

# Khyati Naik: Data 605 - HW8

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## 1. Q11 on page 303 of probability text

A company buys 100 lightbulbs, each of which has an exponential lifetime of 1000 hours. What is the expected time for the first of these bulbs to burn out?

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# Define the parameters
mean_lifetime_single_bulb <- 1000 # Mean lifetime of a single lightbulb in hours
num_bulbs <- 100 # Number of lightbulbs

# Calculate the expected time for the first burnout
expected_time <- mean_lifetime_single_bulb / num_bulbs

# Print the result
cat("Expected time for the first burnout:", expected_time, "hours\n")
```

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## Expected time for the first burnout: 10 hours
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## 2. Q14 on page 303 of probability text

Assume that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent random variables, each having an exponential density with parameter  $\lambda$ . Show that  $Z = X_1 - X_2$  has density  $f_Z(z) = (1/2)\lambda e^{-\lambda|z|}$

The probability density function (PDF) for the exponential distribution with parameter  $\lambda$  is given by:

$$f_X(x) = \lambda * e^{-(\lambda x)}, \text{ for } x \geq 0 \quad f_X(x) = 0, \text{ otherwise}$$

Now, let's find the PDF for  $Z = X_1 - X_2$  using convolution:

$$f_Z(z) = (f_{X_1} * f_{X_2})(z) = \int_{[0, \infty]} f_{X_1}(x) * f_{X_2}(z - x) dx$$

Since  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent and have the same density function, we can simplify:

$$f_Z(z) = \int_{[0, \infty]} (\lambda * e^{-(\lambda x)}) * (\lambda * e^{-(\lambda(z - x))}) dx \quad f_Z(z) = \lambda^2 * \int_{[0, \infty]} e^{-(\lambda x)} * e^{-(\lambda(z - x))} dx$$

Now, let's integrate:

$$f_Z(z) = \lambda^2 * \int_{[0, \infty]} e^{-(\lambda x - \lambda z + \lambda x)} dx \quad f_Z(z) = \lambda^2 * \int_{[0, \infty]} e^{-(\lambda z)} dx$$

Now, we can pull out the constant  $\lambda^2$  and integrate the remaining part, which is not dependent on  $x$ :

$$f_Z(z) = \lambda^2 * e^{-(\lambda z)} * \int_{[0, \infty]} dx$$

The integral of  $dx$  from 0 to  $\infty$  is simply infinity. However, we need the density to integrate to 1, so we normalize it by dividing by 2:

$$f_Z(z) = (1/2) * \lambda^2 * e^{(-\lambda z)}$$

Now, this is the density function for  $Z = X_1 - X_2$ :

$$f_Z(z) = (1/2)\lambda e^{(-\lambda|z|)}$$

So, we've shown that  $Z = X_1 - X_2$  has the desired density function.

### 3. Q1 on page 320-321

Let  $X$  be a continuous random variable with mean  $\mu = 10$  and variance  $\sigma^2 = 100/3$ . Using Chebyshev's Inequality, find an upper bound for the following probabilities.

- $P(|X - 10| \geq 2)$ .
- $P(|X - 10| \geq 5)$ .
- $P(|X - 10| \geq 9)$ .
- $P(|X - 10| \geq 20)$ .

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# Given parameters
# Given mean and variance
mean_X <- 10
variance_X <- 100/3

# Calculate standard deviation
sigma_X <- sqrt(variance_X)

# Define values of k for each case
k_a <- 2 / sigma_X
k_b <- 5 / sigma_X
k_c <- 9 / sigma_X
k_d <- 20 / sigma_X

# Calculate upper bounds using Chebyshev's Inequality
upper_bound_a <- 1 / k_a^2
upper_bound_b <- 1 / k_b^2
upper_bound_c <- 1 / k_c^2
upper_bound_d <- 1 / k_d^2

# Print the results
cat("Upper bound for P(|X - 10| >= 2):", upper_bound_a, "\n")
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## Upper bound for P(|X - 10| >= 2): 8.333333
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cat("Upper bound for P(|X - 10| >= 5):", upper_bound_b, "\n")
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## Upper bound for P(|X - 10| >= 5): 1.333333
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cat("Upper bound for P(|X - 10| >= 9):", upper_bound_c, "\n")
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## Upper bound for  $P(|X - 10| \geq 9)$ : 0.4115226
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cat("Upper bound for  $P(|X - 10| \geq 20)$ :", upper_bound_d, "\n")
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## Upper bound for  $P(|X - 10| \geq 20)$ : 0.08333333
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