

Question 1

Given: - X is an exponentially distributed random variable with parameter λ , meaning $X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$. Its probability density function (PDF) is:

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

Let: - $Y = \lfloor X \rfloor$: the integer part of X - $R = X - \lfloor X \rfloor$: the fractional part of X

1. PMF of $Y = \lfloor X \rfloor$

To find the PMF of Y , we need to find $P(Y = k)$ for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Since $Y = \lfloor X \rfloor = k$ means $k \leq X < k + 1$, we have:

$$P(Y = k) = P(k \leq X < k + 1)$$

Using the CDF of X , we can calculate this probability as follows:

$$P(Y = k) = P(k \leq X < k + 1) = F_X(k + 1) - F_X(k)$$

where $F_X(x)$ is the cumulative distribution function (CDF) of an exponential random variable:

$$F_X(x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda x}$$

Substituting, we get:

$$P(Y = k) = (1 - e^{-\lambda(k+1)}) - (1 - e^{-\lambda k})$$

Simplifying, we obtain:

$$P(Y = k) = e^{-\lambda k} - e^{-\lambda(k+1)}$$

$$P(Y = k) = e^{-\lambda k}(1 - e^{-\lambda})$$

Thus, the PMF of Y is:

$$P(Y = k) = (1 - e^{-\lambda})e^{-\lambda k}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

2. PDF of $R = X - \lfloor X \rfloor$

Next, let's find the PDF of R , which is the fractional part of X .

For $r \in [0, 1)$, we want $F_R(r) = P(R \leq r)$:

$$F_R(r) = P(R \leq r) = P(X - \lfloor X \rfloor \leq r)$$

This event, $R \leq r$, happens whenever X is in a range where the fractional part of X is at most r . Mathematically, this is equivalent to saying:

$$F_R(r) = P(X \bmod 1 \leq r)$$

To compute this, we sum over all possible integer values k for $\lfloor X \rfloor$:

$$F_R(r) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P(k \leq X < k + r)$$

For each interval $[k, k + r)$, we use the exponential CDF:

$$P(k \leq X < k + r) = F_X(k + r) - F_X(k)$$

where $F_X(x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda x}$ is the CDF of X . Substituting, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} P(k \leq X < k + r) &= (1 - e^{-\lambda(k+r)}) - (1 - e^{-\lambda k}) \\ &= e^{-\lambda k} - e^{-\lambda(k+r)} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$F_R(r) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (e^{-\lambda k} - e^{-\lambda(k+r)})$$

This series simplifies using the geometric series formula, yielding:

$$F_R(r) = \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda r}}{1 - e^{-\lambda}}$$

To find the PDF $f_R(r)$, we differentiate $F_R(r)$ with respect to r :

$$f_R(r) = \frac{d}{dr} F_R(r) = \frac{\lambda e^{-\lambda r}}{1 - e^{-\lambda}}, \quad 0 \leq r < 1$$

Final Answer

- The PMF of $Y = \lfloor X \rfloor$ is:

$$P(Y = k) = (1 - e^{-\lambda})e^{-\lambda k}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

- The PDF of $R = X - \lfloor X \rfloor$ is:

$$f_R(r) = \frac{\lambda e^{-\lambda r}}{1 - e^{-\lambda}}, \quad 0 \leq r < 1$$

Problem 2

X and Y are two discrete random variable

To prove

X and Y are independent if and only if

$$F_{X,Y}(x,y) = F_X(x) F_Y(y)$$

Assume X and Y are independent then

$$F_{X,Y}(x,y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y)$$

$$= \sum_{a=-\infty}^x \sum_{b=-\infty}^y P_{X,Y}(X=a, Y=b)$$

Since we assume X and Y are independent

\therefore

$$F_{X,Y}(x,y) = \sum_{a=-\infty}^x \sum_{b=-\infty}^y P_X(X=a) P_Y(Y=b)$$

$$= \sum_{a=-\infty}^x P_X(X=a) \sum_{b=-\infty}^y P_Y(Y=b)$$

$$= F_X(x) \cdot F_Y(y)$$

Now we prove other way round

i.e. If $F_{X,Y}(x,y) = F_X(x) F_Y(y)$

then X and Y are independent

$$f_{xy}(x,y) = f_x(x) f_y(y)$$

$$\sum_{a=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{b=-\infty}^{\infty} P_{xy}(x=a, y=b) = \sum_{a=-\infty}^{\infty} P_x(x=a) \sum_{b=-\infty}^{\infty} P_y(y=b)$$

$$= \sum_{a=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{b=-\infty}^{\infty} P_x(x=a) P_y(y=b)$$

This equality only hold if

$$P_{xy}(x=a, y=b) = P_x(x=a) P_y(y=b)$$

which means X and Y has to be independent

Question 6

Problem

Let X and Y be independent exponential random variables with rate λ . Define $Z = X + Y$ and $W = \frac{X}{Y}$. Find the joint distribution of Z and W , and show that they are independent.

Solution

Step 1: Joint PDF of X and Y

Since X and Y are independent exponential random variables with parameter λ , the joint probability density function (pdf) of X and Y is:

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \cdot \lambda e^{-\lambda y} = \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda(x+y)}, \quad x, y \geq 0.$$

Step 2: Change of Variables

We define new variables $Z = X + Y$ and $W = \frac{X}{Y}$. We want to find the joint distribution of Z and W .

The inverse transformations are:

$$X = \frac{WZ}{1+W}, \quad Y = \frac{Z}{1+W}.$$

Next, we compute the Jacobian determinant of the transformation:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial X}{\partial Z} &= \frac{W}{1+W}, & \frac{\partial X}{\partial W} &= \frac{Z}{(1+W)^2}, \\ \frac{\partial Y}{\partial Z} &= \frac{1}{1+W}, & \frac{\partial Y}{\partial W} &= -\frac{Z}{(1+W)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

The Jacobian determinant is:

$$J = \left| \frac{W}{1+W} \cdot \left(-\frac{Z}{(1+W)^2} \right) - \frac{Z}{(1+W)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1+W} \right| = \frac{Z}{(1+W)^2}.$$

Step 3: Joint PDF of Z and W

Using the transformation, the joint pdf of Z and W is given by:

$$f_{Z,W}(z, w) = f_{X,Y}(x, y) |J|.$$

Substituting the joint pdf of X and Y and the Jacobian:

$$f_{Z,W}(z, w) = \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda z} \cdot \frac{z}{(1+w)^2}, \quad z \geq 0, w \geq 0.$$

Step 4: Independence of Z and W

Since the joint pdf factors as:

$$f_{Z,W}(z, w) = f_Z(z) f_W(w),$$

where $f_Z(z) = \lambda^2 z e^{-\lambda z}$ and $f_W(w) = \frac{1}{(1+w)^2}$, we conclude that Z and W are independent.

Q4. Let X be a continuous random variable with probability density function (PDF) $f_X(x)$, and let Y be a function of X defined as:

$$Y \triangleq \begin{cases} X & \text{if } X \geq 0, \\ X^2 & \text{if } X \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

Compute the PDF of Y in terms of $f_X(x)$.

Solution :

$$Y = \begin{cases} X & \text{if } X \leq 0, \\ X^2 & \text{if } X \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y \geq 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= \frac{d}{dy} P(Y < y) = \frac{d}{dy} P(X \in [0, y] \cup X \in [-\sqrt{y}, 0]) \\ &= \frac{d}{dy} P(x \in [-\sqrt{y}, y]) \\ &= \frac{d}{dy} [F_X(y) - F_X(-\sqrt{y})] \\ &= f_X(y) + \frac{f_X(-\sqrt{y})}{2\sqrt{y}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the PDF of Y is

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(y) + \frac{f_X(-\sqrt{y})}{2\sqrt{y}}.$$

Problem 5

Let X_1, X_2 , and X_3 be independent are uniformly distributed random variables on $[0, 1]$. Find the joint density function of $X = X_1X_2$ and $Y = X_3^2$, and show that $P(X \geq Y) = \frac{4}{9}$.

First let's find the cdf and hence pdf of X and Y .

$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x) = P(X_1X_2 \leq x) = P((X_1, X_2) \in \{(x_1, x_2) : x_1x_2 \leq x\})$$

For $x \leq 0$, $F_X(x) = 0$ since X_1, X_2 and uniformly distributed on $[0, 1]$. For $x \geq 1$, $F_X(x) = 1$. Thus, for $x \in (0, 1)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{(x_1, x_2) : x_1x_2 \leq x} f_{X_1X_2}(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2 &= \int_0^1 \int_0^{\frac{x}{x_1}} f_{X_1X_2}(x_1, x_2) dx_2 dx_1 = \int_0^1 \int_0^{\frac{x}{x_1}} f_{X_1}(x_1) f_{X_2}(x_2) dx_2 dx_1 \\ & \quad [\because X_1, X_2 \text{ are independent.}] \\ &= \int_0^x f_{X_1}(x_1) \int_0^{\frac{x}{x_1}} f_{X_2}(x_2) dx_2 dx_1 + \int_x^1 f_{X_1}(x_1) \int_0^{\frac{x}{x_1}} f_{X_2}(x_2) dx_2 dx_1 \\ &= \int_0^x f_{X_1}(x_1) \int_0^1 (1) dx_2 dx_1 + \int_x^1 f_{X_1}(x_1) \int_0^{\frac{x}{x_1}} (1) dx_2 dx_1 \\ & \quad [\because f_{X_2}(x_2) = 1 \forall x_2 \in [0, 1], f_{X_2}(x_2) = 0 \text{ otherwise.}] \\ &= \int_0^x f_{X_1}(x_1) (1) dx_1 + \int_x^1 f_{X_1}(x_1) \left(\frac{x}{x_1}\right) dx_1 = \int_0^x (1) dx_1 + \int_x^1 \frac{x}{x_1} dx_1 \\ & \quad [\because f_{X_1}(x_1) = 1 \forall x_1 \in [0, 1], f_{X_1}(x_1) = 0 \text{ otherwise.}] \\ &= x + x \ln(x_1) \Big|_x^1 = x - x \ln(x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $F_X(x) = x - x \ln(x) \forall x \in (0, 1)$.

$$\implies f_X(x) = \frac{dF_X(x)}{dx} = 1 - \ln(x) - 1 = -\ln(x) \quad \forall x \in [0, 1], f_X(x) = 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(X_3^2 \leq y) = P(X_3 \in \{x_3 : x_3^2 \leq y\})$$

For $y \leq 0$, $F_Y(y) = 0$ since X_3 is uniformly distributed on $[0, 1]$. For $y \geq 1$, $F_Y(y) = 1$. Thus, for $y \in (0, 1)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{x_3 : x_3^2 \leq y} f_{X_3}(x_3) dx_3 &= \int_0^{\sqrt{y}} f_{X_3}(x_3) dx_3 = \int_0^{\sqrt{y}} (1) dx_3 = \sqrt{y} \\ & \quad [\because f_{X_3}(x_3) = 1 \quad \forall x_3 \in [0, 1], \quad f_{X_3}(x_3) = 0 \text{ otherwise.}] \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $F_Y(y) = \sqrt{y} \forall y \in (0, 1)$.

$$\implies f_Y(y) = \frac{dF_Y(y)}{dy} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \quad \forall y \in [0, 1], f_Y(y) = 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

Since X_1, X_2 and X_3 are independent, X and Y are also independent,

$$\implies f_{XY}(x, y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y) = \frac{-\ln(x)}{2\sqrt{y}} \quad \forall x, y \in [0, 1] \text{ and } 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

$$P(X \geq Y) = \int_0^1 \int_0^x f_{XY}(x, y) dy dx = - \int_0^1 \ln(x) \int_0^x \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} dy dx = - \int_0^1 \ln(x) \sqrt{x} dx = \frac{4}{9}.$$