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This is an open-book exam. Full credit will be given for 20 (out of 35) correct (to at least 4 significant digits) and complete answers. **Numbers** must be presented in their *decimal* form (simple *fractions* are acceptable as well); they should not contain  $\pi$ ,  $\sqrt{\dots}$ , unevaluated functions e.g.  $\arctan(2)$ , etc. Students are allowed to use *basic* Maple **only** (no internet searching, no Maple 'packages' such as 'with(Statistics)', etc.). All answers **must** be entered in the examination booklet (rough work and your Maple may be attached).

1. Consider two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  having the following joint PDF (probability density function)

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{108}{25}(x + y^2) \exp(-x - 2y) & 0 < x < y \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find (with each PDF answer, specify the corresponding *support*),

- (a) the marginal PDF of  $X$ ,
  - (b) the conditional PDF of  $Y$  given that  $X = 2$ ,
  - (c) the expected value and standard deviation of  $X$ ,
  - (d) the covariance between  $X$  and  $Y$ ,
  - (e) the PDF of  $V = \exp(-X)$ ,
  - (f)  $\Pr(X + Y < 2)$ ,
  - (g) the PDF of  $U = X + Y$ .
2. Consider a random variable  $X$  with the following PDF

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} (1 + x)/2 & -1 < x \leq 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 < x \leq 1 \\ (2 - x)/2 & 1 < x \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find the corresponding

- (a) distribution function (CDF),
- (b) expected value and standard deviation,
- (c) median and quartile deviation,
- (d)  $\Pr(X < 0.65)$ .

Assuming we take a RIS (random independent sample) of size 51 from this distribution and using the appropriate Normal approximation (different in each case!) compute the

- (e)  $\Pr(\tilde{X} < 0.65)$ , where  $\tilde{X}$  is the sample *median*,
- (f)  $\Pr(\bar{X} < 0.65)$ , where  $\bar{X}$  is the sample *mean*.

3. Consider a distribution with the following PDF

$$f(x) = \frac{8x^4}{3\sqrt{\pi}\theta^{5/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{\theta}\right) \quad \text{when } x > 0, \quad f(x) = 0 \quad \text{otherwise}$$

where  $\theta$  is a positive parameter whose exact value is unknown. Assuming that we use a RIS of size  $n$  from this distribution to estimate  $\theta$ , find

- (a) the corresponding Cramer-Rao variance,
  - (b) a sufficient *statistic* for such an estimation,
  - (c) the sufficient *unbiased estimator* of  $\theta$
  - (d) and its efficiency.
4. Two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  have the bivariate Normal distribution with  $\mu_X = 26$ ,  $\mu_Y = -3.7$ ,  $\sigma_X = 4.1$ ,  $\sigma_Y = 1.1$  and  $\rho = -0.79$ . Compute
- (a) the expected value and standard deviation of  $2X - 3Y$ ,
  - (b)  $\text{Cov}(2X - 3Y, 3X - 2Y)$ ,
  - (c)  $\Pr(X > 27)$ ,
  - (d)  $\Pr(X > 27 \mid Y = -2.9)$ .
5. Consider a RIS of size 9 from the **beta(2,3)** distribution. Compute
- (a) the expected value and standard deviation of the sample *mean*,
  - (b) the expected value and standard deviation of the sample *median* (find exact answers, do not use the large- $n$  approximation!),
  - (c) the probability that the *smallest* of the 9 observations is bigger than 0.1,
  - (d) the probability that the difference between the largest observation and the smallest observation is bigger than 0.7.
6. Assume that customers arrive at a specific store randomly and independently of each other, at a constant average rate of 17.3 customers per hour. We start observing (and counting) the arriving customers at 9:30 in the morning. Compute
- (a) the probability that we will have seen at least 10 customers enter the store by 10:00 (hint: use the Poisson distribution),
  - (b) the probability that we have to wait more than 15 minutes (till after 9:45) for the arrival of the third customer,
  - (c) the expected time (use the 11:45:52 format for the answer, to the nearest second) of the third arrival (after 9:30) and the corresponding standard deviation (given in minutes and seconds). Hint: use the **gamma** distribution.

7. Taking a RIS of size 32 from a Normal distribution with the mean of 12.4 and the standard deviation of 3.7, find the probability that ( $\bar{X}$  and  $s$  are the corresponding sample mean and the sample standard deviation, respectively):

- (a)  $12 < \bar{X} < 13$ ,
- (b)  $3.5 < s < 4$ ,
- (c)  $12 < \bar{X} < 13 \cap 3.5 < s < 4$ ,
- (d)  $\bar{X} < 12.4 - \frac{s}{4}$ .

8. Consider a distribution with the following PDF

$$f(x) = \frac{x^4}{24\theta^5} \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\theta}\right) \quad \text{when } x > 0, \quad f(x) = 0 \quad \text{otherwise}$$

where  $\theta$  is a positive parameter whose exact value is unknown. Assuming that we use a RIS of size  $n$  to estimate  $\theta$ , find

- (a) the corresponding Cramer-Rao variance,
- (b) maximum likelihood estimator of  $\theta$
- (c) and its expected value and efficiency.