



Assignment – 3 - Solution

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Q1: In an experiment, a dice is rolled twice. Let X be the sum of the outcomes. Find $\mathbb{E}[X]$.

Q1 Solution:

Let Y and Z be the outcomes of the first and second dice rolls – values shown by the dice after the roll.

The outcomes of the first roll – $Y = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ – 6 outcomes

The outcomes of the second roll – $Z = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ – 6 outcomes

Then, $X = Y + Z$

Total outcomes are $6 \times 6 = 36$

The Ω for X and the respective mapped events are:

ω	X	Probability
(1,1)	2	1/36
(1,2),(2,1)	3	2/36
(1,3),(3,1),(2,2)	4	3/36
(1,4),(4,1),(2,3),(3,2)	5	4/36
(1,5),(5,1),(2,4),(4,2),(3,3)	6	5/36
(1,6),(6,1),(2,5),(5,2),(3,4),(4,3)	7	6/36
(2,6),(6,2),(3,5),(5,3),(4,4)	8	5/36
(3,6),(6,3),(4,5),(5,4)	9	4/36
(4,6),(6,4),(5,5)	10	3/36
(5,6),(6,5)	11	2/36
(6,6)	12	1/36

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \sum_{i=2}^{12} x_i p(x_i)$$

$$= \frac{1}{36} (2 \times 1 + 3 \times 2 + 4 \times 3 + 5 \times 4 + 6 \times 5 + 7 \times 6 + 8 \times 5 + 9 \times 4 + 10 \times 3 + 11 \times 2 + 12 \times 1) = 7$$

Q2: Let X be a random variable with PDF given by

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} cx^2, & |x| \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

1. Find the constant c

2. Find $\mathbb{E}[X]$ and $\text{Var}(X)$

Q2 Solution:

(a) To find c , we can use the PDF property $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) dx = 1$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{-1} 0 + \int_{-1}^1 cx^2 + \int_1^{\infty} 0 = 0 + \left| \frac{1}{(2+1)} c * x^{(2+1)} \right|_{-1}^1 + 0 = \frac{1}{3} * c * |x^3|_{-1}^1 = \frac{2}{3} * c = 1$$

$$\mathbf{3. \quad c = \frac{3}{2}}$$



(b) When PDF is given,

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \int_{-1}^1 x f_X(x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 x * \frac{3}{2} * x^2 dx = \frac{3}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x^3 dx = \frac{3}{2} * \frac{1}{(3+1)} * |x^{(3+1)}|_{-1}^1 = \frac{3}{2} * \frac{1}{4} * [1 - 1] = 0$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \text{Second Central Moment} = \sigma^2 = M_\mu^2 = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)^2] = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - \mathbb{E}[X]^2$$

$$4. \sigma^2 = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - (0)^2 = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - \text{The expected value of } X^2$$

$$5. \mathbb{E}[X^2] = \int_{-1}^1 x^2 f_X(x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 x^2 * \frac{3}{2} * x^2 dx = \frac{3}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x^4 dx = \frac{3}{2} * \frac{1}{(4+1)} |x^{(4+1)}|_{-1}^1$$

$$6. = \frac{3}{2} * (1 - (-1)) = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\therefore \mathbb{E}[X^2] = \sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X) = \frac{3}{5}$$

Q3: Let X be a Gaussian random variable with parameter (μ, σ^2) . Find the first four moments using the direct formula involving its PDF.

Q3 Solution:

$$\text{The PDF of Gaussian random variable} - f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)}$$

The First Moment – Mean

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = M_0^1 = \mu = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx$$

Simplifying and solving the integration by substituting $x - \mu = y$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (y + \mu) * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mu * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy + \mu * \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy + \mu * 1$$

$$\left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy \text{ is Gaussian PDF with } \mu = 0 \text{ and its integral over } \infty \text{ to } -\infty \text{ equals } 1 \right)$$

$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy$ is an odd function (y) multiplied by an even function the result of which would be odd again. The integral of an odd function over a symmetric interval $(-\infty, \infty)$ will be 0
 $\therefore \mathbb{E}[X] = 0 + \mu = \mu$

Second Moment - Variance

$$\text{Second raw moment} - M_0^2 = \mathbb{E}[(X - 0)^2] = \sigma^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx$$

Simplifying and solving the integration by substituting $x - \mu = y$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (y + \mu)^2 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (y^2 + 2y\mu + \mu^2) * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy$$



$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y^2 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy + 2 * \mu * \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy + \mu^2 * \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy$$

From the First Moment solution derivation, we know that:

$$- (\mu^2 * \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy) = \mu^2 * 1 = \mu^2$$

$\left(y * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)}\right)$ is an odd function and its symmetric integral over the interval $(-\infty, \infty)$ will be 0

$\left(y^2 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)}\right)$ is an even function and its integral over $(-\infty, \infty)$ can be 2 times that of it over $(0, \infty)$

Simplifying above equation,

$$2 * \int_0^{\infty} y^2 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy + 2 * \mu * 0 + \mu^2 = 2 * \int_0^{\infty} y^2 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy + \mu^2$$

Defining $\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2} = t$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) = \frac{dt}{dt} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} * \frac{d}{dt} (y^2) = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} * 2y * \frac{dy}{dt} = 1 \Rightarrow dy = \frac{\sigma^2}{y} * dt \text{ and } y = \sqrt{2\sigma^2 * t}$$

Now solving the main equation,

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2 * \int_0^{\infty} (t * 2\sigma^2) * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{(-t)} * \frac{\sigma^2}{y} * dt + \mu^2 \\ &= 2 * \int_0^{\infty} (t * 2\sigma^2) * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{(-t)} * \frac{\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\sigma^2 * t}} * dt + \mu^2 = \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} (t)^{\frac{1}{2}} * e^{(-t)} dt + \mu^2 \end{aligned}$$

The integral $-\frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} (t)^{\frac{1}{2}} * e^{(-t)} dt$ - is a gamma function of the form, $\int_0^{\infty} (t)^{(z-1)} * e^{(-t)} dt$ with $z=3/2$ and $\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$

$$\therefore \mathbb{E}[X^2] = \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) + \mu^2 = \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} * \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} + \mu^2 = \sigma^2 + \mu^2$$

$$\therefore \mathbb{E}[X^2] = \sigma^2 + \mu^2$$

Note that the second moment of a distribution is variance, and we know variance of Gaussian distribution is σ^2 . But the above derivation shows the variance of Gaussian PDF as $\sigma^2 + \mu^2$.

Why?

The second moment we calculated is the raw second moment of Gaussian PDF – M_0^2 which is with respect to 0 – $\mathbb{E}[(X - 0)^2]$.

σ^2 is the second central moment of Gaussian distribution – M_μ^2 which is with respect to mean $\mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)^2]$. Solving for third central moment of Gaussian distribution and substituting the value of $\mu = 0$,



$$M_{\mu}^2 = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)^2] = \mathbb{E}[(X - 0)^2] = \sigma^2 + 0^2 = \sigma^2$$

Third Moment - Skewness

$$\text{Third raw moment} - M_0^3 = \mathbb{E}[(X - 0)^3] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^3 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx$$

Simplifying and solving the integration by substituting $x - \mu = y$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (y + \mu)^3 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (y^3 + 3y^2\mu + 3y\mu^2 + \mu^3) * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y^3 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy + 3\mu * \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y^2 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy + \\ &3\mu^2 * \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy + \mu^3 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy - (1) \end{aligned}$$

From the First and Second Moments solution derivation, we know that:

$$\begin{aligned} - (\mu^2 * \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy) &= \mu^2 * 1 = \mu^2 \\ - \left(y * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} \right) &\text{ is an odd function and its integral over the symmetric interval } (-\infty, \infty) \text{ is } 0 \\ - \left(y^3 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} \right) &\text{ is an odd function and its integral over the symmetric interval } (-\infty, \infty) \text{ is } 0 \\ - \left(y^2 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} \right) &\text{ is an even function and its integral over } (-\infty, \infty) \text{ can be } \\ &2 \text{ times that of it over } (0, \infty) \\ - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y^2 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy &= \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

Simplifying (1) for the third raw moment,

$$M_0^3 = \mathbb{E}[(X)^3] = [0] + 3\mu[\sigma^2] + 3\mu^2[0] + \mu^3 = \mu^3 + 3\mu\sigma^2 = 0^3 + 3 * 0 * \sigma^2 = 0$$

However, the third central moment is $M_{\mu}^3 = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)^3]$ and solving as above would result in:

$$M_{\mu}^3 = \mathbb{E}[(x - \mu)^3] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu)^3 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx = \mu^3 + 3\mu\sigma^2$$

The third moment measures the asymmetry or skewness of the distribution. Since Gaussian distribution is symmetric, its third moment is 0.

Fourth Moment - Kurtosis (Peakedness)

$$\text{Fourth raw moment} - M_0^4 = \mathbb{E}[(X - 0)^4] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^4 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx - (2)$$

$$\text{Fourth central moment} - M_{\mu}^4 = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)^4] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu)^4 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx - (3)$$

$$\therefore M_{\mu}^4 = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)^4] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu)^4 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x^4 - 4x^3\mu + 6x^2\mu^2 - 4x\mu^3 + \mu^4) * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^4 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 4x^3\mu * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx \\
 &+ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 6x^2\mu^2 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 4x\mu^3 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx \\
 &+ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mu^4 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx
 \end{aligned}$$

From the First, Second, and Third Moments solution derivation above, we know that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &-(\mu^2 * \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy) = \mu^2 * 1 = \mu^2 \\
 &-\left(y * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)}\right) \text{ is an odd function and its integral over the symmetric interval } (-\infty, \infty) \text{ is } 0 \\
 &-\left(y^3 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)}\right) \text{ is an odd function and its integral over the symmetric interval } (-\infty, \infty) \text{ is } 0 \\
 &-\left(y^2 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)}\right) \text{ is an even function and its integral over } (-\infty, \infty) \text{ can be } 2 \text{ times that of it over } (0, \infty) \\
 &-\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y^2 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dy = \sigma^2 \\
 &-\text{Simplifying and solving for } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^4 * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * e^{\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)} dx
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X^4] = \mu^4 + 6\mu^2\sigma^2 + 3\sigma^4$$

$$\text{Fourth Raw Moment} = M_0^4 = \mu^4 + 6\mu^2\sigma^2 + 3\sigma^4$$

$$\text{Applying } \mu = 0, \text{ for 4th Central moment} \rightarrow M_\mu^4 = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)^4] = 3\sigma^4$$

Q4: Let X be an exponential random variable with parameter (λ). Find all of its moments using its MGF.

Q4 Solution

PDF of exponential RV is $f_X(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$ ($x \geq 0$) - (λ is represented as $\frac{1}{\beta}$ sometimes)

\therefore The MGF = $M_X(t) = \mathbb{E}[e^{tx}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} M_X(t) * f_X(x) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{tx} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx$ - Exponential RV is defined for $x \geq 0$

$$\rightarrow M_X(t) = \lambda \int_0^{\infty} e^{(t-\lambda)x} dx = \lambda * \frac{1}{(t-\lambda)} \left| e^{(t-\lambda)x} \right|_0^{\infty} = \frac{\lambda}{(t-\lambda)} [0 - 1] = -\frac{\lambda}{(t-\lambda)} = \frac{\lambda}{(\lambda-t)} \text{ for } t < \lambda$$

Each moment of the distribution is found by deriving derivative of MGF successively.

1. First Moment - Mean

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = M_X'(t)|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} (MGF)|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{\lambda}{(\lambda-t)} \right]_{t=0} = \lambda * (-1) * \frac{1}{(\lambda-t)^2} * (-1)|_{t=0}$$



$$\therefore \text{First Moment - Mean} = \frac{\lambda}{(\lambda-t)^2} \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

2. Second Moment – Variance

$$\mathbb{E}[X^2] = M_X''(t) \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} (M_X'(t)) \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{\lambda}{(\lambda-t)^2} \right]_{t=0} = \lambda * (-2) * \frac{1}{(\lambda-t)^3} * (-1) \Big|_{t=0}$$

$$\therefore \text{Second Moment – Variance} = \frac{2\lambda}{(\lambda-t)^3} \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{2\lambda}{\lambda^3} = \frac{2}{\lambda^2}$$

3. Third Moment – Skewness

$$\mathbb{E}[X^3] = M_X'''(t) \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} (M_X''(t)) \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{2\lambda}{(\lambda-t)^3} \right]_{t=0} = 2\lambda * (-3) * \frac{1}{(\lambda-t)^4} * (-1) \Big|_{t=0}$$

$$\therefore \text{Third Moment – Skewness} = \frac{6\lambda}{(\lambda-t)^4} \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{6\lambda}{\lambda^4} = \frac{6}{\lambda^3} - \text{As the distribution is NOT}$$

symmetric, this moment – Skewness is NOT zero

4. Fourth Moment – Kurtosis

$$\mathbb{E}[X^4] = M_X''''(t) \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} (M_X'''(t)) \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{6\lambda}{(\lambda-t)^4} \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= 6\lambda * (-4) * \frac{1}{(\lambda-t)^5} * (-1) \Big|_{t=0}$$

$$\therefore \text{Fourth Moment – Kurtosis} = \frac{24\lambda}{(\lambda-t)^5} \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{24\lambda}{\lambda^5} = \frac{24}{\lambda^4}$$

Q5: Let X be a uniformly distributed integer taking value between 1 and 55. Let Y = modulus(X,8). Find the PMF of Y.

Q5 Solution:

$$X = (1, 55) \rightarrow \Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 5, \dots, 55\} \rightarrow p_X(x) = \frac{1}{55}$$

PMF of X

$$p_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{55}, & x = 1, 2, 3, \dots, 55 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$Y = X \text{ modulo } 8 \text{ (remainder of 8)}$

Events Mapping Across X and Y

Y	X
0	{8,16,24,32,40,48} – 6 Outcomes
1	{1,9,17,25,33,41,49} – 7 Outcomes
2	{2,10,18,26,34,42,50} – 7 Outcomes
3	{3,11,19,27,35,43,51} – 7 Outcomes
4	{4,12,20,28,36,44,52} – 7 Outcomes
5	{5,13,21,29,37,45,53} – 7 Outcomes
6	{6,14,22,30,38,46,54} – 7 Outcomes
7	{7,15,23,31,39,47,55} – 7 Outcomes
	Total – 55 Outcomes

PMF of Y

$$p_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{6}{55}, & y = 0 \\ \frac{7}{55}, & y = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



Q6: Let X be a continuous random variable with uniform distribution between 0 and 1. Compute distribution of $Y = 1/X$ in terms of PDF and CDF.

Q6 Solution:

$$X = \text{Unif}[0,1] \rightarrow f_X(x) = \frac{1}{(b-a)} = \frac{1}{(1-0)} = \frac{1}{1} = 1, \quad a \leq x \leq b \rightarrow f_X(x) = 1, \quad a \leq x \leq b$$

$$\rightarrow f_X(g^{-1}(y)) = 1$$

$$Y = \frac{1}{X} = g(X) \rightarrow g^{-1}(y) = \frac{1}{y} \rightarrow g'(x) = \frac{d}{dy}(g(x)) = \frac{d}{dy}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)$$

$$X \text{ Limits: } [0,1] \rightarrow Y \text{ Limits: } \text{When } X=0 \rightarrow Y = \frac{1}{0} = \infty, \text{ and } X=1 \rightarrow Y = \frac{1}{1} = 1 \rightarrow [1, \infty]$$

$$\rightarrow g'(g^{-1}(y)) = \left(-\frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{y}\right)^2}\right) = -y^2$$

$$\therefore f_Y(y) = \frac{f_X(g^{-1}(y))}{|g'(g^{-1}(y))|} = \frac{1}{|-y^2|} = \frac{1}{y^2}$$

PDF of Y

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{y^2}, & 1 \leq y \leq \infty \\ 0, & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

CDF of Y

$$F_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^y f_Y(y) dy = \int_{-\infty}^1 \frac{1}{y^2} dy + \int_1^y \frac{1}{y^2} dy = 0 + \int_1^y \frac{1}{y^2} dy = \left[-\frac{1}{y}\right]_1^y = -\left[\frac{1}{y} - 1\right] = \left[1 - \frac{1}{y}\right]$$

$$F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \left(1 - \frac{1}{y}\right), & y \geq 1 \\ 0, & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Q7: Let X be a continuous random variable with PDF given by $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-|x|}$, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, if $Y = X^2$, find $F_Y(y)$

Q7 Solution:

$$X \in \mathbb{R} - [0, \infty] \rightarrow Y \in [0, \infty]$$

When PDF of X is given, CDF of $X = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(x) dx$

$$F_Y(y) = \mathbb{P}(Y \leq y) = \mathbb{P}(X^2 \leq y) = \mathbb{P}(-\sqrt{y} \leq X \leq \sqrt{y})$$

$$= \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^{\sqrt{y}} \frac{1}{2} * e^{-|x|} dx = 2 \int_0^{\sqrt{y}} \frac{1}{2} * e^{-x} dx = 2 * \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\sqrt{y}} e^{-x} dx$$

$$= [-e^{-x}]_0^{\sqrt{y}} = [-e^{-\sqrt{y}} - (-e^{-0})] = [1 - e^{-\sqrt{y}}]$$

Therefore

$$F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} (1 - e^{-\sqrt{y}}), & y > 0 \\ 0, & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Q8: Let X be a discrete random variable with range $\{0, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \pi\}$ with equal probability. Find $\mathbb{E}[\sin(X)]$.

Q8 Solution:



For a discrete RV, $\mathbb{E}[g(x)] = \sum_{x_i} g(x_i) * P_X(x_i)$

$$g(x) = \sin(x), P_X(x) = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \sum_{x_i \in \{0, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \pi\}} x_i * P_X(x_i) &= \frac{1}{5} * \left[\sin(0) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) + \sin(\pi) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{5} * \left[0 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + 0 \right] = \frac{1}{5} * \left[\frac{2 + 2\sqrt{2}}{2} \right] = \frac{1}{5} * \frac{2}{2} * (1 + \sqrt{2}) = \frac{1}{5} * (1 + \sqrt{2}) = \frac{1 + \sqrt{2}}{5} \end{aligned}$$

Q9: Let X be an exponential random variable with parameter (1). Find $\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{(1+X)}\right]$

Q9 Solution:

The PDF of Exponential RV $X(\lambda)$ - $f_X(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}, x \geq 0$

$$\therefore f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1 * e^{-1*x} = e^{-x}, & x \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{(1+x)}$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{(1+x)}\right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) * f_X(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{(1+x)} * e^{-x} dx + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{(1+x)} * e^{-x} dx$$

$$= 0 + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{(1+x)} * e^{-x} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x}}{(1+x)} dx$$

$-\int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x}}{(1+x)} dx$ does not have simple closed-form expression in terms of elementary function for this solution.

- The solution can be arrived at using either numerical methods or special integral functions.

- The special integral function that can be used for expressing this integral is "Exponential Integral function" and is written as:

$$Ei(x) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x}}{(1+x)} dx = Ei(-1) = \sim 0.5963$$

Q10: Let X be the random variable representing the value of the number rolled of a fair 4-sided die.

(a) Write down the moment generating function for X

(b) Use this moment generating function to compute the first and second moments of X

Q10 Solution:

(a)

X= Roll of 4-sided fair die $D_4 \rightarrow \Omega_X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

The probability distribution/mass function of X is:

$$p_X(x) = P(X = 1) = P(X = 2) = P(X = 3) = P(X = 4) = \frac{1}{4}$$

The MGF of X = $M_X(t) = \mathbb{E}[e^{tx}] = \sum_{x \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}} e^{tx} * p_X(x)$

$$\rightarrow M_X(t) = \sum_{x \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}} e^{tx} * \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4} * [e^t + e^{2t} + e^{3t} + e^{4t}] = \frac{1}{4} (e^t + e^{2t} + e^{3t} + e^{4t})$$

(b)

$$\text{First moment} = M'_X(t)|_t = 0 = \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{1}{4} * (e^t + e^{2t} + e^{3t} + e^{4t}) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} * (e^t + 2e^{2t} + 3e^{3t} + 4e^{4t})|_{t=0}$$



$$= \frac{1}{4} * (1 + 2 + 3 + 4) = \frac{10}{4} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$M_X^1(t) = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\text{Second moment} = M_X''(t)|_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} [M_X'(t)]_{t=0} = \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{1}{4} * (e^t + 2e^{2t} + 3e^{3t} + 4e^{4t}) \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} * [e^t + 4e^{2t} + 9e^{3t} + 16e^{4t}]_{t=0} = \frac{1}{4} * [1 + 4 + 9 + 16] = \frac{1}{4} * 30 = \frac{15}{2}$$

$$M_X^2(t) = \frac{15}{2}$$