

**MATH 3P85**

**Second midterm**

**26 March 2018**

**Full credit given for 9 (out of 15) correct and complete answers.**

Numerical answers should be given in decimal, to 4 significant digits.

Symbolic answers must be fully simplified.

All final (brief) answers **must** be entered in your booklet.

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**Open-book exam.**

**Duration: 1 hour**

1. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be two independent RVs, each having the following pdf

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} & -2 < x < 0 \\ 1 - x & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Compute

- (a)  $\Pr(X_1 + X_2 < \frac{1}{4})$ , hint: use convolution,  
(b) the median and quartile deviation of  $X_1 + X_2$ ,  
(c)  $\Pr(X_1 < X_2)$ .
2. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have the bivariate Normal distribution with  $\mu_x = 2.8$ ,  $\mu_y = -1.2$ ,  $\sigma_x = 1.3$ ,  $\sigma_y = 2.4$  and  $\rho = -0.74$ . Find

- (a)  $\Pr(2X - 3Y < 10)$ ,  
(b)  $\Pr(2X - 5 > 0)$ ,  
(c)  $\Pr(2X - 5 > 0 \mid Y = 0)$ ,

3. Consider a RIS of size 10 from Normal distribution with  $\mu = 2$  and  $\sigma = 0.4$ . Compute

- (a)  $\Pr\left(\bar{X} - 2 < -\frac{s}{4}\right)$ ,  
(b)  $\Pr(s > 0.5)$ ,  
(c)  $\Pr\left[\sum_{i=1}^4 \left(X_i - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^4 X_j}{4}\right)^2 < \sum_{i=5}^{10} \left(X_i - \frac{\sum_{j=5}^{10} X_j}{6}\right)^2\right]$  (hint: use Fisher-F distribution), where  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{10}$  represent the individual observations, and  $\bar{X}$  and  $s$  are the corresponding sample mean and sample standard deviation, respectively.

4. Assuming that two continuous-type RVs  $X$  and  $Y$  have the following joint pdf

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} (x + y) \exp(-x - y) & \text{when } x > y > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

find

- (a) the expected value of  $X + Y$  and the corresponding standard deviation,
  - (b) the pdf of  $U = \exp(-X)$  and the corresponding support,
  - (c) the joint MGF of  $X$  and  $Y$ , i.e.  $\mathbb{E}(\exp(t_1 X + t_2 Y))$ , assuming that both  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  are smaller than 1.
5. Consider a RIS of size 11 from a distribution with the following pdf

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2} \quad \text{when } x > 1$$

(zero otherwise). Compute

- (a) the expected value of the sample *median* and the corresponding standard deviation,
- (b) the probability that the sample median will be bigger than 3,
- (c) the probability that the sample *range* (i.e.  $X_{(11)} - X_{(1)}$ ) will be bigger than 100.