Topics for Exam 3

1. Joint Distributions

- 1.1. Joint distribution of two random variables
- 1.2. Marginal distributions
- 1.3. Independent random variables

2. Limiting Distributions

- 2.1. The Poisson distribution as a limit of binomial distributions.
- 2.2. Convergence in distribution
- 2.3. The mgf Convergence Theorem
- 2.4. The Central Limit Theorem

3. Examples of Random Variables

- 3.1. Discrete random variables: Discrete Uniform, Bernoulli, Binomial, Geometric, Hypergeometric and Poisson.
- 3.2. Continuous random variables: Uniform, Exponential, Normal, Chi–Squared

Relevant Sections in Lecture Notes: 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 7.1, 7.2, 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3

Relevant sections in the Text: 3.4, 3.5, 3.9, 5.4, 5.6 and 6.3

Relevant assignments: 8, 9 and 10.

Important Concepts

Joint distributions; marginal distributions; independent random variables; independent, identically distributed (iid) random variables; convergence in distribution; the mgf convergence theorem; the central limit theorem.

Important Skills

- 1. know how to compute the joint cdf and the joint pdf (or pmf) of two random variables.
- 2. Know how to compute marginal distributions.
- 3. Know how to compute probabilities based on joint distributions.
- 4. Know how to use independence.
- 5. Know how to apply the mgf convergence theorem to compute limiting distributions.
- 6. Know how to apply the Central Limit Theorem.