

Stat 134: Section 15

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Problem 1

Suppose we have a random variable X with continuous, increasing CDF F_X . Find the distribution of $F_X(X)$.

Problem 2: Geometric from Exponential

Show that if $T \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$, then $Z = \text{int}(T) = \lfloor T \rfloor$, the greatest integer less than or equal to T , has a geometric (p) distribution on $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$. Find p in terms of λ .

Ex 4.2.10 in Pitman's Probability

How can we use the CDF of Z to simplify this problem?

Problem 3

Let $X \sim \text{Binom}(n, p)$.

- a. Find the moment generating function of X , $M_X(t)$. Hint: use the binomial theorem, which states that for any a, b ,

$$(a + b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^k b^{n-k}.$$

- b. Use (a) to find $\mathbb{E}(X)$ and $\text{Var}(X)$.

Ex MGF.3