

### Homework Assignment #6

Should be completed by Session 19

*Reading Assignment:* Read Sections 5-4, 5-5, and 6-1 through 6-3 of Papoulis.

- (Papoulis 5-22) (a) Show that if  $\mathbf{Y} = a\mathbf{X} + b$ , then  $\sigma_{\mathbf{Y}} = |a|\sigma_{\mathbf{X}}$ ; (b) If  $\mathbf{Y} = (\mathbf{X} - \eta_{\mathbf{X}})/\sigma_{\mathbf{X}}$ , find  $\eta_{\mathbf{Y}}$  and  $\sigma_{\mathbf{Y}}$ . (n.b. Here the symbol  $\eta$  refers to the mean and  $\sigma$  refers to the standard deviation.)
- (Papoulis 5-23) Show that if  $\mathbf{X}$  has a Rayleigh density with parameter  $\alpha$ , such that

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(x) = \frac{x}{\alpha^2} e^{-x^2/2\alpha^2} \cdot 1_{[0,\infty)}(x),$$

and  $\mathbf{Y} = b + c\mathbf{X}^2$ , that  $\sigma_{\mathbf{Y}}^2 = 4c^2\alpha^4$ .

- (Papoulis 5-33) Show that if  $\mathbf{X}$  is a Gaussian random variable with mean  $\eta_x$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ , then

$$E[|\mathbf{X}|] = \sigma \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cdot e^{-\eta_x^2/2\sigma^2} + 2\eta_x \Phi\left(\frac{\eta_x}{\sigma}\right) - \eta_x.$$

- (Papoulis 5-27) Given a probability space  $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{F}, P)$  and a partition  $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$  of  $\mathcal{S}$ , show that

$$E[\mathbf{X}] = E[\mathbf{X}|A_1]P(A_1) + E[\mathbf{X}|A_2]P(A_2) + \dots + E[\mathbf{X}|A_n]P(A_n).$$

- Let  $\mathbf{X}$  be a binomially distributed random variable with

$$P(\{\mathbf{X} = k\}) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n.$$

Find the mean and variance of  $\mathbf{X}$ .

- A Gamma distributed random variable  $\mathbf{X}$  has pdf

$$f_X(x) = \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta x} 1_{(0,\infty)}(x), \quad \text{where } \Gamma(a) = \int_0^\infty u^{a-1} e^{-u} du,$$

where  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta > 0$ . Calculate the mean and variance of  $\mathbf{X}$ .

- Compute the mean and variance of the uniformly distributed random variable  $\mathbf{X}$  having pdf

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{b-a} 1_{[a,b]}(x).$$



8. (Papoulis 5-35) (*The Cherooff Bound*) (a) Show that for any  $\alpha > 0$  and any  $s \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$P(\{e^{s\mathbf{X}} \geq \alpha\}) \leq \frac{\phi_{\mathbf{X}}(s)}{\alpha},$$

where

$$\phi_{\mathbf{X}}(s) = E[e^{s\mathbf{X}}].$$

(Hint: Use the Markov Inequality.)

- (b) Show that for any  $A \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$P(\{\mathbf{X} \geq A\}) \leq e^{-sA} \phi_{\mathbf{X}}(s), \quad \forall s > 0,$$

$$P(\{\mathbf{X} \leq A\}) \leq e^{-sA} \phi_{\mathbf{X}}(s), \quad \forall s < 0.$$

(Hint: Set  $\alpha = e^{sA}$  in part (a).)

9. (Papoulis 5-37) (a) Show that if  $f(x)$  is a Cauchy density, i.e.

$$f(x) = \frac{\alpha}{\pi(\alpha^2 + x^2)}, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}, \quad \alpha > 0,$$

then the characteristic function  $\Phi_{\mathbf{X}}(\omega) = e^{-\alpha|\omega|}$ .

- (b) Show that if  $f(x)$  is a Laplace density, i.e.

$$f(x) = \frac{\alpha}{2} e^{-\alpha|x|}, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}, \quad \alpha > 0,$$

then the characteristic function of  $\mathbf{X}$  is

$$\Phi_{\mathbf{X}}(\omega) = \frac{\alpha^2}{(\alpha^2 + \omega^2)}.$$

10. Consider a random variable  $\mathbf{X}$  with characteristic function  $\Phi_X(\omega)$ .

(a) Show that if  $\mathbf{Y} = a\mathbf{X} + b$ , then  $\Phi_Y(\omega) = e^{i\omega b} \Phi_X(a\omega)$ .

(b) Show that if  $\mathbf{X}$  is a Gaussian RV with mean 0 and variance 1, then

$$\Phi_X(\omega) = e^{-\omega^2/2}.$$

(c) Show that if  $\mathbf{Y}$  is a Gaussian RV with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ , then

$$\Phi_Y(\omega) = e^{i\omega\mu - \omega^2\sigma^2/2}.$$