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Final Examination

15:30-18:30, Thursday, June 23, 2011

(所有同學請先在答案卷上標註自己所屬的班級)

1. (10 scores) Let X_1 and X_2 be independent and identical (iid) exponential random variables with $f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}, x \geq 0$. Find
 - (1) The MGF of $W = X_1 - X_2$ (7 scores) and
 - (2) Variance of W (3 scores)

2. (13 scores) Let $W_1 = X_1 - X_2$ and $W_2 = X_1 + X_2$ where X_1 and X_2 are iid uniform random variables between $[-1, 1]$. Find
 - (1) The joint pdf of W_1 and W_2 . (5 scores)
 - (2) Are W_1 and W_2 identical random variables? (5 scores)
 - (3) Are they independent? (3 scores)

3. (13 scores) Let the number of customers arriving at a bank follow a Poisson distribution with mean $= \lambda$ customers per minute. The bank has two clerks serving the customers. Each customer gets a ticket (with a number on it) when entering the bank. If his/her number is even, he/she goes to clerk 1. Otherwise, he/she goes to clerk 2.
 - (1) If each ticket number is randomly and uniformly generated from $[1, 2, 3, 4]$, what will be the distribution of the inter-arrival time of customers at clerk 2? (8 scores)
 - (2) If the ticket numbers are sequentially incremented (as most of the banks do), what will be the distribution of the inter-arrival time of customers at clerk 1? (5 scores)

4. (7 scores) Let the distance of a ball from the origin ($X = 0$) depend on how many students push it together. If the number of students that push the ball together is N , then the distance D follows an Erlang distribution $f_D(d) = \frac{\lambda^N d^{N-1} e^{-\lambda d}}{(N-1)!}, d \geq 0$. Now assume the number of students joining the game is geometrically distributed with a parameter p (i.e. $P_N(n) = (1 - p)^{n-1} p, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$). Please find $E(D)$.

5. (7 scores) Let Z be the standard normal (Gaussian) distribution. Based on what you have learned from this course, find the tightest upper bound of $P(|Z| > 3\sigma)$. Note that your answer must show the bound that is the tightest of all.
6. (11 scores) For n flips of a fair coin, where n is a positive integer, let X be the total number of heads and let Y be the number of head in the last flip.
 - (1) Find $E[X | Y > 0]$ and $\text{Var}[X | Y > 0]$ (7 scores)
 - (2) Please find the correlation $E[XY]$ of X and Y (4 scores)
7. (27 scores) In a game show, the player must complete n independent random tests to complete the game, and the probability to pass a test is p . If the player passes the i^{th} test, there will be an award of X_i . Of course, she will get 0 award (i.e. not X_i) if she does not pass. Suppose that X_1, \dots, X_n is a sequence of iid Poisson random variables, all with mean equal to m . If we let A denote the number of passed tests, and Y is the total award of the player at the end of this game.
 - (1) Please show that $E(Y) = mnp$ (4 scores)
 - (2) Please derive the moment generating function of Y . (8 scores)
 - (3) Please derive $\text{Var}(Y)$ without using the results of 7(2). (5 scores)
 - (4) Please use the Chebychev's inequality to obtain an upper bound for $P[Y > 200]$ if $m = 10$, $p = 0.5$, and $n = 20$ (5 scores)
 - (5) Please use the central limit theorem approximation to estimate $P[Y > 200]$ if $m = 10$, $p = 0.5$, and $n = 20$. The answer can be expressed in Q or Φ function. (5 scores)
8. (12 scores) Let $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2)'$ be a Gaussian $(0, C_x)$ vector, with the covariance matrix $C_x = \sigma^2 I$, where I is a 2×2 identity matrix. Now let Q be a rotation matrix such that $\mathbf{y} = Q\mathbf{x}$ can rotate vector \mathbf{x} by 90 degree.
 - (1) Please determine the joint PDF of Y_1 and Y_2 , if $\mathbf{Y} = Q\mathbf{X}$ and $\mathbf{Y} = (Y_1, Y_2)'$. (8 scores)
 - (2) Please determine whether Y_1 and Y_2 are orthogonal. (4 scores)

- 期末考成績預定公告時間：6/29（三）中午 12:00 公告於電機系助教公布欄
- 期末考預定看考卷時間：6/29（三）晚上 18:30-20:00 於電二 143
- 如有更改，將另行公告於電機系二館助教公布欄與 ptt 電機系功課板，請各位同學密切注意。
- 祝各位學弟妹們期末考順利，暑假愉快！

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