

1. (8%) (7%) Let  $f(t)$  and  $F(t)$  stand for the respective probability density function and cumulative distribution function of a discrete non-negative random variable  $T$  with the support  $\{t_1 < \dots < t_m\}$ ,  $S(t) = 1 - F(t)$ , and  $\lambda_i = P(T = t_i | T \geq t_i)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ . Express  $f(t_i)$  and  $S(t_i)$  in terms of  $\lambda_i$ 's.
2. (10%) Let  $X$  have a Gamma distribution with parameters  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\beta$ . Compute the mean of the random quantity  $1/X$ .
3. (15%) Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from a continuous distribution  $F(x)$  with the corresponding order statistics  $X_{(1)}, \dots, X_{(n)}$ . Derive the distribution of  $F(X_{(i)})$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .
4. (10%) (15%) Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ . Find the maximum likelihood estimator of  $\Phi((x - \mu)/\sigma)$ , where  $\Phi(\cdot)$  represents the cumulative distribution function of a standard normal random variable and  $x$  is a given value, and derive its asymptotic distribution.
5. (8%) (7%) Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from  $Poisson(\lambda)$  and  $\lambda$  have a  $Gamma(\alpha, \beta)$  distribution. Find the posterior distribution of  $\lambda$  and the Bayes estimator of  $\lambda$  under the absolute error loss function.
6. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from a density function  $f(x|\lambda) = \theta e^{-\lambda x} I_{\{(0, \infty)\}}(x)$  with  $\lambda > 0$ .
  - (6a) (10%) Show that the rejection region of a likelihood ratio test of  $H_0 : \lambda = \lambda_0$  versus  $H_A : \lambda \neq \lambda_0$  is of the form  $\{(X_1, \dots, X_n) : \bar{X} e^{-\lambda_0 \bar{X}}\}$ , where  $\bar{X}$  is the sample mean of  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ .
  - (6b) (10%) Find a valid p-value for the above hypotheses.