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1. Consider the probability mass function (pmf):

$$P(X = x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}, & x = -1\\ \frac{1}{2}, & x = 0\\ \frac{1}{4}, & x = 1 \end{cases}$$

- a. Find the cumulative distribution function (cdf), F(x), of X over all values of x.
- b. Sketch a graph of F(x).
- c. Find the mean and variance of X.
- d. Find the moment generating function (MGF), $M_X(t)$.

2. Consider the following mixed discrete and continuous CDF,

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ \frac{x+1}{4}, & 0 \le x < 1 \\ 1, & x \ge 1 \end{cases}$$

- a. For which values of x is P(X = x) > 0?
- b. Find $P\left(-\frac{1}{2} < x \le \frac{1}{2}\right)$.
- c. Find $P\left(x > \frac{1}{2}\right)$.
- d. Find Find E(X). (Hint: Consider the discrete and continuous parts separately and add the results.)

3. Let X be the number of rolls of a six-sided dice that is needed before the first 6 is observed.

- a. What is the pmf for X?
- b. Confirm $\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} p(x) = 1$.
- c. Find the cdf F(x).
- d. Derive the mgf and use it to find $\mu = E(X)$.

4. Let $Y = X^2$, where X is the random variable from problem 3 above.

- a. What is the support of Y and its pmf?
- b. Find E(Y).

5. Let $U \sim U(0,1)$. Find the cdf and pdf for the following transformations of U.

a.
$$X = 1 - U$$

b.
$$Y = \frac{U}{1-U}$$

c.
$$W = \ln(Y)$$

6. Reconsider the random variables *X*, *Y*, and *W* in problem 5.

- a. Find E(X) if possible.
- b. Find E(Y) if possible.
- c. Find E(W) if possible.

7. Suppose the random variable *X* has a cumulative distribution function (cdf) given by:

$$F(x) = \frac{e^{x/2}}{1 + e^{x/2}}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty.$$

Find formulas for the median (50^{th} percentile) and interquartile range (IQR = 75^{th} percentile – 25^{th} percentile) of the distribution of X.

8. Consider a random variable *X* with the pdf

$$f_X(x) = 5x^4$$
, $0 < x < 1$.

- a. Find E(X)
- b. Find $E\left(\frac{1}{X}\right)$. Does it equal $\frac{1}{E(X)}$?
- c. Find the pdf for $Y = \frac{1}{X}$ being sure to specify the range for the support of Y.

9. Consider a discrete random variable X with the probability mass function (pmf)

$$p(x) = e^{-5} \frac{5^x}{x!}$$
, $x = 0,1,2,3,...$

- a. Show that this is a valid pmf.
- b. Find E(X)
- c. Find E(X(X-1))
- d. Find $E((X-5)^2)$

- 10. Consider a continuous random variable X with the pdf $f(x) = \frac{1}{5}e^{-x/5}$, $0 < x < \infty$.
 - a. Show that this is a valid pdf.
 - b. Find E(X).
 - c. Obtain a formula for P(X > x) for all x.
 - d. Obtain a formula for the conditional probability $P(X > 10 + x \mid X > 10)$ for all x.