

## Probability and Statistics. IDEA. Answers to List 4.

1. For this exercise, see <https://brilliant.org/wiki/sum-of-n-n2-or-n3/> if you are not familiar with the required formulae.

(a)

$$\mu_{\tilde{x}} = \sum_{x=1}^k x f(x) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{x=1}^k x = \frac{1}{k} \frac{k(k+1)}{2} = \frac{k+1}{2}.$$

(b) Note that  $\sum_{x=1}^k x^2 = \frac{1}{6} k(2k+1)(k+1)$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\tilde{x}}^2 &= \sum_{x=1}^k (x - \mu)^2 f(x) = \sum_{x=1}^k x^2 f(x) - \mu^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{k} \sum_{x=1}^k x^2 - \left(\frac{k+1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{k} \cdot \frac{k(2k+1)(k+1)}{6} - \frac{(k+1)^2}{4} \\ &= \frac{k+1}{12} (4k+2-3k-3) = \frac{k+1}{12} (k-1) = \frac{k^2-1}{12}. \end{aligned}$$

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2. For this exercise, see <https://brilliant.org/wiki/geometric-progressions/> if you are not familiar with the required formula.

Note that  $\sum_{x=1}^k r^x = \frac{r(1-r^k)}{1-r}$  for  $r \neq 1$ . Then,

$$M_{\tilde{x}}(t) = \mathbb{E}(e^{tx}) = \sum_{x=1}^k e^{tx} f(x) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{x=1}^k e^{tx} = \frac{1}{k} \frac{e^t(1-e^{kt})}{1-e^t}, \quad \text{for } t \neq 0,$$

and  $M_{\tilde{x}}(0) = 1$ . Therefore,  $M_{\tilde{x}}(t)$  is finite (and continuous) for all  $t$  since the support of  $\tilde{x}$  is bounded above and below (please, check that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} M_{\tilde{x}}(t) = 1$ ).

Thus, the derivatives of all orders of  $M_{\bar{x}}(t)$  are also continuous.

$$\begin{aligned} M'_{\bar{x}}(t) &= \frac{1}{k} \frac{[e^t - (1+k)e^{(1+k)t}](1-e^t) + e^t[e^t - e^{(1+k)t}]}{(1-e^t)^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{k} \frac{e^t - (1+k)e^{(1+k)t} + ke^{(2+k)t}}{(1-e^t)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} M'_{\bar{x}}(t) = \frac{0}{0}$ , by L'Hôpital's Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} M'_{\bar{x}}(t) &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{k} \frac{e^t - (1+k)^2 e^{(1+k)t} + k(2+k)e^{(2+k)t}}{-2(1-e^t)e^t} \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{k} \frac{e^t - (1+k)^3 e^{(1+k)t} + k(2+k)^2 e^{(2+k)t}}{-2(e^t - 2e^{2t})} \\ &= \frac{1}{k} \frac{1 - (1+k)^3 + k(2+k)^2}{-2(1-2)} \\ &= \frac{1}{k} \frac{k(k+1)}{2} = \frac{k+1}{2} = \mu_{\bar{x}}. \end{aligned}$$

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**3.** Let  $\theta$  = probability that he gets a correct answer in a single question.

$$P \{ \text{he gets exactly four correct answers} \} = \binom{8}{4} \theta^4 (1-\theta)^4.$$

Note that,

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &= \sum_{i=1}^3 P \{ \text{choose } i^{\text{th}} \text{ answer} \} \cdot P \{ i^{\text{th}} \text{ answer is correct} \mid \text{choose } i^{\text{th}} \text{ answer} \} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3} \quad \left( \text{you can skip this step since it is obvious that } \theta = \frac{1}{3} \right). \end{aligned}$$

$$P \{ \text{he gets exactly four correct answers} \} = \binom{8}{4} \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^4 \left( \frac{2}{3} \right)^4 = 0.1707.$$

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4. Let  $\theta$  = probability that each single selected component is without flaw in each lot. This is the case when  $\theta$  is the proportion of flawless components in a large lot.

(a)

$$\theta = 0.95, \quad 1 - b(20; 20, 0.95) = 1 - b(0; 20, 0.05) = 1 - 0.3585 = 0.6415$$

(b)

$$\theta = 0.9, \quad b(20; 20, 0.9) = b(0; 20, 0.1) = 0.1216$$

(c)

$$\theta = 0.8, \quad b(20; 20, 0.8) = b(0; 20, 0.2) = 0.0115$$

(d)

$$\theta = 0.7, \quad b(20; 20, 0.7) = b(0; 20, 0.3) = 0.0008.$$

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5. See <https://brilliant.org/wiki/geometric-progressions/> . Note thus that

$$\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} r^x = \frac{r}{1-r} \quad \text{for } |r| < 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\bar{x}}(t) &= \mathbb{E}(e^{tx}) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} e^{tx} \theta (1-\theta)^{x-1} = \frac{\theta}{1-\theta} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} e^{tx} (1-\theta)^x \\ &= \frac{\theta}{1-\theta} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} [e^t(1-\theta)]^x = \frac{\theta}{1-\theta} \cdot \frac{e^t(1-\theta)}{1-e^t(1-\theta)} = \frac{\theta e^t}{1-e^t(1-\theta)}, \end{aligned}$$

when  $e^t(1-\theta) < 1$ . Note that  $M_{\bar{x}}(t)$  is finite in a neighborhood of  $t = 0$ . More

precisely,  $M_{\tilde{x}}(t)$  is finite when  $1 - e^t(1 - \theta) > 0$ , i.e., when  $t < -\ln(1 - \theta)$ .

Note that  $-\ln(1 - \theta) > 0$  as  $\theta \in (0, 1]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} M'_{\tilde{x}}(t) &= \frac{\theta e^t [1 - e^t(1 - \theta)] + (1 - \theta)e^t \theta e^t}{[1 - e^t(1 - \theta)]^2} \\ &= \frac{\theta e^t}{[1 - e^t(1 - \theta)]^2}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M''_{\tilde{x}}(t) &= \frac{\theta e^t [1 - e^t(1 - \theta)]^2 + 2 [1 - e^t(1 - \theta)] (1 - \theta) e^t \theta e^t}{[1 - e^t(1 - \theta)]^4} \\ &= \frac{\theta e^t + \theta(1 - \theta)e^{2t}}{[1 - e^t(1 - \theta)]^3}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\mu_{\tilde{x}} = M'_{\tilde{x}}(0) = \frac{\theta}{[1 - (1 - \theta)]^2} = \frac{1}{\theta}.$$

$$\sigma_{\tilde{x}}^2 = M''_{\tilde{x}}(0) - \mu^2 = \frac{\theta + \theta(1 - \theta)}{(1 - 1 + \theta)^3} - \frac{1}{\theta^2} = \frac{1 + (1 - \theta)}{\theta^2} - \left(\frac{1}{\theta}\right)^2 = \frac{1 - \theta}{\theta^2}.$$

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**6.**  $\theta_1 = \frac{9}{16}; \theta_2 = \frac{3}{16}; \theta_3 = \frac{3}{16}; \theta_4 = \frac{1}{16}$ . We see that  $\sum_{i=1}^4 \theta_i = 1$ . We use the multinomial distribution:

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(4, 2, 3, 0; 9, \frac{9}{16}, \frac{3}{16}, \frac{3}{16}, \frac{1}{16}\right) &= \frac{9!}{4!2!3!} \left(\frac{9}{16}\right)^4 \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^2 \left(\frac{3}{16}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^0 \\ &= 1260 \cdot 9^4 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 16^{-9} = 0.02923. \end{aligned}$$

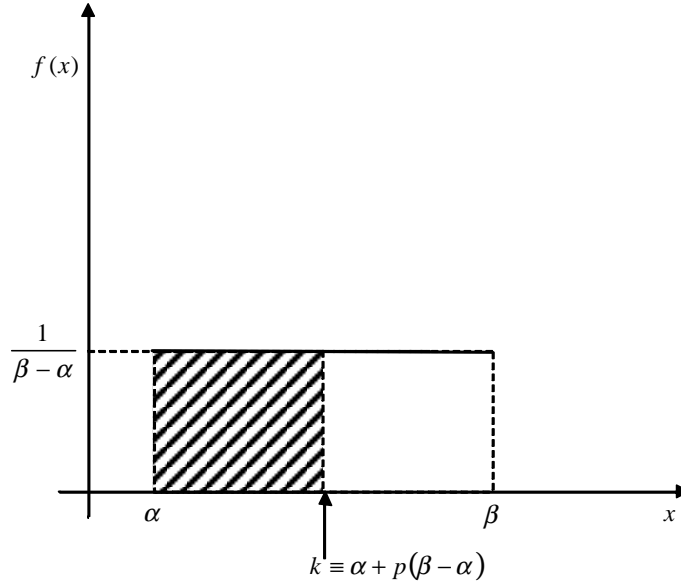
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**7.** To prove that

$$P\{\tilde{x} < \alpha + p(\beta - \alpha)\} = p.$$

We use the fact that

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha}, \text{ for } \alpha < x < \beta.$$



Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} P\{\tilde{x} < \alpha + p(\beta - \alpha)\} &= \int_{\alpha}^{\alpha + p(\beta - \alpha)} \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} dx = \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} [x]_{\alpha}^{\alpha + p(\beta - \alpha)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \{[\alpha + p(\beta - \alpha)] - \alpha\} = \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \{p(\beta - \alpha)\} = p. \end{aligned}$$

Note that the quantile function of the uniform distribution on  $(\alpha, \beta)$  is

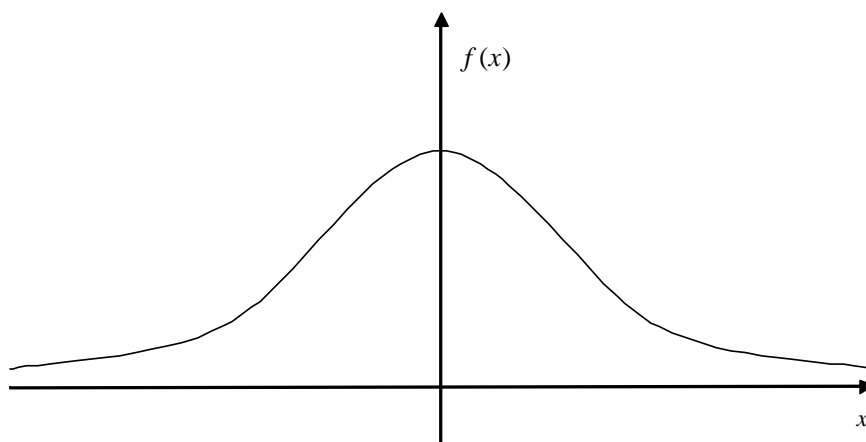
$$Q(p) = \alpha + (\beta - \alpha)p \text{ for } p \in (0, 1),$$

which directly implies that  $P\{\tilde{x} < \alpha + p(\beta - \alpha)\} = p$ .

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8. Setting  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\beta = 1$ ,

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1+x^2}, \text{ for } -\infty < x < \infty$$



$$\mu'_1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x}{1+x^2} dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{(-\infty,0)} \frac{x}{1+x^2} dx + \int_{[0,\infty)} \frac{x}{1+x^2} dx \right].$$

We make the change of variable  $v = 1+x^2 = g^{-1}(x) \geq 1$ , so that  $x = -\sqrt{v-1}$  for  $x \in (-\infty, 0)$  and  $x = +\sqrt{v-1}$  for  $x \in [0, \infty)$ . Then,  $|g'(v)| = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{v-1}}$  for

all  $v = 1 + x^2 \geq 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu'_1 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_{(1,\infty)} \frac{-\sqrt{v-1}}{v} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{v-1}} dv + \int_{(1,\infty)} \frac{\sqrt{v-1}}{v} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{v-1}} dv \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_{(1,\infty)} -\frac{1}{2v} dv + \int_{(1,\infty)} \frac{1}{2v} dv \right) = \frac{1}{\pi} \left( -\frac{1}{2} [\ln v]_1^\infty + \frac{1}{2} [\ln v]_1^\infty \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi} (-[\infty - 0] + [\infty - 0]) = -\infty + \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\mu'_1$  does not exist.

Note that we can directly see that the primitive (or antiderivative) of  $\frac{x}{1+x^2}$  is  $\frac{1}{2} \ln(1+x^2)$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu'_1 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{(-\infty,\infty)} \frac{x}{1+x^2} dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{2} [\ln(1+x^2)]_{-\infty}^\infty \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi} (\infty - \infty) = \infty - \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu'_2 &= \int_{-\infty}^\infty x^2 \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \left[ \frac{x^2+1}{1+x^2} - \frac{1}{1+x^2} \right] dx \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{1+x^2} \right] dx = \frac{1}{\pi} [x]_{-\infty}^\infty - \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx.
\end{aligned}$$

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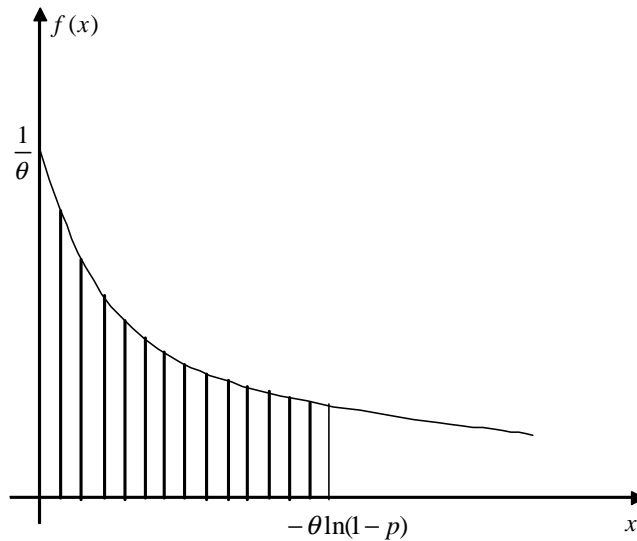
$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx &= \frac{1}{\pi} [\arctan x]_{-\infty}^\infty = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \arctan x - \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \arctan x \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} - \left( -\frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right] = \frac{\pi}{\pi} = 1,
\end{aligned}$$

$$\mu'_2 = \frac{1}{\pi} [\infty - (-\infty)] - 1 = \infty - 1 = \infty.$$

Hence, the second moment is infinite, and the variance does not exist since  $\mu'_1$  (i.e., the mean of  $\tilde{x}$ ) does not exist. Note that a Cauchy random variable does not belong to the  $L^1$  space and, therefore, cannot belong to the  $L^2$  space either. In fact, in the class notes we have already shown that if  $E(\tilde{x})$  does not exist (i.e., it is of the type  $\infty - \infty$ ), then  $E(\tilde{x}^2) = \infty$ .

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9.  $\tilde{x} \sim f(x) = \frac{1}{\theta}e^{-x/\theta}$ , for  $x > 0$ , with  $\theta > 0$ , and  $f(x) = 0$  elsewhere.

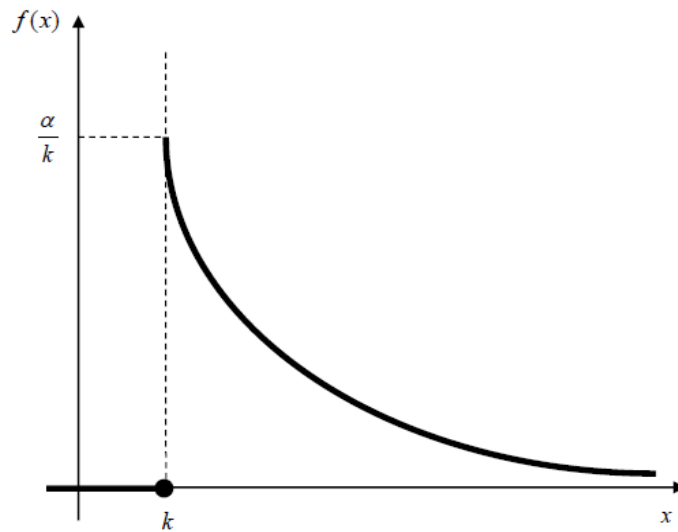


$$\begin{aligned} P\{\tilde{x} < -\theta \ln(1-p)\} &= \int_0^{-\theta \ln(1-p)} \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-x/\theta} dx = \frac{1}{\theta} \left[ \frac{e^{-x/\theta}}{-1/\theta} \right]_0^{-\theta \ln(1-p)} \\ &= - \left[ e^{-x/\theta} \right]_0^{-\theta \ln(1-p)} = 1 - e^{-\frac{1}{\theta}[-\theta \ln(1-p)]} = 1 - e^{\ln(1-p)} \\ &= 1 - (1-p) = p. \end{aligned}$$

10.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha k^\alpha}{x^{\alpha+1}} & \text{for } x > k \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

with  $\alpha > 0$  and  $k > 0$ .



Note that the area under the density equals 1:

$$\int_k^\infty \frac{\alpha k^\alpha}{x^{\alpha+1}} dx = k^\alpha \int_k^\infty \alpha x^{-\alpha-1} dx = k^\alpha \left[ \alpha \frac{x^{-\alpha}}{(-\alpha)} \right]_k^\infty = -k^\alpha [x^{-\alpha}]_k^\infty = -k^\alpha [0 - k^{-\alpha}] = 1$$

$$\mu'_r = \int_k^\infty x^r \frac{\alpha k^\alpha}{x^{\alpha+1}} dx = \alpha k^\alpha \int_k^\infty x^{r-\alpha-1} dx = \alpha k^\alpha \left[ \frac{x^{r-\alpha}}{r-\alpha} \right]_k^\infty = \frac{\alpha k^\alpha}{r-\alpha} [x^{r-\alpha}]_k^\infty,$$

which is finite if and only if  $r - \alpha < 0$ . Hence  $\mu'_r$  is finite and equal to  $\frac{\alpha k^r}{\alpha - r}$  if and only if  $r < \alpha$ .

11. (a)  $a = c = 0, b > 0, d > -b$ .

$$\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{d-x}{bx}$$

$$\ln f(x) = \int \frac{d}{bx} dx - \int \frac{1}{b} dx = \frac{d}{b} \ln x - \frac{x}{b} + K$$

$$f(x) = e^{\frac{d}{b} \ln x - \frac{x}{b} + K} = D e^{\frac{d}{b} \ln x} e^{-\frac{x}{b}} = D x^{\frac{d}{b}} e^{-\frac{x}{b}},$$

which is the density of the gamma distribution for  $x > 0$ , with  $\frac{d}{b} > -1, \frac{1}{b} > 0$ , and  $D = e^K$  is the constant which makes the area under the density equal to one.

(b)  $a = c = d = 0, b > 0$ .

$$\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{-x}{bx} = -\frac{1}{b}$$

$$\ln f(x) = -\frac{x}{b} + K \rightarrow f(x) = e^{-\frac{x}{b} + K} \rightarrow f(x) = D e^{-\frac{x}{b}},$$

which is the density of the exponential distribution for  $x > 0$ , with  $b > 0$ .

(c)  $a = 0, b = -c, \frac{d-1}{b} < 1, \frac{d}{b} > -1$ .

$$\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{d-x}{bx - bx^2} = \frac{d-x}{bx(1-x)}$$

$$\rightarrow \ln f(x) = \frac{1}{b} \int \frac{d-x}{x(1-x)} dx$$

$$\ln f(x) = \frac{1}{b} \int \left[ \frac{d}{x} + \frac{d-1}{1-x} \right] dx = \frac{1}{b} [d \ln x - (d-1) \ln(1-x)] + K$$

$$f(x) = \exp \left( \ln x^{\frac{d}{b}} + \ln(1-x)^{\frac{1-d}{b}} + K \right).$$

$$f(x) = D x^{\frac{d}{b}} (1-x)^{\frac{1-d}{b}},$$

which is the density of the Beta distribution for  $x > 0$  if each exponent is greater than  $-1$ .

$\frac{d}{b} > -1 \implies$  the exponent of  $x$  is greater than  $-1$ , and

$\frac{d-1}{b} < 1 \implies$  the exponent of  $(1-x)$  is greater than  $-1$ .

(d)  $b = c = 0; a > 0$ .

$$\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{d-x}{a}$$

$$\ln f(x) = \frac{1}{a} \int (d-x) dx$$

$$\ln f(x) = \frac{1}{a} \frac{(d-x)^2}{(-2)} + K$$

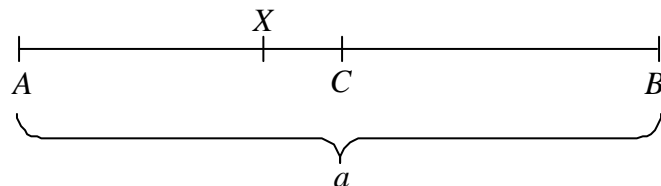
$$f(x) = e^{-\frac{1}{2a}(x-d)^2 + K}$$

$$f(x) = D \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{x-d}{\sqrt{a}}\right]^2\right),$$

which is the normal density when  $d = \mu$ ,  $a = \sigma^2 > 0$ , and  $D = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sqrt{a}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}$ .

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**12.**



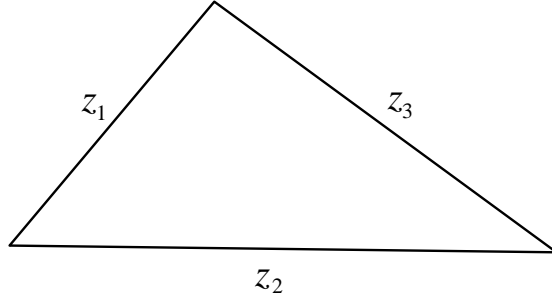
$$\text{length}(AB) = a.$$

$$\text{length}(AC) = \text{length}(CB) = \frac{a}{2}.$$

$$\tilde{x} = \text{length}(AX).$$

$$\tilde{x} \sim f(x) = \frac{1}{a}, \text{ for } 0 < x < a$$

$$\pi = P \left\{ \left( \tilde{x}, a - \tilde{x}, \frac{a}{2} \right) \text{ will form a triangle} \right\}$$

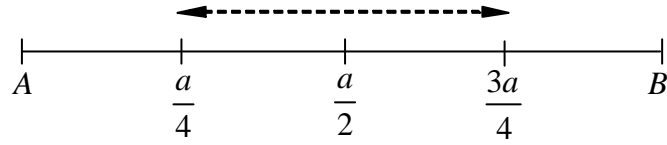


The three segments with lengths  $\{z_1, z_2, z_3\}$  will form a triangle if and only if

$$(z_1 + z_2) > z_3, (z_1 + z_3) > z_2, \text{ and } (z_2 + z_3) > z_1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi &= P \left\{ \left\{ \tilde{x} + (a - \tilde{x}) > \frac{a}{2} \right\} \cap \left\{ \tilde{x} + \frac{a}{2} > (a - \tilde{x}) \right\} \cap \left\{ (a - \tilde{x}) + \frac{a}{2} > \tilde{x} \right\} \right\} \\ &= P \left\{ \underbrace{\left\{ a > \frac{a}{2} \right\}}_{\text{certain}} \cap \left\{ 2\tilde{x} > \frac{a}{2} \right\} \cap \left\{ \frac{3a}{2} > 2\tilde{x} \right\} \right\} \\ &= P \left\{ \left\{ \tilde{x} > \frac{a}{4} \right\} \cap \left\{ \tilde{x} < \frac{3a}{4} \right\} \right\} = P \left\{ \frac{a}{4} < \tilde{x} < \frac{3a}{4} \right\} \\ &= \int_{\frac{a}{4}}^{\frac{3a}{4}} \frac{1}{a} dx = \left[ \frac{x}{a} \right]_{\frac{a}{4}}^{\frac{3a}{4}} = \frac{1}{a} \left[ \frac{3a}{4} - \frac{a}{4} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if  $X$  lies in the interval  $\left( \frac{a}{4}, \frac{3a}{4} \right)$ , then a triangle can be formed:



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**13.**  $\tilde{x} \sim f(x) = \frac{1}{40}e^{-x/40}$ , for  $x > 0$  and  $f(x) = 0$ , otherwise.

$$F(x) = P\{\tilde{x} \leq x\} = \int_0^x \frac{1}{40}e^{-z/40} dt = \frac{1}{40} \left[ \frac{e^{-z/40}}{-1/40} \right]_0^x = -[e^{-z/40}]_0^x = 1 - e^{-x/40},$$

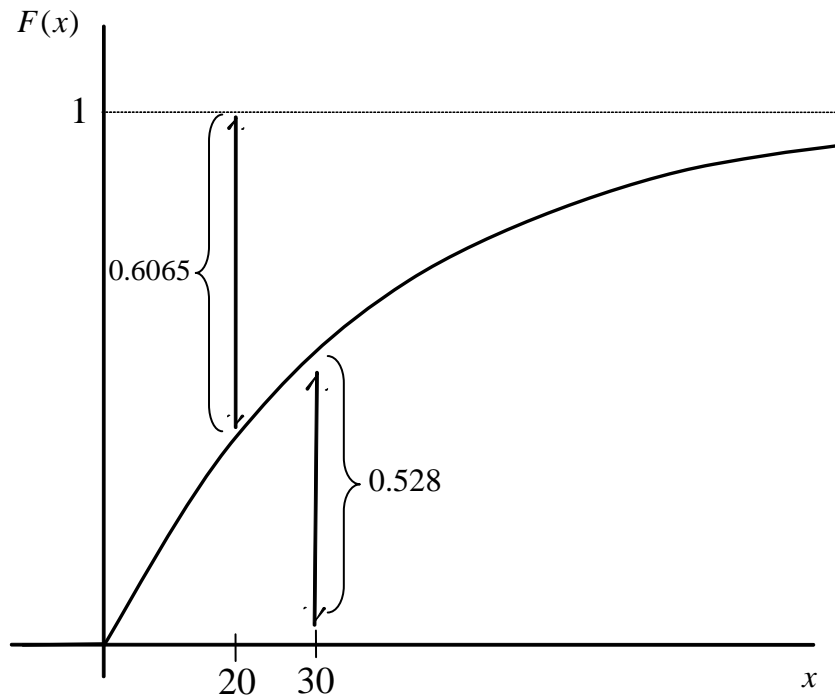
for  $x > 0$  and  $F(x) = 0$ , otherwise.

(a)

$$P\{\tilde{x} \geq 20\} = 1 - F(20) = 1 - [1 - e^{-20/40}] = e^{-1/2} = 0.6065.$$

(b)

$$P\{\tilde{x} \leq 30\} = F(30) = 1 - e^{-30/40} = 1 - 0.472 = 0.528.$$



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14.  $\tilde{x} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  so that  $M_{\tilde{x}}(t) = e^{\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2}$ . Let  $w \equiv \mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2$ .

(1)

$$M_{\tilde{x}}(t) = e^w$$

(2)

$$M'_{\tilde{x}}(t) = e^w w'$$

(3)

$$M''_{\tilde{x}}(t) = e^w w' w' + e^w w'' = e^w \left\{ (w')^2 + w'' \right\}$$

(4)

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\tilde{x}}'''(t) &= e^w w' [(w')^2 + w''] + e^w [2(w'w'') + w'''] \\ &= e^w \left\{ (w')^3 + w'w'' + 2w'w'' + w''' \right\} = e^w \left\{ (w')^3 + 3w'w'' + w''' \right\} \end{aligned}$$

(5)

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\tilde{x}}^{IV}(t) &= e^w w' \left\{ (w')^3 + 3w'w'' + w''' \right\} + e^w \left\{ 3(w')^2 w'' + 3(w'')^2 + 3w'w''' + w^{IV} \right\} \\ &= e^w \left\{ (w')^4 + 6(w')^2 w'' + 4w'w''' + 3(w'')^2 + w^{IV} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$(6) \quad w(t) = \mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2 \rightarrow w(0) = 0$$

$$(7) \quad w'(t) = \mu + \sigma^2 t \rightarrow w'(0) = \mu$$

$$(8) \quad w''(t) = \sigma^2 \rightarrow w''(0) = \sigma^2$$

$$(9) \quad w'''(t) = w^{IV}(t) = 0 \rightarrow w'''(0) = w^{IV}(0) = 0$$

$$\mu'_1 = M_{\tilde{x}}'(0) = e^0 \mu = \mu$$

$$\mu'_2 = M_{\tilde{x}}''(0) = e^0 \{ \mu^2 + \sigma^2 \} = \mu^2 + \sigma^2$$

$$\mu'_3 = M_{\tilde{x}}'''(0) = e^0 \{ \mu^3 + 3\mu\sigma^2 + 0 \} = \mu^3 + 3\mu\sigma^2$$

$$\mu'_4 = M_{\tilde{x}}^{IV}(0) = e^0 \left\{ \mu^4 + 6\mu^2\sigma^2 + 4(\mu \cdot 0) + 3(\sigma^2)^2 + 0 \right\} = \mu^4 + 6\mu^2\sigma^2 + 3\sigma^4.$$

Using the formula

$$\mu_k = \sum_{n=0}^k \binom{k}{n} \mu'_n [-\mu]^{k-n},$$

we get (check it!)

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_3 &= \mu'_3 - 3\mu\mu'_2 + 2\mu^3 = (\mu^3 + 3\mu\sigma^2) - 3\mu(\sigma^2 + \mu^2) + 2\mu^3 \\ &= \mu^3(1 - 3 + 2) + \mu\sigma^2(3 - 3) = 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_4 &= \mu'_4 - 4\mu\mu'_3 + 6\mu^2\mu'_2 - 3\mu^4 \\ &= (\mu^4 + 6\mu^2\sigma^2 + 3\sigma^4) - 4\mu(\mu^3 + 3\mu\sigma^2) + 6\mu^2(\mu^2 + \sigma^2) - 3\mu^4 \\ &= \mu^4[1 - 4 + 6 - 3] + \mu^2\sigma^2[6 - 12 + 6] + 3\sigma^4 = 3\sigma^4.\end{aligned}$$

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**15.**  $\tilde{x} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$P\{\mu - k\sigma < \tilde{x} < \mu + k\sigma\} = P\{-k < \tilde{z} < k\}, \text{ where } \tilde{z} = \frac{\tilde{x} - \mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1).$$

(a)

$$P\{\mu - \sigma < \tilde{x} < \mu + \sigma\} = P\{-1 < \tilde{z} < 1\} = 2 \cdot 0.3413 = 0.6826$$

(b)

$$P\{\mu - 2\sigma < \tilde{x} < \mu + 2\sigma\} = P\{-2 < \tilde{z} < 2\} = 2 \cdot 0.4772 = 0.9544$$

(c)

$$P\{\mu - 3\sigma < \tilde{x} < \mu + 3\sigma\} = P\{-3 < \tilde{z} < 3\} = 3 \cdot 0.4987 = 0.9974$$

(d)

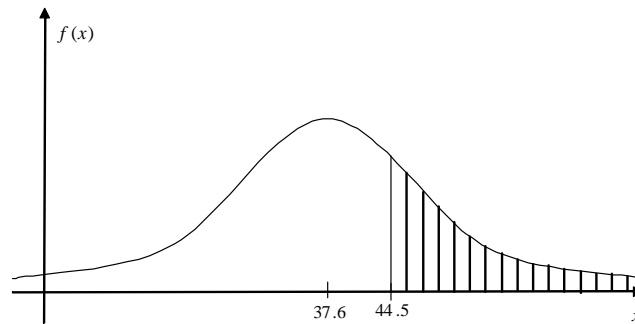
$$P\{\mu - 4\sigma < \tilde{x} < \mu + 4\sigma\} = P\{-4 < \tilde{z} < 4\} = 2 \cdot 0.49997 = 0.99994$$

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16.  $\tilde{x} \sim N(37.6, (4.6)^2)$

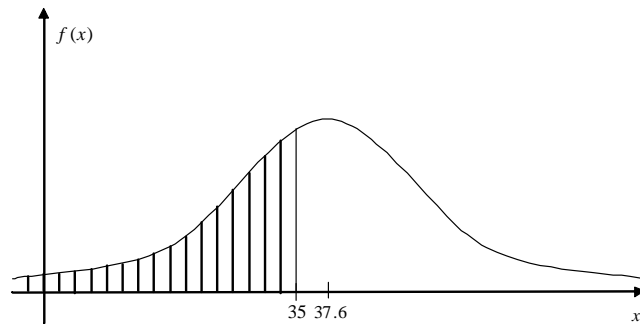
(a)

$$\begin{aligned} P\{\tilde{x} > 44.5\} &= 0.5 - P\left\{0 < \tilde{z} < \frac{44.5 - 37.6}{4.6}\right\} \\ &= 0.5 - P\{0 < \tilde{z} < 1.5\} = 0.5 - 0.4332 = 0.0668. \end{aligned}$$



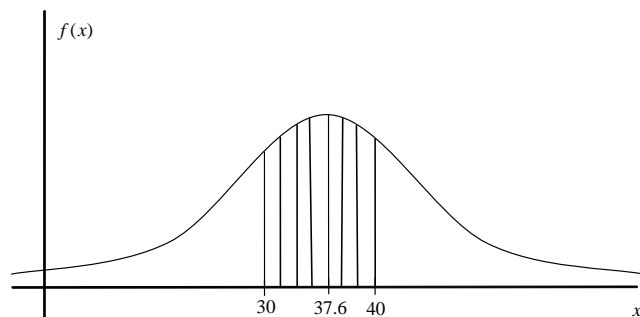
(b)

$$\begin{aligned} P\{\tilde{x} < 35\} &= 0.5 - P\left\{\frac{35 - 37.6}{4.6} < \tilde{z} < 0\right\} = 0.5 - P\left\{0 < \tilde{z} < \frac{37.6 - 35}{4.6}\right\} \\ &= 0.5 - P\{0 < \tilde{z} < 0.565\} = 0.5 - 0.214 = 0.286. \end{aligned}$$



(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 P\{30 < \tilde{x} < 40\} &= P\left\{\frac{30 - 37.6}{4.6} < \tilde{z} < 0\right\} + P\left\{0 < \tilde{z} < \frac{40 - 37.6}{4.6}\right\} \\
 &= P\left\{0 < \tilde{z} < \frac{37.6 - 30}{4.6}\right\} + P\left\{0 < \tilde{z} < \frac{40 - 37.6}{4.6}\right\} \\
 &= P\{0 < \tilde{z} < 1.625\} + P\{0 < \tilde{z} < 0.522\} = 0.4507 + 0.1992 \\
 &= 0.6499 \approx 0.65.
 \end{aligned}$$



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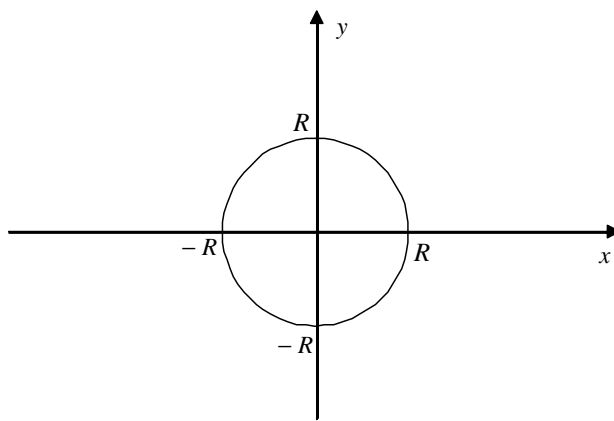
17.  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) \sim \text{MN}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_2^2 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$ , with  $\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2 = \sigma$  and  $\sigma_{12} = 0$  for

the circular case.

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)\sigma\sigma} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{x^2}{\sigma^2} + \frac{y^2}{\sigma^2}\right]}, \quad \text{for } -\infty < x < \infty, \quad -\infty < y < \infty$$

$$P\{\tilde{x}^2 + \tilde{y}^2 < R^2\} = \int_C \frac{1}{(2\pi)\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{x^2}{\sigma^2} + \frac{y^2}{\sigma^2}\right]} d(x, y),$$

where  $C = \{(x, y \in \mathbb{R}^2 | x^2 + y^2 < R^2)\}$ ,



This integration is best carried out by transforming variables to work in polar coordinates:

$$\begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta \\ y = r \sin \theta \end{cases} \implies r^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$P\{\tilde{x}^2 + \tilde{y}^2 < R^2\} = P\{\tilde{r} < R\} = 4 \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^R \frac{1}{(2\pi)\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}} r dr d\theta$$

Remark:  $r$  is the absolute value of the determinant of the Jacobian of the transformation.

Let us now make the change of variable  $u = r^2 > 0 \iff r = u^{1/2} > 0$ .

Thus,  $\frac{dr}{du} = \frac{1}{2}u^{-1/2} > 0$

$$P\{\tilde{x}^2 + \tilde{y}^2 < R^2\} = \frac{2}{\pi\sigma^2} \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{R^2} e^{-\frac{u}{2\sigma^2}} u^{1/2} \frac{1}{2} u^{-1/2} du d\theta = \frac{2}{\pi\sigma^2} \int_0^{\pi/2} \left[ \int_0^{R^2} e^{-\frac{u}{2\sigma^2}} \frac{1}{2} du \right] d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi\sigma^2} \left[ -\frac{e^{-\frac{u}{2\sigma^2}}}{\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}} \right]_0^{R^2} \int_0^{\pi/2} d\theta = \frac{2}{\pi} \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{R^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right) [\theta]_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{2}{\pi} \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{R^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right) \frac{\pi}{2} = 1 - e^{-\frac{R^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

(a) For  $\sigma = 12$  and  $R = 6$ ,

$$P\{\tilde{x}^2 + \tilde{y}^2 < 36\} = 1 - e^{-\frac{36}{288}} = 1 - e^{-0.125} = 1 - 0.8825 = 0.1175$$

(b)

$$0.8 = 1 - e^{-\frac{c^2}{288}} \rightarrow e^{-\frac{c^2}{288}} = 0.2 \rightarrow -\frac{c^2}{288} = \ln(0.2),$$

$$c^2 = -288 \ln(0.2) = -288(-1.609) = 463.52,$$

$$c = 21.53$$

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18. (a)  $\tilde{y} = \tilde{x}_1 + \tilde{x}_2 + \tilde{x}_3$ ,  $y \sim N(E(\tilde{y}), \text{Var}(\tilde{y}))$

$$E(\tilde{y}) = \mu_1 + \mu_2 + \mu_3 = 2$$

$$\text{Var}(\tilde{y}) = \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 + 2\sigma_{12} + 2\sigma_{13} + 2\sigma_{23} = 20$$

$$P\{\tilde{y} \leq 3\} = P\left\{\tilde{z} \leq \frac{3-2}{\sqrt{20}}\right\} = P\{\tilde{z} \leq 0.223\} = N(0.223)$$

$$= 0.5 + P\{0 \leq \tilde{z} \leq 0.223\} = 0.5 + 0.088 = 0.588.$$

(b) Recall that, if we partition the mean vector and the variance covariance matrix, we get

$$\mu = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ - \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 1 & | & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & | & 1 \\ - & - & - & - \\ 1 & 1 & | & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\mathbb{E} \left( (\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_2)^\top \mid \tilde{x}_3 = 0 \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} 2^{-1} (0 - 1) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \equiv \hat{\mu}$$

$$\text{Var} \left( (\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_2)^\top \mid \tilde{x}_3 = 0 \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} 2^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{17}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix} \equiv \hat{\Sigma}$$

$$f_{\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_2 \mid \tilde{x}_3} (x_1, x_2 \mid 0) = \frac{1}{(2\pi) \left| \hat{\Sigma} \right|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} (x - \hat{\mu})^\top \hat{\Sigma}^{-1} (x - \hat{\mu}) \right)$$

where  $x^\top = (x_1, x_2)^\top \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\left| \hat{\Sigma} \right|^{\frac{1}{2}} = (21)^{1/2} = 4.5826$ , and  $\hat{\Sigma}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{5}{42} & -\frac{1}{42} \\ -\frac{1}{42} & \frac{17}{42} \end{pmatrix}$ .

(c) Note that the vector  $(\tilde{z}, \tilde{x}_3)^\top$  is multivariate normal since it is an affine transformation of the multivariate normal vector  $(\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_2, \tilde{x}_3)^\top$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{z} \\ \tilde{x}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 \\ \tilde{x}_2 \\ \tilde{x}_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then, we use the fact that, under multivariate normality and  $\text{Cov}(\tilde{z}, \tilde{x}_3) = 0 \Leftrightarrow$

$\tilde{z}$  and  $\tilde{x}_3$  are independent normal random variables.

$$\text{Cov}(\tilde{z}, \tilde{x}_3) = \text{E}(\tilde{z} \cdot \tilde{x}_3) - \text{E}(\tilde{z}) \cdot \text{E}(\tilde{x}_3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{E}(\tilde{z} \cdot \tilde{x}_3) &= \text{E}((a\tilde{x}_1 + \tilde{x}_2) \cdot \tilde{x}_3) = a\text{E}(\tilde{x}_1 \cdot \tilde{x}_3) + \text{E}(\tilde{x}_2 \cdot \tilde{x}_3) \\ &= a(\sigma_{13} + \mu_1\mu_3) + (\sigma_{23} + \mu_2\mu_3) = a(1 + 1) + (1 + 0) \\ &= 2a + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{E}(\tilde{z}) = \text{E}(a\tilde{x}_1 + \tilde{x}_2) = a\mu_1 + \mu_2 = a$$

$$\text{E}(\tilde{x}_3) = \mu_3 = 1$$

$\implies$

$$\text{Cov}(\tilde{z}, \tilde{x}_3) = 2a + 1 - a = a + 1 = 0 \Leftrightarrow a = -1$$

Alternatively,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(\tilde{z}, \tilde{x}_3) &= \text{Cov}(a\tilde{x}_1 + \tilde{x}_2, \tilde{x}_3) = a\text{Cov}(\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_3) + \text{Cov}(\tilde{x}_2, \tilde{x}_3) \\ &= a + 1 = 0 \Leftrightarrow a = -1 \end{aligned}$$

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**19.** Moment-generating function of  $\tilde{x}$  (note that  $k$  is a strictly positive integer):

$$M_{\tilde{x}}(t) = \sum_{x=k}^{\infty} e^{tx} b^*(x; k, \theta) = \sum_{x=k}^{\infty} e^{tx} \binom{x-1}{k-1} \theta^k (1-\theta)^{x-k}$$

Make the change of variable  $y = x - k$  so that

$$M_{\tilde{x}}(t) = \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} e^{t(y+k)} \binom{y+k-1}{k-1} \theta^k (1-\theta)^y = (\theta e^t)^k \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \binom{k+y-1}{k-1} [(1-\theta)e^t]^y$$

From part (d) of Exercise 6 of List 1:

$$\binom{-k}{y} = (-1)^y \binom{k+y-1}{k-1} \Leftrightarrow \binom{k+y-1}{k-1} = (-1)^y \binom{-k}{y}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\tilde{x}}(t) &= (\theta e^t)^k \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} (-1)^y \binom{-k}{y} [(1-\theta)e^t]^y \\ &= (\theta e^t)^k \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \binom{-k}{y} [-(1-\theta)e^t]^y. \end{aligned}$$

From Part (f) of Exercise 6 of List 1:

$$(1+z)^\alpha = \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \binom{\alpha}{y} z^y, \text{ for all } \alpha \text{ and } z \text{ real with } |z| < 1.$$

Note that  $(1-\theta)e^t < 1$  when  $t < -\ln(1-\theta)$ . Therefore, making  $\alpha = -k$  and  $z = -(1-\theta)e^t$ , we get

$$M_{\tilde{x}}(t) = (\theta e^t)^k (1 - (1-\theta)e^t)^{-k} = \left( \frac{\theta e^t}{1 - (1-\theta)e^t} \right)^k, \text{ for } t < -\ln(1-\theta).$$

Alternatively, we can obtain the moment-generating function of the Pascal (or negative binomial) distribution by just observing that a Pascal random variable  $\tilde{x}$  with the parameters  $k$  and  $\theta$  is the sum of  $k$  geometric random variables  $\tilde{x}_i$  with the parameter  $\theta$ ,  $\tilde{x} = \sum_{i=1}^k \tilde{x}_i$ . This is so because  $\tilde{x}_i$  is the number of independent trials needed to get one success and, thus,  $\sum_{i=1}^k \tilde{x}_i$  is

the number of trials needed to get  $k$  successes. Therefore, since the random variables  $\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_2, \dots, \tilde{x}_k$  are independent,  $M_{\tilde{x}}(t) = \prod_{i=1}^k M_{\tilde{x}_i}(t)$ . Moreover, from Exercise 5 of this list we know that the moment-generating function of a geometric random variable  $\tilde{x}_i$  is

$$M_{\tilde{x}_i}(t) = \frac{\theta e^t}{1 - (1 - \theta)e^t}, \quad \text{for } t < -\ln(1 - \theta), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k.$$

Therefore,

$$M_{\tilde{x}}(t) = \prod_{i=1}^k M_{\tilde{x}_i}(t) = \left( \frac{\theta e^t}{1 - (1 - \theta)e^t} \right)^k, \quad \text{for } t < -\ln(1 - \theta).$$

We can now compute the mean of the Pascal distribution:

$$\begin{aligned} M'_{\tilde{x}}(t) &= k (\theta e^t)^{k-1} \theta e^t (1 - (1 - \theta) e^t)^{-k} \\ &\quad + (\theta e^t)^k (-k) (1 - (1 - \theta) e^t)^{-k-1} (-(1 - \theta) e^t). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= M'_{\tilde{x}}(0) = k\theta^{k-1}\theta\theta^{-k} + \theta^k (-k) \theta^{-k-1} (-(1 - \theta)) \\ &= k + k\theta^{-1} (1 - \theta) = k \left( 1 + \frac{1 - \theta}{\theta} \right) = \frac{k}{\theta}. \end{aligned}$$

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**20.** (a) Geometric distribution

$$\theta = 0.51, \quad x = 4.$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(x, \theta) &= \theta(1 - \theta)^{x-1} \\ &= (0.51)(0.49)^3 = 0.06 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Pascal distribution

$$\theta = 0.51, k = 2, x = 4.$$

$$b^*(x, k, \theta) = \binom{x-1}{k-1} \theta^k (1-\theta)^{x-k} = \binom{3}{1} (0.51)^2 (0.49)^2 = 0.187$$

(c)

$$E(\tilde{x}) = \frac{2}{\theta} = \frac{2}{0.51} = 3.92157$$

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**21.** (a)

$$f_{\tilde{x}}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\pi} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}y^2} dy & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{\pi} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-\frac{1}{2}y^2} dy & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Since

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}t^2} dt = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-\frac{1}{2}t^2} dt = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}},$$

we have

$$f_{\tilde{x}}(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} \text{ for } -\infty < x < \infty$$

Equivalently,

$$f_{\tilde{y}}(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}y^2} \text{ for } -\infty < y < \infty$$

$\implies \tilde{x} \sim N(0, 1)$  and  $\tilde{y} \sim N(0, 1)$ .

(b) Let  $x > 0$  and  $y > 0 \implies f(x, y) = 0$  and  $f_{\tilde{x}}(x) > 0, f_{\tilde{y}}(y) > 0$ .

Therefore,

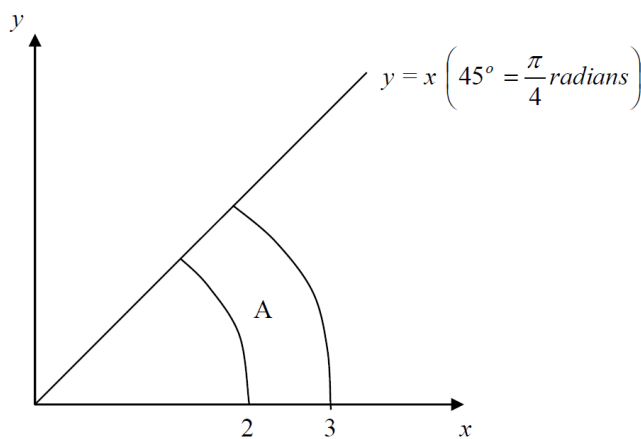
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(x, y) \neq f_{\tilde{x}}(x) \cdot f_{\tilde{y}}(y) \\ \text{for a set with positive Lebesgue measure} \end{array} \right\} \iff \tilde{x} \text{ and } \tilde{y} \text{ are not independent.}$$

(c)  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})$  is not multivariate normally distributed, since  $f(x, y) = 0$  in some set with positive Lebesgue measure, while a multivariate normal density is positive for all  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

While multivariate normality of  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})$  implies normality of both  $\tilde{x}$  and  $\tilde{y}$ , normality of both  $\tilde{x}$  and  $\tilde{y}$  does not imply multivariate normality of the vector  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})$ , as can be seen in this example.

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**22.** (a) The region  $A$  is



By changing to polar coordinates,

$$\int_A k(x^2+y^2)^{1/2} d(x, y) = k \int_0^{\pi/4} \int_2^3 r \cdot r dr d\theta = k \left( \int_2^3 r^2 dr \right) \left( \int_0^{\pi/4} d\theta \right) = k \cdot \frac{19\pi}{12}.$$

We have to choose  $k$  such that the above integral equals 1. Thus,  $k = \frac{12}{19\pi}$ .

(b) Similarly,

$$\int_A k(x^2+y^2)^{1/2}d(x, y) = k \int_0^\pi \int_3^4 r \cdot r dr d\theta = k \left( \int_3^4 r^2 dr \right) \left( \int_0^\pi d\theta \right) = k \cdot \frac{37\pi}{3} = 1.$$

Thus,  $k = \frac{3}{37\pi}$ .

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**23.** (a) Using the change to polar coordinates,

$$\begin{cases} x = s \cos \theta \\ y = s \sin \theta \end{cases} \implies s^2 = x^2 + y^2,$$

and noticing that  $s$  is the absolute value of the determinant of the Jacobian of the transformation, we get

$$\int_C d(x, y) = \int_C 1d(x, y) = \left[ \int_0^r s ds \right] \cdot \left[ \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \right] = \frac{r^2}{2} \cdot 2\pi = \pi r^2.$$

This double integral gives us the area of a circle since we are integrating the constant 1 over the circle so that the volume is equal to the area.

(b) Using the equation of a circumference,  $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$ , we define  $y = f(x) = (r^2 - x^2)^{1/2}$ , and we find the area of a quarter of circle multiplied by 4 as follows:

$$4 \int_0^r (r^2 - x^2)^{1/2} dx = 4 \int_{(0,r)} (r^2 - x^2)^{1/2} dx = \dots$$

We now make the change of variable  $x = g(\alpha) = r \sin \alpha$  for  $x \in (0, r) \iff \alpha \in (0, \pi/2) \iff \sin \alpha \in (0, 1)$ . Then

$$\frac{dx}{d\alpha} = g'(\alpha) = r \cos \alpha > 0.$$

The inequality comes from the fact that  $\alpha \in (0, \pi/2)$ , which implies that  $\cos \alpha > 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \dots &= 4 \int_{(0, \pi/2)} \left( r^2 - \underbrace{r^2 \sin^2 \alpha}_{x^2} \right)^{1/2} |g'(\alpha)| d\alpha = 4 \int_{(0, \pi/2)} (r^2 - r^2 \sin^2 \alpha)^{1/2} r (\cos \alpha) d\alpha \\ &= 4r^2 \int_{(0, \pi/2)} \underbrace{(1 - \sin^2 \alpha)}_{\cos^2 \alpha}^{1/2} (\cos \alpha) d\alpha = 4r^2 \int_0^{\pi/2} (\cos^2 \alpha) d\alpha \\ &= 4r^2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1 + \cos(2\alpha)}{2} d\alpha = 4r^2 \left( \left[ \frac{\alpha}{2} \right]_0^{\pi/2} + \underbrace{\left[ \frac{\sin(2\alpha)}{4} \right]_0^{\pi/2}}_0 \right) = 4r^2 \frac{\pi}{4} = \pi r^2. \end{aligned}$$

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**24.** Changing to polar coordinates:

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_0^6 e^{-r^2} r dr \right] \left[ \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \right] = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left[ -e^{-r^2} \right]_0^6 \cdot (2\pi) = 1 - e^{-36}$$

Thus, the volume equals to  $1 - e^{-36}$ .

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**25.** (a) Multinomial distribution, with parameters  $n = 10$ ,  $\theta_1 = 0.45$ ,

$\theta_2 = 0.43$  ,  $\theta_3 = 0.08$  ,  $\theta_4 = 0.04$  , so

$$f(3, 4, 2, 1; n, \theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) = \frac{10!}{3!4!2!1!} (0.45)^3 (0.43)^4 (0.08)^2 (0.04)^1 = 0.01052.$$

(b) We have 7 possible disjoint events satisfying the desired property:

A = At least one of them is 0,

B = All of them are AB,

C = Two of them are AB and the other is neither 0 nor AB (that is, the other is either A or B),

D = Two of them are A and the other is AB,

E = Two of them are B and the other is AB,

F = All of them are A,

G = All of them are B.

$$P(A) = 1 - \frac{3!}{0!3!} (0.55)^3 ,$$

$$P(B) = \frac{3!}{0!3!} (0.04)^3 ,$$

$$P(C) = \frac{3!}{1!2!} (0.04)^2 0.51,$$

$$P(D) = \frac{3!}{1!2!} (0.43)^2 0.04,$$

$$P(E) = \frac{3!}{1!2!} (0.08)^2 0.04,$$

$$P(F) = \frac{3!}{0!3!} (0.43)^3 ,$$

$$P(G) = \frac{3!}{0!3!} (0.08)^3 .$$

Therefore,

$$P\{\text{success}\} = P(A) + P(B) + P(C) + P(D) + P(E) + P(F) + P(G) = 0.93911.$$

(c) Geometric distribution with parameter  $\theta = 0.04$ ,

$$P\{\tilde{x} = 5\} = (0.96)^4 \cdot 0.04 = 0.033974.$$

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**26.** (a) Using the multivariate hypergeometric distribution:

$$\frac{\binom{7}{3} \binom{3}{2} \binom{2}{0}}{\binom{12}{5}} = 0.1326.$$

(b) Using the multinomial distribution:

$$\frac{5!}{3!2!0!} \left(\frac{7}{12}\right)^3 \left(\frac{3}{12}\right)^2 \left(\frac{2}{12}\right)^0 = 0.1241.$$

(c) Obvious. Since the extractions are with replacement in part (b), the outcome of every extraction does not affect the probabilities of the outcomes of the other extractions. Therefore, we are facing 5 independent and identical trials. This is not so in part (a).

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**27.** (a) Write  $M = \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx \right] \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-y^2} dy \right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(x^2+y^2)} dx dy.$

Then, changing to polar coordinates,

$$M = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\infty e^{-r^2} r dr d\theta.$$

Now, make a new change of variable,  $s = r^2$ ,

$$M = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-s}}{2} ds d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\infty [-e^{-s}]_0^\infty d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} 1 d\theta = \pi.$$

Hence,  $\int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{-y^2} dy = \sqrt{M} = \sqrt{\pi}$ .

(b) Since  $e^{-x^2}$  is a symmetric function with respect to 0, we get  $\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$ .

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**28.** (a) Note that, if the vector  $(\tilde{z}, \tilde{y})$  were multivariate normal, then

$$P\{\tilde{z} + \tilde{y} = 0\} = \int_A n(z, y) d(z, y) = 0, \quad (*)$$

where  $n(z, y)$  is the density of the multivariate normal distribution of the random vector  $(\tilde{z}, \tilde{y})$  and  $A = \{(z, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid z + y = 0\}$ . The second equality in (\*) follows from the fact that  $A$  is a set with zero Lebesgue measure in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

However,  $\tilde{z} + \tilde{y} = \tilde{z} + \tilde{z}\tilde{x} = \tilde{z}(1 + \tilde{x})$ . Therefore,  $\tilde{z} + \tilde{y} = 0$  if and only if either the event  $\{\tilde{z} = 0\}$  or the event  $\{\tilde{x} = -1\}$  or both occur. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} P\{\tilde{z} + \tilde{y} = 0\} &= P(\{\tilde{z} = 0\} \cup \{\tilde{x} = -1\}) \\ &= P\{\tilde{z} = 0\} + P\{\tilde{x} = -1\} - P(\{\tilde{z} = 0\} \cap \{\tilde{x} = -1\}) \\ &= P\{\tilde{z} = 0\} + P\{\tilde{x} = -1\} - P\{\tilde{z} = 0\} \cdot P\{\tilde{x} = -1\} = 0 + \frac{1}{2} - 0 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction with (\*). Note that the third equality in the previous expression follows from the independence between  $\tilde{z}$  and  $\tilde{x}$ , which implies that  $P(\{\tilde{z} = 0\} \cap \{\tilde{x} = -1\}) = P\{\tilde{z} = 0\} \cdot P\{\tilde{x} = -1\}$ . Therefore, the vector  $(\tilde{z}, \tilde{y})$  cannot be multivariate normal.

(b) Use the theorem of total probability to get

$$\begin{aligned}
P\{\tilde{y} \leq y\} &= P\{\tilde{x} = 1\} \cdot P\{\tilde{y} \leq y | \tilde{x} = 1\} + P\{\tilde{x} = -1\} \cdot P\{\tilde{y} \leq y | \tilde{x} = -1\} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \cdot P\{\tilde{z} \leq y | \tilde{x} = 1\} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot P\{-\tilde{z} \leq y | \tilde{x} = -1\} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \cdot P\{\tilde{z} \leq y\} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot P\{-\tilde{z} \leq y\} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot P\{\tilde{z} \leq y\} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot P\{\tilde{z} \leq y\} \\
&= P\{\tilde{z} \leq y\} = N(y), \tag{**}
\end{aligned}$$

where  $N(\cdot)$  is the standard normal distribution function. Note that the second equality in the previous expression follows since  $\tilde{y} = \tilde{z}$  when  $\tilde{x} = 1$  and  $\tilde{y} = -\tilde{z}$  when  $\tilde{x} = -1$ . The third equality follows from the independence between  $\tilde{z}$  and  $\tilde{x}$ . The fourth equality follows since  $P\{-\tilde{z} \leq y\} = P\{\tilde{z} \geq -y\} = P\{\tilde{z} \leq y\}$ , that is,  $\tilde{z}$  and  $-\tilde{z}$  have the same standard normal distribution. The last equality in (\*\*) follows from the standard normality of  $\tilde{z}$ .

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Cov}(\tilde{z}, \tilde{y}) &= E(\tilde{z} \cdot \tilde{y}) - E(\tilde{z}) \cdot E(\tilde{y}) = E(\tilde{z} \cdot \tilde{y}) - 0 \cdot 0 = E(E(\tilde{z} \cdot \tilde{y} | \tilde{x})) \\
&= P\{\tilde{x} = 1\} E(\tilde{z}^2) + P\{\tilde{x} = -1\} E(-\tilde{z}^2) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot E(\tilde{z}^2) - \frac{1}{2} E(\tilde{z}^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \text{Var}(\tilde{z}) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Var}(\tilde{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

(d) Since  $\tilde{z} \in [0, 1/2)$  implies that  $\tilde{y} = \tilde{z}\tilde{x} \in (-1/2, 1/2)$ , then  $\{\tilde{y} > 1\} \cap \{\tilde{z} \in [0, 1/2)\} = \emptyset$ .

Therefore,  $P(\{\tilde{y} > 1\} \cap \{\tilde{z} \in [0, 1/2]\}) = P(\emptyset) = 0$ . However,

$$0 = P(\{\tilde{y} > 1\} \cap \{\tilde{z} \in [0, 1/2]\}) \neq P\{\tilde{y} > 1\} \cdot P\{\tilde{z} \in [0, 1/2]\} > 0$$

since  $P\{\tilde{y} > 1\} > 0$  and  $P\{\tilde{z} \in [0, 1/2]\} > 0$  due to the normality of  $\tilde{y}$  and  $\tilde{z}$ .

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**29.**

$$\begin{aligned} E(\tilde{x}) &= \int_0^1 x \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^\alpha (1-x)^{\beta-1} dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)\Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma(\alpha + 1 + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma(\alpha + 1 + \beta)} x^\alpha (1-x)^{\beta-1} dx \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)\Gamma(\alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha + 1 + \beta)} \cdot \underbrace{\int_0^1 \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + 1 + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma(\beta)} x^\alpha (1-x)^{\beta-1} dx}_{= 1} \end{aligned}$$

since it is the area under the beta density

with parameters  $\alpha + 1$  and  $\beta$

Then, using the properties of the gamma function  $\Gamma$ , we get

$$\frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)\Gamma(\alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha + 1 + \beta)} = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta) \cdot \overbrace{\alpha \cdot \Gamma(\alpha)}^{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \cdot \underbrace{(\alpha + \beta) \cdot \Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}_{\Gamma(\alpha+1+\beta)}} = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}.$$

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**30.** Making the change to polar coordinates,

$$\int_A \frac{k}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} d(x, y) = k \cdot \left[ \int_1^{\sqrt{3}} \frac{1}{(r^2)^3} r dr \right] \cdot \left[ \int_{\pi}^{3\pi/2} d\theta \right] = k \cdot \left[ \int_1^{\sqrt{3}} \frac{1}{r^5} dr \right] \cdot [\theta]_{\pi}^{3\pi/2}$$

$$k \cdot \left[ -\frac{r^{-4}}{4} \right]_1^{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} = k \cdot \frac{2}{9} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} = k \cdot \frac{\pi}{9} = 1 \implies k = \frac{9}{\pi}$$

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**31.** Let  $\tilde{\theta}$  be the smaller positive angle (with vertex at the center of the circumference) that separates the two points on the circumference. Then, the distance between the two points is  $2r \sin\left(\frac{\tilde{\theta}}{2}\right)$  (think about it!). The expected distance is  $E\left[2r \sin\left(\frac{\tilde{\theta}}{2}\right)\right] = 2rE\left[\sin\left(\frac{\tilde{\theta}}{2}\right)\right]$ . Clearly,

$$f_{\tilde{\theta}}(\theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\pi} & \text{for } 0 < \theta < \pi \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

That is, the distribution of the angle  $\tilde{\theta}$  is obviously absolutely continuous and uniform on  $(0, \pi)$ .

Then,

$$2rE\left[\sin\left(\frac{\tilde{\theta}}{2}\right)\right] = 2r \int_0^{\pi} \frac{1}{\pi} \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) d\theta = \frac{2r}{\pi} \left[-2 \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\right]_0^{\pi} = \frac{4r}{\pi}.$$

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**32.** Since the standard normal density is symmetric around zero, we have  $P\{\tilde{z} \geq b\} = P\{\tilde{z} \leq -b\}$ . Moreover, from the result in part (a) of Exercise 33

of List 3, we have

$$P\{\tilde{z} \geq b\} \leq \frac{M_{\tilde{z}}(t)}{e^{bt}} = \frac{e^{t^2/2}}{e^{bt}} \quad \text{for all } b \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and all } t \geq 0.$$

Consider a  $b$  non-negative and make  $t = b \geq 0$  in the previous expression so that

$$P\{\tilde{z} \geq b\} \leq \frac{e^{b^2/2}}{e^{b^2}} = e^{-b^2/2} \quad \text{for all } b \geq 0.$$

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**33.** (a) We use the multivariate hypergeometric distribution:

$$h(2, 2, 0; 4, 6, 3, 2, 1) = \frac{\binom{3}{2} \binom{2}{2} \binom{1}{0}}{\binom{6}{4}} = \frac{1}{5}.$$

(b) We use the multinomial distribution:

$$m(2, 2, 0; 4, 1/2, 1/3, 1/6) = \frac{4!}{2!2!0!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^0 = \frac{1}{6}.$$

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**34.** Since

$$l(x; m, s) = \frac{e^{-\left(\frac{x-m}{s}\right)}}{s \left[1 + e^{-\left(\frac{x-m}{s}\right)}\right]^2},$$

then

$$l(m-x; m, s) = \frac{e^{-\left(\frac{-x}{s}\right)}}{s \left[1 + e^{-\left(\frac{-x}{s}\right)}\right]^2} = \frac{e^{x/s}}{s (1 + e^{x/s})^2},$$

and

$$l(m+x; m, s) = \frac{e^{-\left(\frac{x}{s}\right)}}{s \left[1 + e^{-\left(\frac{x}{s}\right)}\right]^2} = \frac{e^{-x/s}}{s (1 + e^{-x/s})^2}.$$

Let us check that  $l(m-x, m, s) = l(m+x, m, s)$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{e^{x/s}}{s (1 + e^{x/s})^2} &= \frac{e^{-x/s}}{s (1 + e^{-x/s})^2} \\ \iff e^{x/s} (1 + e^{-x/s})^2 &= e^{-x/s} (1 + e^{x/s})^2 \\ \iff e^{x/s} (1 + e^{-2x/s} + 2e^{-x/s}) &= e^{-x/s} (1 + e^{2x/s} + 2e^{x/s}) \\ \iff e^{x/s} + e^{-x/s} + 2 &= e^{-x/s} + e^{x/s} + 2, \end{aligned}$$

which is what we wanted to check.

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