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- This test has ONE PAGE and THREE QUESTIONS. The total of points is 4.0.

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1. Let X be a r.v. with p.f. $P(X = x) = \frac{3}{\pi^2 x^2}$, for $x \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$. (1.0)

After having derived the p.f. of X^+ and of X^- , show that $E(X^+) = E(X^-) = +\infty$ and therefore: (i) $X \notin L^1$; (ii) $E(X)$ does not exist.

• **R.v.**

X

$$P(X = x) = P(X = -x) = \frac{3}{\pi^2 x^2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}_X = \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\} \quad (\text{symmetric around zero, } (\star))$$

• **Positive part of X**

$$\begin{aligned} X^+ &= \max\{X, 0\} \\ P(X^+ = x) &= P(\max\{X, 0\} = x) \\ &= \begin{cases} P(X \leq 0) = P(X \leq -1) = P(X \geq 1) \stackrel{(\star)}{=} \frac{1}{2}, & x = 0 \\ P(X = x) = \frac{3}{\pi^2 x^2}, & x \in \mathbb{N} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$E(X^+) \stackrel{X^+ \geq 0, \text{Cor. 4.78}}{=} \sum_{x=0}^{+\infty} x \times P(X = x) = \sum_{x=1}^{+\infty} x \times \frac{3}{\pi^2 x^2} = \frac{3}{\pi^2} \sum_{x=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x} = +\infty$$

• **Negative part of X**

$$\begin{aligned} X^- &= -\min\{X, 0\} = \max\{-X, 0\} \\ P(X^- = x) &= P(\max\{-X, 0\} = x) = \begin{cases} P(X \geq 0) = P(X \geq 1) \stackrel{(\star)}{=} P(X \leq -1) = \frac{1}{2}, & x = 0 \\ P(X = -x) \stackrel{(\star)}{=} P(X = x) = \frac{3}{\pi^2 x^2}, & x \in \mathbb{N} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$X^- \sim X^+$$

$$E(X^-) = E(X^+) = +\infty$$

• **Conclusion**

Since $E(X^+) = E(X^-) = +\infty$, we can add that:

- (i) $E(|X|) = E(X^+) + E(X^-) \not< +\infty$ and thus $X \notin L^1$, that is, X is not an integrable r.v.;
- (ii) $E(X)$ does not exist, according to the conventions when X is non-integrable. □

2. State Minkowski's moment inequality. (1.5)

Illustrate this inequality, when $p = 3$ and the random vector (X, Y) has independent components that are uniformly distributed in the interval $[0, 1]$.

• **Statement of the Minkowski's moment inequality**

$$X, Y \in L^p, p \in [1, +\infty) \Rightarrow E^{\frac{1}{p}}(|X + Y|^p) \leq E^{\frac{1}{p}}(|X|^p) + E^{\frac{1}{p}}(|Y|^p)$$

- **Random vector**

$$(X, Y), \quad X \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} Y \sim \text{uniform}(0, 1), \quad f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **Transformation of (X, Y)**

$$Z = X + Y, \quad f_Z(z) \stackrel{\text{Prop. 3.98}}{=} \begin{cases} z, & 0 \leq z \leq 1 \\ 2 - z, & 1 < z \leq 2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **Requested illustration ($p = 3$)** — Since $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$ and $X \sim Y$ we get:

$$\begin{aligned} E^{\frac{1}{p}}(|X + Y|^p) &= \left[\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |x + y|^p \times f_{X,Y}(x, y) \, dy \, dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq E^{\frac{1}{p}}(|X|^p) + E^{\frac{1}{p}}(|Y|^p) \\ \left[\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |z|^p \times f_Z(z) \, dz \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} &= \left[\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |x + y|^p \times f_X(x) \times f_Y(y) \, dy \, dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq 2 \times \left[\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |x|^p \times f_X(x) \, dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ \left[\int_0^1 z^3 \times z \, dz + \int_1^2 z^3 \times (2 - z) \, dz \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} &= \left[\int_0^1 \int_0^1 (x + y)^3 \, dy \, dx \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} \leq 2 \times \left[\int_0^1 x^3 \, dx \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= \left(\frac{z^5}{5} \Big|_0^1 + \frac{z^4}{2} \Big|_1^2 - \frac{z^5}{5} \Big|_1^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = [\dots] \leq 2 \times \left(\frac{x^4}{4} \Big|_0^1 \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{5} + 8 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{32}{5} + \frac{1}{5} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \leq 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \approx 1.144714 \leq 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \approx 1.259921. \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

3. Admit that $(X, Y, Z) \sim \text{normal}_3(\underline{\mu}, \Sigma)$, where $\underline{\mu}$ and Σ are such that: $\mu_X = \mu_Y = \mu_Z = 0$; $\sigma_X^2 = \sigma_Y^2 = \sigma_Z^2 = 1$, (1.5)
 $\text{corr}(X, Y) = \text{corr}(X, Z) = 0$, and $\text{corr}(Y, Z) = \rho = 0.5$.

What is the probability that $\frac{X+Y}{2}$ does not exceed $(Z + 1)$?

- **Random vector (X, Y, Z)**

$$(X, Y, Z) \sim \text{normal}_3(\underline{\mu}, \Sigma), \quad \text{where: } \underline{\mu} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}; \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \rho \\ 0 & \rho & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- **Requested probability and auxiliary r.v.**

$$P[(X + Y)/2 \leq Z + 1] = P(W = X + Y - 2Z \leq 2)$$

$$W = X + Y - 2Z = \mathbf{C} \times \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix} + \underline{b}, \quad \text{where: } \mathbf{C} = [1 \quad 1 \quad -2]; \quad \underline{b} = [0].$$

$$W \stackrel{\text{Th. 4.216}}{\sim} \text{normal}(E(W), V(W)), \quad \text{where:}$$

$$E(W) = \mathbf{C}\underline{\mu} + \underline{b} = 0;$$

$$V(W) = \mathbf{C}\Sigma\mathbf{C}^T = [1 \quad 1 \quad -2] \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \rho \\ 0 & \rho & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = [1 \quad 1 - 2\rho \quad \rho - 2] \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = 6 - 4\rho.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} P(W = X + Y - 2Z \leq 2) &= \Phi\left\{ [2 - E(W)] / \sqrt{V(W)} \right\} \\ &= \Phi\left\{ (2 - 0) / \sqrt{6 - 4\rho} \right\} \\ &\stackrel{\rho=0.5}{=} \Phi(1) = 0.8413. \end{aligned}$$