

1. (10%)

Let X be a random variable with $E\{X\} = 1$ and $\text{VAR}\{X\} = 2$. Consider a new random variable Y defined as $Y = g(X) = aX + b$, where a and b are two constants. How can we choose the values for a and b so that $E\{Y\} = 2$ and $\text{VAR}\{Y\} = 1$?

2. (10%)

Earthquakes greater than Richter Magnitude 5.0 in Taiwan occur according to a Poisson Process of rate $\lambda = 6$ times per year. Conditioned on the event that exactly 7 such earthquakes have occurred in 1999. What is the probability that exactly 2 such earthquakes occurred in the first half year?

3. (20%)

Let X be a random variable with the following probability density function (pdf):

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 2xe^{-x^2}, & 0 < x < \infty \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let $Y = X^2 + 1$.

a) (10%) Please write down the pdf $f_Y(y)$ for the random variable Y .

b) (10%) Please use your result in part a) to show that $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_Y(y) dy = 1$.

4. (10%)

Consider a pair of random variables (X, Y) which is drawn uniformly within the rectangular region $\mathcal{R} = \{(x, y) | 1 \leq x \leq 2, 1 \leq y \leq 3\}$. Let the new random variable Z be defined as $Z = \max\{X, Y\}$. Find the probability $P[Z \leq 2.5]$.

5. (15%)

Independent Bernoulli trials, each of which is a success with probability p , are performed until the k th success.

a. (10%) What is the probability mass function (pmf) of necessary trials.

b. (5%) What is the mean number of necessary trials.

6. (15%)

Let X, Y have a joint pdf $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = 6e^{-(2x+3y)}, x \geq 0, y \geq 0$

a. (5%) Are X and Y independent? Prove or disprove it.

b. (10%) Find the probability $P[X \geq 3Y]$.

7. (20%)

A die is tossed and the number of dots X is noted; and integer Y is then selected at random from $\{1, \dots, X\}$

a. Find $P[Y=2]$.

b. Find $P[X=4|Y=2]$.