

Probability Theory Homework 7

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1. A random variable \mathbf{A} has the probability density function

$$f_{\mathbf{A}}(t) = \begin{cases} c \cdot (2 - t) & 0 \leq t \leq 2 \\ c \cdot (t - 3) & 3 \leq t \leq 4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for some constant c .

- (a) Find the value of c that makes $f_{\mathbf{A}}(t)$ a valid PDF.
 - (b) Find the cumulative distribution function of \mathbf{A} .
 - (c) Find $\Pr[1 \leq \mathbf{A} \leq 3]$.
2. Let $\mathbf{X} \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda = \frac{1}{2})$, let $\mathbf{Y} \sim \text{Uniform}(a = 1, b = 3)$, and let \mathbf{Z} be the random variable with PDF

$$f_{\mathbf{Z}}(t) = \begin{cases} 2/t^3 & t \geq 1, \\ 0 & t < 1. \end{cases}$$

These have something in common: $\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{Y}] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{Z}] = 2$. For each random variable, find the probability that it's less than this expected value.

3. Find the variance of each random variable in question 2.
4. If $\Theta \sim \text{Uniform}(a = 0, b = 3)$, find the probability density function of $\sin(\Theta)$.
5. Let $\mathbf{W} \sim \text{Normal}(\mu = 0, \sigma^2 = 1)$ and let $Q(1) = \Pr[\mathbf{W} > 1]$. (There is no closed-form expression for $Q(1)$, but it's approximately 0.159.)

Find the conditional expectation $\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{W} \mid \mathbf{W} > 1]$ in terms of $Q(1)$.