

1. Given  $X$  be a continuous random variable with PDF  $f_X(x)$  and  $Y = aX + b$   
 Show that the PDF of random variable  $Y$  can be expressed as  $f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{|a|} f_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$

$$\Rightarrow F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(aX + b \leq y)$$

(i)  $a > 0$

$$F_Y(y) = P(X \leq \frac{y-b}{a}) = F_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right) \Rightarrow f_Y(y) = \frac{d F_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)}{d\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)} \cdot \frac{d\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)}{dy} = \frac{1}{a} f_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$$

(ii)  $a < 0$

$$F_Y(y) = P(X \geq \frac{y-b}{a}) = 1 - F_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right) \Rightarrow f_Y(y) = - \frac{d F_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)}{d\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)} \cdot \frac{d\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)}{dy} = - \frac{1}{a} f_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$$

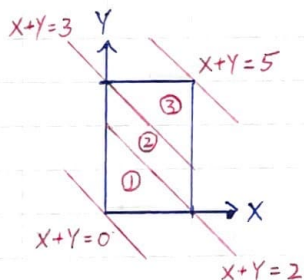
$$\therefore f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{|a|} f_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right) \quad \times$$

2. We are told that  $X, Y, Z$  are three independent random variables  
 All of them are uniformly distributed in the interval  $[0, 1]$

(i) use "derived-distributed" to find the PDF  $f_W(w)$  of  $W = 2X + 3Y$

(ii) Find the PDF of  $W = \min(X, Y, Z)$

(i) Let  $X' = 2X$ ,  $Y' = 3Y$



$$\textcircled{1} \quad 0 \leq w \leq 2 \quad F_W(w) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{w^2}{2} \Rightarrow f_W(w) = \frac{w}{6} \quad \times$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad 2 \leq w \leq 3 \quad F_W(w) = \frac{1}{6} \times [2(w-2) + 2] \times 2 \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{6} \times (2w-2)$$

$$\Rightarrow f_W(w) = \frac{1}{3} \quad \times$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad 3 \leq w \leq 5 \quad F_W(w) = \frac{1}{6} \times \left[ 6 - \frac{(5-w)^2}{2} \right] = 1 - \left( \frac{w^2 - 10w + 25}{12} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow f_W(w) = -\frac{w}{6} + \frac{5}{6} \quad \times$$

$$(ii) \quad P(W \geq k) = P(X \geq k) P(Y \geq k) P(Z \geq k)$$

$$= (1-k)^3$$

$$F_W(w) = 1 - (1-k)^3$$

$$f_W(w) = -3(1-k)^2 \times (-1) = 3(1-k)^2 \quad \times$$

3. Suppose that in Taiwan, the number of summer typhoons in good year is Poisson with mean = 2  
 bad year is Poisson with mean = 6  
 there's a probability 0.3 to be good year, 0.7 be bad year.

Find the expected value and variance of the number of typhoon occur

$$\Rightarrow \text{mean} = 2 \times 0.3 + 6 \times 0.7 = 4.8^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{variance} &= 0.3 \times 2 + (2 - 4.8)^2 \times 0.3 + 0.7 \times 6 + (6 - 4.8)^2 \times 0.7 \\ &= 0.6 + 2.352 + 4.2 + 1.008 \\ &= 8.16^* \end{aligned}$$

$$[\text{var}(X+Y) = \text{var}(X) + \text{var}(Y)]$$

4. The covariance of any two random variables  $X, Y$  is  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])]$

(i) Show that, for  $X, Y, Z$ ,  $\text{cov}(X, Y+Z) = \text{cov}(X, Y) + \text{cov}(X, Z)$

\* If  $X, Y, Z$  are pairwise uncorrelated random variable with mean = 0, variance = 2 for each

(ii) compute the correlations of  $2X$  and  $3X$

(iii) compute the correlations of  $2X-3Y$  and  $2W+Y$

(i)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cov}(X, Y+Z) &= E[(X - E[X])(Y+Z - E[Y+Z])] = E[(X - E[X])(Y+Z - E[Y] - E[Z])] \\ &= E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y]) + (X - E[X])(Z - E[Z])] \\ &= E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])] + E[(X - E[X])(Z - E[Z])] = \text{cov}(X, Y) + \text{cov}(X, Z) \end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\text{cov}(2X, 3X) = 6 \text{ var}(X)$$

$$\rho(2X, 3X) = \frac{\text{cov}(2X, 3X)}{\sqrt{4\text{var}(X)9\text{var}(X)}} = \frac{6\text{var}(X)}{6\text{var}(X)} = 1^*$$

(iii)

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(2X-3Y, 2W+Y) &= \frac{\text{cov}(2X, 2W) + \text{cov}(2X, Y) + \text{cov}(-3Y, W) + \text{cov}(-3Y, Y)}{\sqrt{(4\text{var}(X) + 9\text{var}(Y))(4\text{var}(W) + \text{var}(Y))}} \\ &= \frac{-3\text{var}(Y)}{\sqrt{13 \times 2 \times 5 \times 2}} = \frac{-3}{\sqrt{65}}^* \end{aligned}$$

5. Let  $X$  be a discrete random variable with a transform  $M_X(s)$  such that  $M_X(s) = a + be^{3s} + ce^{6s}$ ,  $E[X] = 2$ ,  $\text{var}(X) = 9/2$

Find  $a, b, c$  and the PMF of  $X$ .

$$[(\text{discrete}) M_X(s) = \sum_x e^{sx} p_X(x)]$$

$$E[X] = \left. \frac{dM_X(s)}{ds} \right|_{s=0} = 3be^{3s} + 6ce^{6s} \Big|_{s=0} = 3b + 6c = 2$$

$$E[X^2] = \left. \frac{d^2 M_X(s)}{ds^2} \right|_{s=0} = \left. \frac{d(3be^{3s} + 6ce^{6s})}{ds} \right|_{s=0} = 9b + 36c$$

$$\text{var}(X) = 9b + 36c - 4 = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\begin{cases} 3b + 6c = 2 \\ 9b + 36c = 17/2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow 9b + 18c = 6 \Rightarrow 18c = 5/2 \Rightarrow c = 5/36$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 7/18 \Rightarrow a = 17/36$$

$$\Rightarrow p_X(x) = \begin{cases} 17/36, & x=0 \\ 7/18, & x=3 \\ 5/36, & x=6 \end{cases}$$

7. A biased coin with probability 0.4 being head is flipped independently until first head obtained. For each flip of a coin, a value of an exponential random variable with parameter  $\lambda = 2$  is obtained. Let random variable  $Y$  be defined as the sum of all values obtained before the first head. Find mean, variance and transform of  $Y$ .

$$E[N] = \frac{1}{0.4} = \frac{5}{2} \quad \text{var}(N) = \frac{1-0.4}{(0.4)^2} = \frac{60}{16} = \frac{15}{4}$$

$$E[X] = \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{var}(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$E[Y] = E[N]E[X] = 5/4$$

$$\text{var}(Y) = E[N]E[X^2] + E[N]^2 \text{var}(X)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{5}{2} + \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^2 \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{25}{16}$$

$$M_Y(s) = \frac{p \cdot M_X(s)}{1 - (1-p)M_X(s)} = \frac{p \times \frac{2}{2-s}}{1 - (1-p) \frac{2}{2-s}} = \frac{\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{2}{2-s}}{1 - \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{2}{2-s}} = \frac{4}{10-5s-6} = \frac{4}{4-5s}$$



6. Given  $X$  be exponential random variable with PDF  $f_X(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$ ,  $x \geq 0$

(i) Show that the transform of  $X$  can be expressed as:  $M_X(s) = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - s}$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow M_X(s) &= E[e^{sx}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{sx} f_X(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{sx} \cdot \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx \\&= \lambda \int_0^{\infty} e^{sx} \cdot e^{-\lambda x} dx = \lambda \int_0^{\infty} e^{(s-\lambda)x} dx \\&= \lambda \left[ \frac{1}{s-\lambda} e^{(s-\lambda)x} \right]_0^{\infty} = \lambda \left[ -\frac{1}{s-\lambda} \right] = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - s} \quad \ast\end{aligned}$$

(ii) Using  $M_X(s)$  to show that  $E[X] = \frac{1}{\lambda}$ ,  $\text{var}(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$

$$\Rightarrow E[X] = \left. \frac{dM_X(s)}{ds} \right|_{s=0} = \left( \frac{d\left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda-s}\right)}{d(\lambda-s)} \cdot \frac{d(\lambda-s)}{ds} \right) \Big|_{s=0} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \quad \ast$$

$$\Rightarrow E[X^2] = \left. \frac{d^2 M_X(s)}{ds^2} \right|_{s=0} = \left( \frac{d\left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda-s}\right)^2}{d(\lambda-s)} \cdot \frac{d(\lambda-s)}{ds^2} \right) \Big|_{s=0} = \frac{2}{\lambda^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{var}(X) = E[X^2] - E[X]^2 = \frac{2}{\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \quad \ast$$

(iii) Given random variable  $Y = 3X + 2$ .

Find the transform of  $Y$ .

$$\Rightarrow M_Y(s) = E[e^{(3X+2)s}] = e^{2s} \cdot E[e^{3xs}] = e^{2s} \cdot M_X(3s) = \frac{\lambda e^{2s}}{\lambda - 3s} \quad \ast$$

(iv) Given  $Z$ , an exponential random variable with parameter  $\eta$ ,  $X$  and  $Z$  are independent to each

Find the transform of  $Y = X + Z$

$$\Rightarrow M_Y(s) = E[e^{s(X+Z)}] = E[e^{xs}] E[e^{zs}] = M_X(s) M_Z(s) = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - s} \times \frac{\eta}{\eta - s} \quad \ast$$

(v) same as (iv), but  $Y = 3X + 2Z$

$$\Rightarrow M_Y(s) = E[e^{s(3X+2Z)}] = E[e^{3xs}] E[e^{2zs}] = M_X(3s) M_Z(2s) = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - 3s} \times \frac{\eta}{\eta - 2s} \quad \ast$$