

Any small mistakes get (-1)

only answers get no point /

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Suggested Solutions

1. [20 points] Let the random variable
- X
- (folded normal distribution) have the pdf

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2}, \quad 0 < x < \infty$$

- (a) Find the mean of
- X
- .

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= \int_0^{\infty} x \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} dx \\ &= -\frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} \Big|_0^{\infty} \\ &= -\frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} [0 - 1] = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Find the variance of
- X
- .

$$E[X^2] = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} x^2 e^{-x^2/2} dx$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} \underbrace{x}_{u} \cdot \underbrace{x e^{-x^2/2}}_{dv} dx \quad v = -e^{-x^2/2}$$

integration by parts

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \left\{ [-x e^{-x^2/2}]_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} -e^{-x^2/2} dx \right\}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \left\{ (0 - 0) + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2/2} dx \right\}$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \underbrace{\frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2}}_{\text{Folded Normal}} dx = 1, \text{ Then } \text{Var}(X) = 1 - \frac{2}{\pi}.$$

Wrong integration process (-3)

showing correct answers and wrong answers will get points off

• correct $E(X^2)$ and no answer for $\text{var}(X)$ → +2

• correct integration process but wrong answers → +2

• wrong integration process and wrong answers → +1

• correct integration process. → +2
no answer for $E(X)$, $\text{var}(X)$ • $\int x^2 e^{-x^2/2} dx$ no integration process but correct answers → -3

(c) Find the transformation of $g(X) = Y$ and values of α and β so that $Y \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$.

* $f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} y^{\alpha-1} e^{-y/\beta}, 0 < y < \infty$ for $Y \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$

Let $Y = X^2$. because $x > 0$, $X = \sqrt{Y}$.

Then $f_Y(y) = f_X(\sqrt{y}) \left| \frac{d}{dy} \sqrt{y} \right|$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-y/2} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sqrt{y}} e^{-y/2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) 2^{\frac{1}{2}}} y^{\frac{1}{2}-1} e^{-y/2}, y > 0.$$

without range -1

Thus $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$, $\beta = 2$, $g(x) = x^2$.

no working process (-3)

• only $f_X(g^{-1}(y)) \cdot \left| \frac{d}{dy} g^{-1}(y) \right| \rightarrow +1$

• " and one of $\alpha, \beta, g(x) \rightarrow +2$

2. [15 points] Let X have a zero-truncated Poisson distribution with parameter λ . That is,

$$f_X(x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!(1 - e^{-\lambda})}, \quad x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

(a) Find the mgf of X .

$$Ee^{tx} = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} e^{tx} \left(\frac{e^{-\lambda}}{1 - e^{-\lambda}} \right) \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda}}{1 - e^{-\lambda}} \frac{(\lambda e^t)^x}{x!}$$

$$= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{\frac{(\lambda e^t)^x e^{-\lambda e^t}}{x!(1 - e^{-\lambda e^t})}}_{\text{pmf of truncated Poisson}(\lambda e^t)} \times \frac{e^{\lambda e^t} e^{-\lambda} (1 - e^{-\lambda e^t})}{(1 - e^{-\lambda})}$$

$$= \frac{e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)} (1 - e^{-\lambda e^t})}{1 - e^{-\lambda}} \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$\left(\text{or, } \frac{e^{-\lambda} (e^{\lambda e^t} - 1)}{1 - e^{-\lambda}} \right), \text{ or } \frac{e^{\lambda e^t} - 1}{e^{\lambda} - 1} \quad \text{--- ②, ③}$$

①, ②, ③ are the same.

(b) Calculate $E(X)$.

$$\text{From ③, } \frac{d}{dt} Ee^{tx} = \frac{\lambda e^t \cdot e^{\lambda e^t}}{e^{\lambda} - 1}$$

$$\text{when } t=0, \text{ it becomes } \frac{\lambda e^{\lambda}}{e^{\lambda} - 1}$$

(b)
+1 → wrong calculation + answer
+3 → differentiation is correct, (mgf) but wrong answer
(notation mistake → 1)

+9 → correct answer but, ex) range of x is \sum , no explanation about distribution when sum equals to zero
+6 → include the process of using Taylor expansion, or the distribution of Poisson & zero-truncated Poisson correct, but wrong answer
+3 → wrong calculation (misusing Taylor & Poisson)
+1 → only the answer

3. [20 points] Let X follows Pareto distribution. Its pdf is

$$f_X(x) = \beta \alpha^\beta x^{-(\beta+1)}, \quad \alpha > 0, \beta > 0, \alpha \leq x < \infty$$

7 pts

(a) Find EX^r .

$$EX^r = \int_{\alpha}^{\infty} \beta \alpha^\beta x^{-(\beta-r+1)} dx$$

$$= \beta \alpha^\beta \int_{\alpha}^{\infty} x^{-(\beta-r+1)} dx$$

$$= \beta \alpha^\beta \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{\beta-r} x^{-(\beta-r)} \Big|_{\alpha}^{\infty} \right)$$

$$= \beta \alpha^\beta \left(-\frac{1}{\beta-r} (0 - \alpha^{-(\beta-r)}) \right) \text{ when } \beta > r.$$

$$= \frac{\beta \alpha^r}{\beta-r}, \quad \text{if } \beta > r$$

-2 w/o this range
-2 wrong this range

* -1 wrong integral range / wrong calculation.

* -1 wrong answer

* -2 wrong process / no more calculation.

* $EX^r = \frac{d}{dx^r} \ln x^r(t) \Big|_{t=0}$, with wrong answer gets 1 pts.

5 pts (b) Find the mgf of $Y = \log(X)$ for $|t| < \beta$.

$$M_Y(t) = Ee^{tY} = Ee^{t \log X} = EX^t$$

$$= \frac{\beta \alpha^t}{\beta - t} \quad \text{for } |t| < \beta.$$

* <transformation> , -1 wrong integral range.

* <transformation> , -1 Pareto pdf

* correct process with no answer -2pts

* wrong answer(only) \rightarrow wrong calculation -1 pts

8 pts

(c) Using the result in (b), find $E(Y)$.

$$E[Y] = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} M_Y(t) \Big|_{t=0}.$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} M_Y(t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \beta \alpha^t \cdot (\beta - t)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \beta \cdot e^{t \log \alpha} (\beta - t)^{-1}$$

$$= \beta \cdot \log \alpha \cdot e^{t \log \alpha} (\beta - t)^{-1} - \beta \alpha^t (\beta - t)^{-2} (-1).$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} M_Y(0) = \beta (\log \alpha) \cdot \frac{1}{\beta} + \beta \beta^{-2}$$

$$= \log \alpha + \frac{1}{\beta}.$$

* $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \alpha^t = \alpha^t$ gets (-3)

⊕ -3 mistake differentiation

✓ Correct process with no answer -4pts. (\rightarrow (b) wrong answer)

✓ wrong calculation with correct answer -1pts

✓ wrong calculation with wrong answer -2pts

4. [15 points] Let X have the negative binomial distribution with pmf

$$f(x) = \binom{r+x-1}{x} p^r (1-p)^x, \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad 0 < p < 1, \quad r > 0$$

(a) Find the mgf of X .

$$E e^{tx} = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \binom{r+x-1}{x} p^r (e^t(1-p))^x$$

correct form of e^{tx} & pmf (+1)

$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \binom{r+x-1}{x} [1 - e^t(1-p)]^r [e^t(1-p)]^x \cdot \frac{p^r}{1 - e^t(1-p)}$$

pmf of $NB(r, e^t(1-p))$

correct process (+2)

$$= \left[\frac{p}{1 - (1-p)e^t} \right]^r$$

where $0 < e^t(1-p) < 1$ ~~→ 1/91?~~

correct answer (+1)

range (+1)

$$\Rightarrow t < -\log(1-p)$$

-1 w/o \dagger

- no working process gets almost zero points

• correct $E e^{tx}$ with pmf form : +1

• correct calculation process : +2

• correct answer [form of mgf of x : +1
range of t : +1]

10 pes (b) Let $Y = 2pX$. Show that, as $p \downarrow 0$, the mgf of Y converges to that of a chi squared random variable with $2r$ degrees of freedom by showing that

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow 0} M_Y(t) = \left(\frac{1}{1-2t} \right)^r. \quad (\text{Don't need to show that } t < 1/2.)$$

$$M_Y(t) = E e^{t(2pX)} = E e^{(2pt)X} \rightarrow +2 \text{ points}$$

$$= \left[\frac{p}{1-(1-p)e^{2pt}} \right]^n \rightarrow +2 \text{ points}$$

By L'Hopital's rule

$$\text{Now, } \lim_{p \rightarrow 0} \frac{p}{1-(1-p)e^{2pt}} = \lim_{p \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{e^{2pt} - 2t(1-p)e^{2pt}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-2t}$$

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow 0} M_Y(t) = \left(\frac{1}{1-2t} \right)^n$$

* Wrong mgf (4)

wrote relationship between mgf
 $M_X(2pt) = M_Y(t)$; +2
 correct $M_Y(t)$ form ; +2

- only answer gets 1 point

wrote jacobian (continuous transformation) [with all process ; -9
 just wrote,
 but solved with ; -1
 right process

without l'hopital/solving process
 & only result ; -3

used l'hopital but wrong calculation ; -2

5. [15 points] Let X have the pdf

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{\beta^3 \sqrt{\pi}} x^2 e^{-x^2/\beta^2}, \quad 0 < x < \infty, \quad \beta > 0$$

Verify that $f(x)$ is a pdf.

$$\int_0^\infty f(x) dx = \int_0^\infty \frac{4}{\beta^3 \sqrt{\pi}} \underbrace{x}_{u} \cdot \underbrace{x e^{-x^2/\beta^2}}_{dv} dx$$

By integration by parts,

$$v = -\frac{\beta^2}{2} e^{-x^2/\beta^2}$$

$$\int_0^\infty f(x) dx = \frac{4}{\beta^3 \sqrt{\pi}} \left[-\frac{\beta^2}{2} x e^{-x^2/\beta^2} \Big|_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty -\frac{\beta^2}{2} e^{-x^2/\beta^2} dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{4}{\beta^3 \sqrt{\pi}} \left[-\frac{\beta^2}{2} (0 - 0) + \frac{\beta^2}{2} \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2/\beta^2} dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{2}{\beta \sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2/\beta^2} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\beta \sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{-x^2/\beta^2} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{\beta \sqrt{\pi}} \sqrt{\pi \beta^2} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(\beta^2/2)}} e^{-x^2/2(\beta^2/2)} dx \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \beta^2}{\beta \sqrt{\pi}} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

pdf of $N(0, \frac{\beta^2}{2})$.

notation ~~mistake~~ mistake -1 8

(integration by parts) setting mistake -10

(without explanation about distribution (normal, gamma...)) -3

(without explanation -3

6. [15 points] The mgf of $f(x) = \frac{2x}{c^2}$, $0 < x < c$ can be expressed as

$$\frac{2}{c^2 t^2} a(t).$$

Find $a(t)$.

$$M_X(t) = \int_0^c e^{tx} f(x) dx = \int_0^c e^{tx} \frac{2x}{c^2} dx = \frac{2}{c^2} \int_0^c x e^{tx} dx$$

Then, by integration by parts

$$M_X(t) = \frac{2}{c^2} \left[\frac{x}{t} e^{tx} \Big|_0^c - \int_0^c \frac{1}{t} e^{tx} dx \right] \Rightarrow \text{if this is wrong}$$

$$= \frac{2}{c^2} \left[\frac{c}{t} e^{tc} - \frac{1}{t^2} e^{tx} \Big|_0^c \right]$$

$$= \frac{2}{c^2} \left[\frac{c}{t} e^{tc} - \frac{1}{t^2} (e^{tc} - 1) \right]$$

$$= \frac{2}{ct} e^{tc} - \frac{2}{c^2 t^2} (e^{tc} - 1)$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{2}{c^2 t^2} (cte^{tc} - e^{tc} + 1)$$

$$\therefore a(t) = cte^{ct} - e^{ct} + 1$$

$$= e^{ct} (ct - 1) + 1$$

almost all wrong +1.

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No working process: -10 ~ -15

mgf of $f(x)$ is not $\frac{2x}{c^2}$, $f(x)$ is $\frac{2x}{c}$, \Rightarrow (-10)

such as Integration by parts.