

Problems from Assignment 14

1. Let  $V \sim \chi_n^2$ . Also let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  and  $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$ .

(a) Show:

$$E(\sqrt{V}) = \frac{\sqrt{2}\Gamma(\frac{n+1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})}$$

Remember  $E(g(X)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)f_X(x) dx$ . And of course, you don't do the integration you relate it to integrals you already know.

(b) Find  $E(S)$ .

(c) We have shown the  $S^2$  is an unbiased estimator of  $\sigma^2$ . Is  $S$  an unbiased estimator of  $\sigma$ ?

2. Suppose  $X \sim \chi_m^2$  and  $Y \sim \chi_n^2$ , with  $X$  and  $Y$  independent. Use moment generating functions (of the chi-squared distribution) to show that  $X + Y \sim \chi_{m+n}^2$ .