

Advanced Statistics: Theory and Methods - Quiz 2

Name _____ ID Number _____

1. Let U be a random variable that follows a Uniform distribution $U(0, 1)$. Let us define the random variable Y as follows:

$$Y = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \ln(1 - U)$$

where λ is a positive constant. Use any method to find the distribution of Y .

2. Mahua must decide on the courses she wishes to take for the Monsoon semester. She must choose from upper division courses in CS and Statistics. Mahua has to register for (**exactly**) three upper division courses to complete her major requirements. There are 4 CS and 3 Statistics courses being offered.

Let X represent the number of CS courses and Y represent the number of Statistics courses in her final selection. (Assume that selections are made at random.)

Find the joint pmf of X and Y .

3. In Reliability and Survival Analysis, the hazard function specifies the instantaneous rate of failure at time t , **given** that the individual/ item has survived up till that time. It is also called the conditional failure rate, force of mortality, or age-specific failure rate.

For continuous random variables, the hazard rate is given by

$$h(t) = \frac{f(t)}{1 - F(t)}$$

where f and F denote the density and cumulative distribution function respectively.

Consider the Weibull distribution with cumulative distribution function given by

$$F(t) = 1 - e^{-(\lambda t)^\gamma}$$

where $\lambda, \gamma > 0$.

Find the hazard function. Provide a **rough sketch** of the hazard function for $\gamma = 0.5, 1, 2$.