

## Solutions exercises part 1

1. a.  $\Gamma(\alpha) = \int_0^\infty u^{\alpha-1} e^{-u} du = -u^{\alpha-1} e^{-u} \Big|_{u=0}^{u \rightarrow \infty} + \int_0^\infty (\alpha-1) u^{\alpha-2} e^{-u} du = 0 + (\alpha-1)\Gamma(\alpha-1)$   
 (integration by parts has been applied)

b.  $\Gamma(1) = \int_0^\infty e^{-u} du = -e^{-u} \Big|_{u=0}^{u \rightarrow \infty} = 0 - 1 = 1$

$\Gamma(n) = (n-1)\Gamma(n-1) = (n-1)(n-2)\Gamma(n-2) = \dots = (n-1) \times (n-2) \times \dots \times 1 \times \Gamma(1) = (n-1)!$

c.  $\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \int_0^\infty u^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-u} du = \int_0^\infty \sqrt{2} x^{-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} x dx = \int_0^\infty \sqrt{2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx = 2\sqrt{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx$   
 $= 2\sqrt{\pi} \times \frac{1}{2} = \sqrt{\pi}$

2. a.  $F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(-3X + 5 \leq y) = P\left(X \geq \frac{y-5}{-3}\right) = 1 - P\left(X \leq \frac{y-5}{-3}\right) = 1 - F_X\left(\frac{y-5}{-3}\right)$

$f_Y(y) = \frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = \frac{1}{3} f_X\left(\frac{y-5}{-3}\right)$

b.  $f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{3} f_X\left(\frac{y-5}{-3}\right) = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{y-5}{-3}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \times 9}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{(y-5)^2}{9}}$ ,

in which we recognize the normal density function with  $\mu = 5$  and  $\sigma^2 = 9$ .

3.  $F_Z(z) = P(Z \leq z) = P(\min(X, Y) \leq z) = 1 - P(\min(X, Y) \geq z) = 1 - P(X \geq z \text{ en } Y \geq z)$   
 $= 1 - P(X \geq z) \times P(Y \geq z) = 1 - [1 - F_X(z)]^2$

$f_Z(z) = \frac{d}{dz} F_Z(z) = f_X(z) \times 2[1 - F_X(z)] = \lambda e^{-\lambda z} \times 2e^{-\lambda z} = 2\lambda e^{-2\lambda z}$ , for  $z \geq 0$  (elsewhere  $f_Z(z) = 0$ )

$Z = \min(X, Y)$  is exponentially distributed as well, with parameter  $2\lambda$  ( $EZ = \frac{1}{2} E(X)$ )

4. a.  $E(X_i) = \frac{1}{2}$  (symmetry),  $E(X_i^2) = \int_0^1 x^2 dx = \left[\frac{1}{3} x^3\right]_{x=0}^{x=1} = \frac{1}{3}$ , so  $\text{var}(X) = E(X^2) - (EX)^2 = \frac{1}{12}$ .

b.  $F_{X_1}(x) = \int_0^x 1 du = [u]_{u=0}^{u=x} = x$  (if  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ ).  $F_{X_1}(x) = 0$  for  $x < 0$  and  $F_{X_1}(x) = 1$  for  $x > 1$ .

c.  $F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(-2 \ln(X_1) \leq y) = P\left(\ln(X_1) \geq -\frac{1}{2}y\right)$

$= P\left(X_1 \geq e^{-\frac{1}{2}y}\right) = 1 - F_{X_1}\left(e^{-\frac{1}{2}y}\right) = 1 - e^{-\frac{1}{2}y}$ , or  $0 \leq e^{-\frac{1}{2}y} \leq 1$ , implying that  $y \geq 0$ .

Conclusion:  $f_Y(y) = \frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}y}$  ( $y \geq 0$ ).

This is the exponential density with parameter  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ , so  $E(Y) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = 2$ .

d.  $P(Z \leq z) = P(\max(X_1, \dots, X_n) \leq z) = P(X_1 \leq z \text{ and } X_2 \leq z \text{ and } \dots \text{ and } X_n \leq z)$

$\stackrel{\text{ind.}}{=} P(X_1 \leq z) \cdot \dots \cdot P(X_n \leq z) = z^n$ , if  $0 \leq z \leq 1$

So  $f_Z(z) = \frac{d}{dz} [z^n] = n z^{n-1}$ , for  $0 \leq z \leq 1$  (and  $f_Z(z) = 0$  elsewhere)

$E(Z) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty z f(z) dz = \int_0^1 z \cdot n z^{n-1} dz = \left[\frac{n}{n+1} z^{n+1}\right]_{z=0}^{z=1} = \frac{n}{n+1}$ .

$E(Z^2) = \int_0^1 z^2 \cdot n z^{n-1} dz = \left[\frac{n}{n+2} z^{n+2}\right]_{z=0}^{z=1} = \frac{n}{n+2}$ , so  $\text{var}(Z) = \frac{n}{n+2} - \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^2 = \frac{n}{(n+2)(n+1)^2}$ .

5. (We are using the notation  $X$  instead of  $X_1$  in a.)

a.  $E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty x f(x) dx = \int_0^\infty x \cdot \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = \dots \text{integr. by parts} \dots = [x \cdot -e^{-\lambda x}]_0^\infty + \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda x} dx$   
 $= 0 + \frac{1}{\lambda}$

$E(X^2) = \int_0^\infty x^2 \cdot \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = \dots = \frac{2}{\lambda^2}$ , so  $\text{var}(X) = E(X^2) - (EX)^2 = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$  and  $\sigma = \frac{1}{\lambda}$ .

$(E(X^3)) = \int_0^\infty x^3 \cdot \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = [x^3 \cdot -e^{-\lambda x}]_0^\infty + \int_0^\infty 3x^2 e^{-\lambda x} dx = 0 + \frac{3}{\lambda} \cdot E(X^2) = \frac{6}{\lambda^3}$ .

b. For  $n = 100$  and  $\lambda = 2$ ,  $S$  is approximately (CLT)  $N(n\mu, n\sigma^2) = N(50, 25)$ .

$$\text{So } P(S > 55) = 1 - P(S \leq 55) \stackrel{\text{CLT}}{\approx} 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{55-50}{\sqrt{25}}\right) = 1 - \Phi(1) = 1 - 0.8413 = 15.87\%.$$

c. For  $n = 50$  and  $\lambda = 2$ ,  $\bar{X}$  is approximately  $N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right) = N\left(25, \frac{1}{200}\right)$ .

$$P(\bar{X} > 0.55) \stackrel{\text{CLT}}{\approx} 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{0.55-0.50}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{200}}}\right) = 1 - \Phi(0.71) = 0.2389.$$

d.  $F_M(m) = P(\min(X_1, \dots, X_n) \leq m) = 1 - P(\min(X_1, \dots, X_n) \geq m)$   
 $= 1 - P(X_1 \geq m \text{ and } \dots \text{ and } X_n \geq m)$   
 $\stackrel{\text{ind.}}{=} 1 - P(X_1 \geq m) \cdot \dots \cdot P(X_n \geq m) = 1 - [e^{-\lambda m}]^n = 1 - e^{-n\lambda m} \quad (m \geq 0)$

$f_M(m) = n\lambda e^{-n\lambda m} (\geq 0)$ , so  $M$  is exponentially distributed with parameter  $n\lambda$ .

$$\text{For } n = 10 \text{ and } \lambda = 2, E(M) = \frac{1}{10 \cdot 2} = 0.05.$$

6.  $Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n$  are independent and all standard normal.

a.  $E(Z_1^2) = \text{var}(Z_1) + (EZ_1)^2 = 1 + 0 = 1$ ,

$$E(Z_1^4) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z^4 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} dz = \left[ z^3 \cdot -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} \right]_{-\infty}^{-\infty} + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 3z^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} dz = 0 + 3E(Z_1^2) = 3$$

$$\text{var}(Z_1^2) = E(Z_1^4) - E(Z_1^2)^2 = 3 - 1^2 = 2,$$

$$E(Z_1^2 + \dots + Z_n^2) = n \cdot E(Z_1^2) = n \text{ and } \text{var}(Z_1^2 + \dots + Z_n^2) = n \cdot \text{var}(Z_1^2) = 2n$$

b. (Below  $Z = Z_1$  and  $Y = Z_1^2$ )

$$1. F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(Z^2 \leq y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } y \leq 0 \\ P(-\sqrt{y} \leq Z \leq \sqrt{y}) & \text{if } y > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So, if } y > 0: F_Y(y) = \Phi(\sqrt{y}) - \Phi(-\sqrt{y})$$

$$2. \text{ If } y \leq 0, \text{ then } f_Y(y) = \frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = 0$$

$$\text{If } y > 0, \text{ then } f_Y(y) = \frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = \frac{d}{dy} [\Phi(\sqrt{y}) - \Phi(-\sqrt{y})] \\ = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} [\varphi(\sqrt{y}) + \varphi(-\sqrt{y})]$$

3.  $f_Y(y) = 0$ , for  $y \leq 0$  and

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{y})^2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{y})^2} \right] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi y}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}y}, \quad \text{for } y > 0.$$

$$c. f_{X_1+X_2}(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X_1}(x) f_{X_2}(z-x) dx = \int_0^z \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi x}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(z-x)}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(z-x)} dx = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}z}}{2\pi} \int_0^z \frac{1}{\sqrt{x(z-x)}} dx$$

The last integral equals  $\pi$  (given):  $f_{X_1+X_2}(z) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}z}$ , for  $z > 0$ .

A Chi-square distribution with 2 degrees of freedom is apparently the same as an  $\text{Exp}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ -distribution

$$d. f(z) = \frac{z^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{z}{\beta}}}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} = \frac{1 \cdot e^{-z/2}}{1 \cdot 2^1} = \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}z}.$$

$$7. \text{ a. } M(t) = E(e^{tX}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x^2-2tx)} dx \\ = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-t)^2 + \frac{1}{2}t^2} dx = e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-t)^2} dx = e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2} \\ M'(t) = te^{\frac{1}{2}t^2}. \text{ So } M''(t) = M'(0) = 0 = E(X).$$

$$M''(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left[ t e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2} \right] = e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2} + 1 \cdot t \cdot t e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2} = e^{\frac{1}{2}t^2} (1 + t^2). \text{ Hence } M''(0) = 1 = E(X^2) = \text{var}(X)$$

$$\text{b. } M(t) = E(e^{tX}) = \int_0^\infty e^{tx} \cdot \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = \int_0^\infty \lambda e^{(t-\lambda)x} dx = \left[ \frac{\lambda}{t-\lambda} e^{(t-\lambda)x} \right]_{x=0}^\infty = 0 - \frac{\lambda}{t-\lambda} = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda-t}$$

if  $t < \lambda$  (otherwise  $M(t)$  is not defined!)

$$M'(t) = -1 \cdot -1 \cdot \frac{\lambda}{(\lambda-t)^2}, \text{ so } M'(0) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = E(X)$$

$$M''(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{(\lambda-t)^2} \right] = \frac{2\lambda}{(\lambda-t)^3}, \text{ so } M''(0) = \frac{2}{\lambda^2} = E(X^2) \text{ and } \text{var}(X) = E(X^2) - (EX)^2 = \frac{2}{\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$$

$$\text{c. } M(t) = E(e^{tX}) = \sum_{x=0}^\infty e^{tx} \cdot \frac{\mu^x e^{-\mu}}{x!} = \sum_{x=0}^\infty \frac{(e^t \mu)^x e^{-\mu}}{x!} = \sum_{x=0}^\infty \frac{(e^t \mu)^x e^{-e^t \mu}}{x!} \cdot e^{\mu(e^t-1)} = e^{\mu(e^t-1)}$$

$$M'(t) = \mu e^t e^{\mu(e^t-1)} = \mu e^{\mu(e^t-1)+t}. \text{ Hence } M'(0) = \mu$$

$$M''(t) = \frac{d}{dt} [\mu e^{\mu(e^t-1)+t}] = \mu(\mu e^t - 1) e^{\mu(e^t-1)+t}, \text{ so } M''(0) = \mu^2 - \mu = E(X^2).$$

$$\text{So } \text{var}(X) = E(X^2) - (EX)^2 = (\mu^2 - \mu) - \mu^2 = \mu.$$

8. a. From  $Y = \ln\left(\frac{1}{X}\right)$  it follows that for  $y > 0$ :

$$F_Y(y) = P\left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{X}\right) \leq y\right) = P\left(\frac{1}{X} \leq e^y\right) = P\left(X \geq \frac{1}{e^y}\right) = 1 - F_X(e^{-y})$$

$$\text{So } f_Y(y) = \frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = -f_X(e^{-y}) \cdot -e^{-y} = +e^{-y} f_X(e^{-y}).$$

Since  $f_X(x) = 1$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ , we have:  $f_Y(y) = e^{-y} \cdot 1$  if  $0 \leq e^{-y} \leq 1$ , so if  $y \geq 0$ .

Conclusion:  $Y = \ln\left(\frac{1}{X}\right)$  is exponentially distributed with parameter  $\lambda = 1$ .

$$\text{b. } E(Y) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = 1 \text{ and } E(X) = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ so } 1 = E(Y) \neq \ln\left(\frac{1}{EX}\right) = \ln(2)$$

9. a. Given is that every  $X_i \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$ , where  $E(X_i) = 12 = \frac{1}{\lambda}$ , so  $\lambda = \frac{1}{12}$ .

$$\text{var}(X_i) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = 144 \text{ and } E\left(\sum_{i=1}^6 X_i\right) = 6 \cdot E(X_i) = 6 \cdot 12 = 72.$$

b. Because of the lack of memory property:  $P(X_1 > 15 | X_1 > 3) = P(X_1 > 12) = e^{-\frac{1}{12} \cdot 12} = e^{-1}$ .

10. a. (According results in probability theory the sum of independent,  $\text{Exp}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$ -distributed is Erlang distributed:  $S_n$  has an Erlang distribution with parameters  $n$  and  $\lambda = \frac{1}{4}$ .)

$$E(S_n) = n \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda} = 4n \text{ and } \text{var}(S_n) = n \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = 16n.$$

b. (applying the convolution-integral:)

$$f_{X_1+X_2}(z) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty f_{X_1}(x) f_{X_2}(z-x) dx \quad , \text{ where } f_{X_1}(x) = 0, \text{ if } x < 0 \text{ and } f_{X_2}(z-x) = 0, \text{ if } x > z$$

$$= \int_0^z \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \lambda e^{-\lambda(z-x)} dx \quad \left(\text{met } \lambda = \frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$= \int_0^z \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda z} dx \quad \text{Notice that } \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda z} \text{ is a constant in the integration w.r.t. } x.$$

$$= \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda z} \cdot x \Big|_{x=0}^{x=z}$$

$$= \lambda^2 z e^{-\lambda z}, \text{ for } z \geq 0 \text{ (where } \lambda = \frac{1}{4}\text{)}$$

And  $f_{X_1+X_2}(z) = 0$ , if  $z < 0$ .

$$\text{c. } P(\bar{X}_2 > 5) = P\left(\frac{S_2}{2} > 5\right) = P(S_2 > 10) = \int_{10}^\infty \lambda^2 z e^{-\lambda z} dz = \dots \text{integration by parts } \dots$$

$$= [\lambda z \cdot -e^{-\lambda z}]_{10}^\infty + \int_{10}^\infty \lambda e^{-\lambda z} dz$$

$$= (0 + 10\lambda e^{-10\lambda}) + (0 + e^{-10\lambda}) \stackrel{\lambda=1/4}{=} \frac{7}{2} e^{-\frac{5}{2}}$$

**d.** For large  $n$  we can apply the CLT:  $\bar{X}_n$  is approximately  $N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$ , where in this case  $n = 100$ ,  $\mu = \frac{1}{\lambda} = 4$

and  $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = 16$ , so:  $P(\bar{X}_{100} > 5) \stackrel{\text{CLT}}{\approx} P\left(Z > \frac{5-4}{\sqrt{\frac{16}{100}}}\right) = P(Z > 2.5) = 1 - \Phi(2.5) = 0.62\%$