Stat 134: Joint Distributions Review Hank Ibser December 6th, 2017

Problem 1: Setting Boundaries

Let random variables *X*, *Y* have joint density function $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$ over the region $\{(x,y) : -1 < x < 1, 0 < y < 3\}$. For each part below, (i) set up (but do not evaluate) an integral for the given expression, and (ii) compute the exact answer in the case where the density is uniform over the region.

- a. P(X < Y)
- b. P(X + 2Y > 1)
- c. $P(X^2 < Y)$
- d. $P(\sqrt{X^2 + Y^2} > 1)$
- e. P(Y < y)

Problem 2

Consider a Poisson random scatter of points in a plane with mean intensity λ per unit area. That is, the distribution of the number of arrivals in a region of area *s*, *N*_s, is Poisson (*s* λ). Let *R* be the distance from the origin to the closest point of the scatter.

- a. Find formulae for the c.d.f. and density of *R*.
- b. Show that $\sqrt{2\lambda\pi}R$ has the Rayleigh distribution.
- c. Use (b) to find $\mathbb{E}(R)$ and SD(R).

Ex 5.rev.21 in Pitman's Probability

Hint: What does the event R > r mean in terms of where the arrivals occurred?

Problem 3

The unit interval is cut into 3 disjoint intervals of length p_1, p_2 , and p_3 , where $p_1 + p_2 + p_3 = 1$. For some fixed n, let U_1, U_2, \ldots, U_n be i.i.d. Uniform (0,1) r.v.'s. For j = 1, 2, 3, let N_j be the number of U's that fall into the region covered by p_j .

- a. Give a formula for $P(N_1 = n_1, N_2 = n_2, N_3 = n_3)$ where $n_1, n_2, n_3 \ge 0$ and $n_1 + n_2 + n_3 = n$.
- b. For $u < p_1$ and $1 \le m$, k < n, find $P(U_{(k)} < u, N_1 = k + m)$.
- c. Now suppose we consider $U_1, U_2, ..., U_N$, where *N* is Poisson (λ). In this case, what is the joint distribution of (N_1, N_2, N_3) ?

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