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MATH 242: PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS II

STREAMS: BSC, BED & BA

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 18/04/2018

11.30 A.M. – 1.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions.

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

(a) State the central limit theorem. (2 marks)

(b) Let \bar{X} be the mean of a random sample of size 16 from a normal distribution with mean $\mu=800$ and variance $\sigma^2=1600$. Determine the value k such that

$$P(\bar{X} < k) = 0.0062.$$

(3 marks)

(c) Suppose the joint probability distribution function of X and Y is represented by the following table

X	1	2	3	4
Y				
0	0.059	0.1	0.05	0.001
1	0.093	0.12	0.082	0.003
2	0.065	0.102	0.1	0.01
3	0.05	0.75	0.07	0.02

Required (i) Find the marginal probability distribution of X and Y . (2 marks)

(ii) Find $E[Y/X=3]$ and $\text{var}[Y/X=3]$ (4 marks)

(d) Suppose that X and Y are two continuous random variables with joint density functions

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} kx^3y^3 & 0 \leq x \leq 2, 0 \leq y \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Required

(i) Find the value of k . (2 marks)

(ii) Determine whether variables X and Y are independent. (4 marks)

(iii) Find $P[X \leq \frac{1}{2}, Y > 1]$ (2 marks)

(e) Given the covariance matrix of X and Y

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ Compute}$$

(i) Variance $[3X + 4Y - 5]$ (2 marks)

(ii) Correlation coefficient of X and Y (2 marks)

(f) Let X and Y have a bivariate normal distribution with parameter.

$$\left. \begin{matrix} \mu_x = 4 \\ \mu_y = 6 \end{matrix} \right| \left. \begin{matrix} \sigma_x = 2 \\ \sigma_y = 15 \end{matrix} \right| e = \frac{3}{5}$$

Compute $p = [12 < y < 30 / x = 8]$ (4 marks)

(g) The joint generating function of $f(x, y)$ is given as $\frac{1}{4}e^{t_1} + \frac{3}{4}e^{t_2} e^{t_1 t_2}$
 $M(t_1, t_2) = e^{t_1 + t_2 + t_1 t_2}$

Find (i) $\text{Cov}(x, y)$ (2 marks)

(ii) $\text{Var}(x)$ (1 mark)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

(a) Suppose the random variable Y has p.d.f.

$$f(y) = \begin{cases} 3y^2 & 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{find the p.d.f. of } U = 27y + 3. \quad (5 \text{ marks})$$

(b) Let X_1 and X_2 have joint p.d.f.

$$f(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} 8x_1x_2 & 0 < x_1 < x_2 < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find the p.d.f. of $Y_1 = X_1/X_2$ (7 marks)

(c) Suppose $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ and $Y = 2Z$. Find the distribution of Y using the m.g.f. technique. (8 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

(a) A random variable X has a poisson distribution with parameter λ . Find the characteristic function $\phi(t)$ and use it to find the mean and variance of X . Assume

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}, & x=0, 1, 2, \dots \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(10 marks)

- (b) Let x_1, x_2 be a random sample from a distribution with density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x} & \text{for } 0 \leq x < \infty \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

What is the density function of

$$Y = \min\{x_1, x_2\} \quad \text{where } Y \text{ is non zero?} \quad (5 \text{ marks})$$

- (c) Let $y_1 < y_2 < \dots < y_6$ be the order statistics from a random sample of size 6 from a distribution with density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x, & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{find the expected value of } y_6 \quad (5 \text{ marks})$$

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- (a) The joint p.d.f of a two-dimensional random variable (x, y) is given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2, & 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < x \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

- (i) Show that $f(x, y)$ is a p.d.f.
- (ii) Find the marginal density function of x and y
- (iii) Find the conditional density functions of y given $X=x$ and of X given $Y=y$

- (iv) Check the independence of x and y . (10 marks)

- (b) Suppose that x_1 and x_2 are independent random variables and that the p.d.f. of each of these variables is as follows.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{elsewher} \end{cases}$$

Find the p.d.f. $Y_1 = X_1 + X_2$ (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

(a) Let X and Y be random variables with joint density function

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 4xy & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find (i) $E(X)$ (ii) $E(Y)$ (iii) $E(X+Y)$ (iv) $E(XY)$ (v) $Cov(X,Y)$ (7 marks)

(b) Given the joint p.d.f. as

Y \ X	1	2	3
1	$\frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	0
2	0	$\frac{1}{9}$	$\frac{1}{5}$
3	$\frac{1}{18}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{2}{15}$

Find (i) The marginal distributions of X and Y (4 marks)

(ii) The conditional distribution of $Y/X=3$ (3 marks)

(iii) Find $P(X \leq 2, Y=3)$ (1 mark)

(iv) Find $var(Y/X=3)$ (5 marks)

