Exam in Probability Theory, 6 credits

Exam time: 8-12

Allowed: Pocket calculator.

Table with common formulas and moment generating functions (distributed with the exam).

Table of integrals (distributed with the exam).

Table with distributions from Appendix B in the course book (distributed with the exam).

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Grades: Grades: Maximum is 20 points.

A=19-20 points B=17-18 points C=12-16 points D=10-11 points E=8-9 points F=0-7 points

- Write clear and concise answers to the questions.

1. The random variables X and Y have a joint probability density of the form

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} ax^2y & \text{if } 0 < x < y < 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(a) Are X and Y independent?

1p.

(b) Determine the constant a.

- 1p.
- (c) Compute the marginal density of Y.
- 1p.
- (d) Compute the conditional density of X|Y=y.
 - y. 1p.
- (e) Compute $E\left[\exp\left\{X^3\right\}|Y=y\right]$.

1p.

2. Let N, X_1, X_2, X_3, \ldots be independent random variables such that $N \sim Fs(p)$ and $X_k \sim L(a)$ for all k. Define

$$S_N = \sum_{k=1}^N X_k.$$

- (a) Calculate the expected value and variance of S_N . 1.5p.
- (b) Calculate the characteristic function for S_N . 2.5p.
- (c) Show that $\sqrt{p}S_N \sim L(a)$. 1p.

3. Let X_1, X_2 and X_3 follow a multivariate normal distribution with mean vector $\mu = (0, 0, 2)'$ and covariance matrix

$$\Lambda = \left(\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 6 \end{array} \right).$$

(a) What is the bivariate distribution of X_2 and X_3 ?

1p.

- (b) What is the conditional distribution of X_1 given $X_1 + X_2 X_3 = c$ for some constant c? 2p.
- (c) Define $Y_1 = \frac{1}{X_1}$. Derive the conditional probability density function of Y_1 given $X_1 + X_2 X_3 = c$ for some constant c.
- 4. Assume that a car insurance company has received n incoming claims (requests for payment) in a given year. Assume that the size of each claim can be modeled as independent with a Gamma distribution with mean 3θ and variance $3\theta^2$.
 - (a) Derive the probability density function of the size of the largest claim this year. 2p.
 - (b) What is the distribution of the sum of all claims this year? 1.5p.
 - (c) Now, let $n \to \infty$ and Y_n be the sum of all claims this year. Show that

$$\frac{Y_n - 3n\theta}{\sqrt{n}}$$

converges in distribution and find the limiting distribution.

1.5p.

GOOD LUCK!

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