

STAT 609 Second Exam
11:00am-12:00noon, Nov. 7, 2014

Please show all your work for full credits.

1. Suppose that the covariance matrix of the 2-dimensional random vector (X, Y) is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) (10 points) Find the covariance matrix of $(X - 2Y, 2X - Y)$.
(b) (10 points) If the joint distribution of (X, Y) is normal, show that it is from an exponential family with the form

$$f_{\theta}(x, y) = h(x, y)c(\theta) \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^k w_i(\theta)t_i(x, y)\right),$$

and identify k , the value of the parameter vector θ , and functions h , c , and t_i 's.

2. Let P be a random variable having pdf

$$f(p) = \begin{cases} 3p^2 & 0 < p < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Suppose that given $P = p$, X and Y are conditionally independent discrete random variables with

$$P(X = k|P = p) = P(Y = k|P = p) = p(1 - p)^k, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

- (a) (10 points) Obtain the pmf of X , i.e., $P(X = k)$, $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
(b) (10 points) Obtain the pmf of $Z = \max\{X, Y\}$.
(c) (10 points) Obtain the conditional pdf of P given $X = x$ and $Y = y$, $x, y = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
3. Let X and Y be independent random variables, $X \sim \text{uniform}(0, 1)$ and $Y \sim \text{uniform}(0, 1)$.
- (a) (10 points) Obtain the joint pdf of $(X + Y, X - Y)$.
(b) (10 points) Obtain the conditional pdf of $X|(X - Y) = t$.
(c) (10 points) Obtain the pdf of $|X - Y|$.
4. Let X and Y be independent random variables, $X \sim N(0, 1)$, $Y \sim N(0, 1)$, and

$$Z = \begin{cases} |Y| & X \geq 0 \\ -|Y| & X < 0 \end{cases}$$

- (a) (10 points) Show that $Z \sim N(0, 1)$.
(b) (5 points) Prove that the joint distribution of (X, Z) is not normal.
5. (5 points) Let X and Y be two random variables having mgf's $M_X(t)$ and $M_Y(s)$ which are finite for $t \in (-h, h)$ and $s \in (-h, h)$ with a positive constant h . Suppose that the mgf of the random vector (X, Y) is

$$M_{(X,Y)}(t, s) = E(e^{tX+sY}) = M_X(t)M_Y(s), \quad t \in (-h, h), s \in (-h, h)$$

Show that X and Y are independent.