

- 1.a. Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be i.i.d. observations from  $N(0, 5\tau^2)$  with  $\tau > 0$ . Find the asymptotic distribution of  $T_n := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$ . Further, find a function  $g$  and constant  $\beta > 0$  (independent of  $\tau$ ) such that

$$\sqrt{n}[g(T_n) - g(k\tau^2)] \xrightarrow{D} N(0, \beta^2) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

[1+2]

- 1.b. A random sample  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  is obtained from the probability density function:

$$f(x|\theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^{19}}{\theta^2} \exp\left(-\frac{x^{20}}{20\theta^2}\right) & x > 0, \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

Find the maximum likelihood estimate and the method of moments estimate of  $\theta$ . [2+1]