

3(b)

1st Moment: $m_1 = \langle x \rangle$

Uniform: $\langle x \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx = \int_1^u \frac{x}{u-1} dx = \frac{1}{u-1} \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 \right]_1^u = \frac{u+1}{2}$

Gaussian: for standard normal: $\langle z \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^0 x e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left([e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2}]_{-\infty}^0 + [e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2}]_0^{\infty} \right) = 0$

Exponential: $\langle x \rangle = \int_0^{\infty} x \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = [x e^{-\lambda x}]_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda x} dx = 0 + [-\frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-\lambda x}]_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{\lambda}$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x \rangle &= \langle \mu + \sigma z \rangle \\ &= \mu + \sigma \langle z \rangle \\ &= \mu \end{aligned}$$

2nd Moment: $m_2 = \langle [x - \langle x \rangle]^2 \rangle = \langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2$

Uniform: $\langle x^2 \rangle = \int_1^u x^2 f(x) dx = \frac{1}{u-1} \int_1^u x^2 dx = \frac{1}{u-1} \left[\frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_1^u = \frac{u^3 + u + 1}{3}$

$$\langle x \rangle^2 = \left(\frac{u+1}{2} \right)^2$$

$$m_2 = \text{Var}[x] = \frac{u^3 + u + 1}{3} - \left(\frac{u+1}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{(u-1)^2}{12}$$

Gaussian: for standard normal:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle z^2 \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left([-x e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2}]_{-\infty}^0 + \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx + [-x e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2}]_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} (0 + 0 + \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle z \rangle^2 = 0$$

$$\text{Var}[z] = 1 - 0 = 1$$

$$m_2 = \text{Var}[X] = \text{Var}[\mu + \sigma z] = \sigma^2 \text{Var}[z] = \sigma^2$$

Exponential: $\langle x^2 \rangle = \int_0^{\infty} x^2 \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = [-x^2 e^{-\lambda x}]_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} 2x e^{-\lambda x} dx = 0 + [-\frac{2}{\lambda} x e^{-\lambda x}]_0^{\infty} + \frac{2}{\lambda} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda x} dx$

$$= \frac{2}{\lambda} [-\frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-\lambda x}]_0^{\infty} = \frac{2}{\lambda^2}$$

$$\langle x \rangle^2 = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$$

$$m_2 = \text{Var}[x] = \frac{2}{\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$$

3rd Moment: $m_3 = \langle \left[\frac{x - \langle x \rangle}{\sigma} \right]^3 \rangle$

Uniform: $m_3 = \int_1^u \left(\frac{x - \langle x \rangle}{\sigma} \right)^3 \cdot \frac{1}{u-1} dx = \frac{1}{(u-1)\sigma^3} \int_1^u (x - \langle x \rangle)^3 dx = \frac{1}{(u-1)\sigma^3} \int_1^u \left(x - \frac{u+1}{2} \right)^3 dx$

$(y = x - \frac{u+1}{2}) = \frac{1}{(u-1)\sigma^3} \int_{-\frac{u-1}{2}}^{\frac{u-1}{2}} y^3 dy$
 \rightarrow is odd \Rightarrow integral = 0

$$\therefore m_3 = 0$$

Gaussian: $m_3 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \right)^3 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{u}{\sigma} \right)^3 e^{-\frac{u^2}{2\sigma^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} du$

$$\therefore m_3 = 0$$

\rightarrow is odd \Rightarrow integral = 0

Exponential: $m_3 = \langle \left[\frac{x - \langle x \rangle}{\sigma} \right]^3 \rangle = \frac{\langle x^3 \rangle - 3\mu\langle x^2 \rangle + \mu^2\langle x \rangle - \mu^3}{\sigma^3} = \frac{\langle x^3 \rangle - 3\mu\sigma^2 - \mu^3}{\sigma^3}$

$$\langle x^3 \rangle = \int_0^{\infty} x^3 \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = \frac{6}{\lambda^3}$$

$$\therefore m_3 = \frac{\frac{6}{\lambda^3} - 3 \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\lambda^3}}{\frac{1}{\lambda^3}} = 2$$

4th Moment: $m_4 = \left\langle \left[\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \right]^4 \right\rangle = \frac{\langle x^4 \rangle - 4\mu \langle x^3 \rangle + 6\mu^2 \langle x^2 \rangle - 3\mu^4}{\sigma^4}$

Uniform: $m_4 = \int_1^u \frac{(x-\mu)^4}{\sigma^4} \cdot \frac{1}{u-1} dx = \frac{1}{\sigma^4(u-1)} \cdot \int_{-\frac{u-1}{2}}^{\frac{u-1}{2}} y^4 dy = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{u-1}{2}\right)^2(u-1)} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{5} y^5 \right]_{-\frac{u-1}{2}}^{\frac{u-1}{2}}$
 $= \frac{1}{12^2} \cdot \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{(u-1)^5}{2^5} = \frac{9}{5}$

Gaussian: $m_3 = \frac{\langle x^3 \rangle - 3\mu\sigma^2 - \mu^3}{\sigma^3} = 0 \Rightarrow \langle x^3 \rangle = 3\mu\sigma^2 + \mu^3$

~~$\langle x^4 \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^4 f(x) dx = \left[\frac{x^3 f(x)}{3} + 3 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx \right] = 0 + 3 \text{Var}[x]$~~

$\langle x^4 \rangle = M_x^{(4)}(0) = 3\sigma^4 + 6\sigma^2(\mu + \sigma^2 t)^2 + (\mu + \sigma^2 t)^4 e^{\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2} \Big|_{t=0}$
 $= \mu^4 + 6\mu^2\sigma^2 + 3\sigma^4$

$m_4 = \frac{\langle x^4 \rangle - 4\mu(3\mu\sigma^2 + \mu^3) + 6\mu^2(\sigma^2 + \mu^2) - 3\mu^4}{\sigma^4} = 3$

Exponential: $M_x^{(n)}(t) = \frac{(-1)^{n+1} n!}{(\lambda - 1)^{n+1}} \frac{1}{\lambda^n} \Rightarrow M_x^{(4)}(0) = n! \frac{1}{\lambda^n} = 4! \frac{1}{\lambda^4} = \langle x^4 \rangle$. $\langle x^2 \rangle = \frac{6}{\lambda^3}$ $\langle x^2 \rangle = \frac{2}{\lambda^2}$

$m_4 = \frac{\frac{4!}{\lambda^4} - 4 \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{6}{\lambda^3} + 6 \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \cdot \frac{2}{\lambda^2} - 3 \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda^4}}{\frac{1}{\lambda^4}} = 4! - 24 + 12 - 3 = 9$

4(b) $\text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N X_i\right) = \frac{1}{N^2} \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^N X_i\right) = \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{i=1}^N \text{Var}(X_i)$ (if X_i, X_j independent)
 $= \frac{N\sigma^2}{N^2} = \frac{\sigma^2}{N}$

$\text{Var}(X_{\text{med}}) = \frac{\pi}{2} \cdot \frac{\sigma^2}{N} > \text{Var}(\bar{X})$ consistent with MC simulation.