

### Problem Set # 3

1. (a) Let  $V \geq 0$ . Show  $E(V) < \infty \iff \forall \epsilon > 0 \exists S > 0 \Rightarrow P(A) < S \Rightarrow E(V I_A) \leq \epsilon$ .
- (b) For  $V \geq 0$  show  $E(V) < \infty \Leftrightarrow E[V I(V > y)] \rightarrow 0$  as  $y \rightarrow \infty$ .
2. Let  $X$  have df  $F$ . For  $0 < p < 1$  define the  $p^{\text{th}}$  quantile as  $\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \{x \mid F(x) \geq p\}$ . Denote it by  $F^{-1}(p)$ . Show  
 (i)  $F^{-1}[F(x)] \leq x$  (ii)  $F[F^{-1}(p)] \geq p$  (iii)  $F(x) \geq p \iff x \geq F^{-1}(p)$
3. Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  be independent rvs with 0 means + set  $S_m = \sum_{i=1}^m X_i$ . For  $c > 0$  show  $P(\max_{1 \leq k \leq m} |S_k| > c) \leq \frac{\text{Var}(S_m)}{c^2}$ .  
 Now use this to show  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} E(X_k^2) < \infty \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} X_k$  converges w.p/1 and combine this with previous results to prove the SLLN.
4. (a) Let  $\{N(t) \mid t \geq 0\}$  be a renewal process with iid interarrivals  $X_m$ . Show  $N(t) \xrightarrow{a.s.} \infty, \forall t \iff E(X_1) > 0$ .
- (b) Show  $\{N(t)/t \mid t \geq 1\}$  is uniformly integrable.
- (c) Denote the df of  $X_n$  by  $F$  + the time to the  $n^{\text{th}}$  renewal by  $S_n$  + its df by  $F_n$ . Show  

$$P(S_{N(t)} \leq s) = \bar{F}(t) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k[\bar{F}(t-y)]$$
- Note By  $E_k[g(y)]$  we mean  $E[g(S_k)]$ .
- (d) Obtain the renewal function  $m(t)$  when  $X_n \sim \text{gamma}(2, 1)$

5. Let  $\{X(t) | t \geq 0\}$  be a simple B+D process with  $X(0) = i$ . Obtain the pdf of  $X(t)$  and calculate  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P[X(t)=0 | X(0)=i]$

Hint The pdf of  $X(t)$  must be of the form  $( )^i$ . Now use the backward equations.

6(a) For a Yule process (as in #5 but  $\lambda_n = n\lambda + u_n = 0$ ) calculate  $p_{ij}(t)$ .

(b) Take a Yule process with  $X(0) = 1$  & suppose it is known  $X(t) = n+1$ . Show that the  $n$  births are at times corresponding to the order statistics of a sample of size  $n$  from the pdf

$$f(x) = \frac{\lambda e^{-\lambda(t-x)}}{1 - e^{-\lambda t}}, \quad 0 < x < t$$

7. Let  $\{X(t) | t \geq 0\}$  be a B+D process with rates  $\lambda_n = \lambda$ ,  $u_n = nu$  &  $X(0) = i$ . Show that the pdf of  $X(t)$  is given by

$$(1+(z-1)e^{-ut})^i \exp\left[\frac{\lambda}{u}(z-1)(1-e^{-ut})\right]$$

what is the limiting dist'n of  $X(t)$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ?

8. Let  $\{X(t) | t \geq 0\}$  be a birth process with birth rates  $\lambda_n$  satisfying  $\sum \frac{1}{\lambda_n} < \infty$ . Show  $\exists t_0$  st  $\sum_j P(X(t_0) = j | X(0) = i) < 1$ .