

Probability and Statistics

Quiz Two Solution

1.

Sol :

$$\begin{cases} X = R \cos \Phi \\ Y = R \sin \Phi \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} R = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2} \\ \Phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{Y}{X} \end{cases}$$

$\because X$ and Y are two i.i.d. Gaussian random variables with zero mean and unit variance.

$$\therefore \text{The joint PDF } f_{X,Y}(x, y) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \exp\left\{-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2}\right\}.$$

By Jacobian transformation, we can obtain the joint PDF as following:

$$f_{R,\Phi}(r, \phi) = f_{X,Y}(x, y) \cdot \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(r, \phi)} \right| = \frac{1}{2\pi} \exp\left\{-\frac{r^2}{2}\right\} \cdot r, \quad r \geq 0.$$

(1) The PDF of R :

$$f_R(r) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f_{R,\Phi}(r, \phi) d\phi = r \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{r^2}{2}\right\} u(r).$$

(2) The PDF of Φ :

$$f_\Phi(\phi) = \int_0^\infty f_{R,\Phi}(r, \phi) dr = \frac{1}{2\pi}, \quad \phi \in [-\pi, \pi].$$

$$\therefore f_{R,\Phi}(r, \phi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot r \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{r^2}{2}\right\} u(r) = f_R(r) \cdot f_\Phi(\phi).$$

$\therefore R$ and Φ are independent.

2.

Sol :

$\because X$ and Y are two i.i.d. exponential random variables.

$$\therefore \text{The joint PDF } f_{X,Y}(x, y) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y) = \exp\{-(x+y)\} u(x) u(y).$$

Let $A = X - Y$, such that $Z = (X - Y)u(X - Y) = Au(A)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The PDF } f_A(a) &= \int_0^\infty f_{X,Y}(a+y, y) dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty \exp\{-(a+2y)\} u(a+y) u(y) dy \\ &= \exp\{-a\} \cdot \begin{cases} \int_0^\infty \exp\{-2y\} dy, & a \geq 0 \\ \int_{-a}^\infty \exp\{-2y\} dy, & a < 0 \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \exp\{-a\}, & a \geq 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \exp\{a\}, & a < 0 \end{cases} = \frac{1}{2} \exp\{-|a|\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\because Z = Au(A) = \begin{cases} A, & A \geq 0 \\ 0, & A < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \text{The PDF } f_Z(z) = \frac{1}{2}\delta(z) + \frac{1}{2}\exp\{-z\}u(z)$$

$$\text{where } \delta(z) = \begin{cases} \infty, & z = 0 \\ 0, & z \neq 0 \end{cases} \text{ with } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(z) dz = 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow E[z] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z \cdot f_Z(z) dz = \frac{1}{2}.$$

3.

Sol :

Define $Z = \max[X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n]$, and $W = \min[X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n]$.

The joint CDF $F_{Z,W}(z, w) = P[Z \leq z, W \leq w]$

$$= P[Z \leq z] - P[Z \leq z, W > w]$$

(1) $\because X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ are i.i.d. random variables with PDF $f_X(x)$ and CDF $F_X(x)$.

$$\therefore P[Z \leq z] = [F_X(z)]^n.$$

(2) $P[Z \leq z, W > w] = P[\max[X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n] \leq z, \min[X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n] > w]$

$$= P[w < X_1 \leq z, w < X_2 \leq z, \dots, w < X_n \leq z]$$

$$= P[w < X_1 \leq z] \cdot P[w < X_2 \leq z] \cdot \dots \cdot P[w < X_n \leq z]$$

$$= [F_X(z) - F_X(w)]^n.$$

(3) $F_{Z,W}(z, w) = P[Z \leq z] - P[Z \leq z, W > w]$

$$= [F_X(z)]^n - [F_X(z) - F_X(w)]^n.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The joint PDF } f_{Z,W}(z, w) &= \frac{\partial^2 F_{Z,W}(z, w)}{\partial z \partial w} \\ &= n(n-1)[F_X(z) - F_X(w)]^{n-2} f_X(z) f_X(w). \end{aligned}$$