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Ph. D. Comprehensive Examination - Part A1 Stat

Date: October 2022

Maximum Marks : 100

Time Allowed: 3 hours

Number of Pages: 3

Special Instructions:

- Do all questions. The marks are indicated in square brackets.
 - Read the problems carefully. Show all your work and justify your answers rigourously.
 - Solutions must be clearly written in the examination booklet.
 - **PERMITTED: approved calculators**
 - **NOT PERMITTED: books, notes, electronic devices or any material other than calculators.**
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Q. 1.(20 marks)

(a) (10 marks) Let A be the 4×4 matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find the Jordan normal form of the matrix A^2 .

(b)(10 marks) Consider the unit cube in the space R^n , *rotated* so that the vertex $(1, 1, \dots, 1)$ is mapped to the point $A = (\sqrt{n}, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$. Denote the origin by $O = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$. Find the coordinates of the orthogonal projections of all the 2^n vertices of the rotated cube on the segment OA (the “space” diagonal of the cube).

Q. 2.(20 marks)

(a)(10 marks) Let f be a function in $C^1([0, \pi])$ (i.e., f and f' are both continuous) such that $f(0) = f(\pi) = 0$.

i) Prove that the integrals $I_1 = \int_0^\pi f^2(x) \frac{1}{\sin^2 x} dx$ and $I_2 = \int_0^\pi f'(x)f(x) \cot x dx$ converge.

ii) Show that $I_1 = 2I_2$.

(b)(10 marks) Let f be a differentiable function on an interval $[a, b]$ with $0 < a < b$. Prove that there exists a point $\theta \in (a, b)$ such that

$$\left| \frac{\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ f(a) & f(b) \end{vmatrix}}{a - b} \right| = f(\theta) - \theta f'(\theta)$$

Q. 3.(15 marks) m red balls and n black balls are placed in a box and they are taken out one by one randomly without replacement.

(a) Let X be the total number of red balls taken out before the first black ball is removed. Find $E[X]$. Show your work.

(b) Let Y be the total number of red balls taken out before the second black ball is removed. Find $E[Y]$. Show your work.

Q. 4.(15 marks) Suppose that Y_1 and Y_2 are independent random variables, both having exponential distribution with mean 3. Let $X = Y_1 + Y_2$ and $Y = Y_1/Y_2$.

(a) Find the joint density function of (X, Y) and the respective marginal densities.

(b) Are X and Y independent? Why?

Q. 5. (15 marks) Let X_1, X_2 be iid with Exponential (θ) distribution, i.e., with common pdf

$$f(x|\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} \exp(-x/\theta), \quad x \geq 0,$$

where $\theta > 0$ is an unknown parameter. Consider the hypotheses $H_0 : \theta = 2$ vs. $H_1 : \theta = 1$, and the following test:

$$\text{reject } H_0 \text{ if } \frac{\prod_{i=1}^2 f(X_i|2)}{\prod_{i=1}^2 f(X_i|1)} \leq \frac{1}{2}.$$

Calculate the *size* and the *power* of the test, using the fact that $Y := X_1 + X_2$ has Gamma ($2, \theta$) distribution, i.e., has pdf

$$g(y|\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^2} y \exp(-y/\theta), \quad y \geq 0.$$

Evaluate the integrals involved completely.

Q. 6. (15 marks) Consider the linear regression model:

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, \quad n \geq 3,$$

where $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n$ are iid Normal ($0, \sigma^2$), $\beta_0, \beta_1, \sigma^2 > 0$ are unknown model parameters, but $x_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$, are non-random co-variates such that $\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 > 0$, where $\bar{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i/n$. Let $\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1$ be the *least-squares estimators* of β_0, β_1 . Write down the expressions for $\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1$, and find their expectations, variances and covariance.

Good Luck!!