

Math Stat Review Assignment

Part 1: Answer each question T for true or F for false.

1. ____ Let $P(A) > 0$, and C_1, C_2, \dots be disjoint sets. Then $P(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n | A) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(C_n | A)$.
2. ____ $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda=2)$, and $Y = X^2$. $f_Y(3) = 0$.
3. ____ If X has a binomial distribution, X is a discrete random variable.
4. ____ $X \sim \text{Normal}(\mu=5, \sigma^2=4)$. $P(X > 1) = 0.023$.
5. ____ $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n=20, p=.8)$. $E(X) = 3.2$.
6. ____ Let \mathbb{N} be the set of non-negative integers. If $X \sim \text{Normal}(0, 1)$, $P(X \in \mathbb{N}) = 0$.
7. ____ The moment-generating function of the random variable X is $M_X(t) = (1-2t)^{-1}$.
 $X \sim \text{Exponential}(\theta=2)$.
8. ____ The moment-generating function of the random variable X is $M_X(t) = (1-2t)^{-20}$.
 $X \sim \text{Chi-squared}(r=20)$.
9. ____ If X has a Gamma distribution with parameters α and β , the density of X is symmetric about the mean $\alpha\beta$.
10. ____ The joint density of X and Y is $f_{XY}(x,y) = x+y$ for $0 \leq x \leq 1$ and $0 \leq y \leq 1$, zero otherwise. X and Y are independent.
11. ____ Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a Normal (μ, σ^2) population. Then the joint density of the n random variables is $\frac{1}{\sigma^n (2\pi)^{n/2}} \text{Exp}\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2\right\}$.
12. ____ The moment-generating function of the random variable X is $M_X(t) = e^{5t+4t^2}$.
 $X \sim \text{Normal}(\mu=5, \sigma^2=8)$.
13. ____ You flip a fair coin 10 times. The variance of the number of heads is 5.
14. ____ $X \sim \text{Chi-squared}(r=20)$. $P(X < 0) = 0$.
15. ____ $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n=20, p=.8)$. $F_X(21) = 0$.
16. ____ $X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha=2, \beta=20)$. $\text{Var}(X) = 40$.

17. ____ If X has a Poisson distribution, $P(X \leq 0) = 0$.
18. ____ The moment-generating function of the random variable X is $M_X(t) = (.2e^t + .8)^{20}$. $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n=20, p=.8)$.
19. ____ If the events A and B are independent, $P(A|B) = P(B)$.
20. ____ $X \sim \text{Chi-squared}(r=20)$. $E(X) = 40$.
21. ____ Let X represent your weight yesterday, and Y represent your weight today. X and Y are dependent (not independent).
22. ____ $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu=1)$. $P(X=0) = e^{-1}$.
23. ____ $X \sim \text{Normal}(\mu=0, \sigma^2=1)$. $P(X > 1) = P(X < -1)$.
24. ____ $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu=2)$. $\text{Var}(X) = 2$.
25. ____ Let the random variables X and Y be independent. Then $E(XY) = E(X)E(Y)$.
26. ____ $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu=2)$. $P(X=1) = 2e^{-2}$.
27. ____ $X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha=2, \beta=20)$. $P(X=1) = 0$.
28. ____ For two events A and B , if $P(A) = 0$, it is possible for A and B to be both disjoint and independent.
29. ____ $X \sim \text{Exponential}(\theta=2)$. $P(X=1) = e^{1/2}$.
30. ____ Let the random variables X and Y be independent. Then $P(X \leq x, Y \leq y) = F_X(x)F_Y(y)$.
31. ____ The moment-generating function of the random variable X is $M_X(t) = (1-2t)^{-20}$. $X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha=2, \beta=20)$.
32. ____ The moment-generating function of the random variable X is $M_X(t) = e^{2(e^t-1)}$. $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu=2)$.
33. ____ The moment-generating function of the random variable X is $M_X(t) = 1$. This is impossible.
34. ____ $X \sim \text{Normal}(\mu=0, \sigma^2=1)$. $M_X(t) = e^{-.5t^2}$.
35. ____ If $A \cap B = \emptyset$, A and B are said to be independent.
36. ____ $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu=6.5)$. $\text{Var}(X) = 42.25$.

37. ____ $X \sim \text{Exponential}(\theta=2)$. $E(X)=2$
38. ____ $X \sim \text{Normal}(\mu=5, \sigma^2=16)$. $\text{Var}(X)=4$.
39. ____ $X \sim \text{Normal}(\mu=5, \sigma^2=16)$. $P(X>5)=1/2$.
40. ____ Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a Poisson distribution with parameter μ . Then the joint density of the n random variables is $\frac{e^{-n\mu} \mu^{n x_i}}{n x_i!}$, for $x_i = 0, 1, \dots$; $i=1, \dots, n$; and zero otherwise.

Review Assignment Part 2

1. Derive the means, variances and moment-generating functions in the table below. Obtain each mean and variance from the Moment-generating function, and also directly from the definition.

Distribution	$f(x)$	μ	σ^2	$M_X(t)$
Bernoulli	$\theta^x(1-\theta)^{1-x} I_{\{x=0,1\}}$	θ	$\theta(1-\theta)$	$\theta e^t + 1-\theta$
Binomial	$\binom{n}{x} \theta^x(1-\theta)^{n-x}$ $I_{\{x=0, \dots, n\}}$	$n\theta$	$n\theta(1-\theta)$	$(\theta e^t + 1-\theta)^n$
Poisson	$\frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} I_{\{x=0, 1, \dots\}}$	λ	λ	$e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}$
Exponential	$\frac{1}{\theta} e^{-x/\theta} I_{(x>0)}$	θ	θ^2	$(1-\theta t)^{-1}$
Gamma	$\frac{1}{\beta^\alpha \Gamma(\alpha)} e^{-x/\beta} x^{\alpha-1}$ $I_{(x>0)}$	$\alpha\beta$	$\alpha\beta^2$	$(1-\beta t)^{-\alpha}$
Chi-square	$\frac{1}{2^{v/2} \Gamma(v/2)} e^{-x/2} x^{v/2-1}$ $I_{(x>0)}$	v	$2v$	$(1-2t)^{-v/2}$
Normal	$\frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$	μ	σ^2	$e^{\mu t + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 t^2}$

2. Let the random variable X have an exponential distribution with mean θ . Let $Y = \frac{2X}{\theta}$. Derive the probability density function $f_Y(y)$. Show your work.

3. Let the random variable X have a normal distribution with mean μ and variance σ^2 . Let $Y = \frac{X-\mu}{\sigma}$. Derive the probability density function $f_Y(y)$. Show your work.

4. Let X have a normal distribution with mean μ and variance σ^2 ; that is, $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Let $Y = e^X$. (This means $X = \ln(Y)$, so Y has a log-normal distribution) Find the density $f_Y(y)$. Don't forget the support!

5. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be independent random variables with moment-generating functions $M_{X_i}(t)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$. Let $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$. Starting from the definition of a moment-generating function and then using a convenient expression for $E[g(X_1, \dots, X_n)]$, find $M_Y(t)$. Assume X_1, \dots, X_n are continuous, so you'll integrate. Show all your work.

6. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be independent Poisson random variables, all with the same parameter $\lambda > 0$. Let $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$. Give $f_Y(y) = P(Y=y)$. Show your work. Remember, the support counts for half marks.

7. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a Normal $(0, \sigma^2)$ distribution.

a) Let $Y_i = \frac{X_i^2}{\sigma^2}$. Use the distribution function technique to find the density of Y_i .

b) Let $W = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i^2}{\sigma^2}$. Find the distribution of W . (That is, the distribution

of W has a name. Name the distribution and give the value of the parameter.) Show your work.

Review Assignment: Part 3

1. Let X be a *continuous* random variable and let a be a constant. Prove $E[a] = a$. You may use the “definition” $E[g(X)] = \int g(x)f(x) dx$.
2. Let X and Y be continuous random variables that are *independent*. Prove that $E[XY] = E[X]E[Y]$. Be very clear about where you are using the assumption of independence.
3. Let X and Y be *continuous* random variables. Prove $E[X + Y] = E[X] + E[Y]$. You may use the “definition” $E[g(X, Y)] = \int \int g(x, y)f(x, y) dx dy$, and you may exchange order of integration without comment. However, do *not* assume that X and Y are independent.
4. Let X and Y be random variables. Derive a formula for $Var(X + Y)$. You may use the formulas $Var(X) = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$ and $Cov(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)$ if you wish.
5. Let $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = e^{-x-y}I(x > 0)I(y > 0)$. What is $Cov(X, Y)$? There is a short quick way to do this problem, or you can do it the long way.
6. Let X have a *Rayleigh* distribution. That is, $f_X(x) = 2\alpha x e^{-\alpha x^2}I(x > 0)$, and let $Y = \alpha X^2$.
 - (a) (20 points) Find $f_Y(y)$. Make sure it is correct for all real y .
 - (b) (5 points) Identify the distribution by name and give the values of its parameters.
7. Chebyshev’s inequality states that for any random variable X with $E(X) = \mu$ and $Var(X) = \sigma^2$ and for any $k > 0$, $P(|X - \mu| \geq k\sigma) \leq \frac{1}{k^2}$. Use this result to prove the following. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a population with expected value μ and variance σ^2 . Then for all $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|\bar{X}_n - \mu| \geq \epsilon) = 0.$$

8. The cumulative distribution function of the random variable X is $F_X(x) = \frac{x+1}{2}I(-1 < x < 1) + I(x \geq 1)$.

- (a) Find $P(-2 < X < 0)$
- (b) Find $f_X(x)$. Make sure your answer is correct for all real x .
9. Let X have distribution function $F(x) = 1 - (1 + x)e^{-x} I(x > 0)$.
- a. Find $P(-4 < X < 3)$.
- b. Give a formula for the density function $f(x)$. Make sure it is correct for all real x .
10. Let the random variable X satisfy $P(X = \mu) = 1$.
- (a) Derive the moment-generating function of X .
- (b) Sketch the cumulative distribution function of X .
11. The random variable X has density $f_X(x) = 4e^{x-4e^x} I(-\infty < x < \infty)$. (The indicator is not really necessary but it may be helpful to you.) Find the density of $Y = e^X$. Make sure $f_Y(y)$ is correct for all real y .
12. Let X have an exponential distribution with $\theta = 1$, and let $Y = X + 4$. Find the density of Y . The support is very important.
13. Let U be distributed as $U(0, 1)$; that is, $f_U(u) = I(0 < u < 1)$. Let $Y = -\theta \log(1 - U)$, where $\theta > 0$, and of course it's the natural log. Find the density $f_Y(y)$; be sure to indicate where it's non-zero.
- (a) Use the Distribution Function Technique.
- (b) Use the Moment-generating Function Technique. You will “recognize” the answer.
- (c) Suppose you had a computer program that generated good pseudo-random numbers from a uniform distribution. How would you simulate values from the distribution of Y ?
14. Let the distribution function F be differentiable and strictly increasing on $(-\infty, \infty)$, so that F has a density f , and the inverse of the distribution function F^{-1} exists. Let the random variable U have density $f_U(u) = I(0 < u < 1)$, and let $Y = F^{-1}(U)$. Find the density $f_Y(y)$.
- (a) Use the Distribution Function Technique.

- (b) Use the Moment-generating Function Technique. You will “recognize” the answer (or look at Part 1).
- (c) Suppose you had a computer program that generated good pseudo-random numbers from a uniform distribution. How would you simulate values from the distribution of Y ?
15. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a probability distribution with common distribution function $F(x)$ and density $f(x)$. Find the density of
- (a) $X_{(1)} = \text{Minimum}(X_1, \dots, X_n)$
- (b) $X_{(n)} = \text{Maximum}(X_1, \dots, X_n)$
16. The joint density of X_1 and X_2 is $f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = e^{-x_1 - x_2} I(x_1 > 0) I(x_2 > 0)$. Find the density of $Y = X_1 + X_2$ any way you wish (more than one way will work). Make sure $f_Y(y)$ is correct for all real y .
17. Let $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = cxyI(x = 1, 2, 3)I(y = 1, \dots, x)$
- (a) Find the constant c
- (b) Find $f_Y(y)$. You don't need to use indicator functions. Just give $f_Y(y)$ for the y values with non-zero probability, and say “Zero for all other y .”
- (c) Find $f_{X|Y}(x|2)$. You don't need to use indicator functions. Just give the values of $f_{X|Y}(x|2)$ for the x values with non-zero probability, and say “Zero for all other x .”
- (d) Find $E[X|Y = 2]$
18. Let $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = kxy^2I(0 < x < 1)I(-x < y < x)$.
- (a) Sketch the support of $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$.
- (b) Find k .
- (c) Find $f_X(x)$. Make sure it is correct for all real x . Find $f_{Y|X}(y|x)$; your answer must apply to any x between 0 and 1, and must be correct for all real y .
- (d) Find $E[Y|X = x]$, for some arbitrary fixed x between 0 and 1.

19. Let $f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2}I(x_1 > 0)I(x_2 > 0)I(x_1 + x_2 < 2)$. Let $Y_1 = X_2 - X_1$ and $Y_2 = X_1$.
- (a) Sketch the support of $f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2)$.
 - (b) Find $f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2)$. Make sure it is correct for all pairs of real numbers (y_1, y_2) .
 - (c) (10 points) Sketch the support of $f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2)$.
20. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a *normal* population with $\mu = 0$ and $\sigma^2 = 1$, and let $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$. Find $f_Y(y)$. Make sure it is correct for all real y .
21. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from an *exponential* population with parameter $\theta > 0$. Find the probability density function of the sample mean. Don't forget the support.

Review Assignment: Part 4

1. Let the continuous random variables X_1 and X_2 be independent and normal, both with $\mu = 0$ and $\sigma^2 = 1$.

a. Find the joint density of $Y_1 = X_1/X_2$ and $Y_2 = X_2$. The ratio of two real numbers is real, so for once you don't need to worry about the support. The support of Y_1 and Y_2 is the whole plane \mathbb{R}^2 .

b. Find the marginal density of Y_1 . Again you don't need to indicate the support, because it's the whole real line. Hint: To get rid of the absolute value sign, split the integral at zero and realize that for $y_2 < 0$, $|y_2| = -y_2$.

2. Let X_1 and X_2 be independent $N(0,1)$ random variables. Show that (contrary to what you might expect) $Y_1 = X_1 + X_2$ and $Y_2 = X_1 - X_2$ are independent random variables.

3. Let $X_1 \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_1, 1)$ and $X_2 \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_2, 1)$ be independent. Let $Y_1 = X_1 + X_2$ and $Y_2 = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2}$.

a. Sketch the support of Y_1 and Y_2 .

b. Derive the joint density of Y_1 and Y_2 .

c. Find the marginal density of Y_2 . Include an indicator function for the support.

4. Let $X_1 \sim \text{Normal}(0,1)$ and $X_2 \sim \text{Chi-square}(v)$ be independent. Find the density of $Y_1 = X_1 / \sqrt{\frac{X_2}{v}}$; compare your result to the t density with v degrees of freedom.

5. Let $X_1 \sim \text{Chi-square}(v_1)$ and $X_2 \sim \text{Chi-square}(v_2)$ be independent. Find the density of $Y_1 = \frac{X_1/v_1}{X_2/v_2}$; compare your result to the F density with v_1 and v_2 degrees of freedom.

6. Let G_n have a Gamma distribution with parameters $\alpha=n$ and β , where $\beta>0$ is not a function of n . Let $Y_n = G_n/n$. Find the limiting distribution of Y_n . Hint: Find the limiting moment-generating function.