

The Infinite Actuary Exam 4/C Online Seminar

A.2. Key Continuous Distributions Solutions

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1. First, let's find the fourth central moment.

$$\begin{aligned} E[(X - \mu)^4] &= E[X^4 - 4X^3\mu + 6X^2\mu^2 - 4X\mu^3 + \mu^4] \\ &= E[X^4] - 4\mu E[X^3] + 6\mu^2 E[X^2] - 4\mu^3 E[X] + \mu^4 \\ &= 10^4 \cdot 4! - 40 \cdot 3! \cdot 10^3 + 600 \cdot 2! \cdot 10^2 - 4,000 \cdot 10 + 10^4 = 9 \cdot 10^4 \end{aligned}$$

The variance is 10^2 , so the kurtosis is $9 \cdot 10^4 / (10^2)^{4/2} = \boxed{9}$

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- 2.

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= 0.7 \cdot 10 + 0.3 \cdot (10 + \delta) \\ 13 &= 7 + 3 + 0.3\delta \Rightarrow \delta = 10 \\ P[\text{Shifted exp} > t] &= P[\exp(10) + \delta > t] \\ &= P[\exp(10) > t - \delta] = e^{-(t-\delta)/10} \\ P[X > 15] &= 0.7e^{-15/10} + 0.3e^{-(15-10)/10} = \boxed{0.338} \end{aligned}$$

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- 3.

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= p \cdot 10 + (1 - p) \cdot (10 + \delta) \\ 13 &= 10p + 10 - 10p + (1 - p)\delta = 10 + (1 - p)\delta \\ 3 &= (1 - p)\delta \\ \text{Var}[X] &= E[\text{Var}[X \mid \text{Case}]] + \text{Var}[E[X \mid \text{Case}]] \\ 136 &= p \cdot 100 + (1 - p) \cdot 100 + \delta^2 \cdot p \cdot (1 - p) \\ 36 &= \delta p \cdot \delta(1 - p) = \delta p \cdot 3 \\ 12 &= \delta p \\ 3 &= (1 - p)\delta = \delta - \delta p = \delta - 12 \\ \delta &= 15 \Rightarrow p = \boxed{0.8} \end{aligned}$$

Or we could have used the 2nd raw moment:

$$\begin{aligned} E[X^2] &= p \cdot 2 \cdot 10^2 + (1 - p) \cdot [(10 + \delta)^2 + 10^2] \\ 136 + 13^2 &= p \cdot 200 + (1 - p) \cdot [200 + 20\delta + \delta^2] \\ 305 &= 200 + 20(1 - p)\delta + (1 - p)\delta \cdot \delta \\ 105 &= 20 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot \delta \\ \delta &= 15 \Rightarrow p = \boxed{0.8} \end{aligned}$$

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4. Note the differences between this and the previous problem. Here, we have two exponentials, whereas in the other one we had an exponential and a shifted exponential.

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= p \cdot 10 + (1 - p) \cdot (10 + \delta) \\ 12 &= 10 + (1 - p)\delta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
2 &= (1-p)\delta \\
\text{Var}[X] &= \text{E}[\text{Var}[X \mid \text{Case}]] + \text{Var}[\text{E}[X \mid \text{Case}]] \\
156 &= p \cdot 100 + (1-p) \cdot (10+\delta)^2 + \delta^2 \cdot p \cdot (1-p) \\
156 &= 100p + 100(1-p) + 20\delta(1-p) + \delta^2(1-p) + \delta p \cdot \delta(1-p) \\
156 &= 100 + 20 \cdot 2 + \delta \cdot 2 + \delta p \cdot 2 \\
16 &= 2\delta + 2(\delta - 2) = 4\delta - 4 \\
\delta = 5 &\Rightarrow p = \boxed{0.6}
\end{aligned}$$

Or using raw moments:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{E}[X^2] &= p \cdot 2 \cdot 10^2 + (1-p) \cdot 2 \cdot (10+\delta)^2 \\
156 + 12^2 &= 200p + (1-p)(200 + 40\delta + 2\delta^2) \\
300 &= 200 + 40(1-p)\delta + 2(1-p)\delta \cdot \delta \\
100 &= 40 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 2 \cdot \delta \\
\delta = 5 &\Rightarrow p = \boxed{0.6}
\end{aligned}$$

5.
$$0.5 = \text{P}[X \leq t \mid X > 100] = \frac{\text{P}[100 < X \leq t]}{\text{P}[X > 100]}$$

$$0.5 = \frac{e^{-100/50} - e^{-t/50}}{e^{-100/50}}$$

$$e^{-t/50} = 0.5e^{-100/50}$$

$$\frac{-t}{50} = \ln(0.5) - 2$$

$$t = \boxed{134.66}$$

Alternatively, by the memoryless property, t is $100 + \text{median of } X$, so $t = 100 + -50 \ln(0.5) = 134.66$

6. Let X and Y be our two losses.

$$\begin{aligned}
0.5 &= 1 - e^{-50/\theta} \\
\theta &= \frac{-50}{\ln(0.5)} = 72.135 \\
\text{P}[X > 100 \cup Y > 100] &= 1 - \text{P}[X \leq 100, Y \leq 100] \\
&= 1 - \left(1 - e^{-100/\theta}\right)^2 \\
&= 1 - \frac{9}{16} = \frac{7}{16} = \boxed{0.4375}
\end{aligned}$$

7. Again let X and Y be the two losses. From before, $\theta = 72.135$, and

$$\text{P}[X > 100, Y > 100] = \left(e^{-100/\theta}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{16} = \boxed{0.0625}$$

8. $X + Y \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha = 2, \theta = 72.135)$, and

$$\text{P}[X + Y > 100] = e^{-100/\theta} + \frac{100}{\theta} e^{-100/\theta} = \boxed{0.5966}$$

9.

$$f(x) = \frac{x^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)\theta^\alpha} e^{-x/\theta} = cx^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\theta}$$

$$f'(x) = c(\alpha-1)x^{\alpha-2} e^{-x/\theta} - c \cdot \frac{1}{\theta} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\theta}$$

$$0 = (\alpha-1) - \frac{x}{\theta}$$

$$x = \boxed{(\alpha-1)\theta}$$

Remark: Our critical value is a maximum since $f(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow 0$ or $x \rightarrow \infty$

10. From the tables, $E[X^k] = \frac{\alpha\theta^k}{\alpha-k}$ so $8 = \frac{4\alpha}{\alpha-1}$ and thus $\alpha = 2$.

$$\text{We want } P[X > 6] = S(6) = 1 - F(6) = 1 - \left(1 - \left(\frac{4}{6}\right)^2\right) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 = \boxed{\frac{4}{9}}$$

11. The raw moments are in the tables, giving us

$$\mu = \frac{\theta}{\alpha-1} = 333.3$$

$$\mu'_2 = \frac{2\theta^2}{(\alpha-1)(\alpha-2)} = 333,333.3$$

$$\mu'_3 = \frac{6\theta^3}{(\alpha-1)(\alpha-2)(\alpha-3)} = 10^9$$

Therefore $\sigma^3 = \text{Var}(X)^{3/2} = (E(X^2) - \mu^2)^{3/2} = (222,222)^{1.5} = 104,756,560$ and

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_3 &= E[(X - \mu)^3] = E[X^3 - 3\mu X^2 + 3\mu^2 X - \mu^3] \\ &= E[X^3] - 3\mu E[X^2] + 3\mu^2 \mu - \mu^3 \\ &= 740,740,741\end{aligned}$$

and so the skewness is $740.740/104.757 = \boxed{7.07}$

Later on, we will see that the answer doesn't depend on θ , so you can set $\theta = 1$ to make the numbers easier to work with.

12.

$$F(x) = 0.3 \left[1 - \left(\frac{10}{x+10}\right)^3\right] + 0.7 \left[1 - \left(\frac{10}{x+10}\right)^6\right]$$

$$0.5 = 0.3 - 0.3u + 0.7 - 0.7u^2 \quad \text{where } u = \left(\frac{10}{x+10}\right)^3$$

$$0.7u^2 + 0.3u - 0.5 = 0$$

$$u = \left(\frac{10}{x+10}\right)^3 = 0.6576$$

$$x = \boxed{1.5}$$

13. For a Pareto distribution, the distribution of $(X - d \mid X > d)$ is a Pareto with the same α and with an updated $\theta' = \theta + d$. So we get

$$\frac{\theta + 100}{2 - 1} = \frac{5\theta + 50}{3 \cdot 2 - 1}$$

$$\theta = 25$$

and then $E[X - 150 \mid X > 150] = (25 + 150)/(2 - 1) = \boxed{175}$

14.

$$F(200) = 0.8 \left[1 - \left(\frac{100}{100 + 200} \right)^2 \right] + 0.2 \left[1 - \left(\frac{3,000}{3,000 + 200} \right)^4 \right]$$

$$= 0.711 + 0.046 = \boxed{0.757}$$

15. Let M denote the height of a randomly selected male, and F a randomly selected female. They are independent, so $M - F$ is normal with mean $E[M] - E[F] = 176 - 163 = 13$, and variance $\text{Var}[M] + (-1)^2 \text{Var}[F] = 36 + 25 = 61$.

$$P[M > F] = P \left[\frac{M - F - 13}{\sqrt{61}} > \frac{0 - 13}{\sqrt{61}} \right] = 1 - \Phi \left(\frac{-13}{\sqrt{61}} \right) = \Phi(1.66) = \boxed{0.95}$$

16. Let X be a random claim amount.

$$P[X > 6,000] = (0.6)P[N(5,000; 1,000^2) > 6,000] + (0.4)P[N(4,000; 1,000^2) > 6,000]$$

$$= 0.6(1 - \Phi(1)) + 0.4(1 - \Phi(2)) = 0.6(0.1587) + 0.4(0.0228)$$

$$= \boxed{0.104}$$

Note that the resulting mixture is not a normal random variable. For one thing, it is bi-modal, with the density having one local max at 4,000 and a second one at 5,000, while a normal random variable has a single mode.

17. Here we have a weighted average, which is a type of sum, so

$$E[0.6X + 0.4Y] = 0.6 \cdot 5,000 + 0.4 \cdot 4,000 = 4,600$$

$$\text{Var}[0.6X + 0.4Y] = 0.6^2 \text{Var}[X] + 0.4^2 \text{Var}[Y]$$

$$\text{SD}[0.6X + 0.4Y] = 721.11$$

$$P[0.6X + 0.4Y > 6,000] = 1 - \Phi \left(\frac{6,000 - 4,600}{721.11} \right) = 1 - \Phi(1.94)$$

$$= \boxed{0.0262}$$

18. Neither A nor B is normally distributed because there is a positive probability of no claim being made. To use what we know about normal distributions, we have to condition on a payment being made for both A and B .

I will use $A > 0$ and $B > 0$ to denote the case when A and B have claims (that is technically wrong as there is a very small probability of the normal variables being negative, but it simplifies the notation).

$$\begin{aligned}
 P[B > A] &= P[B > A, A > 0] + P[B > A, A = 0] \\
 &= P[A > 0] \cdot P[B > A \mid A > 0] + P[A = 0] \cdot P[B > A \mid A = 0] \\
 &= 0.4 \cdot P[B > 0] \cdot P[B > A \mid A, B > 0] + 0.6 \cdot P[B > 0] \\
 &= (0.4)(0.3)P[B > A \mid A, B > 0] + (0.6)(0.3)
 \end{aligned}$$

And when A and B both have claims we have $B - A$ is a normal random variable with parameters

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[B - A \mid A, B > 0] &= E[B \mid B > 0] - E[A \mid A > 0] = 9,000 - 10,000 = -1,000 \\
 \text{Var}[B - A \mid A, B > 0] &= \text{Var}[B \mid B > 0] + (-1)^2 \text{Var}[A \mid A > 0] \\
 &= 2,000^2 + 2,000^2 = 8,000,000 \\
 \text{SD}[B - A \mid A, B > 0] &= 2,828 \\
 P[B - A > 0 \mid A, B > 0] &= P\left[\frac{B - A - (-1,000)}{2,828} > \frac{0 - (-1,000)}{2,828} \mid A, B > 0\right] \\
 &= 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{1,000}{2,828}\right) \\
 &= 1 - \Phi(0.35) = 1 - 0.64 = 0.36 \\
 P[B > A] &= 0.4 \cdot 0.3 \cdot 0.36 + 0.6 \cdot 0.3 = \boxed{0.223}
 \end{aligned}$$

19. $1 - 6.68\% = 0.9332$, and looking that up on the normal table that is a z-value of 1.5. So 102 is 1.5 standard deviations above the mean. $1 - 0.0228 = 0.9772$ which has a z-value of 2, so 105 is 2 standard deviations above the mean. That means that

$$\begin{aligned}
 105 - 102 &= 0.5\text{SD}[X] \\
 \text{SD}[X] &= 6 \\
 E[X] &= 105 - 2 \cdot 6 = 93 \\
 P[X > 95] &= P\left[\frac{X - E[X]}{\text{SD}[X]} > \frac{95 - 93}{6}\right] \\
 &= 1 - \Phi(0.33) = 1 - 0.63 = \boxed{0.37}
 \end{aligned}$$

20. $\text{Kurtosis}(X) = \frac{E[(X - \mu)^4]}{\sigma^4}$ and so since the kurtosis of a normal is 3, $E[Z^4] = 3$ if Z is a standard normal.

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[Y] &= E[E[Y \mid \text{Case}]] \\
 &= P[Y = X_1] \cdot E[X_1] + P[Y = X_2] \cdot E[X_2] = 0.9 \cdot 0 + 0.1 \cdot 0 = 0 \\
 \text{Var}[Y] &= E[\text{Var}[Y \mid \text{Case}]] + \text{Var}[E[Y \mid \text{Case}]] \\
 &= 0.9 \cdot \text{Var}[X_1] + 0.1 \cdot \text{Var}[X_2] + 0.9 \cdot 0.1 \cdot (0 - 0)^2 \\
 \text{Var}[Y] &= 3.4 \\
 \text{Or: } E[Y^2] &= E[E[Y^2 \mid \text{Case}]] \\
 &= P[Y = X_1] \cdot E[X_1^2] + P[Y = X_2] \cdot E[X_2^2]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 0.9 \cdot (0^2 + 1^2) + 0.1 \cdot (0^2 + 5^2) = 3.4 \\
\text{Var}[Y] &= 3.4 - 0^2 = 3.4 \\
\text{E}[(Y - \text{E}[Y])^4] &= \text{E}[Y^4] = 0.9 \cdot \text{E}[X_1^4] + 0.1 \cdot \text{E}[X_2^4] \\
&= 0.9 \cdot 3 + 0.1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^4 \\
\text{E}[Y^4] &= 190.2 \\
\text{Kurtosis}(Y) &= \frac{190.2}{3.4^{4/2}} = \boxed{16.45}
\end{aligned}$$

21. The median of the underlying normal is μ , so the median of the lognormal is e^μ . Finding the other moments in the tables,

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Median} &= e^\mu = 3 \\
\text{E}[X] &= e^{\mu + \sigma^2/2} = 4 \\
e^{\sigma^2/2} &= \frac{4}{3} \\
\text{E}[X^2] &= e^{2\mu + 2\sigma^2} = (e^\mu)^2 \cdot (e^{\sigma^2/2})^4 \\
&= 9 \cdot \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^4 = \frac{256}{9} \\
\text{Var}[X] &= \text{E}[X^2] - (\text{E}[X])^2 \\
&= \frac{256}{9} - 16 = \frac{112}{9} = \boxed{12.4}
\end{aligned}$$

22.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{E}[X] &= 3 = e^{\mu + \sigma^2/2} \\
\text{E}[X^2] &= 3^2 + 2^2 = e^{2\mu + 2\sigma^2} \\
2 \ln(3) &= 2\mu + \sigma^2 \\
\ln(13) &= 2\mu + 2\sigma^2 \\
\sigma^2 &= 0.3677 \\
\mu &= 0.915 \\
\text{P}[X > 4 \mid X > 1] &= \frac{\text{P}[X > 4]}{\text{P}[X > 1]} \\
\text{P}[X > 4] &= \text{P}[\ln(X) > \ln(4)] = 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{\ln(4) - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \\
&= 1 - \Phi(0.78) = 0.2177 \\
\text{P}[X > 1] &= \text{P}[\ln(X) > \ln(1)] = 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{\ln(1) - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \\
&= \Phi(1.51) = 0.9345 \\
\text{P}[X > 4 \mid X > 1] &= \frac{0.2177}{0.9345} = \boxed{0.233}
\end{aligned}$$

23. Let X denote a 1996 loss amount.

$$\text{P}\left[X > e^{\mu + \ln(k) + \sigma^2/2}\right] = p$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P[X \leq e^{\mu + \ln(k) + \sigma^2/2}] &= 1 - p \\
P\left[\frac{\ln(X) - \mu}{\sigma} \leq \frac{\ln(k) + \sigma^2/2}{\sigma}\right] &= 1 - p \\
z_{1-p} = -z_p &= \frac{\ln(k) + \sigma^2/2}{\sigma} \\
\sigma^2 + 2z_p\sigma + 2\ln(k) &= 0 \\
\sigma &= \frac{-2z_p \pm \sqrt{4z_p^2 - 4 \cdot 2\ln(k)}}{2} \\
&= \boxed{-z_p \pm \sqrt{z_p^2 - 2\ln(k)}}
\end{aligned}$$

24. A standard normal has density $f(x) = e^{-x^2/2}/\sqrt{2\pi}$, and a $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ has density $\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-(x-\mu)^2/(2\sigma^2)}$, so one way to integrate e^{-x^2} is to compare with a normal CDF.

$$\begin{aligned}
E[X] &= \int_0^\infty e^{-2x^2} dx \\
&= \sigma\sqrt{2\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/(2\sigma^2)} dx \quad \text{for } 2 = 1/(2\sigma^2) \text{ and } \sigma = 1/2 \\
&= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2\pi} \cdot P[Z > 0] \quad \text{for } Z \sim N(0, 1/4) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \boxed{\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{8}}}
\end{aligned}$$

Or: X is a Weibull with $\tau = 2$ and $(1/\theta)^\tau = (1/\theta)^2 = 2$ so $\theta = 1/\sqrt{2}$ and $E[X] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\Gamma(3/2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\pi} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{8}}$

25. Now we have

$$\begin{aligned}
E[X] &= \int_0^1 1 dx + \int_1^\infty e^{-x^2} dx \\
&= 1 + \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}P[Z > 1] \\
&= 1 + \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}P\left[\frac{Z-0}{1/2} > \frac{1-0}{1/2}\right] \\
&= 1 + \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}(1 - \Phi(2)) = \boxed{1.029}
\end{aligned}$$

26. $f(x) = ce^{-x^2}$ for $x > 0.5$, where $c = 1/\int_{0.5}^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$ so

$$P[X \geq 1] = \frac{\int_1^\infty e^{-x^2} dx}{\int_{0.5}^\infty e^{-x^2} dx}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{P[Z > 1]}{P[Z > 0.5]} \text{ where } Z \text{ is a normal with mean 0 and variance } 1/2 \\
&= \frac{1 - \Phi\left(\frac{1}{1/\sqrt{2}}\right)}{1 - \Phi\left(\frac{0.5}{1/\sqrt{2}}\right)} \\
&= \frac{1 - 0.9207}{1 - 0.7611} = \boxed{0.33}
\end{aligned}$$

27. For a lognormal, the median is e^μ and the mean is $e^{\mu+\sigma^2/2}$ so

$$\begin{aligned}
e^\mu &= 1.06 \\
\mu &= \ln 1.06 = 0.0583 \\
e^{\mu+\sigma^2/2} &= 1.08 \\
\mu + \sigma^2/2 &= \ln 1.06 + \sigma^2/2 = \ln 1.08 \\
\sigma &= \boxed{0.1933}
\end{aligned}$$

28.

$$\begin{aligned}
e^{\mu+\sigma^2/2} &= 0.42 & e^{2\mu+\sigma^2} &= 0.42^2 \\
e^{2\mu+2\sigma^2} &= 1.65 + 0.42^2 = 1.8264 \\
e^{\sigma^2} &= \frac{1.8264}{0.42^2} \quad \text{by division} \\
\sigma &= 1.5288 \\
\ln 0.42 &= \mu + 1.5288^2/2, & \mu &= -2.036 \\
P[X > 1] &= P[\ln X > 0] \\
&= P\left[\frac{\ln X - \mu}{\sigma} > \frac{2.036}{1.5288}\right] = 1 - \Phi(1.33) \\
&= \boxed{0.0918}
\end{aligned}$$