

Problem 1: Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ be a probability space and \mathcal{W} a sub- σ -algebra of \mathcal{F} .

To show: if $X = \mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{W}]$ and $\mathbb{E}[X^2] = \mathbb{E}[Y^2]$, then $X = Y$ a.s.

$$X = Y \text{ a.s.} \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{E}[(X-Y)^2] = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{E}[X^2] - 2\mathbb{E}[XY] + \mathbb{E}[Y^2] = 0.$$

Now $\mathbb{E}[XY] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{W}] \cdot Y] \stackrel{\text{def of conditional expectation}}{=} \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{W}] \cdot \mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{W}]] = \mathbb{E}[X^2]$

and $\mathbb{E}[X^2] = \mathbb{E}[Y^2]$ by definition

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}[X^2] - 2\mathbb{E}[XY] + \mathbb{E}[Y^2] = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - 2\mathbb{E}[X^2] + \mathbb{E}[X^2] = 0.$$

Problem 2: Let X, Y be jointly distributed such that $Y|X=x \in \text{Bin}(n, x)$
 $X \in U(0, 1)$

Compute the characteristic function of Y and $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[e^{itY}] &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[e^{itY}|X]] = \int_0^1 \sum_{k=0}^n e^{itk} \mathbb{P}(Y=k|X=x) f_X(x) dx = \int_0^1 \sum_{k=0}^n e^{itk} \binom{n}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n-k} dx \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n e^{itk} \binom{n}{k} \int_0^1 x^k (1-x)^{n-k} dx \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

Now let's compute $\int_0^1 x^k (1-x)^{n-k} dx$: $\int_0^1 x^k (1-x)^{n-k} dx = x^k \frac{1}{n-k+1} (1-x)^{n-k+1} \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 k x^{k-1} \frac{1}{n-k+1} (1-x)^{n-k+1} dx$
 $= \int_0^1 \frac{k}{n-k+1} x^{k-1} (1-x)^{n-k+1} dx = \frac{k}{n-k+1} \int_0^1 x^{(k-1)} (1-x)^{n-(k-1)} dx \quad \forall k \geq 1$

Now $\int_0^1 (1-x)^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1} (1-x)^{n+1} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{n+1} \Rightarrow \int_0^1 x^k (1-x)^{n-k} dx = \frac{1}{n+1} \prod_{i=1}^k \frac{i}{n-(i-1)} = \frac{k!}{(n+1)n \dots (n-(k-1))}$

$$= \frac{k! \cdot (n-k)!}{(n+1)!} = \frac{1}{(n+1) \binom{n}{k}} \Rightarrow (*) = \sum_{k=0}^n e^{itk} \frac{1}{n+1} \frac{1}{\binom{n}{k}} = \frac{1}{n+1} \frac{1 - e^{i(n+1)t}}{1 - e^{it}} \text{, i.e. } Y \in U(\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\})$$

whenever $e^{it} \neq 1$

Let's compute $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$: $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}[XY] - \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y]$

$$\mathbb{E}[XY] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[XY|X]] = \mathbb{E}[X \mathbb{E}[Y|X]] = \mathbb{E}[nX^2] = n \mathbb{E}[X^2] = n \int_0^1 x^2 dx = n \cdot \frac{1}{3} x^3 \Big|_0^1 = \frac{n}{3}$$

$= nX$ since $Y|X=x \in \text{Bin}(n, x)$

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[Y] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|X]] = \mathbb{E}[nX] = \frac{n}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Cov}(X, Y) = \frac{n}{3} - \frac{n}{4} = n \left(\frac{4-3}{12} \right) = \frac{n}{12}$$

Problem 3 Let X_1, X_2, X_3 and X_4 be independent and $\text{Exp}(\lambda)$ -distributed.

To show: Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4 are independent, where $Y_1 = X_1 + X_2 + X_3 + X_4$

$$Y_2 = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2}$$

$$Y_3 = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{X_1 + X_2 + X_3}$$

$$Y_4 = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + X_3}{X_1 + X_2 + X_3 + X_4}$$

and determine the joint law of (Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4) .

We have to compute the joint distribution via a change of variables and check that it factorizes.

Fix $\tilde{y}_1, \tilde{y}_2, \tilde{y}_3, \tilde{y}_4 \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$.

$$\mathbb{P}(Y_1 \leq \tilde{y}_1, Y_2 \leq \tilde{y}_2, Y_3 \leq \tilde{y}_3, Y_4 \leq \tilde{y}_4) = \int_0^{\tilde{y}_1} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_2} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_3} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_4} f(y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4) dy_1 dy_2 dy_3 dy_4$$

Now we want to find F bijective such that $F(y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4) = (X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4)$

$$\begin{cases} Y_1 = X_1 + X_2 + X_3 + X_4 \\ Y_2 = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2} \\ Y_3 = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{X_1 + X_2 + X_3} \\ Y_4 = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + X_3}{X_1 + X_2 + X_3 + X_4} \end{cases} \iff \begin{cases} X_1 = Y_1 Y_2 Y_3 Y_4 \\ X_2 = Y_1 (1 - Y_2) Y_3 Y_4 \\ X_3 = Y_1 (1 - Y_3) Y_4 \\ X_4 = Y_1 (1 - Y_4) \end{cases}$$

$$Y_1 Y_2 Y_3 Y_4 = X_1$$

$$Y_2 = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2} \iff X_2 Y_2 = X_1 (1 - Y_2) \iff X_2 = \frac{X_1 (1 - Y_2)}{Y_2} = Y_1 (1 - Y_2) Y_3 Y_4$$

$$Y_3 = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{X_1 + X_2 + X_3} \iff X_3 Y_3 = (X_1 + X_2) (1 - Y_3) \iff X_3 = \frac{(X_1 + X_2) (1 - Y_3)}{Y_3} = \frac{Y_1 Y_2 Y_3 Y_4 (Y_2 + 1 - Y_2) (1 - Y_3)}{Y_3}$$

$$= Y_1 (1 - Y_3) Y_4$$

$$Y_4 = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + X_3}{X_1 + X_2 + X_3 + X_4} \iff X_4 Y_4 = (X_1 + X_2 + X_3) (1 - Y_4) \iff X_4 = \frac{(X_1 + X_2 + X_3) (1 - Y_4)}{Y_4} = Y_1 (1 - Y_4)$$

$$\text{Hence } \mathbb{P}(Y_1 \leq \tilde{y}_1, Y_2 \leq \tilde{y}_2, Y_3 \leq \tilde{y}_3, Y_4 \leq \tilde{y}_4) = \mathbb{P}(F(y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4) \in F([0, \tilde{y}_1] \times [0, \tilde{y}_2] \times [0, \tilde{y}_3] \times [0, \tilde{y}_4]))$$

$$= \mathbb{P}((X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4) \in F([0, \tilde{y}_1] \times [0, \tilde{y}_2] \times [0, \tilde{y}_3] \times [0, \tilde{y}_4]))$$

by construction of F

$$= \int_0^{\tilde{y}_1} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_2} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_3} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_4} f_{X_1}(x_1) f_{X_2}(x_2) f_{X_3}(x_3) f_{X_4}(x_4) dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 dx_4 = \int_0^{\tilde{y}_1} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_2} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_3} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_4} f_{X_1}(y_1 y_2 y_3 y_4) f_{X_2}(y_1 (1 - y_2) y_3 y_4) f_{X_3}(y_1 (1 - y_3) y_4) f_{X_4}(y_1 (1 - y_4)) |\det(J)| dy_1 dy_2 dy_3 dy_4$$

$$F([0, \tilde{y}_1] \times [0, \tilde{y}_2] \times [0, \tilde{y}_3] \times [0, \tilde{y}_4])$$

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} y_2 y_3 y_4 & y_1 y_3 y_4 & y_2 y_2 y_4 & y_1 y_2 y_3 \\ (1 - y_2) y_2 y_4 & -y_1 y_3 y_4 & y_1 (1 - y_2) y_4 & y_1 (1 - y_2) y_3 \\ (1 - y_3) y_4 & 0 & -y_1 y_4 & y_1 (1 - y_3) \\ 1 - y_4 & 0 & 0 & -y_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \int_0^{\tilde{y}_1} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_2} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_3} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_4} \mathcal{N} e^{-\alpha y_1 y_2 y_3 y_4} \mathcal{N} e^{-\alpha y_1 (1-y_2) y_3 y_4} \mathcal{N} e^{-\alpha y_1 (1-y_2) y_3} \mathcal{N} e^{-\alpha y_1 (1-y_4)} |\det(J)| dy_1 dy_2 dy_3 dy_4 \quad (*)$$

$$\det(J) = (-1)(1-y_4) \det \left(\begin{array}{ccc} y_1 y_3 y_4 & y_1 y_2 y_4 & y_1 y_2 y_3 \\ -y_1 y_3 y_4 & y_1 (1-y_2) y_4 & y_1 (1-y_2) y_3 \\ 0 & -y_1 y_4 & y_1 (1-y_3) \end{array} \right) - y_1 \det \left(\begin{array}{ccc} y_2 y_3 y_4 & y_2 y_3 y_4 & y_2 y_2 y_4 \\ (1-y_2) y_3 y_4 & -y_1 y_2 y_4 & y_2 (1-y_2) y_4 \\ (1-y_3) y_4 & 0 & -y_1 y_4 \end{array} \right)$$

A
B

$$A = y_1 y_4 (y_2 y_3 y_4 \cdot y_2 (1-y_2) y_3 + y_2 y_3 y_4 y_1 y_2 y_3) + y_1 (1-y_3) (y_2 y_2 y_4 y_2 (1-y_2) y_4 + y_1 y_3 y_4 \cdot y_1 y_2 y_4)$$

$$= y_1^3 (1-y_2) y_3^2 y_4^2 + y_1^2 y_2 y_3^2 y_4^2 + y_1^3 (1-y_2) y_3 (1-y_3) y_4^2 + y_1^3 y_2 y_3^2 (1-y_2) y_4^2$$

$$= y_1^3 y_3^2 y_4^2 + y_1^2 y_3 (1-y_3) y_4^2 = y_1^2 y_3 y_4^2$$

$$B = (1-y_3) y_4 (y_2 y_3 y_4 y_1 (1-y_2) y_4 + y_1 y_2 y_4 y_2 y_2 y_4) - y_1 y_4 (y_2 y_3 y_4 y_2 y_3 y_4 - (1-y_2) y_1 y_2 y_3 y_4)$$

$$= y_1^2 (1-y_2) y_3 (1-y_3) y_4^3 + y_1^2 y_2 y_3 (1-y_3) y_4^3 + y_1^2 y_2 y_3^2 y_4^3 + y_1^2 (1-y_2) y_3^2 y_4^3$$

$$= y_1^2 y_2 (1-y_3) y_4^3 + y_1^2 y_2^2 y_4^3 = y_1^2 y_2 y_4^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(J) = (-1)(1-y_4) (y_1^2 y_3 y_4^2) - y_1^2 y_3 y_4^2 = (-1) y_1^2 y_3 y_4^2$$

$$* \quad y_1 y_2 y_3 y_4 + y_1 (1-y_2) y_2 y_4 + y_1 (1-y_3) y_3 + y_1 (1-y_4) =$$

$$y_1 y_2 y_4 + y_1 (1-y_2) y_4 + y_1 (1-y_4) =$$

$$y_1 y_4 + y_1 (1-y_4) = y_1$$

$$\Rightarrow (*) = \int_0^{\tilde{y}_1} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_2} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_3} \int_0^{\tilde{y}_4} \mathcal{N}^4 e^{-\alpha y_1} y_1^2 y_2 y_4^2 dy_1 dy_2 dy_3 dy_4 \quad \text{since the pdf factorizes.}$$

the random variables are independent.

Problem 4

(a) Let X be positive, to show: $E[X] = \int_0^{+\infty} P(X > t) dt$

$$E[X] = \int_0^{+\infty} x P(dx) = \int_0^{+\infty} \int_0^x dt P(dx) = \int_0^{+\infty} \int_t^{+\infty} \mathbb{1}_{\{t < x\}} dt P(dx) = \int_0^{+\infty} \int_t^{+\infty} \mathbb{1}_{\{x > t\}} P(dx) dt = \int_0^{+\infty} P(X > t) dt$$

(b) Let $X \in \mathbb{N}$ be a random variable. To show: $E[X] = \sum_{j=0}^{+\infty} P(X > j)$

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= \sum_{k \geq 0} k P(X=k) = \sum_{k \geq 1} \sum_{j=1}^k \mathbb{1} P(X=k) = \sum_{k \geq 1} \sum_{j=1}^k \mathbb{1}_{\{j \leq k\}} P(X=k) = \sum_{j \geq 1} \sum_{k \geq j} \mathbb{1}_{\{k \geq j\}} P(X=k) \\ &= \sum_{j \geq 1} \sum_{k \geq j} P(X=k) = \sum_{j \geq 1} P(X \geq j) = \sum_{j \geq 0} P(X > j) \end{aligned}$$

(c) $E[X] = E[X \mathbb{1}_{\{X \geq 0\}}] - E[(-X) \mathbb{1}_{\{X < 0\}}] = \int_0^{+\infty} P(X > t) dt - \int_0^{+\infty} P(-X > t) dt$

$$= \int_0^{+\infty} (1 - P(X \leq t)) dt - \int_0^{+\infty} P(X < -t) dt = \int_0^{+\infty} (1 - F_X(t)) dt - \int_{-\infty}^0 P(X < t') dt' = \int_0^{+\infty} (1 - F_X(t)) dt - \int_{-\infty}^0 F_X(t) dt.$$

(d) when $X = Y^p$, Y being positive?

$$E[Y^p] = \int_0^{+\infty} (1 - P(Y^p \leq t)) dt = \int_0^{+\infty} (1 - P(Y \leq t^{1/p})) dt = \int_0^{+\infty} (1 - F_Y(t^{1/p})) dt.$$