

(4) Random variables on the unit disk

Let (X, Y) be uniformly distributed on the unit disk $\{f(x; y) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$. Let

$$R = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2}.$$

Find the cdf, pdf, and the expectation the random variable R .

$$K := \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$$

$$1 \stackrel{!}{=} \int_K c \, d\lambda^2 = c \int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} r \, d\varphi \, dr = c\pi \Leftrightarrow c = \frac{1}{\pi}$$

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\pi}, & \text{if } (x, y) \in K \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$h: \mathbb{R}^+ \times [0, 2\pi[\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2: (r, \varphi) \mapsto (r \cos(\varphi), r \sin(\varphi))$$

$$f_{R,\varphi}(r, \varphi) = f_{X,Y}(h(r, \varphi)) \cdot r = \begin{cases} \frac{r}{\pi}, & \text{if } 0 \leq r \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f_R(r) = \int_0^{2\pi} f_{R,\varphi}(r, \varphi) \, d\varphi \cdot \mathbb{1}_{[0,1)}(r) = 2r \cdot \mathbb{1}_{[0,1)}(r)$$

$$F_R(r) = \int_0^r f_R(s) \, ds = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } r \leq 0 \\ r^2, & \text{if } 0 < r < 1 \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbb{E}(R) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_R(r) \cdot r \, dr = \int_0^1 2r^2 \, dr = \frac{2}{3}$$