

FREE PROBABILITY AND RANDOM MATRICES

EXERCISE 1, DUE SEPTEMBER 27

1) Let ν be a probability measure on \mathbb{R} . show that if ν has a moment of order k then ν has moments of order m for $m < k$.

2) Suppose that the probability measure ν has a fourth moment, then its characteristic function $\phi(t) = 1 + \alpha_1 \frac{(it)}{1!} + \alpha_2 \frac{(it)^2}{2!} + \alpha_3 \frac{(it)^3}{3!} + \alpha_4 \frac{(it)^4}{4!} + o(t)$, where $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$, and α_4 are the first four moments. Let $\log(\phi(t)) = k_1(it) + k_2 \frac{(it)^2}{2!} + k_3 \frac{(it)^3}{3!} + k_4 \frac{(it)^4}{4!} + o(t)$. Using the Taylor series for $\log(1+x)$, find a formula for $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4\}$ in terms of $\{k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4\}$.

3) Let $\vec{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ be a Gaussian random vector with density $\exp(-\frac{1}{2}\langle B\vec{t}, \vec{t} \rangle) \det(B)^{1/2} (2\pi)^{-n/2}$. Let $C = B^{-1}$ normalized so that $E(|f_{ij}|^2) = 1$.

i) Show that B is diagonal if and only if $\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ is independent.

ii) by first diagonalizing B show that $c_{ij} = E((X_i - E(X_i))(X_j - E(X_j)))$.

4) Let $Z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(X + iY)$ with X and Y independent real Gaussian random variables with mean 0 and variance 1.

i) By making the substitution $\vec{t} = O\vec{s}$ where $O = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$, show

$$\text{that for } m \neq n, \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} (t_1 + it_2)^m (t_1 - it_2)^n e^{-(t_1^2 + t_2^2)} dt_1 dt_2 = 0.$$

ii) Show that $E(Z^m \bar{Z}^n) = 0$ for $m \neq n$.

iii) By switching to polar coordinates, show that $E(|Z|^n) = n!$.

5) Let X be an $N \times N$ GUE random matrix, with entries $f_{i,j} = x_{i,j} + \sqrt{-1}y_{i,j}$.

i) Consider the random N^2 -vector:

$$(x_{11}, x_{22}, \dots, x_{NN}, x_{1,2}, \dots, x_{1,N}, \dots, x_{N-1,N}, y_{12}, \dots, y_{1N}, \dots, y_{N-1,N})$$

Show that the density of the vector is $c \exp(-\frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}(X^2)) dX$, where

$$dX = \prod_{i=1}^N dx_{ii} \prod_{i < j} dx_{i,j} dy_{i,j} \text{ and } c \text{ is some constant.}$$

ii) Evaluate the constant c .