

Homework Assignment #8

Should be completed by Session 24

Reading Assignment: Read Sections 6-4 through 6-7 of Papoulis.

1. (*Papoulis 6-40*) Let \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} be independent, discrete random variables having $P(\{\mathbf{X} = n\}) = a_n$ and $P(\{\mathbf{Y} = n\}) = b_n$, for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. Show that if $\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}$, then

$$P(\{\mathbf{Z} = n\}) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k b_{n-k}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

2. (*Papoulis*) The random variables \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} are Gaussian, independent, and have identical variance σ^2 . Show that if

$$\mathbf{Z} = \sqrt{\mathbf{X}^2 + \mathbf{Y}^2},$$

then

$$f_{\mathbf{Z}}(z) = \frac{z}{\sigma^2} I_0\left(\frac{z\eta}{\sigma^2}\right) e^{-(z^2 + \eta^2)/2\sigma^2},$$

where $\eta = \sqrt{\eta_X^2 + \eta_Y^2}$, and $I_0(x)$ is the modified Bessel function of order zero:

$$I_0(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{x \cos \theta} d\theta.$$

Hint: See Example 6-16 on pages 191–192 of Papoulis.

3. (*Papoulis 6-48*) Show that if the random variables \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} are jointly Gaussian and statistically independent, then

$$P(\{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y} < 0\}) = \Phi\left(\frac{\eta_{\mathbf{X}}}{\sigma_{\mathbf{X}}}\right) + \Phi\left(\frac{\eta_{\mathbf{Y}}}{\sigma_{\mathbf{Y}}}\right) - 2\Phi\left(\frac{\eta_{\mathbf{X}}}{\sigma_{\mathbf{X}}}\right)\Phi\left(\frac{\eta_{\mathbf{Y}}}{\sigma_{\mathbf{Y}}}\right),$$

where

$$\Phi(z) = \int_{-\infty}^z \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} dx.$$

4. (*Papoulis 6-49*) Let \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} be independent jointly distributed Gaussian random variables, both having mean 0 and variance σ^2 . Show that if $\mathbf{Z} = |\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y}|$, then

$$E[\mathbf{Z}] = \frac{2\sigma}{\sqrt{\pi}} \quad \text{and} \quad E[\mathbf{Z}^2] = 2\sigma^2.$$

5. (*Papoulis 6-50*) Show that if \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} are two jointly distributed independent exponential random variables, both with mean 1, and $\mathbf{Z} = (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y}) \cdot 1_{[0, \infty)}(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y})$, then $E[\mathbf{Z}] = 1/2$.

6. (Papoulis 6-51) Show that for any two jointly distributed random variable \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} , real or complex,
- (a) $|\mathbf{E}[\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}]|^2 \leq \mathbf{E}[|\mathbf{X}|^2]\mathbf{E}[|\mathbf{Y}|^2]$; (Schwarz inequality)
- (b) $\sqrt{\mathbf{E}[|\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}|^2]} \leq \sqrt{\mathbf{E}[|\mathbf{X}|^2]} + \sqrt{\mathbf{E}[|\mathbf{Y}|^2]}$. (triangle inequality)
7. (Papoulis 6-52) Show that if correlation coefficient $r_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}}$ between two jointly distributed random variables equals 1, then $\mathbf{Y} = a\mathbf{X} + b$.
8. (Papoulis 6-54) Let \mathbf{N} and \mathbf{X} be two independent, jointly distributed random variables, where \mathbf{N} is a Poisson random variable with mean λ and \mathbf{X} has p.d.f.

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(x) = \frac{\alpha}{\pi(\alpha^2 + x^2)}, \quad x \in (-\infty, \infty).$$

Show that if $\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{N}\mathbf{X}$, then the characteristic function of \mathbf{Z} is given by

$$\Phi_{\mathbf{Z}}(\omega) = \exp[\lambda e^{-\alpha|\omega|} - \lambda].$$

9. (Papoulis 6-71) Let \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} be two independent, jointly distributed random variables that are both uniformly distributed on the interval $0 - 1, 1$). Find the conditional density $f_{\mathbf{R}}(r|M)$, of the random variable $\mathbf{R} = \sqrt{\mathbf{X}^2 + \mathbf{Y}^2}$, where M is the event $M = \{\mathbf{R} \leq 1\}$.
10. (Papoulis 6-74) We have a pile of m coins. The probability of “heads” on the i -th coin is p_i . We select one of the coins at random and toss it n times. “Heads” shows k times. Show that the probability we selected the r -th coin is

$$\frac{p_r^k (1 - p_r)^{n-k}}{\sum_{i=1}^m p_i^k (1 - p_i)^{n-k}}.$$

11. (Papoulis 6-77) Show that for any two jointly distributed random variable \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} , and any $\epsilon > 0$,

$$P(\{|\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y}| > \epsilon\}) \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \mathbf{E}[|\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y}|^2].$$