

(*) : Assigned to weekly problem set.

MGFs continued

1. (*) Use MGFs to determine whether $X + 2Y$ is Poisson if X and Y are i.i.d. $\text{Poisson}(\lambda)$.
Hint: if $X + 2Y$ was indeed Poisson, which specific Poisson distribution would it have?
2. (*) Suppose X_1, \dots, X_n are iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ random variables. Define $Y = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.
 - (a) Find the MGF of Y .
 - (b) Based on your answer in (a), state the exact distribution of Y .
3. Use the MGF of the Geometric(p) distribution to give another proof that the mean of this distribution is $\frac{1-p}{p}$ and the variance is $\frac{1-p}{p^2}$.