

(2017 Spring) **Qualifying Examination**  
**Subject: Mathematical Statistics**

1(E, 20%). Let  $Z$  be a standard normal random variable and  $U$  be a chi-square random variable with  $n$  degree of freedom. Suppose that  $Z$  and  $U$  are independent. Please find the probability density function of  $Z/\sqrt{U/n}$ .

2(E, 20%). Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be independent  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  random variables. Denote  $\bar{X} = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i/n$ . Prove or disprove that the random variable  $\bar{X}$  and the vectors of random variables  $(X_1 - \bar{X}, X_2 - \bar{X}, \dots, X_n - \bar{X})$  are independent.

3(E, 20%). Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a sequence of independent Bernoulli random variables with  $P(X_i = 1) = \theta$ . Prove or disprove that  $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ .

4(M, 20%). Let  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  be independently sampled from the Poisson distribution with parameter  $\lambda$ . (1) Please derive the maximum likelihood estimate of  $\lambda$ . (2) Find the asymptotic variance of the maximum likelihood estimate. (3) Find the method of moments estimate of  $\lambda$ .

5(D, 20%). Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be i.i.d. with density function  $f(x | \theta)$ , where  $f$  is differentiable. Let  $T = t(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  be an unbiased estimate of  $\theta$ . Prove or disprove that  $\text{Var}(T) \geq [nI(\theta)]^{-1}$ , where  $I(\theta) = \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \ln f(x | \theta) \right]^2$ .