

Assignment 11

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Question

Probability, Random Variables and Stochastic Processes Chapter 2,
Problem 5-42

Show that if $E\{x\} = \eta$, $\mu_n = E\{(x - \eta)^n\}$ then

$$E\{e^{sx}\} = e^{s\eta} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \frac{s^n}{n!}$$

Known Equations

We know that

$$E\{x\} = \eta \quad (1)$$

$$\mu_n = E\{(x - \eta)^n\} \quad (2)$$

$$E\{kx\} = kE\{x\} \quad (3)$$

Solution

From equations (1), (2), (3),

$$E\{e^{sx}\} = E\{e^{s(x-\eta)} e^{s\eta}\} \quad (4)$$

$$= e^{s\eta} E\{e^{s(x-\eta)}\} \quad (5)$$

$$= e^{s\eta} E\left\{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{s^n}{n!} (x-\eta)^n\right\} \quad (6)$$

$$= e^{s\eta} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{s^n}{n!} E\{(x-\eta)^n\} \quad (7)$$

$$\implies E\{e^{sx}\} = e^{s\eta} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \frac{s^n}{n!} \quad (8)$$