

- 1.** This is a variant of the last problem on the previous homework assignment. The input  $X$  to a binary communication channel is a continuous random variable distributed uniformly on the interval  $[-c, c]$ , Here,  $c > 0$  is given. The channel output is

$$Y = X + N,$$

where  $N$  is Gaussian with zero mean and variance 1.

- (a) Find the marginal pdf  $f_Y(y)$ . Please provide a closed-form solution for your answer in terms of the standard normal cdf  $\Phi$ .
- (b) Plot  $f_Y(y)$  on the interval  $-10 \leq y \leq 10$  for  $c = 0.1$  and  $c = 5$ .

- 2.** Two jointly continuous random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  have joint pdf

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 12xy(1-x) & \text{when } x \in [0, 1] \text{ and } y \in [0, 1] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find  $\mathbb{E}(X)$ .
- (b) Find  $\mathbb{E}(Y)$ .
- (c) Find  $\text{Var}(X)$ .
- (d) Find  $\text{Var}(Y)$ .
- (e) Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent?

- 3.** While an excellent archer, Legolas falls short as a dart thrower. When he throws a dart at a circular dart board of radius  $R$ , it lands at a point  $(X, Y)$  distributed uniformly over the board, where the center of the board lies at  $X = Y = 0$ . That is, the dart's landing coordinates  $X$  and  $Y$  have a uniform joint pdf

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} c & \text{when } x^2 + y^2 \leq R^2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find the constant  $c$ .
- (b) Find the marginal pdfs  $f_X(x)$  and  $f_Y(y)$ .
- (c) Let  $D$  be the distance the dart lands from the center of the board. Find  $\mathbb{P}(\{D \leq d\})$  as a function of  $d$  for  $d \in (0, R]$ .
- (d) Find  $\mathbb{E}(D)$ .

- 4.** Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be independent random variables with respective cdfs  $F_{X_k}(x)$  for  $1 \leq k \leq n$ .

- (a) Find the cdf of the random variable  $Y = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$  in terms of the  $F_{X_k}$ 's.
- (b) Find the cdf of the random variable  $Z = \min\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$  in terms of the  $F_{X_k}$ 's.

- 5.** Computers are good at generating values of a random variable  $X$  distributed uniformly on the interval  $[0, 1]$ , and we can exploit that capability to simulate other random variables. Suppose, for example, that  $G(y)$  takes values in the interval  $[0, 1]$  and is strictly increasing in  $y$  on some interval  $a < y < b$  with  $G(a) = 0$  and  $G(b) = 1$  —  $a = -\infty$  and/or  $b = \infty$  are allowed. Define a random variable  $Y$  as follows:  $Y = h(X)$ , where for each  $x \in [0, 1]$   $h(x)$  is the unique value of  $y$  such  $G(y) = x$ .

- (a) Show that the cdf  $F_Y(y)$  is  $G(y)$ . Explain how to use the computer to generate a sequence of numbers that looks like a sequence of independent draws of the random variable  $Y$ .
- (b) Give the details of implementing the procedure when the random variable you want to simulate is exponential with rate parameter  $\lambda$ .
- (c) How might you use the computer's uniform- $X$ -generation capability to simulate a discrete integer-valued random variable? For starters, consider a Bernoulli random variable with parameter  $p$ .

**6.** Let  $X_1, X_2, X_3$ , and  $X_4$  be independent continuous random variables with a common pdf  $f(x)$  and cdf  $F(x)$ . Define  $Y_1, Y_2, Y_3$ , and  $Y_4$  as

$$\begin{aligned} Y_1 &= \text{largest of } X_1, \dots, X_4 \\ Y_2 &= \text{second largest of } X_1, \dots, X_4 \\ Y_3 &= \text{third largest of } X_1, \dots, X_4 \\ Y_4 &= \text{smallest of } X_1, \dots, X_4 . \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Find  $f_{Y_k}(y)$ , the marginal pdf of  $Y_k$ , for  $1 \leq k \leq 4$
- (b) Find  $\mathbb{E}(Y_2)$ .

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①  $X \sim \text{Uniform}[-c, c]$ ,  $c > 0$  given.

$N \sim \text{Gaussian}(\mu=0, \sigma^2=1)$

$$Y = X + N$$

$$Y = x + N \sim \text{Gaussian}(x, 1)$$

(a)  $f_Y(y)$ ?

For each  $x \in X$  we can find  $f_{Y|X}(y|x)$ .

It is

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-x)^2}{2}}$$

Thus by Total Probability Theorem,

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{Y|X}(y|x) f_X(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{x=-c}^{x=c} \frac{1}{2c} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-x)^2}{2}} dx \quad t = y - x \quad dt = -dx$$

$$= \int_{t=y-c}^{t=y+c} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt \cdot \frac{1}{2c}$$

$$= \int_{y-c}^{y+c} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt \cdot \frac{1}{2c}$$

$$= \frac{\Phi(y+c) - \Phi(y-c)}{2c}$$

(b) Plots

(2)

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 12xy(1-x), & (x,y) \in [0,1] \times [0,1] \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

(a)  $E(X)$ ?

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x f_X(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x \left( \int_{y=-\infty}^{y=+\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy \right) dx$$

$$= \int_{y=0}^{y=1} 12xy - 12x^2y dy = 12x \left( \frac{1}{2}y^2 \right) - 12x^2 \left( \frac{1}{2}y^2 \right) \Big|_{y=0}^{y=1} = 6x - 6x^2 = 6x(1-x), x \in [0,1]$$

$$= \int_{x=0}^{x=1} x \cdot 6x(1-x) dx = \int_{x=0}^{x=1} 6x^2 - 6x^3 dx = 6 \left( \frac{1}{3}x^3 \right) - 6 \left( \frac{1}{4}x^4 \right) \Big|_{x=0}^{x=1}$$

$$\boxed{E(X) = \frac{6}{3} - \frac{6}{4} = \frac{1}{2}}$$

(b)  $E(Y)$ ?

$$E(Y) = \int_{y=-\infty}^{y=+\infty} y f_Y(y) dy = \int_{y=-\infty}^{y=+\infty} \left( \int_{x=-\infty}^{x=+\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx \right) dy$$

$$= \int_{x=0}^{x=1} 12xy - 12x^2y dx = 12y \left( \frac{1}{2}x^2 \right) - 12y \left( \frac{1}{3}x^3 \right) \Big|_{x=0}^{x=1} = \frac{12y}{2} - \frac{12y}{3} = 2y, y \in [0,1]$$

$$E(Y) = \int_{y=0}^{y=1} y \cdot 2y dy = \frac{2}{3}y^3 \Big|_{y=0}^{y=1} = \frac{2}{3}$$

(c)  $\text{Var}(X)$ ?

$$\mathbb{E}(X^2) = \int_{x=-\infty}^{x=+\infty} x^2 f_X(x) dx = \int_{x=0}^{x=1} x^2 (6x(1-x)) dx = \int_{x=0}^{x=1} 6x^3 - 6x^4 dx$$

$$= \left. \frac{6}{4} x^4 - \frac{6}{5} x^5 \right|_{x=0}^{x=1} = \frac{6}{4} - \frac{6}{5} = \frac{6}{20} = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \mathbb{E}(X^2) - (\mathbb{E}(X))^2 = \frac{6}{20} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{6}{20} - \frac{5}{20} = \boxed{\frac{1}{20}}$$

(d)  $\text{Var}(Y)$ ?

$$\mathbb{E}(Y^2) = \int_{y=-\infty}^{y=+\infty} y^2 f_Y(y) dy = \int_{y=0}^{y=1} y^2 (2y) dy = \left. \frac{2}{3} y^4 \right|_{y=0}^{y=1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \mathbb{E}(Y^2) - (\mathbb{E}(Y))^2 = \frac{1}{2} - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{4}{9} = \frac{9}{18} - \frac{8}{18} = \boxed{\frac{1}{18}}$$

(e)  $X, Y$  independent  $\Leftrightarrow f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$

$$12xy(1-x) \stackrel{?}{=} 6x(1-x) 2y, \quad x \in [0,1], y \in [0,1]$$

$$12xy(1-x) = 12xy(1-x)$$

$\therefore X, Y$  independent

③ Throw a dart at circular dart board of radius  $R$ . It lands at a point  $(X, Y)$  distributed uniformly over the board. Center  $\Rightarrow (X, Y) = (0, 0)$ . That is, the dart's landing coordinates  $X$  and  $Y$  have a uniform joint pdf

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} C, & x^2 + y^2 \leq R^2 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & x^2 + y^2 \leq R^2 \\ & x^2 \leq R^2 - y^2 \quad | \quad y^2 \leq R^2 - x^2 \\ & x \leq \sqrt{R^2 - y^2} \quad | \quad y \leq \sqrt{R^2 - x^2} \\ & x \geq -\sqrt{R^2 - y^2} \quad | \quad y \geq -\sqrt{R^2 - x^2} \end{aligned}$$

(a) Find constant  $C$ .

$$\int_{y=-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{x=-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx dy = 1$$

$$r \in [0, R]$$

$$\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$$

$$= \iint_{\{(x,y): x^2+y^2 \leq R^2\}} Cr dr d\theta \Rightarrow C \cdot \pi R^2 = 1 \quad 0 \leq \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \leq 2\pi$$

$$0 < r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \leq R$$

$$C = \frac{1}{\pi R^2}$$

(b)  $f_X(x), f_Y(y)$ ?

$$f_X(x) = \int_{y=-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy$$

$$= \int_{y=-\sqrt{R^2-x^2}}^{+\sqrt{R^2-x^2}} \frac{1}{2\pi R} dy = \boxed{\frac{2\sqrt{R^2-x^2}}{\pi R^2}}$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{x=-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx$$

$$= \int_{x=-\sqrt{R^2-y^2}}^{\sqrt{R^2-y^2}} \frac{1}{2\pi R} dx = \boxed{\frac{2\sqrt{R^2-y^2}}{\pi R^2}}$$

(c) Let  $D$  be the distance the dart lands from the center of the board.  $P(\{D \leq d\})$ , as a function of  $d$ , for  $d \in [0, R]$

$$P(\{D \leq d\}) = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^d cr dr d\theta = \frac{2\pi}{\pi R^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} d^2 = \boxed{\frac{d^2}{R^2}}$$

$$(d) E(D) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d \cdot f_D(d) dd = \int_0^R d \cdot \frac{2d}{R^2} dd$$

$$= \frac{2}{R^2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} d^3 \Big|_0^R = \frac{2R^3}{3R^2} \boxed{\frac{2R}{3}}$$

④  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  independent random variables with respective cumulative distribution functions  $F_{X_k}(x)$  for  $1 \leq k \leq n$ .

(a) cdf of rv  $Y = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$  in terms of  $F_{X_k}(x)$ 's. i.e  $F_Y(y)$ ?

$X_1, \dots, X_n$  independent  $\Leftrightarrow F_{X_1}(x) F_{X_2}(x) \cdots F_{X_n}(x) = F_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}(x)$

$$F_Y(y) = P(\{Y \leq y\}) = P(\{\max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\} \leq y\}) = P(\{X_1 \leq y\} \cap \dots \cap \{X_n \leq y\}) \\ = P(\{X_1 \leq y\}) \cdots P(\{X_n \leq y\})$$

$$= \prod_{k=1}^n F_{X_k}(y)$$

(b) cdf of rv  $Z = \min\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$  in terms of  $F_{X_k}(x)$ 's.

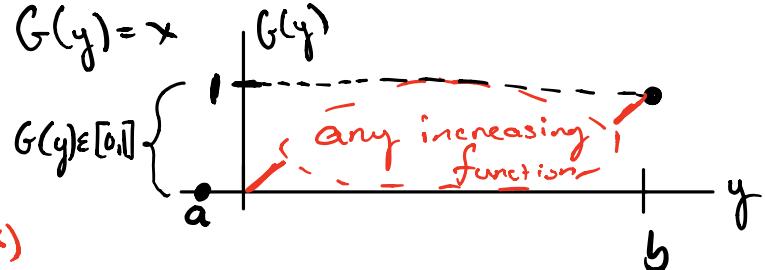
$$P(\{Z > z\}) = P(\{X_1 > z\}) \cdots P(\{X_n > z\}) \\ = (1 - F_{X_1}(z)) \cdots (1 - F_{X_n}(z)) \\ = \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - F_{X_i}(z))$$

⑤  $X \sim \text{Uniform}[0,1]$  generated by computer

$G(y) \in [0,1]$ , and is strictly increasing in  $y$  on some interval  $a < y < b$  with  $G(a)=0$  and  $G(b)=1$  ( $a=-\infty$  and/or  $b=\infty$  allowed)

Define rv  $Y$  as follows:

$Y = h(X)$ , where for each  $x \in [0,1]$   $h(x)$  is the unique value of  $y$  such that  $G(y)=x$



(a) Show cdf  $F_Y(y)$  is  $G(y)$

(say  $x^*$ )

$Y = h(x)$ . Computer takes an  $x \in [0,1]$ . For this  $x \in X$ , have  $y^* \in Y$  such that **THIS**  $y^*$  plugged into  $G(y)$  (i.e  $G(y^*)$ ) equals  $x^*$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } P(\{Y \leq y\}) &= P(\{h(x) \leq y\}) = P(\{G(h(x)) \leq G(y)\}) = P(x \leq G(y)) \\ &= G(y) \end{aligned}$$

So computer generates  $Y$  by mapping each  $X$  onto  $Y$ .

(b)  $X \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda)$ ?

Sample enough points to have enough data to simulate exponential

(c) Use computer to generate Bernoulli( $p$ )

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if (!Bernoulli-p())
    generate_Bernoulli-p();
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⑥ Let  $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4$  be independent continuous random variables with a common pdf  $f_X(x)$  and cdf  $F(x)$ .

Define  $Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4$  as:

$Y_1 = \text{largest of } X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4$

$Y_2 = \text{second largest of } X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4$

$Y_3 = \text{third largest of } X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4$

$Y_4 = \text{smallest of } X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4$

(a)  $f_{Y_k}(y)$  for  $1 \leq k \leq 4$ ?

$$Y_1 = \max \{X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4\}$$

$$F_{Y_1} = P(\{Y_1 \leq y\})$$

$$F_{Y_1} = P(\{\max\{X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4\} \leq y\})$$

$$= P(\{X_1 \leq y\} \cap \dots \cap \{X_4 \leq y\})$$

$$= P(\{X_1 \leq y\}) \cdots P(\{X_4 \leq y\})$$

$$= F(y) \cdot F(y) \cdot F(y) \cdot F(y)$$

$$= (F(y))^4$$

$$\boxed{f_{Y_1} = \frac{d}{dy} F_{Y_1} = \frac{d}{dy} (F(y))^4}$$

$$= 4[F(y)]^3 \cdot \frac{d}{dy} F(y)$$

$$= 4(F(y))^3 f(y)$$

Thus

$$Y_2 = \max \left( \underbrace{\{X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4\}}_{\text{the set which consists of } X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 \text{ MINUS}} - \{Y_1\} \right) \quad \text{result of } Y_1, \text{ i.e. set has 3 elements}$$

$$Y_3 = \max(\{X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4\} - \{Y_1, Y_2\})$$

$$Y_{21} = \min(\{X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4\})$$

$Y_{41}$  also simple.

$$f_{Y_4} = \frac{d}{dy} F_{Y_4} = \frac{d}{dy} (1 - (1 - F(y))^4)$$

$$= +4(1 - F(y))^3 f(y)$$

$Y_2, Y_3$  not so simple.

$$(b) \text{IE}(\gamma_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \gamma_2 f_{\gamma_2}(y) dy$$