

# Problem 1, 2, 3a

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## HW 4

Problem 1 → Total cards = 52.

Ideal → Ace of any suit & any face card/10 of any suit

Event A →  $P(\text{Ace of any suit}) = \frac{4}{52} = P(A)$

Event B → Total of face cards + 10s =  $(3)(4) + (1)(4) = 16 \rightarrow P(B) = \frac{16}{52}$

Assuming an event occurs, the total # of cards decreases to 51.

option 1 → A happens first, then B →  $P(A) \cdot P(B) = \frac{4}{52} \cdot \frac{16}{51} = 0.024133 = 2.4133\%$

option 2 → B happens first, then A →  $P(B) \cdot P(A) = \frac{16}{52} \cdot \frac{4}{51} = 0.024133 = 2.4133\%$

Ideal combination is option 1 or option 2

∴ Probability of ideal combination =  $P(\text{option 1}) + P(\text{option 2}) = \frac{12.8}{2652} = 4.8265\%$

Problem 2 →  $f_x(x) = \begin{cases} ax(1-x) & x \in [0, 1] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

A valid probability density function must always have  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_x(x) dx = 1$

∴  $f_x(x) \neq 0$  for  $x \in [0, 1] \rightarrow \int_0^1 f_x(x) dx = 1$

$\int_0^1 f_x(x) dx = \int_0^1 ax - ax^2 dx = \frac{1}{2}ax^2 - \frac{1}{3}ax^3 \Big|_0^1 = \frac{a}{2} - \frac{a}{3} = \frac{a}{6} = 1 \rightarrow a = 6$

Problem 3 →  $f_x(x) = \begin{cases} ae^{-ax} & x > 0 \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}, a \geq 0$

a) cumulative distribution function:  $F(-\infty \leq x \leq \xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\xi} f_x(x) dx = c(\xi)$

for  $x \leq 0$   $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^0 0 dx = 0$

for  $x > 0$   $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^0 0 dx + \int_0^x ae^{-at} dt = a \int_0^x e^{-at} dt = a \left[ -\frac{1}{a} e^{-at} \right]_0^x$   
 $= a \left[ -\frac{1}{a} e^{-ax} + \frac{1}{a} \right] = -e^{-ax} + 1$

$F(x) = \begin{cases} -e^{-ax} + 1 & x > 0 \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$



# Problem 3b, 3c, 3d, 3e

$$b) \bar{x} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} x a e^{-ax} dx = a \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-ax} dx$$

$$\text{Let } f = x, g' = e^{-ax} \rightarrow f' = dx, g = -\frac{1}{a} e^{-ax} \rightarrow \int f g' = f g - \int f' g$$

$$a \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-ax} = a \left[ x \left( -\frac{1}{a} e^{-ax} \right) - \int_0^{\infty} -\frac{1}{a} e^{-ax} dx \right] = a \left[ -\frac{x}{a} e^{-ax} + \frac{1}{a} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax} dx \right]$$

$$= a \left[ -\frac{x}{a} e^{-ax} + \frac{1}{a} \left( -\frac{1}{a} e^{-ax} \right) \right]_0^{\infty} = -x e^{-ax} + \frac{1}{a} \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{-ax} - e^0 \right)$$

$$= -x e^{-ax} + \frac{1}{a} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (-x e^{-ax}) - 0 + \frac{1}{a}$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{a}$$

$$c) E[x^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f_X(x) dx = a \int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-ax} dx$$

$$\text{Let } f = x^2, g' = e^{-ax} \rightarrow f' = 2x dx, g = -\frac{1}{a} e^{-ax} \rightarrow \int f g' = f g - \int f' g$$

$$E[x^2] = a \left[ x^2 \left( -\frac{1}{a} e^{-ax} \right) + \frac{1}{a} \int_0^{\infty} 2x e^{-ax} dx \right]$$

$$= -\frac{x^2}{a} e^{-ax} + \frac{2}{a} \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-ax} dx$$

$$\text{Let } f = x, g' = e^{-ax} \rightarrow f' = dx, g = -\frac{1}{a} e^{-ax} \rightarrow \int f g' = f g - \int f' g$$

$$E[x^2] = \frac{2}{a} \left[ x \left( -\frac{1}{a} e^{-ax} \right) + \frac{1}{a} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax} dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{2}{a} \left[ -\frac{1}{a} (e^{-ax}) \right]_0^{\infty} = \frac{2}{a} \left[ \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{a} e^{-ax} + \frac{1}{a} e^0 \right] = \left[ \frac{2}{a^2} = E[x^2] \right]$$

$$d) \text{var}(x) = E[(x - \mu_x)^2] = \sigma_x^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu_x)^2 f_X(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \left( x - \frac{1}{a} \right)^2 a e^{-ax} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \left( x^2 - \frac{2x}{a} + \frac{1}{a^2} \right) a e^{-ax} dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} x^2 a e^{-ax} dx - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2x}{a} a e^{-ax} dx + \frac{1}{a^2} \int_0^{\infty} a e^{-ax} dx$$

$$\text{from part c} \rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} x^2 a e^{-ax} dx = \frac{2}{a^2}$$

$$\text{from part b} \rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} x a e^{-ax} dx = \frac{1}{a}$$

$$\therefore \frac{2}{a} \int_0^{\infty} x a e^{-ax} = \frac{2}{a} \left( \frac{1}{a} \right) = \frac{2}{a^2}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax} dx = -\frac{1}{a} e^{-ax} \Big|_0^{\infty} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{a} e^{-ax} - \left( -\frac{1}{a} e^0 \right) = \frac{1}{a} \rightarrow \frac{1}{a} \int_0^{\infty} a e^{-ax} = \frac{1}{a^2}$$

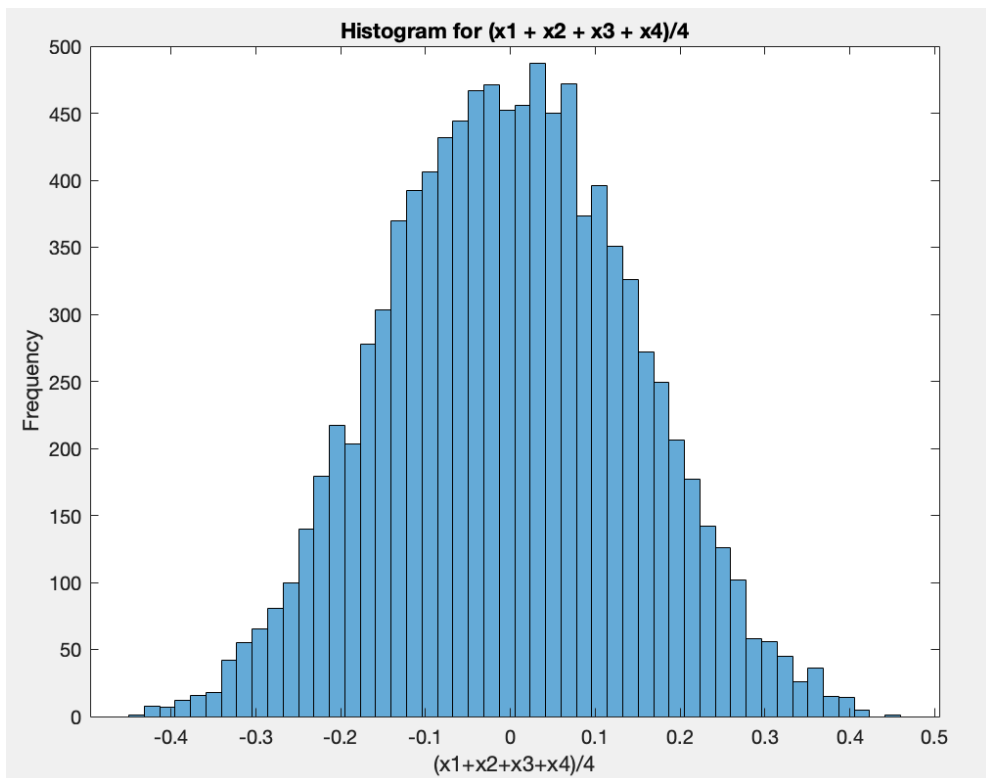
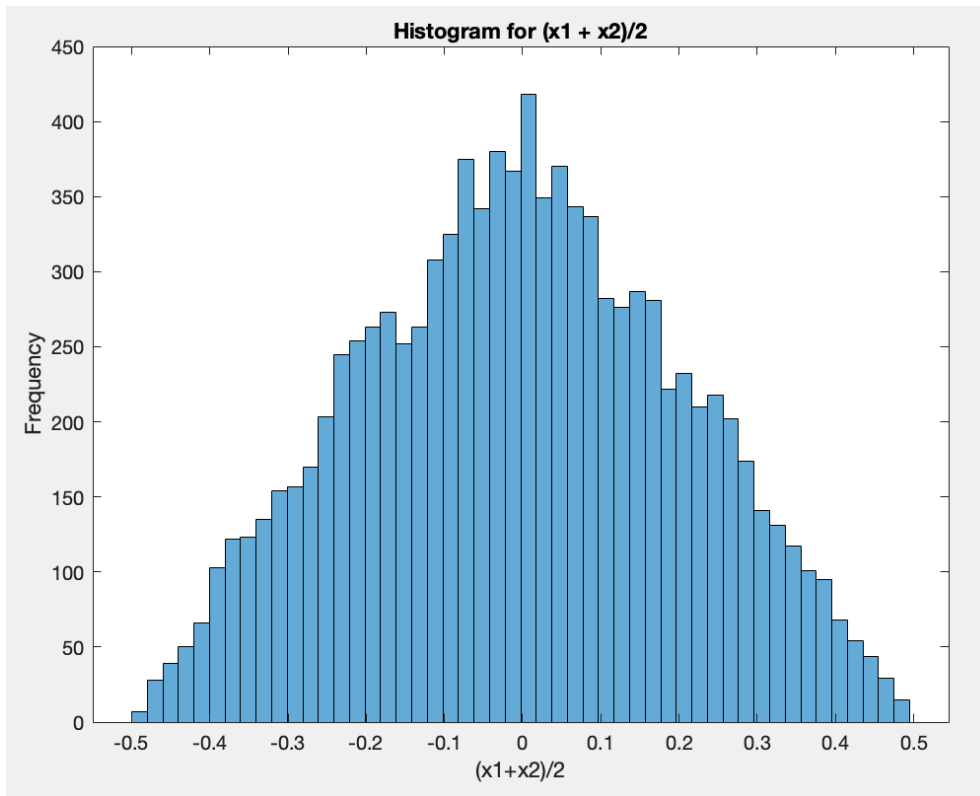
$$\text{var}(x) = \frac{2}{a^2} - \frac{2}{a^2} + \frac{1}{a^2} = \frac{1}{a^2} = \text{var}(x)$$

$$e) \sigma_x = \sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2}} = \pm \frac{1}{a} \rightarrow \mu_x \pm \sigma_x = \left[ 0, 2/a \right]$$

$$c\left(\frac{2}{a}\right) = -e^{-a(2/a)} + 1 = -e^{-2} + 1 = 0.864664 = c\left(\frac{1}{a}\right)$$

This is the probability that an exponentially distributed RV takes on a value within one standard deviation of the mean.

#### Problem 4 - Simon Problem 2.16



The histogram for  $(x_1 + x_2)/2$  indicates that the variance for the distribution is higher than the distribution for  $(x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4)/4$ . This can be explained by the higher frequency around the mean (which is 0) and lower frequency around the mean. The second distribution,  $(x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4)/4$  also resembles a normal distribution more than the first distribution,  $(x_1 + x_2)/2$ .

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clear; clc; close all;

% Problem 4
% Textbook - 2.16
n = 10000;

lower_bound = -1/2;
upper_bound = 1/2;

x1 = lower_bound + (upper_bound - lower_bound).*rand(n, 1);
x2 = lower_bound + (upper_bound - lower_bound).*rand(n, 1);
x3 = lower_bound + (upper_bound - lower_bound).*rand(n, 1);
x4 = lower_bound + (upper_bound - lower_bound).*rand(n, 1);

samples12 = (x1 + x2)/2;
samples1234 = (x1 + x2 + x3 + x4)/4;

nbins = 50;

figure()
histogram(samples12, nbins)
xlabel("(x1+x2)/2")
ylabel("Frequency")
title("Histogram for (x1 + x2)/2")

figure()
histogram(samples1234, nbins)
xlabel("(x1+x2+x3+x4)/4")
ylabel("Frequency")
title("Histogram for (x1 + x2 + x3 + x4)/4")
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