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(1) For some real value  $p, 0 < p < 1$ , define the function  $f$  by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} (1-p)^{x-1} p, & x = 1, 2, 3, \dots \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(a) Calculate  $F(y) = \sum_{x=1}^{\lfloor y \rfloor} f(x)$  for a given real value  $y$ , where  $\lfloor y \rfloor$  denotes the largest integer  $\leq y$ . (6%)

(b) Which of the following are true? (multiple choice)

- (i)  $F(y)$  is differentiable      (ii)  $F(y)$  is left-continuous  
 (iii)  $F(y)$  is right-continuous      (iv)  $F(y)$  is a step function  
 (v)  $F(y)$  is increasing      (vi)  $\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F(y) = 1$  (6%)

(2) Define a real-valued function  $f$  by

$$f(\alpha) = \int_0^{\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x} dx$$

(a) Show that for any  $\alpha > 1$ ,  $f(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)f(\alpha - 1)$ . (6%)

(b) Calculate  $f(n)$  for any positive integer  $n > 1$ . (6%)

(c) The Stirling's formula states that for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{n^{n+(1/2)} e^{-n}} = \sqrt{2\pi}$ .

Consider a sequence  $A_n = \binom{2n}{n} p^n (1-p)^n$ ,  $0 < p < 1$ .

Show that  $A_n \approx \frac{[4p(1-p)]^n}{\sqrt{n\pi}}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . (7%)

(d) What is the condition of  $p$  such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  will converge? (7%)

**Note:**  $\binom{m}{n}$  denotes possible number of combinations that we choose  $n$  items from  $m$  items.

(3) A function  $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is convex on  $(a, b)$  if

$$f(rx + (1-r)y) \leq rf(x) + (1-r)f(y) \text{ for all } a < x < y < b \text{ and } 0 \leq r \leq 1.$$

(a) Which of the following are convex on  $(0, \infty)$ ? (multiple choice)

- (i)  $1/x$  (ii)  $\log x$  (iii)  $-\log x$  (iv)  $e^{-x}$  (v)  $e^{-(x-1)^2/2}$  (vi)  $\tan^{-1} x$  (6%)

(b) An alternative definition for a convex function is that for  $\mu \in (a, b)$ ,

$$f'(\mu)(x - \mu) + f(\mu) \leq f(x) \text{ for all } x \in (a, b)$$

Show that if  $f'(x)$  exists and  $f''(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x \in (a, b)$ , then  $f$  is convex on  $(a, b)$ . (6%)

(4) Let  $X$  be an  $n \times 3$  matrix and  $R = X'X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & k & s \\ k & 1 & t \\ s & t & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) What is the constraint on  $k, s, t$  such that matrix  $R$  is singular. (6%)

(b) Suppose matrix  $R$  has three distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$  and let  $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3$  be eigenvectors corresponding to  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$ . Please use matrix forms to represent the relationship between  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3$  and  $R$ . (6%)

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- (c) Let the eigenvector matrix  $B = (\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3)$  and suppose  $B$  is *orthonormal* (that is,  $B'B = I_3$ ). The eigen decomposition of  $R$  is shown as

$$R = B\Lambda B' = (\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3) \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix} (\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3)'$$

- Calculate  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3$ . (6%)
- (d) If  $X$  represents a data matrix, then  $Y = XB$  is commonly used for the dimension reduction purpose. Show that  $\text{trace}(Y'Y) = 3$ . (6%)
- (5) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix with the dimension of the row space is  $k$ ,  $k < n$ .

- (a) Which of the following are true? (multiple choice)
- (i) dimension of column space is  $k$       (ii)  $A$  is invertible
- (iii)  $\det(A'A) = 0$       (iv)  $\det(A^2) = 0$       (v) all eigenvalues of  $A$  are zero
- (vi) all row vectors are linearly independent (6%)

- (b) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , find an *orthonormal* basis for the column space. (6%)

- (c) Suppose  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$  is an orthogonal basis for the row space of  $A$ .

Denote  $\|\vec{v}_1\|_{23}$  to be the length of vector  $\vec{v}_1$  projected onto the vector  $3\vec{v}_2 + 4\vec{v}_3$ .

Calculate  $\|\vec{v}_1\|_{23}$ . (6%)

- (6) A symmetric matrix  $A$  is said to be *positive definite* if  $x'Ax > 0$  for all nonzero vectors  $x$ . For what range of the number  $b$  is the following matrix positive definite?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & b & 8 \\ 4 & 8 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8\%)$$