

1. (25 points) Suppose that you are waiting for a bus whose arrival time is distributed as an exponential random variable with mean 1 hour. Once the bus arrives, it takes 1 hour to drive you home. However, if you wait 1 hour for the bus and it still has not arrived, you decide to give up on the bus and walk home, which takes 10 hours. Let Y be the amount of time (in hours) that it takes for you to get home including the time spent waiting for the bus.

- (a) (15 points) Calculate the CDF of Y .
- (b) (10 points) Calculate the expected value $\mathbb{E}[Y]$.

2. (25 points) Let $X \sim \text{Geom}(p)$, where $p \in (0, 1)$. Compute

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{X!}\right],$$

where we recall that $X!$ is the factorial. To receive full credit, your final answer should not contain an infinite series.

3. (25 points) 250000 randomly chosen individuals were interviewed to estimate the unknown fraction $p \in (0, 1)$ of the population that like bagels. The resulting estimate is \hat{p} . Suppose that we want to construct a 98% confidence interval $(\hat{p} - \varepsilon, \hat{p} + \varepsilon)$. How large must we choose ε ? You may leave your answer in terms of the inverse Φ^{-1} of the CDF of the standard normal.

4. (25 points) Let X be the random variable with density

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in (0, 1); \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin (0, 1). \end{cases}$$

Let $Y = \ln(\sqrt{X})$.

- (a) (15 points) Compute the moment generating function $M_Y(t)$ of Y . Hint: do not try to compute the density of Y .
- (b) (10 points) Use the moment generating function to compute the n th moment of Y .