



Homework 3.

Question 1.

(a) Find $P(W_2 \geq c)$

$$W_2 = \max(0, V_1 - T_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(W_2 \geq c) &= 1 - P(W_2 < c) \\ &= 1 - P(\max(0, V_1 - T_2) < c) \\ &= 1 - P(V_1 - T_2 < c) \\ &= 1 - P(V_1 < T_2 + c) \end{aligned}$$

$$P(V_1 < T_2 + c) = \int_0^\infty \int_0^{t_2+c} \mu e^{-\mu v_1} \lambda e^{-\lambda t_2} dv_1 dt_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{t_2+c} \mu e^{-\mu v_1} dv_1 &= \left[-e^{-\mu v_1} \right]_0^{t_2+c} \\ &= -e^{-\mu(t_2+c)} + 1 \\ &= 1 - e^{-\mu t_2} e^{-\mu c} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(V_1 < T_2 + c) &= \int_0^\infty \lambda e^{-\lambda t_2} (1 - e^{-\mu t_2} e^{-\mu c}) dt_2 \\ &= \int_0^\infty \lambda e^{-\lambda t_2} dt_2 - e^{-\mu c} \int_0^\infty \lambda e^{-(\lambda+\mu)t_2} dt_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_0^\infty \lambda e^{-\lambda t_2} dt_2 = \left[-e^{-\lambda t_2} \right]_0^\infty = 1$$

$$\int_0^\infty \lambda e^{-(\lambda+\mu)t_2} dt_2 = \left[\frac{-\lambda}{\lambda+\mu} e^{-(\lambda+\mu)t_2} \right]_0^\infty = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+\mu}$$

$$P(V_1 < T_2 + c) = 1 - e^{-\mu c} \cdot \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+\mu} = 1 - \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+\mu} e^{-\mu c}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(W_2 \geq c) &= 1 - \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+\mu} e^{-\mu c} \right) \\ &= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+\mu} e^{-\mu c} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Find $P(W_3 \geq c)$

$$W_3 = \max(0, D_2 - A_3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_2 &= V_2 + \max(A_2, D_1) \\ &= V_2 + \max(A_1 + T_2, A_1 + V_1) \\ &= V_2 + A_1 + \max(T_2, V_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$A_3 = A_1 + T_2 + T_3$$

$$\begin{aligned} W_3 &= \max(0, V_2 + A_1 + \max(T_2, V_1) - A_1 - T_2 - T_3) \\ &= \max(0, V_2 + \max(T_2, V_1) - T_2 - T_3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(W_3 \geq c) &= P(V_2 + \max(T_2, V_1) - T_2 - T_3 \geq c) \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty P(V_2 + \max(t_2, v_1) - t_2 - T_3 \geq c) \mu e^{-\mu v_1} \lambda e^{-\lambda t_2} \mu e^{-\mu v_2} dv_1 dt_2 dv_2 \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty P(V_2 \geq c + t_2 + T_3 - \max(t_2, v_1)) \mu e^{-\mu v_1} \lambda e^{-\lambda t_2} \mu e^{-\mu v_2} dv_1 dt_2 dv_2 \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^{t_2} \int_{c+t_2-t_2}^\infty \mu e^{-\mu v_2} \mu e^{-\mu v_1} \lambda e^{-\lambda t_2} dv_2 dv_1 dt_2 \\ &\quad + \int_0^\infty \int_{t_2}^\infty \int_{c+t_2-v_1}^\infty \mu e^{-\mu v_2} \mu e^{-\mu v_1} \lambda e^{-\lambda t_2} dv_2 dv_1 dt_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(W_3 \geq c) &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^{t_2} \int_c^\infty \mu \lambda \mu e^{-\mu v_2} e^{-\mu v_1} e^{-\lambda t_2} dv_2 dv_1 dt_2 \\ &\quad + \int_0^\infty \int_{t_2}^\infty \int_{c+t_2-v_1}^\infty \mu \lambda \mu e^{-\mu v_2} e^{-\mu v_1} e^{-\lambda t_2} dv_2 dv_1 dt_2 \end{aligned}$$

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In [ ]: import numpy as np
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def WaitingTimes(n, lam, mu):  
    """  
    Simulate waiting times for n customers in a single-server queue.  
  
    Parameters:  
    n: number of customers  
    lam: arrival rate (lambda)  
    mu: service rate (mu)  
  
    Returns:  
    Array of waiting times for each customer  
    """  
    # Generate interarrival times and service times  
    T = np.random.exponential(1/lam, n) # Interarrival times  
    # Creates array of n random samples from Exp( $\lambda$ )  
    # np.random.exponential takes SCALE parameter = 1/rate  
    # So for rate  $\lambda$ , we pass 1/ $\lambda$   
  
    V = np.random.exponential(1/mu, n) # Service times  
    # Creates array of n random samples from Exp( $\mu$ )  
    # For rate  $\mu$ , we pass 1/ $\mu$   
  
    # Initialize arrays  
    A = np.zeros(n) # Arrival times  
    # Creates array of n zeros to store arrival time of each customer  
  
    D = np.zeros(n) # Departure times  
    # Creates array of n zeros to store departure time of each customer  
  
    W = np.zeros(n) # Waiting times  
    # Creates array of n zeros to store waiting time of each customer  
  
    # First customer  
    A[0] = T[0]  
    # Customer 1 arrives at time T[0] (first interarrival time from time 0)  
  
    D[0] = A[0] + V[0]  
    # Customer 1 departs at arrival time + service time  
    # No waiting since queue starts empty  
  
    W[0] = 0  
    # Customer 1 has zero waiting time (given in problem)  
  
    # Remaining customers  
    for i in range(1, n):  
        # Loop through customers 2 through n (indices 1 through n-1)  
  
        A[i] = A[i-1] + T[i]  
        # Customer i arrives T[i] time units after customer i-1  
        # This implements:  $A_i = A_{i-1} + T_i$   
  
        D[i] = V[i] + max(A[i], D[i-1])  
        # Customer i departs at: service time + max(arrival, previous departure)  
        # If  $A[i] > D[i-1]$ : server idle, depart at  $A[i] + V[i]$   
        # If  $A[i] \leq D[i-1]$ : server busy, depart at  $D[i-1] + V[i]$   
        # This implements:  $D_i = V_i + \max(A_i, D_{i-1})$ 
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    W[i] = max(D[i-1] - A[i], 0)
    # Waiting time = time until previous customer finishes - arrival time
    # If D[i-1] > A[i]: must wait D[i-1] - A[i]
    # If D[i-1] <= A[i]: server idle, no wait (0)
    # This implements:  $W_i = \max(D_{i-1} - A_i, 0)$ 

    return W
    # Return the array of all waiting times

# Test with n=10, lambda=1, mu=1
np.random.seed(42)
# Set random seed for reproducibility
# Same seed = same "random" numbers every time

waiting_times = WaitingTimes(10, 1, 1)
# Call function to simulate 10 customers with  $\lambda=1$ ,  $\mu=1$ 

print("Waiting times for n=10,  $\lambda=1$ ,  $\mu=1$ :")
print(waiting_times)
# Display the array of 10 waiting times

print(f"\nMean waiting time: {np.mean(waiting_times):.4f}")
# Compute and display average waiting time
# np.mean() computes average of array
# {:.4f} formats to 4 decimal places

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Waiting times for n=10,  $\lambda=1$ ,  $\mu=1$ :
[0.          0.          2.18681178  3.06029877  3.12936153  3.16044422
 3.30321688  1.65473974  1.47958542  0.81387242]

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Mean waiting time: 1.8788

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Question 1d.

$$E[W_2] = \int_0^{\infty} P(W_2 \geq c) dc \quad (\text{survival function formula})$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu} e^{-\mu c} dc \quad (\text{from part (a)})$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\mu c} dc$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu} \left[\frac{-1}{\mu} e^{-\mu c} \right]_0^{\infty}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu} \left(0 - \frac{-1}{\mu} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu} \cdot \frac{1}{\mu}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{\mu(\lambda + \mu)}$$

With $\lambda = 1, \mu = 1$:

$$E[W_2] = \frac{1}{1 \cdot (1 + 1)} = \frac{1}{2} = 0.5$$

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In [ ]: # =====
# Estimating E[W_2] and P(W_2 > 1) using Monte Carlo
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# Set parameters
lam = 1 # Arrival rate λ
mu = 1 # Service rate μ
n_simulations = 1000000 # Number of Monte Carlo simulations

# Initialize list to store W_2 samples
W2_samples = []

# Run Monte Carlo simulations
for _ in range(n_simulations):
    # Generate waiting times for first 3 customers
    # We need 3 customers to get W_0, W_1, W_2
    W = WaitingTimes(2, lam, mu)

    # Extract W_2 (the waiting time of the 2nd customer)
    # Remember: W[0] = W_1, W[1] = W_2, W[2] = W_3
    W2_samples.append(W[1])

# Convert list to numpy array for easier computation
W2_samples = np.array(W2_samples)

# Estimate E[W_2] using sample mean
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# By Law of Large Numbers: sample mean → true mean as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ 
E_W2_mc = np.mean(W2_samples)

# Estimate  $P(W_2 > 1)$  using indicator function
# np.mean(W2_samples > 1) computes the fraction of samples where  $W_2 > 1$ 
# This is equivalent to: (number of times  $W_2 > 1$ ) / (total simulations)
P_W2_gt_1_mc = np.mean(W2_samples > 1)

# Compute theoretical values from part (a)
#  $E[W_2] = \lambda / (\mu(\lambda + \mu))$ 
E_W2_theory = lam / (mu * (lam + mu))

#  $P(W_2 > 1) = (\lambda / (\lambda + \mu)) * e^{(-\mu * c)}$  with  $c = 1$ 
P_W2_gt_1_theory = (lam / (lam + mu)) * np.exp(-mu * 1)

# Display results
print("="*60)
print("Estimating  $W_2$  with  $\lambda=1$ ,  $\mu=1$ ")
print("="*60)

print(f"\nE[W_2]:")
print(f" Monte Carlo estimate: {E_W2_mc:.4f}")
print(f" Theoretical value:      {E_W2_theory:.4f}")
print(f" Absolute error:         {abs(E_W2_mc - E_W2_theory):.4f}")

print(f"\nP(W_2 > 1):")
print(f" Monte Carlo estimate: {P_W2_gt_1_mc:.4f}")
print(f" Theoretical value:    {P_W2_gt_1_theory:.4f}")
print(f" Absolute error:       {abs(P_W2_gt_1_mc - P_W2_gt_1_theory):.4f}")

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Estimating  $W_2$  with  $\lambda=1$ ,  $\mu=1$ 
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E[W_2]:
Monte Carlo estimate: 0.4998
Theoretical value:    0.5000
Absolute error:       0.0002

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P(W_2 > 1):
Monte Carlo estimate: 0.1839
Theoretical value:    0.1839
Absolute error:       0.0001

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In [ ]: # =====
# Estimating  $E[W_{100}]$  using Monte Carlo
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# Set parameters (same as before)
lam = 1 # Arrival rate  $\lambda$ 
mu = 1 # Service rate  $\mu$ 
n_simulations = 100000 # Number of Monte Carlo simulations

# Initialize list to store  $W_{100}$  samples
W100_samples = []

# Run Monte Carlo simulations
for _ in range(n_simulations):
    # Generate waiting times for first 101 customers
    # We need 101 customers to get  $W_0, W_1, \dots, W_{99}, W_{100}$ 

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W = WaitingTimes(100, lam, mu)

# Extract W_100 (the waiting time of the 100th customer)
# Remember: W[0] = W_1, W[1] = W_2, ..., W[99] = W_100
W100_samples.append(W[99])

# Convert list to numpy array
W100_samples = np.array(W100_samples)

# Estimate E[W_100] using sample mean
# By Law of Large Numbers: sample mean → true mean as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ 
E_W100_mc = np.mean(W100_samples)

# Note: There is no simple closed-form theoretical value for E[W_100]
# For  $\lambda = \mu$  (our case), the system is at the boundary of stability
# The queue is critically loaded (utilization  $\rho = \lambda/\mu = 1$ )
# In steady-state (as  $i \rightarrow \infty$ ), waiting times would grow unbounded
# But for finite  $i = 100$ , we can estimate via simulation

# Display results
print("\n" + "="*60)
print("Estimating W_100 with  $\lambda=1$ ,  $\mu=1$ ")
print("="*60)

print(f"\nE[W_100]:")
print(f"  Monte Carlo estimate: {E_W100_mc:.4f}")
print(f"  (No simple closed-form theoretical value available)")

# Optional: Compute some additional statistics
print(f"\nAdditional statistics for W_100:")
print(f"  Standard deviation:    {np.std(W100_samples):.4f}")
print(f"  Median:                {np.median(W100_samples):.4f}")
print(f"  95th percentile:      {np.percentile(W100_samples, 95):.4f}")

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Estimating W_100 with  $\lambda=1$ ,  $\mu=1$ 
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E[W_100]:
  Monte Carlo estimate: 10.2527
  (No simple closed-form theoretical value available)

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Additional statistics for W_100:
  Standard deviation:    8.4487
  Median:                8.4726
  95th percentile:      26.5015

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Question 2.

Solution to 2a.

Let $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, D)$ where D is diagonal with d_1, d_2, \dots, d_p on the diagonal.

Properties of D

$$\det(D) = d_1 \cdot d_2 \cdot \dots \cdot d_p = \prod_{i=1}^p d_i$$

$$D^{-1} = \text{diag} \left(\frac{1}{d_1}, \frac{1}{d_2}, \dots, \frac{1}{d_p} \right)$$

PDF of X

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |D|^{1/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} x^T D^{-1} x \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} (d_1 \cdot d_2 \cdot \dots \cdot d_p)^{1/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} x^T D^{-1} x \right) \end{aligned}$$

Expand the quadratic form

$$x^T D^{-1} x = \frac{x_1^2}{d_1} + \frac{x_2^2}{d_2} + \dots + \frac{x_p^2}{d_p}$$

Factor the PDF

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi d_1)^{1/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{x_1^2}{2d_1} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{(2\pi d_2)^{1/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{x_2^2}{2d_2} \right) \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{1}{(2\pi d_p)^{1/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{x_p^2}{2d_p} \right) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^p \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi d_i}} \exp \left(-\frac{x_i^2}{2d_i} \right) \end{aligned}$$

This shows that X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p are independent, with $X_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, d_i)$.

Solution to 2b.

Given: $Y \sim \mathcal{N}(0, D)$ where D is diagonal with eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_p$.

Goal: Show that $QY \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$ where $\Sigma = QDQ^T$.

Let $X = Q^T Y$, which means $Y = QX$ (since $Q^T = Q^{-1}$ for orthonormal Q).

We want to find the distribution of X .

1. Change of Variables

For the transformation $x = Q^T y$ (equivalently, $y = Qx$), we use:

$$f_X(x) = \left| \det \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \right| f_Y(y)$$

The Jacobian is:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= Q \\ \det \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) &= \det(Q) \end{aligned}$$

2. Determinant of Orthonormal Matrix

Since Q is orthonormal: $QQ^T = I$

Taking determinants:

$$\det(QQ^T) = \det(I)$$

$$\det(Q) \det(Q^T) = 1$$

$$[\det(Q)]^2 = 1$$

$$\det(Q) = \pm 1$$

Therefore: $|\det(Q)| = 1$

3. Apply the Transformation

$$\begin{aligned}
f_X(x) &= 1 \cdot f_Y(Qx) \\
f_X(x) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2}(\lambda_1 \cdot \lambda_2 \cdot \dots \cdot \lambda_p)^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(Qx)^T D^{-1}(Qx)\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2}|D|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}x^T Q^T D^{-1}Qx\right)
\end{aligned}$$

4. Simplify using $\Sigma = QDQ^T$

From the spectral decomposition:

$$\Sigma = QDQ^T$$

$$\Sigma^{-1} = QD^{-1}Q^T$$

$$(\text{since } (QDQ^T)^{-1} = (Q^T)^{-1}D^{-1}Q^{-1} = QD^{-1}Q^T)$$

Also:

$$\det(\Sigma) = \det(Q) \det(D) \det(Q^T) = \det(Q)^2 \det(D) = 1 \cdot \det(D) = \lambda_1 \cdot \lambda_2 \cdot \dots \cdot \lambda_p$$

5. Final Result

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2}|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}x^T \Sigma^{-1}x\right)$$

This is the PDF of $\mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$.

6. Conclusion

Since $X = Q^T Y$ and $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$, we have:

$$Y = QX \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$$

Therefore: $\boxed{QY \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)}$, which means $X \sim QY$ where $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$.

Solution to 2c.

Given: $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$ and $w \in \mathbb{R}^p$.

Goal: Show that $w \cdot X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, w^T \Sigma w)$.

1: Use the spectral decomposition

Let $\Sigma = Q D Q^T$ where Q is orthonormal and $D = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_p)$.

Choose $U = Q^T$ (which is orthonormal since Q is).

Choosing $U = Q^T$ to make Y have independent entries

Let $\Sigma = Q D Q^T$ be the spectral decomposition and set $U = Q^T$.

Let $Y = U X = Q^T X$. The covariance matrix of Y is:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}(Y) &= \text{Cov}(Q^T X) = Q^T \cdot \text{Cov}(X) \cdot (Q^T)^T = Q^T \Sigma Q \\ &= Q^T (Q D Q^T) Q = (Q^T Q) D (Q^T Q) = I \cdot D \cdot I = D\end{aligned}$$

Since D is diagonal, Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_p are independent with $Y_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \lambda_i)$.

2: Show that $w \cdot X = (U w) \cdot (U X)$

$$w \cdot X = w^T X$$

Since $U^T U = I$:

$$w^T X = w^T (U^T U) X = (U w)^T (U X)$$

Therefore:

$$w \cdot X = (U w) \cdot (U X)$$

4: Express $w \cdot X$ as a sum of independent normals

Let $c = U w = Q^T w = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_p)^T$. Then:

$$w \cdot X = c \cdot Y = c^T Y = c_1 Y_1 + c_2 Y_2 + \dots + c_p Y_p$$

Since the components are independent:

$$Y_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \lambda_i)$$

$$c_i Y_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, c_i^2 \lambda_i)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^p c_i Y_i \sim \mathcal{N} \left(0, \sum_{i=1}^p c_i^2 \lambda_i \right) \quad (\text{as independent})$$

6: Compute the variance

$$\sum_{i=1}^p c_i^2 \lambda_i = c^T D c = (Q^T w)^T D (Q^T w)$$

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$$= w^T Q D Q^T w = w^T \Sigma w$$

$$\boxed{w \cdot X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, w^T \Sigma w)}$$

This shows that any linear projection of a multivariate normal is a univariate normal.