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PROBABILITY AND RANDOM VARIABLES Assignment 3

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AI1103_Probability_Assignment/blob/main/
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PROBLEM

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Let X_1, X_2, X_3, \cdots be a sequence of i.i.d uniform (0, 1) random variables. Then the value of

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \Pr\left(-\ln(1 - X_1) - \dots - \ln(1 - X_n) > n\right)$$
(0.0.1)

is equal to

Solution

$$f_{X_i}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 (0.0.2)

Let Y_1, Y_2, \dots , be another sequence of random variables where $Y_i = -\ln(1 - X_i)$, $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$f_{Y_i}(x) = \frac{f_{X_i}(x)}{\frac{dY_i}{dX_i}}$$
 (0.0.3)

$$f_{Y_i}(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x} & x > 0\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 (0.0.4)

From the above probability function, we have all Y_i 's to be exponential random variables.

$$Y_i \sim \text{Exp}(1) \tag{0.0.5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu = 1, \sigma^2 = 1 \tag{0.0.6}$$

The required probability is

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \Pr\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} Y_i > n\right) \tag{0.0.7}$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \Pr\left(\overline{Y_n} > 1\right) \tag{0.0.8}$$

Consider

$$Z = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt{n} \left(\frac{\overline{Y_n} - \mu}{\sigma} \right) \tag{0.0.9}$$

Since $\overline{Y_n} > 1$, we have Z > 0.

By central limit theorem, we have Z to be a standard normal distribution.

$$Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1) \tag{0.0.10}$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \Pr\left(\overline{Y_n} > 1\right) = \Pr\left(Z > 0\right) \tag{0.0.11}$$

$$=\frac{1}{2}$$
 (0.0.12)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \Pr(-\ln(1 - X_1) - \dots - \ln(1 - X_n) > n) = 0.5$$
(0.0.13)