

Problem Set 6

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Problem 1

Assume that $X \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ ### (a) Prove that $E(\exp(-X^2)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\sigma^2+1}}$

$$\text{let } g(x) = e^{-X^2} = e^{(\mu+\sigma \cdot x)^2} = e^{\sigma^2 \cdot x^2} \quad \text{Normalize}$$

$$\text{let } f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{(1/2) \cdot (x^2/2)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[g(x)] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) \cdot f(x) dx && \text{Theorem 3.5.3 (148) Larsen \& Marx} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\sigma^2 \cdot x^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{(1/2) \cdot (x^2/2)} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(\sigma^2 x^2 - \frac{x^2}{2}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp((x^2/2) \cdot (2\sigma + 1)) \\ &= \frac{2\sigma + 1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\sigma^2/2} dx \\ &= \frac{2\sigma + 1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \end{aligned}$$

I couldn't get it all the way but I got close. I suspect I am doing something wrong with the normal distribution but I can't tell exactly what.

(b) Use Monte Carlo Methods to prove your result from (a)

```
## Set the function
h <- function(x){
  exp(-x^2)
}

## Integrate - find the true mean in this case given by problem
truemean <- function(s){
  1/(sqrt(2*s^2+1))
}
truemean(1)
```

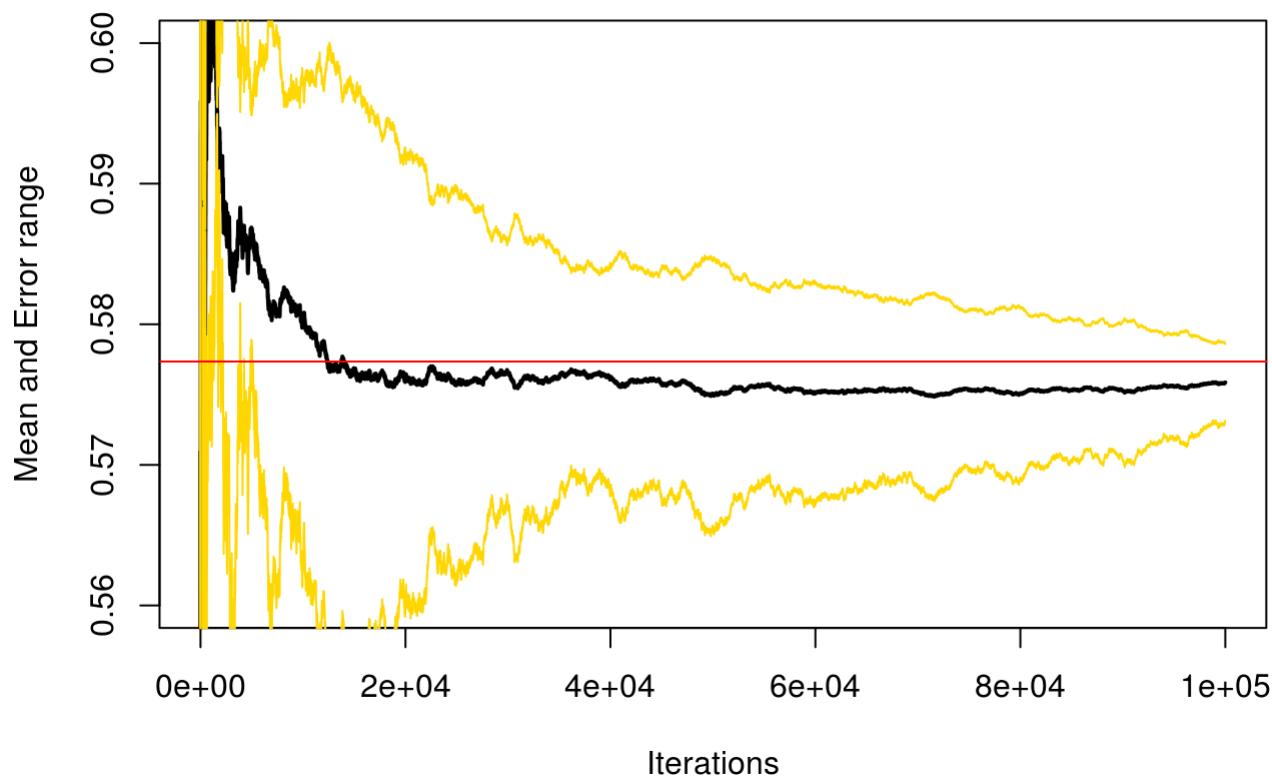
```
## [1] 0.5773503
```

```
## Sampling
# Set Nsim
Nsim <- 10^5
# Generate uniform
x <- rnorm(Nsim)
# Evaluate h(x)
hx <- h(x)
# Average of hx
estint <- cumsum(hx)/(1:Nsim)
# Get the variation from the true mean for every value of hx
esterr <- sqrt(cumsum(hx-estint)^2)/(1:Nsim)

## Graph
#par(mar=c(2,2,2,1),mfrow=c(1,2))
#curve(h,xlab="Function",ylab="",lwd=2)
plot(estint, type='l',lwd=2,
      xlab="Iterations",ylab="Mean and Error range", main="Problem 1b",
      ylim=c(0.56,0.6))

lines(estint+3*esterr,col="gold",lwd=1)
lines(estint-3*esterr,col="gold",lwd=1)
abline(h=true.mean(1),col = "red")
```

Problem 1b



Problem 2

Estimate the mean and variance of this distribution using Monte Carlo methods.

$$f(x) = 3.852985 \cdot \exp(-x^2 \sqrt{x}) [\sin(x)]^2$$

```
###
# Set the function
f <- function(x){
  3.852985*exp((-x^2*sqrt(x)))*(sin(x)^2)
}

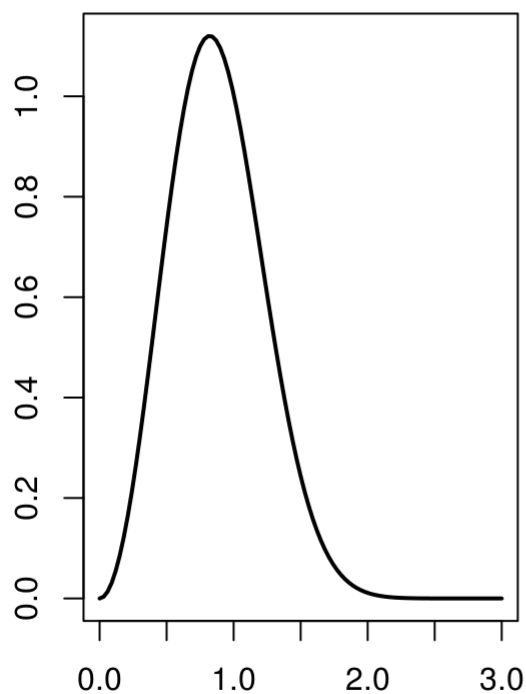
# Set sim
Nsim <- 10^6
# Generate g(x) - use exponential because of the previous exercise? (3.13)
x <- rexp(Nsim)
# Evaluate h(x)
fx <- f(x)
# Get the density weight [f(x)/g(x)]
w <- f(x)/dexp(x)
# Compute the h function
h <- w * x
#max(h)

# Average of hx
estint <- cumsum(h)/(1:Nsim)
# Get the variation from the true mean for everyvalue of hx
esterr <- sqrt(cumsum(h-estint)^2)/(1:Nsim)
# Mean & Variance
print(paste0("The function has a mean of ",mean(estint)," and a variance of ",var(estint)))
```

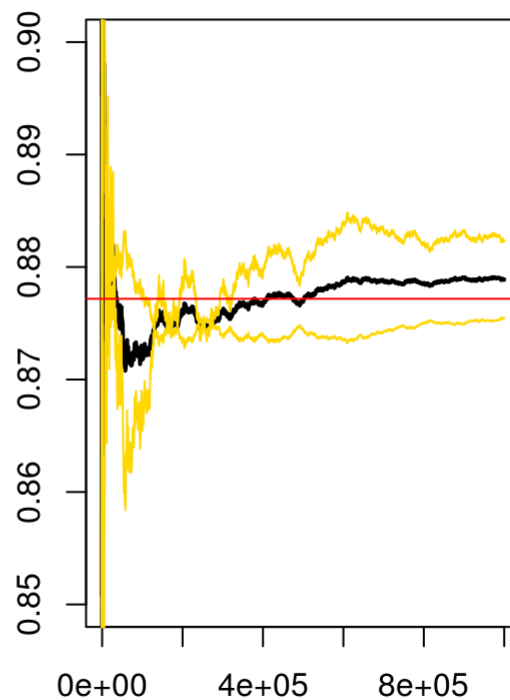
```
## [1] "The function has a mean of 0.877178381365843 and a variance of 2.40488090721826e-05"
```

```
## Graph
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
curve(f,xlab="Function",ylab="",main="Function", xlim=c(0,3),lwd=2)
plot(estint, xlab="Mean and Error range",ylab="",type='l',lwd=2,
      ylim=c(0.85,0.9))
lines(estint+2*esterr,col="gold",lwd=1)
lines(estint-2*esterr,col="gold",lwd=1)
abline(h=mean(estint), col = "red")
```

Function



Function



Mean and Error range

Problem 3

For the density in the previous problem find the $P(X > 3)$

```
## P(X>3)
sum(as.numeric(h>3))/Nsim
```

```
## [1] 0
```

Problem 4 (exercise 3.14)

When a cdf $F(x)$ has a tail power of α (i.e., when $1 - F(x) \propto x^{-\alpha}$). Show that $E[X|X > K] = K\alpha/(\alpha - 1)$

$$cdf : 1 - F(X) = (1 - x^{-\alpha})$$

$$pdf : \frac{d}{dx}(1 - x^{-\alpha}) = \alpha x^{-\alpha-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[X|X > K] &= E[X > K] = \int_K^{\infty} x \cdot f(x) \\ &= \int_K^{\infty} x \cdot \alpha x^{-\alpha-1} dx \\ &= \alpha \int_K^{\infty} x^{-\alpha} dx \\ &= \alpha \left[\frac{x^{-\alpha+1}}{-\alpha+1} \right]_K^{\infty} \\ &= 0 - \alpha \frac{K^{-\alpha+1}}{-\alpha+1} \\ &= ? \frac{K}{1-\alpha} \cdot \alpha \end{aligned}$$

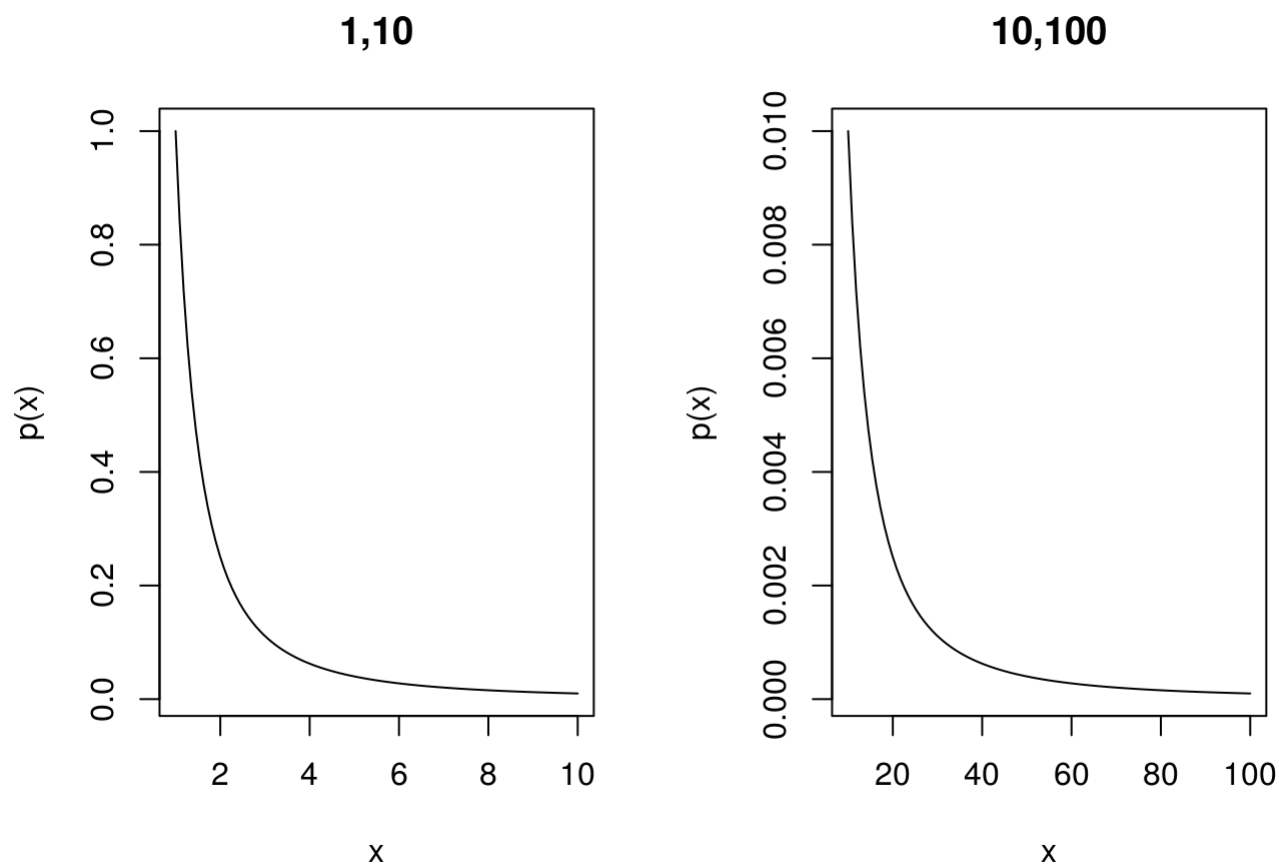
(b) Derive this?

Okay I'm not sure what to do here but I found it really useful to play with this. So I'll talk about that.

First note that $\alpha > 1$ since $\$1-\$$ can not be zero and must be positive. we can see that in the graph that the line does not change much regardless of the x range:

```
p <- function(x){
  x^(-2)
}

par(mfrow=c(1,2))
curve(p,xlim=c(1,10),main="1,10")
curve(p,xlim=c(10,100),main="10,100")
```

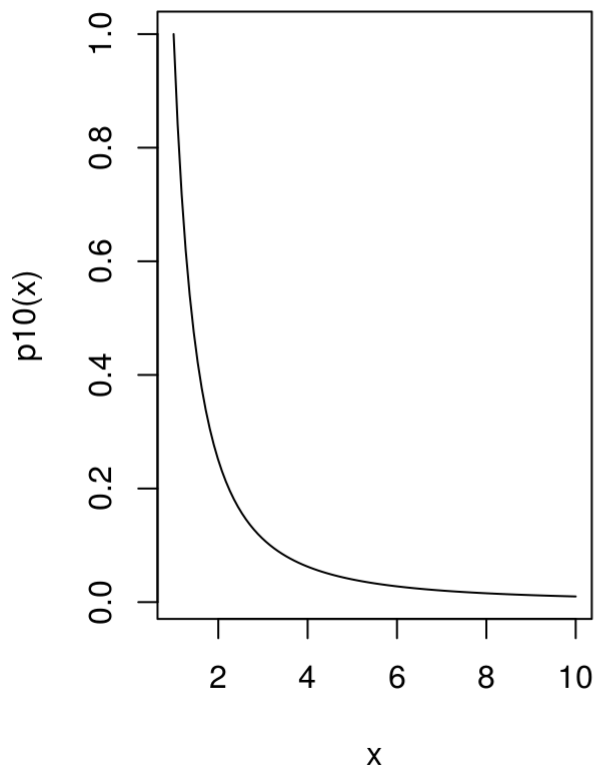
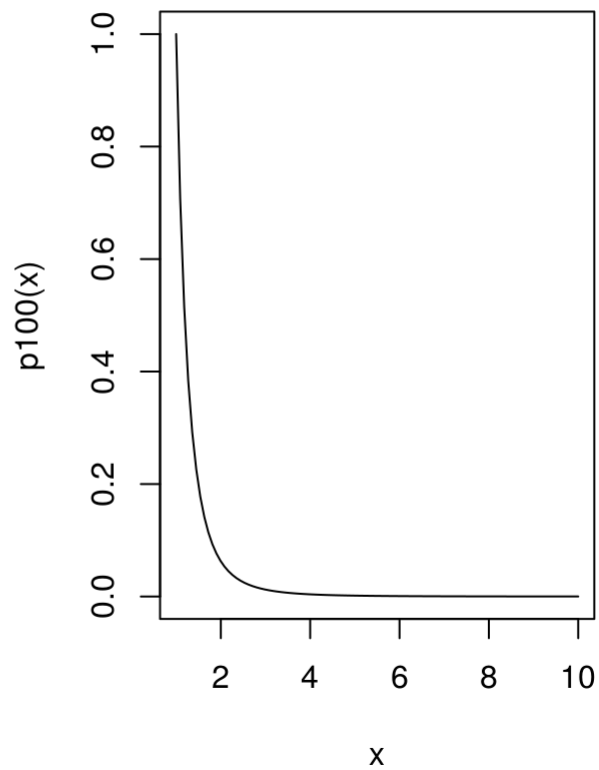


Now also notice how the curve gets “sharper?” as α increases.

```
p10 <- function(x){
  x^(-2)
}

p100 <- function(x){
  x^(-4)
}

par(mfrow=c(1,2))
curve(p10,xlim=c(1,10),main="alpha = 10")
curve(p100,xlim=c(1,10),main="alpha = 100")
```

alpha = 10**alpha = 100**

If you really look at it this looks pretty similar to a geometric probability distribution. Which makes sense since there are going to be pretty small changes between values of x in the pdf so you can almost think of each increase in x as an independent event. But the α is going to directly determine both how high you start at K and how gradual the descent.