Solution

Using the hint, x_i below are central variables, i.e., $E(x_i) = 0$.

 $E(m_2)$

$$m_{2} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i} - m_{1})^{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i}^{2} - \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i} \right)^{2} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i}^{2} - \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i}^{2} + \sum_{i \neq j} x_{i} x_{j} \right) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \left\{ \frac{n-1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i}^{2} - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i \neq j} x_{i} x_{j} \right\}$$

$$E(m_{2}) = \frac{n-1}{n} \mu_{2}$$

 $Var(m_2)$

$$\begin{split} m_2^2 &= \frac{1}{n^2} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2 \right\}^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right)^2 - \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2 + \frac{1}{n^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^4 \right\} \\ &\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right)^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^4 + \sum_{i \neq j} x_i^2 x_j^2 \\ E\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right)^2 \right] &= n \mu_4 + n(n-1) \mu_2^2 \\ &\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^4 + \sum_{i \neq j} x_i^2 x_j^2 + 2 \sum_{i \neq j} x_i^3 x_j + \sum_{i \neq j \neq k} x_i^2 x_j x_k \\ E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2 \right] &= n \mu_4 + n(n-1) \mu_2^2 \\ &\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^4 &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^4 + 3 \sum_{i \neq j} x_i^2 x_j^2 + 4 \sum_{i \neq j} x_i^3 x_j + 6 \sum_{i \neq j \neq k} x_i^2 x_j x_k + \sum_{i \neq j \neq k \neq l} x_i x_j x_k x_l \end{split}$$

$$E\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i\right)^4\right] = n\mu_4 + 3n(n-1)\mu_2^2$$

$$E(m_2^2) = \frac{(n-1)\left\{(n-1)\mu_4 + (n^2 - 2n + 3)\mu_2^2\right\}}{n^3}$$

$$Var(m_2^2) = E(m_2^4) - E(m_2^2)$$

$$= \frac{(n-1)\left\{(n-1)\mu_4 - (n-3)\mu_2^2\right\}}{n^3}$$

Assignment 2: Solution

Q3 Since $X_i \overset{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \exp(\theta)$, we have

$$\begin{array}{rcl} M_{X_i}(t) & = & \frac{\theta}{\theta - t} \\ \\ M_{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i} & = & \Pi_{i=1}^n M_{X_i} = \Pi_{i=1}^n \frac{\theta}{\theta - t} = (\frac{\theta}{\theta - t})^n \end{array}$$

which implies, $\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i \sim \text{Gamma}(\mathbf{n}, \theta)$.

16. X_i are i.i.d. with p.d.f. $f(x) = \frac{3}{2}x^2$, -1 < x < 1.

$$E(X_i) = \int_{-1}^1 x f(x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{3}{2} x^3 dx = \left[\frac{3}{8} x^4 \right]_{-1}^1 = 0$$

$$E(X_i^2) = \int_{-1}^1 x^2 f(x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{3}{2} x^4 dx = \left[\frac{3}{10} x^5 \right]_{-1}^1 = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\therefore Var(X_i) = E(X_i^2) - E(X_i)^2 = \frac{3}{5} - 0^2 = 0.6$$

Since $Y = \sum_{i=1}^{15} X_i \simeq N(15 \times 0, 15 \times \frac{3}{5}) = N(0, 9)$ by C.L.T.

Hence:

$$P(-0.3 \le X \le 1.5) \approx P\left(\frac{-0.3 - 0}{\sqrt{9}} \le Z \le \frac{1.5 - 0}{\sqrt{9}}\right)$$

$$= P(-0.1 \le Z \le 0.5)$$

$$= P(Z \le 0.5) - P(Z \le -0.1)$$

$$= 0.6915 - 0.4602 = 0.2313$$

18. (a) X_i are *i.i.d* with p.d.f. $f(x) = (\frac{1}{4})^{x-1}(\frac{3}{4}), \qquad x = 1, 2, 3, ...$ By table, $\theta = \frac{3}{4}$, so

$$E(X_i) = \frac{1}{\theta} = \frac{3}{4}, Var(X_i) = \frac{1-\theta}{\theta^2} = \frac{1-3/4}{(3/4)^2} = \frac{4}{9}$$

So by C.L.T., $\sum_{i=1}^{36} X_i \simeq N(36 \times \frac{4}{3}, 36 \times \frac{4}{9}) \sim N(48, 16)$

$$P(46 \le \sum_{i=1}^{36} X_i \le 49) \approx P\left(\frac{45.5 - 48}{\sqrt{16}} \le Z \le \frac{49.5 - 48}{\sqrt{16}}\right)$$

$$= P(-0.625 \le Z \le 0.375)$$

$$= 0.3802$$

(b)

$$P(1.25 \le \bar{X} \le 1.5) = P(1.25 \times 36 \le \sum_{i=1}^{36} X_i \le 1.5 \times 36)$$

$$= P(45 \le \sum_{i=1}^{36} X_i \le 54)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{44.5 - 48}{\sqrt{16}} \le Z \le \frac{54.5 - 48}{\sqrt{16}}\right)$$

$$= P(-0.875 \le Z \le 1.625)$$

$$= 0.7571$$

Q3 in the midterm of 2013/2014

Let $U_1, ..., U_n$ be a random sample from the U(0,1).

- 1. (2 marks) Let $X = -\log(U)$. Find the distribution of X.
- 2. (6 marks) Let $Y = \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^{n} U_i^{\frac{1}{n}}}$, where $U_1, ..., U_n$ be a random sample from the U(0,1) and n is very large. Using Central Limit Theorem and Delta method to find the approximate distribution of Y.

Solution:

1. Let $X \sim F_X(x)$ where $F_X(x)$ is the CDF of X.

$$F_X(x) = P(X \le x) = P(-\log(U) \le x)$$

= $P(\log(U) \ge -x) = P(U \ge \exp(-x)) = 1 - P(U \le \exp(-x))$
= $1 - \exp(-x)$

Therefore, $X \sim Exp(1)$

2. By (a), $\log(Y) = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log(U_i)$, where $-\log(U_i) \sim_{iid} Exp(1)$. Since $E(-\log(U_i)) = 1$ and $Var(-\log(U_i)) = 1$, by central limit theorem,

$$\sqrt{n} \left[-\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log(U_i) - 1 \right] \to_d N(0, 1)$$

Since $Y = \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\log(U_i)\right\}$, by delta method,

$$\sqrt{n}(Y - \exp(1)) \rightarrow_d N(0, \exp(2))$$

Therefore, for large enough $n, Y \to N(e, \frac{e^2}{n})$

1. (8 marks) Let X_1 , X_2 be random variables having the bivariate normal distribution with parameters μ_1 , μ_2 , σ_1 , σ_2 , ρ (correlation coefficient between X_1 and X_2), i.e.,

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{array}\right] \ \sim \ N_2 \left(\left[\begin{array}{c} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{array}\right] \,, \left[\begin{array}{cc} \sigma_1^2 & \rho \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \\ \rho \sigma_1 \sigma_2 & \sigma_2^2 \end{array}\right] \right).$$

Set

$$Y_1 = \frac{X_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1} + \frac{X_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2}, \ Y_2 = \frac{X_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1} - \frac{X_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2}.$$

Find the probability density functions of Y_1 and Y_2 . Are they independent?

Ans.

$$Z_{1} = \frac{X_{1} - \mu_{1}}{\sigma_{1}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$Z_{2} = \frac{X_{2} - \mu_{1}}{\sigma_{2}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$Cov(Z_{1}, Z_{2}) = \rho$$

Prove that Y_1 and Y_2 are independent, use any method below:

(a) Since

$$\begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Z_1 + Z_2 \\ Z_1 - Z_2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Z_1 \\ Z_2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} Z_1 \\ Z_2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

We consider the terms inside exponential, i.e.,

$$\frac{1}{2} (Z_1 \quad Z_2)^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho \\ \rho & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} Z_1 \\ Z_2 \end{pmatrix}
= \frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} (Z_1 \quad Z_2)^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\rho \\ -\rho & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Z_1 \\ Z_2 \end{pmatrix}
= \frac{1}{8(1-\rho^2)} (Y_1 \quad Y_2)^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\rho \\ -\rho & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{pmatrix}
= \frac{1}{8(1-\rho^2)} (Y_1 \quad Y_2)^T \begin{pmatrix} 2(1-\rho) & 0 \\ 0 & 2(1+\rho) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $\Rightarrow Y_1 \& Y_2$ are independent.

(b) Y_1, Y_2 are random variables having the bivariate normal distribution as linear combination of a multivariate random vector has a multivariate normal distribution.

$$Y_1 \sim N(0, 2(1+\rho))$$

 $Y_2 \sim N(0, 2(1-\rho))$

 $Cov(Y_1, Y_2) = 0 \implies Y_1 \& Y_2$ are independent.