



1 DEFINITIONS

1. The mean of Y is defined as

$$E(Y) = \sum_k k p_Y(k) \quad (1.1.1)$$

2. The MGF of X is defined as

$$M_X(s) = E(e^{-sX}) \quad (1.2.1)$$

3. Let $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$. Then the Q function is defined as,

$$Q(x) = \Pr(X > x), \quad x \geq 0 \quad (1.3.1)$$

2 PROBLEMS

1. Show that

$$E(Y) \geq \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} p_Y(k), \quad m > 0 \quad (2.1.1)$$

2. Show that

$$\Pr(Y > m) \leq \frac{E(Y)}{m}, \quad m > 0 \quad (2.2.1)$$

3. Using (2.2.1), show that Show that

$$\Pr([Y - E(Y)]^2 > b^2) \leq \frac{\text{var}(Y)}{b^2}, \quad b > 0 \quad (2.3.1)$$

4. Show that

$$\Pr(|Y - E(Y)| > b) \leq \frac{\text{var}(Y)}{b^2}, \quad b > 0 \quad (2.4.1)$$

5. Show that

$$\Pr(X > a) = \Pr(e^{-sX} > e^{-sa}), \quad s < 0 \quad (2.5.1)$$

6. Using (2.2.1), show that

$$\Pr(X > a) \leq e^{as} M_X(s), \quad s < 0 \quad (2.6.1)$$

7. Show that the MGF of X is

$$M_X(s) = e^{\frac{1}{2}s^2} \quad (2.7.1)$$

8. Using (2.6.1) show that

$$Q(x) \leq e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \quad (2.8.1)$$