

Homework 2

1. Suppose that $f_X(x; p) = \frac{-(1-p)^x}{x \cdot \log p}$ for $x = 1, 2, \dots$ and for some parameter $p \in (0, 1)$. Find the mean and variance of X in terms of p .
2. Casella & Berger problems 3.1 and 3.2
3. Suppose $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x-10)^2}{2}\right\}$. (X is normally distributed with mean 10 and variance 1.)
 - (a) What is the distribution of $Y = |X|$?
 - (b) What is the distribution of $Z = X^4$?
4. A density function often used by engineers is the Rayleigh density, given by $f_X(x) = \frac{2x}{\theta} \exp(-\frac{x^2}{\theta})$, $x > 0$. What is the distribution of $Y = X^2$?