

Problem set 2 - Random variables and random vectors

1. Let ξ be a random variable with the following PDF

$$p_{\xi}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , x < 1; \\ \frac{3}{x^4} & , x \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Let $\eta = \frac{1}{\xi}$. Find the CDF and PDF of η .

2. The PDF of the random variable X is given by $p_X(x) = cx^{-3/2}I(x \geq 1)$.

(a) Find c , $F_X(x)$.

(b) Let $Y = \frac{1}{X}$. Find $p_Y(y)$ and $P(0, 1 < Y < 0, 2)$.

3. The joint PDF of X and Y is given by

$$p_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} c(x^2 + y^2) & , 0 \leq x \leq 2, 0 \leq y \leq 2, ; \\ 0 & , \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find c , $p_Y(y)$, $P(Y > 1)$.

4. The joint PDF of X and Y is given by

$$p_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2\lambda x e^{-\lambda y} & , 0 \leq x \leq 1, y \geq 0; \\ 0 & , \text{в остальных случаях.} \end{cases}$$

Are X and Y independent random variables?

5. Random variable ξ takes values in the interval (a, b) , where $-\infty \leq a < b \leq \infty$, and has density $f(x)$. The function $\varphi(x)$ is strictly monotone and differentiable on (a, b) . Moreover $\varphi'(x) \neq 0$ in (a, b) . Find the density of the random variable $\eta = \varphi(\xi)$. Find the PDF of $\sqrt{\xi}$, if ξ has an exponential distribution with parameter λ .

6. Let ξ_1, ξ_2 be independent random variables, uniformly distributed on $[0, 2]$. Find $P(1 \leq \xi_2 \xi_1 \leq 2)$.

7. Let $\xi \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$. Find the PDF of the following random variables

(a) ξ^k , $k \in \mathbb{N}$

(b) $\frac{1}{\lambda} \ln \xi$

(c) $\{\xi\}$, where $\{\cdot\}$ is the fractional part function

(d) $1 - e^{-\alpha \xi}$.

8. The PDF of a random vector (ξ, η) is given by $p_{(\xi, \eta)}(x, y) = \frac{1}{\pi/4} I(x^2 + y^2 < 1, x > 0, y > 0)$. Find the PDF of the random variable $\xi + \eta$.

9. Let ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n be i.i.d. random variables with CDF F_{ξ} . Let $\xi_{(1)}, \dots, \xi_{(n)}$ be the same sequence but ordered in increasing order (i.e. $\xi_{(1)} \leq \dots \leq \xi_{(n)}$). Find

(a) the CDF of $\xi_{(k)}$

(b) the PDF of $\xi_{(k)}$