

ECE 313: Conflict Final Exam

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160 English Building

1. (a) The set of possible values of S is $\{n, n+1, \dots, 2n\}$. For k in this set, $S = k$ if exactly $k - n$ of the n X_i 's are equal to two. Hence

$$p_S(k) = p_B(k - n) = \binom{n}{k - n} p^{k-n} (1-p)^{n-(k-n)} = \binom{n}{k - n} p^{k-n} (1-p)^{2n-k}$$

for $n \leq k \leq 2n$.

ALTERNATIVELY, we see that $Y_i = X_i - 1$ is a Bernoulli random variable with parameter p , and $S = n + B$, where $B = Y_1 + \dots + Y_n$, so B has the binomial distribution with parameters n and p . Hence, for $n \leq k \leq 2n$, $p_S(k) = p_B(k - n) = \binom{n}{k - n} p^{k-n} (1-p)^{n-(k-n)}$.

- (b) $E[X_1] = p \cdot 2 + (1-p) \cdot 1 = 1 + p$. Hence, $E[S] = nE[X_1] = n(1 + p)$.
ALTERNATIVELY, $E[S] = E[B + n] = E[B] + n = np + n = n(1 + p)$.
- (c) $\text{Var}(X_1) = E[X_1^2] - E[X_1]^2 = 4p + (1-p) - (1+p)^2 = p(1-p)$. So, since the X_i 's are independent (hence uncorrelated), $\text{Var}(S) = n\text{Var}(X_1) = np(1-p)$.
ALTERNATIVELY, $\text{Var}(S) = \text{Var}(B + n) = \text{Var}(B) = np(1-p)$.

2. (a)

$$F_X(c) = \begin{cases} 0, & c < 0 \\ \int_0^c 5 e^{-5u} du = -e^{-5u} \Big|_0^c = 1 - e^{-5c}, & c > 0 \end{cases}$$

(b) $P\{X > 1\} = 1 - P\{X \leq 1\} = 1 - F_X(1) = e^{-5}$

(c) $P\{X > 1 \mid X \leq 2\} = \frac{P\{X > 1, X \leq 2\}}{P\{X \leq 2\}} = \frac{F_X(2) - F_X(1)}{F_X(2)} = \frac{e^{-5} - e^{-10}}{1 - e^{-10}}$

3. (a) No. For example, $P\{T > 1\} = 1 - F_T(1) = e^{-1}$, whereas

$$P(T > 2 \mid T > 1) = \frac{P(T > 2, T > 1)}{P\{T > 1\}} = \frac{P\{T > 2\}}{P\{T > 1\}} = \frac{1 - F_T(2)}{1 - F_T(1)} = \frac{e^{-4}}{e^{-1}} = e^{-3}$$

- (b) For $x > 0$

$$F_X(x) = P\{X \leq x\} = P\{T \leq \sqrt{x}\} = 1 - e^{-x}$$

and $f_X(x) = e^{-x}$, i.e., x has an exponential distribution.

- (c) Yes, as we proved in class, the exponential distribution is memoryless. For any $s, t > 0$,

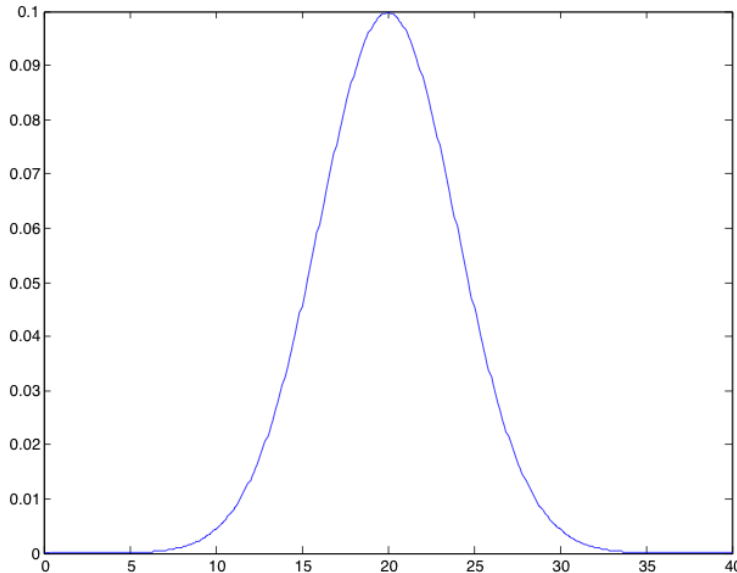
$$P(T > t+s \mid T > t) = \frac{P(T > t+s, T > t)}{P\{T > t\}} = \frac{P\{T > t+s\}}{P\{T > t\}} = \frac{e^{-(t+s)}}{e^{-t}} = e^{-s} = P\{T > s\}.$$

4. (a) The time between emails is an exponential random variable with mean $1/\lambda = 1/5$, so you expect to wait $2/5$ hours.
- (b) The number of emails in a 50 minute period is a Poisson random variable with mean $\hat{\lambda} = \lambda(50/60) = 25/6$, so you expect $25/6$ emails.

- (c) The number of emails in a 50 minute period is a Poisson random variable with mean $\hat{\lambda} = \lambda(50/60) = 25/6$, so $P\{5 \text{ emails in } 50 \text{ minutes}\} = \frac{e^{-\hat{\lambda}} \hat{\lambda}^5}{5!} = \frac{e^{-25/6} (25/6)^5}{5!}$.
- (d) Let R_1 be the arrival time of the first real news email, and let F_1 be the arrival time of the first fake email.

$$\begin{aligned} P\{\text{first email you receive is fake}\} &= P\{F_1 < R_1\} = \int_0^\infty P\{F_1 < R_1 | R_1 = u\} f_{R_1}(u) du \\ &= \int_0^\infty (1 - e^{-10u}) 5e^{-5u} du = 5 \left[\frac{e^{-5u}}{-5} - \frac{e^{-15u}}{-15} \right] \Big|_0^\infty = 5 \left(\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{15} \right) = \frac{10}{15} = \frac{2}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

5. (a) The Gaussian density, $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(u-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$ is maximized at $u = \mu$. The maximum value is $f_X(\mu) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{32\pi}} \approx 0.1$.
- (b) $f_X(u) = (0.5)f_X(\mu)$ if the exponential term in the pdf at u is equal to 0.5. That is, if $\frac{(u-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} = \ln(2)$ or $(u - \mu)^2 = 2(\ln 2)\sigma^2$ or $u = \mu \pm \sigma\sqrt{2\ln 2} = 16 \pm 4\sqrt{2\ln 2} \approx 16 \pm 4.7$.
- (c) A matlab plot is shown. Important features are that the pdf is centered at 20, the maximum is around 0.1, and the shape is a bell curve with halfwidth around 5.



(d) $P\{|X| \geq 30\} = P\{X \geq 30\} + P\{X \leq -30\} = P\left\{\frac{X-20}{4} \geq \frac{30-20}{4}\right\} + P\left\{\frac{X-20}{4} \leq \frac{-30-20}{4}\right\} = Q(2.5) + 1 - Q(-12.5) = Q(2.5) + Q(12.5) \approx Q(2.5) \approx 0.0062$.

6. By definition, $\hat{\theta}_{ML}(10)$ is the value of θ that maximizes the likelihood of $X = 10$. The likelihood of $X = 10$ is $f_\theta(10) = \left(\frac{10}{\theta}\right) e^{-\frac{100}{2\theta}}$, and the log likelihood is $\ln(10) - \ln(\theta) - \frac{50}{\theta}$. Differentiation with respect to θ yields $\frac{d \ln f_\theta(10)}{d\theta} = -\frac{1}{\theta} + \frac{50}{\theta^2}$. This derivative is zero for $\theta = 50$, and it is positive for $\theta < 50$ and negative for $\theta > 50$. Hence, $\hat{\theta}_{ML}(10) = 50$.
(Note: If θ is replaced by σ^2 , then f is the Rayleigh pdf with parameter σ^2 . The same reasoning as above shows that, in general, for observation $X = u$, $\hat{\theta}_{ML} = (\hat{\sigma}^2)_{ML} = \frac{u^2}{2}$.)

7. (a) The range of possible values of X is the interval $[0, 1]$. By inspection (or using the definition of conditional density), if $0 \leq u \leq 1$, we see that given $X = u$, the conditional distribution of Y is the uniform distribution over the interval $[0, u]$. Therefore, $E[Y^2 | X = u] = \int_0^u \frac{1}{u} v^2 dv = \frac{u^2}{3}$.

(b) By the same observation used in part (a), $E[Y|X = u] = \frac{u}{2}$. Since this is a linear function of u , it is also equal to $\widehat{E}[Y|X = u]$. That is, $\widehat{E}[Y|X = u] = \frac{u}{2}$. (This result can be worked out using the formula for $\widehat{E}[Y|X = u]$ as well.)

8. (a) First note that $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \sigma_X \sigma_Y \rho = \frac{1}{4}$. Therefore

$$\text{Cov}(X, W) = \text{Cov}(X, X + \alpha Y + \beta) = \text{Var}(X) + \alpha \text{Cov}(X, Y) = 1 + \frac{\alpha}{4},$$

and $\text{Cov}(X, W) = 0$ if $\alpha = -4$, no matter what value β takes. Since X and W are jointly Gaussian, $\alpha = -4$ (and β arbitrary) also makes them independent.

(b) $E[Z] = E[4X + 2Y + 2] = 4E[X] + 2E[Y] + 3 = 7$, and

$$\text{Var}(Z) = 16\text{Var}(X) + 4\text{Var}(Y) + 16\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 16 + 16 + 4 = 36$$

(c) Since Y and Z are jointly Gaussian

$$E[Y|Z = 11] = L^*(11) = E[Y] + \frac{\text{Cov}(Y, Z)}{\text{Var}(Z)}(11 - E[Z])$$

Now

$$\text{Cov}(Y, Z) = \text{Cov}(Y, 4X + 2Y + 2) = 4\text{Cov}(Y, X) + 2\text{Var}(Y) = 1 + 8 = 9$$

and therefore

$$E[Y|Z = 11] = L^*(11) = 0 + \frac{9}{36}(11 - 7) = 1$$

(d) Given, $Z = 11$, Y is Gaussian with mean $E[Y|Z = 11] = 1$ as calculated above, and variance

$$\sigma_e^2 = \text{MSE of } L^*(11) = \text{Var}(Y) - \frac{(\text{Cov}(Y, Z))^2}{\text{Var}(Z)} = 4 - \frac{9^2}{36} = 4 - \frac{9}{4} = \frac{7}{4}$$

Therefore

$$E[Y^2|Z = 11] = 1 + \frac{7}{4} = \frac{11}{4}$$

9. (a)

$$f_Y(v) = \begin{cases} \int_{-v}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} e^{-u} du = -\frac{1}{2} e^{-u} \Big|_{-v}^{\infty} = \frac{1}{2} e^v, & v < 0 \\ \int_v^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} e^{-u} du = \frac{1}{2} e^{-v}, & v > 0 \end{cases} = \frac{1}{2} e^{-|v|}$$

(b) $E\left[\frac{1}{X}\right] = \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-u}^u \frac{1}{u} \frac{1}{2} e^{-u} dv du = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-u} du = 1$

10. (a)

$$f_X(u) = \begin{cases} \int_u^1 2 dv = 2(1 - u), & 0 < u < 1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$$\implies f_{Y|X}(v|X = u) = \frac{1}{1 - u}, \quad 0 < u < 1, \quad u \leq v < 1$$

That is, given $X = u$, Y is uniformly distributed over the interval $[u, 1]$, as can also be seen by inspection. Therefore,

$$\text{and } g^*(u) = E[Y|X = u] = \int_u^1 \frac{v}{1 - u} dv = \frac{1 + u}{2}, \quad 0 < u < 1$$

(b)

$$E[Y^2|X = u] = \int_u^1 \frac{v^2}{1-u} dv = \frac{1+u+u^2}{3}$$

$$\implies MMSE = Var(Y|X = u) = E[Y^2|X = u] - (E[Y|X = u])^2 = \frac{(1-u)^2}{12}$$

(c) Since the unconstrained estimator is linear in u , the best linear estimator is:

$$E[Y|X = u] = \frac{1+u}{2}$$

11. (a) False, False, True
(b) True, False, False
(c) True, True
(d) True, False