

## Problem 1

Starting with the pdf of  $gamma(\alpha, \beta)$  we have:

$$f(x|\alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\beta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then: } EX^\nu &= \int_0^\infty x^\nu \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\beta} dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{\nu+\alpha-1} e^{-x/\beta}}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} \int_0^\infty x^{\nu+\alpha-1} e^{-x/\beta} dx \end{aligned}$$

Let  $y = -x/\beta$

$$= \frac{(-\beta)(-\beta^{\alpha+\nu-1})}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} \int_0^\infty y^{\nu+\alpha-1} e^y dy$$

Since  $\Gamma(\alpha + \nu) = \int_0^\infty y^{\nu+\alpha-1} e^y dy$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\beta^{\nu+\alpha}\Gamma(\nu + \alpha)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} \\ &= \frac{\beta^\nu\Gamma(\nu + \alpha)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \end{aligned}$$

## Problem 2

$$Y \sim negbin(r, p)$$

$$\text{WTS: } \lim_{p \rightarrow 0} M_{pY}(t) = \left( \frac{1}{1-t} \right)^r \quad (\text{the gamma}(r,1) \text{ mgf})$$

$$M_Y(t) = \left( \frac{p}{1 - (1-p)e^t} \right)^r$$

$$\text{Since } M_{aX+b}(t) = e^{bt} M_X(at)$$

$$M_{pY}(t) = \left( \frac{p}{1 - (1-p)e^{pt}} \right)^r$$

Since the limit is in a 0/0 indeterminate form we will use L'Hospitals Rule

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{p \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{\frac{d}{dp} p}{\frac{d}{dp} 1 - (1-p)e^{pt}} \right)^r &= \lim_{p \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{1}{e^{pt} + pte^{pt} - te^{pt}} \right)^r \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{1-t} \right)^r \end{aligned}$$

Thus limiting  $p$  to 0, the mgf of  $pY$  converges to the mgf of the gamma distribution

**Problem 3**(a)  $E(X)$ 

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} \\E(X) &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^\infty x e^{-x^2/2} dx \\&= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left| -e^{-x^2/2} \right|_0^\infty \\&= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} (0 - -1) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \\E(X) &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\end{aligned}$$

 $Var(X)$ 

$$\begin{aligned}E(X^2) &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^\infty x^2 e^{-x^2/2} dx = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sqrt{\pi/2} \\&= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\sqrt{2}} = 1 \\Var(X) &= E(X^2) - E(X)^2 = 1^2 - \left( \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \right)^2 \\&= 1 - \frac{4}{2\pi} = 1 - \frac{2}{\pi}\end{aligned}$$

(b)

Given  $f(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2}$

Find  $g(X) = Y$  so that:

$$f(y|\alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} y^{\alpha-1} e^{-y/\beta}$$

looking at the core parts of the two pdfs, we have:

$$f_x = e^{-x^2/2} \quad f_y = (y)^{\alpha-1} e^{-y/\beta}$$

We will use the transformation  $Y = X^2$

$$g^{-1}(y) = \sqrt{y} \quad dy = (1/2)y^{-1/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_y(y) &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-(y^{1/2})^2/2} (1/2)y^{-1/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} y^{-1/2} e^{-1/2y} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\Gamma(1/2) = \sqrt{\pi}$  let  $\alpha = 1/2$ , giving us:

$$\text{gamma}(1/2, \beta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}\beta^{1/2}} y^{-1/2} e^{-y/\beta}$$

in order to match our transformation let  $\beta = 2$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} y^{-1/2} e^{-1/2y}$$

Thus we need the transformation  $Y = X^2$  so that  $Y \sim \text{gamma}(1/2, 2)$

## Problem 4

Given  $h_T(t) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} P(t \leq T \leq t + \delta | T \geq t) / \delta$ ,  $T$  is a continuous r.v.

$$\text{WTS: } h_T(t) = \frac{f_T(t)}{1 - F_T(t)} = -\frac{d}{dt} \log(1 - F_T(t))$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(t \leq T \leq t + \delta | T \geq t) &= \frac{P(t \leq T \leq t + \delta)}{P(T \geq t)} \\ &= \frac{F_T(t + \delta) - F_T(t)}{1 - F_T(t)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus } h_T(t) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{F_T(t + \delta) - F_T(t)}{(1 - F_T(t))\delta}$$

From the definition of a derivative we know:

$$F_T'(t) = f_T(t) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{F_T(t + \delta) - F_T(t)}{\delta}$$

$$\text{Which means: } h_T(t) = \frac{f_T(t)}{1 - F_T(t)} \text{ and}$$

$$-\frac{d}{dt} \log(1 - F_T(t)) = -\left( \frac{-f_T(t)}{1 - F_T(t)} \right) = \frac{f_T(t)}{1 - F_T(t)}$$

$$\text{Thus } h_T(t) = \frac{f_T(t)}{1 - F_T(t)} = -\frac{d}{dt} \log(1 - F_T(t))$$

## Problem 5

(a)

$$f_T(t) = 1/\beta e^{-t/\beta}$$

$$F_T(t) = \int_0^t 1/\beta e^{-x/\beta} dx = 1 - e^{-t/\beta}$$

$$h_T(t) = \frac{f_T(t)}{1 - F_T(t)} = \frac{1/\beta e^{-t/\beta}}{1 - (1 - e^{-t/\beta})} = \frac{(1/\beta)e^{-t/\beta}}{e^{-t/\beta}} = 1/\beta$$

(b)

$$f_T(t) = \gamma/\beta t^{\gamma-1} e^{-t^\gamma/\beta}$$

$$F_T(t) = 1 - e^{-t^\gamma/\beta}$$

$$h_T(t) = \frac{\gamma/\beta t^{\gamma-1} e^{-t^\gamma/\beta}}{1 - (1 - e^{-t^\gamma/\beta})} = \frac{\gamma/\beta t^{\gamma-1} e^{-t^\gamma/\beta}}{e^{-t^\gamma/\beta}} = (\gamma/\beta) t^{\gamma-1}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_T(t) &= \frac{e^{-(t-\mu)/\beta}}{\beta(1 + e^{-(t-\mu)/\beta})^2} \\
 F_T(t) &= \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(t-\mu)/\beta}} \\
 h_T(t) &= \frac{\frac{e^{-(t-\mu)/\beta}}{\beta(1 + e^{-(t-\mu)/\beta})^2}}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-(t-\mu)/\beta}}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{e^{-(t-\mu)/\beta}}{\beta(1 + e^{-(t-\mu)/\beta})^2}}{\frac{e^{-(t-\mu)/\beta}}{1 + e^{-(t-\mu)/\beta}}} = \frac{1}{\beta(1 + e^{-(t-\mu)/\beta})} = (1/\beta)F_T(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 6**

(a)

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{b-a} \quad x \in [a, b]$$

Let  $m, x, y \in [a, b]$ Then  $f(m) = f(x) = f(y)$ 

$$\text{since } \frac{1}{b-a} = \frac{1}{b-a} = \frac{1}{b-a}$$

Which means if  $m \geq x \geq y$  or  $m \leq x \leq y$ Then  $f(m) \geq f(x) \geq f(y)$ Thus the pdf of  $U(a, b)$  is unimodal

(b)

$$f_X(x) = x^{\alpha-1}e^{-x/\beta} \text{ ignoring constants}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}f_X(x) = \frac{x^{\alpha-2}e^{-x/\beta}(\beta(\alpha-1) - x)}{\beta} = 0$$

$$x = \beta(\alpha-1)$$

Since there is only one sign change,  $f_X(x)$  is unimodal with mode  $\beta(\alpha-1)$

(c)

$$f_X(x) = e^{\left[ \frac{-(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right]} \text{ ignoring constants}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} f_X(x) = \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma^2} e^{-(x-\mu)^2/(2\sigma^2)} = 0$$

$$x = \mu$$

Since there is only one sign change,  $f_X(x)$  is unimodal with mode  $\mu$

(d)

$$f_X(x) = x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-1} \text{ ignoring constants}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} = (\alpha-1)x^{\alpha-2}(1-x)^{\beta-1} - (\beta-1)x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-2}$$

$$= (1-x)^{\beta-2}x^{\alpha-2}((\alpha-1) - x(\alpha+\beta-2)) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha+\beta-2}$$

Since there is only one sign change,  $f_X(x)$  is unimodal with mode  $\frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha+\beta-2}$

**Problem 7**

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
f(x|\eta) &= h(x)c^*(\eta) \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^k \eta_j t_j(x)\right) \\
\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta}(1) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \int h(x)c^*(\eta) \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^k \eta_j t_j(x)\right) dx \\
0 &= \int \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} h(x)c^*(\eta) \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^k \eta_j t_j(x)\right) dx \\
&= \int h(x)c'^*(\eta) \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^k \eta_j t_j(x)\right) dx + \int h(x)c^*(\eta) \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^k \eta_j t_j(x)\right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^k \frac{\partial \eta_j(\eta)}{\partial \eta_j} t_j(x)\right) dx \\
&= \int h(x) \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \log(c^*(\eta))\right] c^*(\eta) \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^k \eta_j t_j(x)\right) dx + E\left(\sum_{j=1}^k \frac{\partial \eta_j(\eta)}{\partial \eta_j} t_j(x)\right) \\
0 &= \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \log(c^*(\eta))\right] + E\left(\sum_{j=1}^k \frac{\partial \eta_j(\eta)}{\partial \eta_j} t_j(x)\right) \\
E\left(\sum_{j=1}^k \frac{\partial \eta_j(\eta)}{\partial \eta_j} t_j(x)\right) &= -\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \log(c^*(\eta))\right] \\
E(t_j(X)) &= E\left(\sum_{j=1}^k \frac{\partial \eta_j(\eta)}{\partial \eta_j} t_j(x)\right) \\
E(t_j(X)) &= -\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \log(c^*(\eta))\right]
\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
f_X(x|a, b) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)b^a} x^{a-1} \left( \sum_{j=1}^k \eta_j t_j(x) \right) \\
&= x^{-1} I(x > 0) \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)b^a} e^{a \log x + (-1/b)x} \\
&= h(x) \frac{(-\eta_2)^{\eta_1}}{\Gamma(\eta_1)} e^{\eta_1 \log x + \eta_2 x} \\
EX &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_2} \left( \log \left( \frac{(-\eta_2)^{\eta_1}}{\Gamma(\eta_1)} \right) \right) \\
&= -\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_2} (\eta_1 \log(-\eta_2) - \log \Gamma(\eta_1)) \\
&= \frac{\eta_1}{(-\eta_2)} = ab \\
EX &= ab \\
Var(X) &= -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta_2^2} \log \left( \frac{(-\eta_2)^{\eta_1}}{\Gamma(\eta_1)} \right) \\
&= \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_2} \left( \frac{\eta_1}{-\eta_2} \right) = \frac{\eta_1}{\eta_2^2} = ab^2 \\
Var(x) &= ab^2
\end{aligned}$$

## Problem 8

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
f(x|\theta, \theta) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\theta}} e^{\left[ \frac{-(x-\theta)^2}{2\theta^2} \right]} \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\theta}} e^{-\theta/2 + x - x^2/(2\theta)} \\
h(x) &= e^x \quad I_{-\infty < x < \infty}(x) \quad c(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\theta}} \quad w_1(\theta) = 1/2\theta \quad t_1(x) = -x^2
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\mu = \sigma^2$  the  $\theta$  parameter vector lies on the nonnegative real line



(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x|\theta, a\theta^2) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi a\theta^2}} e^{\left[ \frac{-(x-\theta)^2}{2a\theta^2} \right]} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi a\theta^2}} e^{-x^2/(2a\theta^2) + x/(a\theta) - 1/2a} \\
 h(x) &= I_{-\infty < x < \infty}(x) \quad c(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi a\theta^2}} e^{-1/2a} \\
 w_1 &= 1/(2a\theta^2) \quad w_2 = 1/(a\theta) \quad t_1 = -x^2 \quad t_2 = x \\
 \text{Since } \mu^2 &= a\sigma^2 \text{ the } \theta \text{ parameter vector lies on a parabola}
 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x|a, 1/a) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)(1/a)^a} x^{a-1} e^{-ax} \\
 &= \frac{a^a}{\Gamma(a)} \frac{1}{x} x^a e^{-ax} \\
 h(x) &= \frac{1}{x} I_{0 < x < \infty}(x) \quad c(a) = a^a/\Gamma(a) \\
 w_1(a) &= a \quad w_2(a) = a \quad t_1(x) = \log(x) \quad t_2(x) = -x \\
 \text{The } \theta \text{ parameter vector} &\text{ lies on a line}
 \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x|\theta) &= C e^{-(x-\theta)^4} \\
 &= C e^{-\theta^4 + 4\theta^3 x - 6\theta^2 x^2 + 4\theta x^3 - x^4} \\
 h(x) &= C e^{-x^4} I_{-\infty < x < \infty}(x) \quad c(\theta) = e^{-\theta^4} \\
 w_1(\theta) &= \theta \quad w_2(\theta) = \theta^2 \quad w_3(\theta) = \theta^3 \\
 t_1(x) &= 4x^3 \quad t_2(x) = -6x^2 \quad t_3(x) = 4x \\
 \text{The } \theta \text{ parameter vector} &\text{ lies on a 3 dimensional spiral}
 \end{aligned}$$

## Problem 9

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Z \geq t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_t^\infty e^{-x^2/2} dx \\
 P(|Z| \geq t) &= 2P(Z \geq t) \\
 &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_t^\infty e^{-x^2/2} dx \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \int_t^\infty \frac{1+x^2}{1+x^2} e^{-x^2/2} dx \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \left[ \int_t^\infty \frac{1}{1+x^2} e^{-x^2/2} dx + \int_t^\infty \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} e^{-x^2/2} dx \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

integrating the second term by parts where:

$$\begin{aligned}
 u &= \frac{x}{1+x^2} \quad dv = x e^{-x^2/2} \quad v = -e^{-x^2/2} \quad du = \frac{1-x^2}{(1+x^2)^2} \\
 \int_t^\infty \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} e^{-x^2/2} dx &= \frac{x}{1+x^2} (-e^{-x^2/2}) \Big|_t^\infty + \int_t^\infty \frac{1-x^2}{(1+x^2)^2} e^{-x^2/2} dx \\
 &= \frac{t}{t+t^2} e^{-t^2/2} + \int_t^\infty \frac{1-x^2}{(1+x^2)^2} e^{-x^2/2} dx \\
 P(|Z| \geq t) &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \left( \frac{t}{t+t^2} e^{-t^2/2} + \int_t^\infty \frac{1}{1+x^2} e^{-x^2/2} \frac{1-x^2}{(1+x^2)^2} e^{-x^2/2} dx \right) \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \left( \frac{t}{t+t^2} e^{-t^2/2} + \int_t^\infty \frac{(1+x^2) + 1-x^2}{(1+x^2)^2} e^{-x^2/2} dx \right) \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{t}{t+t^2} e^{-t^2/2} + \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \int_t^\infty \frac{2}{(1+x^2)^2} e^{-x^2/2} dx \\
 &\geq \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{t}{t+t^2} e^{-t^2/2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore } P(|Z| \geq t) \geq \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{t}{t+t^2} e^{-t^2/2}$$