PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS - PROBLEM SET 7

1. If *X* is a discrete random variable with pmf f(x), compute the pmf g(y) of $Y = X^2 - 1$ in each of the following cases:

(a)
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{3}$$
, $x = 1, 2, 3$.

(b)
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{3}$$
, $x = -1, 0, 1$.

(c)
$$f(x) = \frac{|x|}{2}$$
, $x = -1, 0, 1$.

- 2. If $X \sim U[-1,1]$, determine the pdfs of $Y = \sin \frac{\pi x}{2}$ and $Z = \cos \frac{\pi x}{2}$.
- 3. Find the pdf of $Y = -\log X^4$ in each of the following cases:
 - (a) $X \sim U[0,1]$.
 - (b) *X* has pdf $f(x) = 4x^3$, 0 < x < 1.
- 4. Show that if *X* follows the Cauchy distribution with pdf $f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi(1+x^2)}$, then so does $Y = \frac{1}{X}$.
- 5. Compute the pdf of $Y = \tan X$, if $X \sim U\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$.
- 6. If $X \sim U[-1,1]$, find the pdf of
 - (a) $Y = X^3$.
 - (b) $Z = X^4$.
 - (c) $W = X^n$, where *n* is any positive integer.
- 7. Compute the pdf of $Y = X^2$ if $X \sim U[-1,2]$.
- 8. If *X* is a random variable with pdf f(x) = 2x, 0 < x < 1, compute the pdf of $Y = e^{-X}$.
- 9. Let *X* be a random variable with pdf $f(x) = \frac{1}{2x^2}$, |x| > 1. Then show that $Y = \log X^2$ has an exponential distribution. What is the mean of *Y*?
- 10. (X,Y) is a two dimensional random variable having joint pdf $f(x,y) = 3xe^{-(x+3y)}$, x,y > 0. If Z = X and W = 2X + Y, determine the distribution of (Z,W).
- 11. Let (X,Y) be uniformly distributed in the unit square $0 \le x, y \le 1$. Find the pdf of Z = X + Y.

- 12. If $X \sim \mathcal{E}(2)$ and $Y \sim \mathcal{E}(1)$ are independent, find the pdf of:
 - (a) Z = X + Y.
 - (b) Z = X/Y.
- 13. If (X,Y) has the joint pdf $f(x,y) = 10xy^2$, 0 < x < y < 1, determine the pdf of Z = X/Y.
- 14. Find the pdf of Z = X/Y, if (X, Y) has joint pdf f(x, y) = 8xy, 0 < x < y < 1.
- 15. (X,Y) is uniformly distributed over the unit disc $x^2 + y^2 \le 1$. Find the pdf of $R = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2}$.
- 16. Let *X* be a random variable with pdf $f(x) = \frac{5}{x^2}$, x > 5. If X_1 and X_2 are two independent random variables following this distribution, find the pdf of $Y = X_1/X_2$.
- 17. Let $W \sim N(0,1)$ and $V \sim \chi_n^2$. Compute the distribution of $T = \frac{W}{\sqrt{V/n}}$.
- 18. If (X_1, X_2) has the joint pdf $f(x_1, x_2) = 2e^{-(x_1 + x_2)}$, $x_1 > x_2 > 0$, find the joint pdf of $Y_1 = X_1 X_2$, $Y_2 = 2X_2$.
- 19. If (X,Y) is a two dimensional random variable with joint pdf f(x,y) = 24xy, x > 0, y > 0, x + y < 1, find the pdf of Z = XY.