

Do all problems in detail. 20 points for each problem.

1. Let $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of independent and identically distributed random variables with $P(X_1 = 1) = P(X_1 = -1) = 1/2$. Let $S_n = n^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$. Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(-1 < S_n < 1)$.

2. Let $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of independent random variables such that for $n \geq 1$, $P(X_n = 1) = p_n = 1 - P(X_n = 0)$, $0 \leq p_n \leq 1$, and let $Y_n = \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - p_i)/n$. Show that Y_n converges in probability to 0.

3. For any random variable X , a real number c is called a median of X if $P(X < c) \leq \frac{1}{2} \leq P(X \leq c)$. Show that if $P(|X| > 1) < 1/2$, then any median of X must lie in the interval $[-1, 1]$.

4. Let X and Y be independent and identically distributed random variables. If X is exponentially distributed with parameter 1, show that $X/(X+Y)$ and $X+Y$ are independent.

5. Let X be a non-negative random variable. Show that

$$\sqrt{1 + (E[X])^2} \leq E\sqrt{1 + X^2} \leq 1 + EX.$$

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1. Let A , B , and C be independent random variables, uniformly distributed on $(0, 1)$. What is the probability that $Ax^2 + Bx + C$ has real roots?

2. Let X_1, X_2, \dots be iid and $X_{(n)} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i$.
- (a) If X_i is beta($1, \beta$), find a value of ν so that $n^\nu(1 - X_{(n)})$ converges in distribution.
- (b) If X_i is exponential(1), find a sequence a_n so that $X_{(n)} - a_n$ converges in distribution.

3. Let (X_1, \dots, X_n) be a sample of Bernoulli random variables with $P(X_i = 1) = p \in (0, 1)$. Find the UMVUE of p^m , where m is a positive integer and $m \leq n$.

4. Let (X_1, \dots, X_n) be a random sample from the following discrete distribution:

$$P(X_1 = 1) = \frac{2(1 - \theta)}{2 - \theta}, \quad P(X_1 = 2) = \frac{\theta}{2 - \theta},$$

where $\theta \in (0, 1)$ is unknown. Obtain a moment estimator of θ and its asymptotic distribution.

5. Suppose that X_1, \dots, X_n are iid with a $\text{beta}(\mu, 1)$ pdf and Y_1, \dots, Y_m are iid with a $\text{beta}(\theta, 1)$ pdf. Also assume that the X s are independent of the Y s.

(a) Find an LRT of $H_0 : \theta = \mu$ versus $H_1 : \theta \neq \mu$.

(b) Show that the test in part (a) can be based on the statistic

$$T = \frac{\sum \log X_i}{\sum \log X_i + \sum \log Y_i}.$$

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(Note: This question paper is composed of five (5) questions, each of which carries 20 points, with a total of 100 points. Attempt all of them.)

Question One (20 points)

Let $\{a_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ be a sequence of nonnegative real numbers.

(1.1) If the following condition is satisfied:

$$a_{m+n} \leq a_m + a_n \quad m, n \geq 0,$$

prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} \text{ exists.}$$

(1.2) Suppose that the following condition is satisfied:

$$a_{n+1} \leq a_n + \delta_n, \quad n \geq 0,$$

where $\{\delta_n\}$ is a sequence of nonnegative real numbers such that $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \delta_n < \infty$. Prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ exists.

Question Two (20 points)

Let

$$f_n(x) = \frac{nx - 1}{(x \log n + 1)(1 + nx^2 \log n)}.$$

Show that

$$(2.1) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = 0, \quad 0 < x \leq 1.$$

$$(2.2) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 f_n(x) dx = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Question Three (20 points)

Suppose $f \in L^1(-\infty, +\infty)$ and let

$$F_n(x) = \frac{n}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{f(t) dt}{1 + n^2(t-x)^2}.$$

Show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = f(x)$ if f is continuous at x .

Question Four (20 points)

If f is integrable over a finite closed interval $[a, b + \delta]$ (where $\delta > 0$), then

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \int_a^b |f(x+h) - f(x)| dx = 0.$$

Question Five (20 points)

Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) be a probability space. Let f be an integrable function on Ω and let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of integrable functions on Ω . Prove that $f_n \rightarrow f$ in L^1 , i.e.,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Omega} |f_n(\omega) - f(\omega)| dP(\omega) = 0$$

if and only if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_A f_n(\omega) dP(\omega) = \int_A f(\omega) dP(\omega) \text{ holds uniformly over } A \in \mathcal{F}.$$

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