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SMA 360: PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS IV

DATE: 16/4/2019

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTION:

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terms:
- i) Mean Vector (1 mark)
 - ii) Random vector (1 mark)
- b) List the three properties of Moment Generating Function (M.G.F). (3 marks)
- c) Suppose that x_1, x_2, x_3 are random variables having a joint probability density function given by $f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = \begin{cases} 16x_1x_2x_3x_4, & 0 \leq x_i \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$. Determine the marginal distribution of:
- i. x_2x_4 (3 marks)
 - ii. x_2 (3 marks)
- d) A three-dimensional random vector x has a PDF given by $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \begin{cases} 5x_1x_2x_3, & 0 \leq x_i \leq 1, i = 1, 2, 3 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$. Determine $E(2x_1 + 4x_2^2 + 3x_3^3)$ (4 marks)
- e) Suppose $x \sim N(0, 1)$. Find the characteristic function of x . (4 marks)

- f) Suppose $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ are independent Bernoulli random variables with parameter, θ .
Determine the distribution of $y = \sum_{j=1}^n x_j$. (4 marks)
- g) Let x_1, x_2, x_3 be independent standard normal random variable. Using the change of variable technique determine the probability distribution $\tilde{y} = [y_1 y_2 y_3]^T$ where $y_1 = x_1, y_2 = x_1 + x_2$ and $y_3 = x_1 + x_2 + x_3$. (4 marks)
- h) Show that $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{P} \mu$ using Chebyshev's inequality. (3 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Let x have the variance covariance matrix given by $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 25 & -2 & 4 \\ -2 & 4 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$. Find:
- The correlation matrix of x (5 marks)
 - The correlation coefficient between x_1 and $\frac{1}{3}x_2 + \frac{2}{3}x_3$ (4 marks)
- b) Given the joint probability mass function of $x = [x_1, x_2, x_3]^T$ as $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \begin{cases} kx_1x_2x_3, & \text{for } 0 \leq x_i \leq 1, i = 1, 2, 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$. Determine:
- The value of k (5 marks)
 - The marginal PDF of x_1 and x_2 . (3 marks)
 - The conditional distribution of $x_3 / x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2$ (3 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Briefly explain what is meant by quadratic form of $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$. Hence given that

$x = [x_1, x_2, x_3]^T$ has a mean vector and variance-covariance matrix given by $\mu = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and

$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ respectively. Find the expected value of the quadratic form

$$Q = (x_2 - x_3)^2 + (x_1 - x_2 + x_3)^2 \quad (10 \text{ marks})$$

- b) Suppose $x = [x, y]^T$ has a two variate normal distribution with density $f(x) = c \exp -\frac{1}{2}Q$.

Where $Q = \frac{1}{7200}(1600x^2 + 900xy + 1125y^2 + 4140x + 450y + 5800)$. Identify μ, Σ and c . (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Let x_1, x_2, x_3 be independent and identically distributed random variables from a distribution whose probability density function is given by $f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x} & \text{for } x > 0 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$. Using

the change of variable technique determine the joint distribution of $Y_1 = \frac{x_1}{x_1 + x_2 + x_3}$ and

$Y_2 = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{x_1 + x_2 + x_3}$. Hence find the marginal distribution of $Y_2 / Y_1 = y_1$.

(6 marks)

- b) Given $M(t_1 t_2) = \left[(1 - p_1 - p_2) + p_1 e^{t_1} + p_2 e^{t_2} \right]^n$. Find:

i) $E(x_2)$ (2 marks)

ii) $E(x_1 x_2)$ (2 marks)

iii) δ_{12} (4 marks)

iv) ℓ_{12} (1 mark)

- c) Consider a random vector $x = [x_1, x_2, x_3]^T$ defined as $x \sim N(\underline{\mu}, \underline{\Sigma})$ where $\underline{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ and
- $$\underline{\Sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 5 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$
- Find the mean and variance of the conditional density of x_1 given $x_2 = 5$ and $x_3 = 5$. (5 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Let Z_n be a chi-square with n degrees of freedom. Find the limits distribution of $y = \frac{Z_n - n}{\sqrt{2n}}$. (10 marks)
- b) Let $f(x)$ be a density function with mean μ and finite variance δ^2 . Let $\bar{x}_n$ be the sample mean from $f(x)$ and let $\varepsilon > 0$ and $0 < \Delta < 1$ be any specified numbers.
- i) If n is any integer greater than $\frac{\delta^2}{\varepsilon^2 \Delta}$ show that $p[-\varepsilon \leq \bar{x}_n - \mu \leq \varepsilon] > 1 - \Delta$. (5 marks)
- ii) How large a sample should be taken in order that you are 99% certain that $\bar{x}_n$ is within 0.5δ of μ . (3 marks)
- c) A fair die is tossed 12 independent times. Determine the probability of the following combination: (2 marks)

Face	1	2	3	4	5	6
Frequency	2	3	0	2	4	1