EMTH210 Tutorial 10: Revision, Delta Method, and Random Vectors

For the week starting Monday 18 May.

The homework questions this week are 5(b) and 7.

1. (**Revision**) Let X be a continuous random variable with probability density function

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} kx^2 & \text{if } 0 < x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Determine the value for k (use this value for k in the following questions).
- (b) Find the distribution function, $F_X(x)$.
- (c) Find P $\left(\frac{1}{4} \le X \le \frac{1}{2}\right)$.
- (d) Find x such that $P(X \le x) = \frac{4}{5}$.
- (e) Find the population mean, E(X).
- (f) Find the population variance, Var(X).
- (g) Find E(1/X 1).
- (h) Find Var(1/X 1).
- 2. (Revision) Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{(1+x)^k} & \text{if } x \ge 0\\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where k > 1 is an integer. Find the value of k that makes f(x) a PDF.

3. (Revision) Let X be a uniform random variable with probability density function

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } x \in [1,3] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Use $f_X(x)$ to show that $\mathrm{E}(1/X) \neq 1/\mathrm{E}(X)$ in this case.

4. Let $X \sim \text{Uniform}(0,0.5)$ (uniform random variable) with $Y = (X+2)^{-2}$. Use the delta method to find a two-term approximation to E(Y) and one-term approximation to Var(Y).

Note: from EMTH119, for $X \sim \text{Uniform}(a, b)$, $E(X) = \frac{a+b}{2}$ and $Var(X) = \frac{(a-b)^2}{12}$.

5. Let (X,Y) be a continuous bivariate random vector with joint probability density function

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 10e^{-5x-2y} & \text{if } x > 0, \ y > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Verify that $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$ is a joint probability density function.
- (b) **(Homework)** Find P(X < 1/5, Y > 1/2).
- (c) Find $F_{X,Y}(x,y)$, the joint cumulative distribution function of (X,Y), for all x and y (hint: draw a picture of the support of $f_{X,Y}$ to figure out where $F_{X,Y}$ is non-zero).

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- (d) Find $f_X(x)$, the marginal probability density of X.
- (e) Find $f_Y(y)$, the marginal probability density of Y.

6. Let (X,Y) be a continuous bivariate random vector with joint probability density function

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{2}y & \text{if } 0 < x < 2, \ 0 < y < 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Verify that $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$ is a joint probability density function.
- (b) Find P(X > 1, Y < 3/4).
- (c) Find $F_{X,Y}(x,y)$, the joint cumulative distribution function of (X,Y), for 0 < x < 2 and 0 < y < 1 (Optional, fiddly: find $F_{X,Y}(x,y)$ for all x and y).
- (d) Find $f_X(x)$, the marginal probability density of X.
- (e) Find $f_Y(y)$, the marginal probability density of Y.
- 7. (Homework) Let X be an exponential random variable with probability density function

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 2e^{-2x} & \text{if } x > 0\\ 0 & \text{if } x \le 0. \end{cases}$$

Let $Y = \ln(1+3X)$ and use the delta method to find a two-term approximation to E(Y) and a one-term approximation to Var(Y).

Note: from EMTH119, for $X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$, $\text{E}(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda}$ and $\text{Var}(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$.

8. Let X be a continuous random variable with probability density function

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2}x^2 & \text{if } 0 \le x \le 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Verify that $f_X(x)$ is a probability density function.
- (b) Let $Y = Xe^X$ and use the delta method to find a one-term approximation and a two-term approximation to E(Y), and a one-term approximation to Var(Y).
- 9. Let $X \sim \text{Normal}(0,1)$ (standard normal random variable) with $Y = (X-2)^3$. Use the delta method to find a one-term approximation and a two-term approximation to E(Y), and a one-term approximation to Var(Y).
- 10. Let (X, Y, Z) be a continuous random vector with joint probability density function

$$f_{X,Y,Z}(x,y,z) = \begin{cases} k(x+y)e^{-z} & \text{if } 0 < x < 1, \ 0 < y < 2, \ z > 0\\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find the value of k (use this value for k in the following questions).
- (b) Find the joint cumulative distribution function of (X,Y,Z) for 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 2 and z > 0.

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(c) Find P(X < 1, Y < 1, Z < 1).