

4. Let  $X$  be the random variable, such that the PDF of  $X$  is  $f_X(x)$ .

The moment generating function is given by,

$$\phi_X(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} \cdot f_X(x) \cdot dx$$

Part 1:

~~For  $t > 0$ ;~~

a) We have that,

$$P[X \geq x] = \int_x^{\infty} f_X(z) \cdot dz$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow P[X \geq x] &= e^{-tx} \cdot e^{tx} \int_x^{\infty} f_X(z) \cdot dz \\ &= e^{-tx} \int_x^{\infty} e^{tz} f_X(z) \cdot dz. \quad \text{--- (1)} \end{aligned}$$

Now, as  $t > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_x^{\infty} e^{tz} f_X(z) \cdot dz &\leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tz} f_X(z) \cdot dz \\ &\leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tz} f_X(z) \cdot dz \quad \text{--- (2)} \\ &\quad \text{(as } t > 0) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Using (1) and (2)

$$P[X \geq x] \leq e^{-tx} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tz} f_X(z) \cdot dz$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{P[X \geq x] \leq e^{-tx} \cdot \phi_X(t)}$$

b) Here,

$$P[X \leq x] = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(z) \cdot dz$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow P[X \leq x] &= e^{-tx} \cdot e^{tx} \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(z) \cdot dz \\ &= e^{-tx} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{tz} f_X(z) \cdot dz \quad \text{--- (3)} \end{aligned}$$

As,  $t < 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{tz} f_X(z) \cdot dz &\leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tz} f_X(z) \cdot dz \\ &\leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tz} f_X(z) \cdot dz = \phi_X(t). \quad \text{--- (4)} \\ &\quad \text{(as } t < 0) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, using ③ and ④

$$\boxed{P[X \leq x] \leq e^{-tx} \phi_x(t)}, \text{ for } t < 0$$

Part 2:

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \quad E(X_i) = p_i$$

$$\mu = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i = E(X)$$

To prove:  $P[X > (1+\delta)\mu] \leq \frac{e^{\mu(et-1)}}{e^{(1+\delta)t\mu}} \quad \begin{matrix} \forall t \geq 0, \\ \forall \delta > 0 \end{matrix}$

Proof: As proved in the previous question,

for  $t \geq 0$

$$P[X > (1+\delta)\mu] \leq e^{-t\mu(1+\delta)} \cdot \phi_x(t) \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Now,  ~~$\phi_x(t) = \dots$~~

As  $X = \sum_{i=1}^K X_i$ , and are Bernoulli variables, that are independent.

Hence,  $\phi_x(t) = \prod_{i=1}^K \phi_{X_i}(t) \quad \text{--- (ii)}$

For a Bernoulli variable, the moment generating function,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{X_i}(t) &= 1 - p_i + p_i e^t \\ &= 1 + p_i(e^t - 1) \end{aligned}$$

Now,  $1 + x \leq e^x$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_{X_i}(t) \leq e^{p_i(e^t - 1)} \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

Hence, using (ii) and (iii)

$$\phi_x(t) \leq \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^K p_i(e^t - 1)\right) \quad \text{--- (iv)}$$



$$\phi_x(t) \leq \exp(\mu(e^t - 1)) \quad \text{--- (iv)}$$

Hence, by using (i) and (iv),

$$P[X > (1+\delta)\mu] \leq \frac{e^{\mu(e^t - 1)}}{e^{(1+\delta)t\mu}}$$

Now, to tighten the bounds,  
we minimise the RHS.

$$\text{RHS: } \exp[\mu e^t - \mu - t\mu - \delta t\mu]$$

• Taking logarithm with base  $e$ ,

$$\log_e(\text{RHS}) = \mu e^t - \mu - t\mu - \delta t\mu.$$

→ Differentiating the above expression with respect to  $t$ , and equating to zero.

$$\mu e^t = \mu(1+\delta).$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{t = \ln(1+\delta)}$$

Hence, to tighten the bounds, the value of  
 $t = \ln(1+\delta).$

Thus, the inequality converts to,

$$P[X > (1+\delta)\mu] \leq \frac{e^{\mu\delta}}{(1+\delta)^{\mu\delta}} = \left(\frac{e}{1+\delta}\right)^{\mu\delta}$$

QED.