}\right) \quad (69)$$

So $\mathbb{E}[X] = 1$, $\mathbb{E}[Y] = 0$, $\mathbb{V}[X] = 1$, $\mathbb{V}[Y] = 2$, $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 1$.

1. $\mathbb{V}[X]$

From the $(1, 1)$ entry of the covariance matrix:

$$\mathbb{V}[X] = 1 \quad (70)$$

$$2. \mathbb{E}[Y^2 + X]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[Y^2 + X] = \mathbb{E}[Y^2] + \mathbb{E}[X] \quad (71)$$

$$= (\mathbb{V}[Y] + (\mathbb{E}[Y])^2) + \mathbb{E}[X] \quad (72)$$

$$= (2 + 0) + 1 = 3 \quad (73)$$

$$3. \mathbb{E}[(X - Y)^2]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[(X - Y)^2] = \mathbb{V}[X - Y] + (\mathbb{E}[X - Y])^2 \quad (74)$$

$$= \mathbb{V}[X] + \mathbb{V}[Y] - 2\text{Cov}(X, Y) + (\mathbb{E}[X] - \mathbb{E}[Y])^2 \quad (75)$$

$$= 1 + 2 - 2 + 1 \quad (76)$$

$$= 2 \quad (77)$$

$$4. \mathbb{V}[X + 2Y]$$

$$\mathbb{V}[X + 2Y] = \mathbb{V}[X] + 4\mathbb{V}[Y] + 4 \operatorname{Cov}(X, Y) \quad (78)$$

$$= 1 + 8 + 4 \quad (79)$$

$$= 13 \quad (80)$$

5. Find $\alpha > 0$ such that $\alpha X = Y$ with probability 1 or prove that no such α exists.

No such $\alpha > 0$ exists.

If $Y = \alpha X$:

$$\mathbb{E}[Y] = \alpha \mathbb{E}[X] \Rightarrow 0 = \alpha \cdot 1 \quad (81)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 0 \quad (82)$$

This contradicts $\alpha > 0$.

5 Lightbulb Quality Testing

5.1 Setup

We are testing n lightbulbs. Each bulb independently passes some quality check with probability $p \in (0, 1)$ and fails with probability $1 - p$. Let $X_i \in \{0, 1\}$ indicate the outcome, where $X_i = 1$ means the bulb passes.

Conditioned on X_i , the lifetime Y_i of bulb i is exponentially distributed:

$$Y_i \mid (X_i = 1) \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda_1), \quad Y_i \mid (X_i = 0) \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda_0), \quad (83)$$

where $\lambda_0, \lambda_1 > 0$. Assume the pairs (X_i, Y_i) are i.i.d. across i .

1. Let (X, Y) be a copy of (X_1, Y_1) and let $T := XY$. Compute the following quantities in terms of p, λ_0, λ_1 :

$$\mathbb{E}[Y], \quad \mathbb{V}(Y), \quad \text{Cov}(X, Y), \quad \mathbb{E}[T], \quad \mathbb{V}(T), \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Cov}(X, T). \quad (84)$$

Using $\text{Exp}(\lambda)$ with rate λ (mean $1/\lambda$, variance $1/\lambda^2$):

$\mathbb{E}[Y]$:

$$\mathbb{E}[Y] = p \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda_1} + (1 - p) \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda_0} \quad (85)$$

$\mathbb{V}(Y)$: By law of total variance, $\mathbb{V}(Y) = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{V}(Y|X)] + \mathbb{V}(\mathbb{E}[Y|X])$.

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{V}(Y|X)] = p \cdot \mathbb{V}(Y|X = 1) + (1 - p) \cdot \mathbb{V}(Y|X = 0) \quad (86)$$

$$= \frac{p}{\lambda_1^2} + \frac{1 - p}{\lambda_0^2} \quad (87)$$

$$\mathbb{V}(\mathbb{E}[Y|X]) = \mathbb{E}[(\mathbb{E}[Y|X])^2] - (\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|X]])^2 \quad (88)$$

$$= p \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda_1^2} + (1 - p) \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda_0^2} - \left(\frac{p}{\lambda_1} + \frac{1 - p}{\lambda_0} \right)^2 \quad (89)$$

$$= p(1 - p) \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda_0} \right)^2 \quad (90)$$

$$\mathbb{V}(Y) = \frac{p}{\lambda_1^2} + \frac{1 - p}{\lambda_0^2} + p(1 - p) \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda_0} \right)^2 \quad (91)$$

$\text{Cov}(X, Y)$:

$$\mathbb{E}[XY] = \mathbb{P}(X = 1) \cdot \mathbb{E}[Y \mid X = 1] \quad (92)$$

$$= \frac{p}{\lambda_1} \quad (93)$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \frac{p}{\lambda_1} - p \left(\frac{p}{\lambda_1} + \frac{1 - p}{\lambda_0} \right) \quad (94)$$

$$= p(1 - p) \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda_0} \right) \quad (95)$$

$\mathbb{E}[T]$:

5.1 Setup

- $T = Y$ when $X = 1$
- $T = 0$ when $X = 0$:

$$\mathbb{E}[T] = p \cdot \mathbb{E}[Y \mid X = 1] \quad (96)$$

$$= \frac{p}{\lambda_1} \quad (97)$$

$\mathbb{V}(T)$:

$$\mathbb{E}[T^2] = p \cdot \mathbb{E}[Y^2 \mid X = 1] \quad (98)$$

$$= p \cdot \frac{2}{\lambda_1^2} \quad (99)$$

$$\mathbb{V}(T) = 2\frac{p}{\lambda_1^2} - \frac{p^2}{\lambda_1^2} \quad (100)$$

$$= \frac{p(2-p)}{\lambda_1^2} \quad (101)$$

$\text{Cov}(X, T)$:

$$\mathbb{E}[XT] = \mathbb{E}[X^2Y] = \frac{p}{\lambda_1} \quad (102)$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, T) = \frac{p}{\lambda_1} - p \cdot \frac{p}{\lambda_1} = \frac{p(1-p)}{\lambda_1} \quad (103)$$

5.2 Central Limit Theorems

Define

$$\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \quad \bar{Y}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i, \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{T}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i. \quad (104)$$

Write a central limit theorem for each of the following quantities in the form

$$\sqrt{n}(Z_n - \mu) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2) \quad \text{or} \quad \sqrt{n}(Z_n - \mu) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma), \quad (105)$$

depending on whether Z_n is a random variable or a random vector.

2.

$$Z_n = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{X}_n \\ \bar{T}_n \end{pmatrix} \quad (106)$$

By the multivariate CLT:

$$\sqrt{n}(Z_n - \mu) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma) \quad (107)$$

where $\mu = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ p/\lambda_1 \end{pmatrix}$ and Σ is the covariance matrix of (X, T) :

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} p(1-p) & p(1-p)/\lambda_1 \\ p(1-p)/\lambda_1 & p(2-p)/\lambda_1^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (108)$$

5.2 Central Limit Theorems

$$3. \quad Z_n = \log(\bar{Y}_n).$$

By the CLT:

$$\sqrt{n}(\bar{Y}_n - \mu_Y) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_Y^2) \quad (109)$$

with $\mu_Y = \mathbb{E}[Y]$ and $\sigma_Y^2 = \mathbb{V}(Y)$.

Apply the delta method with $g(y) = \log(y)$, $g'(\mu_Y) = 1/\mu_Y$:

$$\sqrt{n}(\log(\bar{Y}_n) - \log(\mu_Y)) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{N}\left(0, \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{\mu_Y^2}\right) \quad (110)$$

where $\mu_Y = p/\lambda_1 + (1-p)/\lambda_0$ and $\sigma_Y^2 = \mathbb{V}(Y)$ from part 1.

5.3 Delta Method Estimators

Define the average lifetime among passed bulbs

$$\hat{\lambda}_{1,n} = \begin{cases} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i} = \frac{\bar{T}_n}{\bar{X}_n} & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^n X_i > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = 0 \end{cases} \quad (111)$$

and the corresponding rate estimator

$$\hat{\rho}_{1,n} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\hat{\lambda}_{1,n}} = \frac{\bar{X}_n}{\bar{T}_n} & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^n X_i > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = 0. \end{cases} \quad (112)$$

(Note that $\mathbb{P}(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = 0) = (1-p)^n \rightarrow 0$, so this convention does not affect any CLT/delta-method limits.)

Write a CLT for each of the following choices of Z_n :

$$4. \quad Z_n = \hat{\lambda}_{1,n}.$$

$\hat{\lambda}_{1,n} = g(\bar{X}_n, \bar{T}_n)$ where $g(a, b) = b/a$. The gradient:

$$\nabla g(a, b) = (-b/a^2, 1/a) \quad (113)$$

Evaluated at $(p, p/\lambda_1)$:

$$\nabla g = \left(-\frac{1}{p\lambda_1}, \frac{1}{p} \right) \quad (114)$$

Computing the asymptotic variance:

$$\Sigma \nabla g = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{\lambda_1^2} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \nabla g^\top \Sigma \nabla g = \frac{1}{p\lambda_1^2} \quad (115)$$

Therefore:

$$\sqrt{n} \left(\hat{\lambda}_{1,n} - \frac{1}{\lambda_1} \right) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{N} \left(0, \frac{1}{p\lambda_1^2} \right) \quad (116)$$

5.3 Delta Method Estimators

$$5. \quad Z_n = \hat{\rho}_{1,n}.$$

Apply the delta method to $h(x) = 1/x$ at $x = 1/\lambda_1$, where $h'(1/\lambda_1) = -\lambda_1^2$:

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\rho}_{1,n} - \lambda_1) \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{N}\left(0, \lambda_1^4 \cdot \frac{1}{p\lambda_1^2}\right) = \mathcal{N}\left(0, \frac{\lambda_1^2}{p}\right) \quad (117)$$