

## 2nd Exercise Sheet

### Convolutions II

**2.1** We say that a random variable  $X$  has Cauchy distribution with parameters  $m \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\tau > 0$  (notation:  $\text{Cau}(m, \tau)$ ) if its density function is

$$f(x) = \frac{\tau}{\pi(\tau^2 + (x - m)^2)} \quad \text{for } x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- (a) Show that if  $X$  has distribution  $\text{Cau}(0, 1)$  then for real numbers  $\tau, m \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\tau X + m$  has distribution  $\text{Cau}(m, |\tau|)$ .
- (b) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be absolutely continuous random variables with density functions  $f$  and  $g$  respectively. If the density of  $Z = X + Y$  is  $f * g$ , does this imply that  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent?

**HW 2.2** Show that it is possible to find example like **2.1b** for discrete distributions. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be random variables taking values in  $\{0, 1, 2\}$  such that  $\mathbb{P}(X = i) = \mathbb{P}(Y = i) = 1/3$  for every  $i = 0, 1, 2$ .

- (a) Find the distribution of  $X + Y$  assuming that  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent.
- (b) Find all joint distributions  $(X, Y)$  so that the distribution of  $X + Y$  is the same as the answer as **2.2a**.

**HW 2.3** Let  $X, Y > 0$  be positive and independent random variables with distribution functions  $F$  and  $G$  respectively. Give the distribution of  $XY$ !

**2.4** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be independent random variables such that  $X \sim \text{Uni}(0, 1)$  and  $Y$  has  $k$ -times continuously differentiable distribution function  $F(y) = \mathbb{P}(Y < y)$ , where  $k \in \{0, 1, \dots\}$ . Show that the distribution of  $X + Y$  is  $(k + 1)$ -times continuously differentiable.

**2.5** Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, \dots$  be i.i.d random variables with common distribution  $\mathbb{P}(X_i = 0) = \frac{1}{2} = \mathbb{P}(X_i = 1)$ . Let  $Y := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} X_n$ . (The sum is convergent with probability 1!) Prove that the distribution of  $Y$  is uniform on the interval  $[0, 1]$ .

**HW\* 2.6** Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, \dots$  be i.i.d random variables with common distribution  $\text{Uni}(0, 1)$ . Let  $Y := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} X_n$ . (The sum is convergent with probability 1!) Prove that the distribution function  $F(y) := \mathbb{P}(Y < y)$  of  $Y$  is continuous. Moreover, show that  $F$  is infinitely differentiable but nowhere analytic. (*Hint:* For the last part show that the radius of convergence of the Taylor series is zero for every point in  $[0, 1]$ .)

**2.7** For a given  $\lambda, \alpha > 0$ , denote  $\text{Gamma}(\alpha, \lambda)$  the distribution, of which density function is

$$f_{\alpha, \lambda}(x) := \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda x} \mathbb{1}_{\{x > 0\}}.$$

Calculate the value of  $B(a, b) = \int_0^1 x^{a-1} (1-x)^{b-1} dx$  for every fixed parameters  $a, b > 0$ . (*Hint:* Use the definition of  $\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)$  and the substitution  $x = zt, y = z(1-t)$  to calculate the double integral  $\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty x^{a-1} e^{-x} y^{b-1} e^{-y} dx dy$  in two ways!)

**2.8** Calculate the moments of the distribution  $\text{Gamma}(\alpha, \lambda)$ .

**HW 2.9** For every  $a, b > 0$ , denote  $\text{Beta}(a, b)$  the distribution, of which density function is

$$f_{a, b}(x) := \frac{1}{B(a, b)} x^{a-1} (1-x)^{b-1} \mathbb{1}_{\{x \in [0, 1]\}}.$$

Calculate the moments of  $\text{Beta}(a, b)$ ! (The constant  $B(a, b)$  is defined in **2.7**.)

**2.10** Prove that if  $X$  and  $Y$  are i.i.d. standard normal random variables, and  $a$  and  $b$  real numbers then  $U = aX + bY$  és  $V = bX - aY$  are also independent. What distribution do  $U$  and  $V$  have?