

Prob & Stat HW8

Question 1

X, Y independent random variables with $X, Y \sim \text{geom}(p)$: $p_X(k) = p_Y(y) = p(1-p)^{k-1}, 0 < p < 1$

If $W = X + Y$, show

$$p_W(w) = (w-1)p^2(1-p)^{w-2}, w \geq 1$$

Hint: $p_W(w) = \sum_{\text{all } k} p_X(k)p_Y(w-k)$

$$\begin{aligned} p_W(w) &= \sum_{\text{all } k} p_X(k)p_Y(w-k) \\ &= \sum_{\text{all } k} p(1-p)^{1-k}p(1-p)^{w-k-1} \\ &= \sum_{\text{all } k} p^2(1-p)^{w-2} \\ &= \boxed{(w-1)p^2(1-p)^{w-2}} \end{aligned}$$

Question 2

Use $\Gamma(r) = (r-1)\Gamma(r-1)$ to prove $\Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$ if n is a positive integer. Hint: prove by induction.

$\Gamma(1) = 1$ and $0! = 1$, which verifies the equation for $n = 1$. Assuming $\Gamma(k) = (k-1)!$, $\Gamma(k+1) = k\Gamma(k) = k(k-1)! = k!$.

Question 3

Prove that $\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi}$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= E(Z^2) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty z^2 e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} dz \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty \frac{(2u)e^{-u}}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{u}} du, u = \frac{z^2}{2} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty u^{\frac{3}{2}-1} e^{-u} du \\ \sqrt{\pi} &= 2\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) \\ \sqrt{\pi} &= 2 * \frac{1}{2}\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &= \boxed{\sqrt{\pi} = \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} \end{aligned}$$

Question 4

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pnorm(1.33,0,1)-pnorm(-0.44,0,1)
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## [1] 0.5782723
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pnorm(0.94,0,1)
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## [1] 0.8263912
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1-pnorm(-1.48,0,1)
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## [1] 0.9305634
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pnorm(-4.32,0,1)
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## [1] 7.80146e-06
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Question 5

Part (a)

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pnorm(2.07,0,1)-pnorm(0,0,1)
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## [1] 0.4807738
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Part (b)

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pnorm(-0.11,0,1)-pnorm(-0.64,0,1)
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## [1] 0.1951184
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Part (c)

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1-pnorm(-1.06,0,1)
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## [1] 0.8554277
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Part (d)

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pnorm(-2.33,0,1)
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## [1] 0.009903076
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Part (e)

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1-pnorm(4.61,0,1)
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## [1] 2.013345e-06
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Question 6

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qnorm(.75,0,1)-qnorm(.25,0,1)
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## [1] 1.34898
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