

## 2016

A1. (a)  $x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots + (-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^n}{n}$ ; (b)  $3.001\dot{6}$ ; (c) Based on the 2<sup>nd</sup> order term,  $5 \times 10^{-7}$ .

2. (a)  $24/35$ ; (b)  $B = 3, C = 5$ ; (c)  $\frac{3}{2} \ln(2x-3) + \frac{5}{2} \ln(2x+1) + c$ .

3. (a) concave; (b)(i) convex; (ii) neither.

4. (a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 - C' & -I' \\ M_Y^D & M_r^D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} dY \\ dr \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} dG \\ dM \end{pmatrix}$ ; (b)  $dY = (M_r^D dG + I' dM) / (M_r^D (1 - C') + I' M_Y^D)$ .

B5. (a)  $w(24 - L) = S + pC, C = \frac{\beta}{p}(24w - S), L = (1 - \beta)\left(24 - \frac{S}{w}\right)$ ;  
 (b)  $C^* = 55, L = 11, U = 24.597$   $dU = -0.1118dS$ ;  
 (c)  $C = 43, L = 10.75, U = 21.5$ , tax take = 26.5; (d)  $C = 48.375, L = 9.675, U = 21.63$ .

6. (a)  $P_1 = \frac{\alpha+k}{2}, P_2 = \frac{\delta+k}{2}$ ; (b)  $P_1 = 110, P_2 = 60, Q_1 = 7, Q_2 = 8, \Pi = 610$ ;  
 (c)  $Q = 50 - 0.5P$  for  $0 < P \leq 80, Q = 18 - 0.1P$  for  $80 \leq P \leq 180, Q = 0$  for  $P \geq 180$ ;  
 (d)  $Q = 7, P = 110, \Pi = 450$ .

C7. (a)  $\begin{pmatrix} P(X, Y) & X = 1 & X = 2 & X = 3 \\ Y = 1 & 1/12 & 1/4 & 1/6 \\ Y = 2 & 1/4 & 1/12 & 1/6 \end{pmatrix}$ ; (b)  $\begin{pmatrix} P(X|Y) & X = 1 & X = 2 & X = 3 \\ Y = 1 & 1/6 & 1/2 & 1/3 \\ Y = 2 & 1/2 & 1/6 & 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  
 $\begin{pmatrix} P(Y|X) & X = 1 & X = 2 & X = 3 \\ Y = 1 & 1/4 & 3/4 & 1/2 \\ Y = 2 & 3/4 & 1/4 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$ ; (c) No; (d) 3/4.

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9. (a)  $E(Y_t) = t\mu, var(Y_t) = t^2 + \sigma^2$ ; (b)  $E(\bar{Y}) = (T+1)\mu/2, var(\bar{Y}) = [(T+1)(2T+1) + 6\sigma^2]/6T$ ; (c) Sample mean gives  $var = 1/T$ .

10. (a) 10.

D11. (b)  $Z = 0.707$ , do not reject  $H_0$ ; (c) 0.76; (d)  $\Phi\left(\frac{\sqrt{n}}{3} - 1.645\right)$ .

12. (a)  $t = 58$ , clearly significant; (c)  $AAAA = 0.004278, CCCC = -0.1454, DDDD = -0.01286, BBBB$  is likely to be 0.000; (d)  $\hat{\delta}_0 = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\beta}_2, \hat{\delta}_1 = -\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\delta}_2 = -\hat{\beta}_2$ .

2017

A1. (a)  $f(x)=6(x-1)+10(x-1)^2+10(x-1)^3+5(x-1)^4+(x-1)^5$ ; (b)(i)  $\dot{Y}_t + \gamma(1-\beta)Y_t = \gamma(\alpha+I)$ ; (ii)  $Y^* = (\alpha+I)/(1-\beta)$  if  $\beta \neq 1$ ; (iii)  $Y_t = Y^* + (3-Y^*)e^{(2-t)(1-\beta)\gamma}$ ; (iv)  $\beta < 1$ .

2. (a)  $g(x) > 0$  if  $x > 3$  or  $1 < x < 2$ ,  $g(x) < 0$  if  $x < 1$  or  $2 < x < 3$ ; (b)  $x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6$ ; (d)  $\{(x > 3 \text{ or } 1 < x < 2) \text{ and } \lambda > 0 \text{ and } \alpha > 0\}$ , or  $\{(x < 1 \text{ or } 2 < x < 3) \text{ and } \lambda < 0 \text{ and } \alpha < 0\}$ .

3. (c) 2.

4. (a)  $1+e-\frac{1}{1+e}-\frac{3}{2}$ ; (b)  $128/15$ .

B5. (a)  $q_1=20$   $p_1=56$   $q_2=10$   $p_2=106$   $\pi=1700$  (b)  $-1.12, -1.06$ ;

(c)  $p=66$   $q_1=16$   $q_2=14$   $\pi=1500$ ; (e)  $p=126$   $q_1=0$   $q_2=8$   $\pi=660$ ; (f)  $-1.575$ .

6. (a)  $\frac{\alpha(x_2-b)}{\beta(x_1-a)}$  if  $x_1 \neq a$ ; (b)  $x_1 = \frac{\alpha M + \beta a p - \alpha b q}{p(\alpha+\beta)}$   $x_2 = \frac{\beta M + \alpha b q - \beta a p}{q(\alpha+\beta)}$ ; (c)  $\lambda = \frac{\alpha+\beta}{M-(bq+ap)}$ .

C7. (a) 
$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & Y & & \\ \begin{matrix} X \\ \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} -1 & 0 & +1 \\ 1/48 & 3/48 & 1/4 \\ +1 & 11/48 & 9/48 & 1/4 \end{matrix} & & & \begin{matrix} X \text{ and } Y \text{ not independent;} \end{matrix} \end{array}$$

(b) 
$$\begin{array}{cccccc} Y/X & -1 & 0 & +1 & 1/X & -1 & +1 \\ prob & 23/48 & 1/4 & 13/48 & prob & 1/3 & 2/3 \end{array}$$
,

(c)  $E(X)=1/3$ ,  $E(Y)=1/4$ ,  $E(Y/X)=-5/24$ ,  $E(1/X)=1/3$ ; (d)  $-7/24$ .

8. (a)  $1-e^{-1/5}$ ; (b)  $\approx 0.672$ .

9. (b)  $E(X)=\frac{\theta}{2}$ ,  $E(X^2)=\frac{\theta^2}{3}$ ,  $\text{var}(X^2)=\frac{\theta^2}{12}$ ; (c)  $\frac{X}{\theta}$  for  $0 \leq X \leq \theta$ ;  $E(\bar{X})=\frac{\theta}{2}$ ,  $\text{var}(\bar{X})=\frac{\theta^2}{12N}$ ;

(e) eg  $2\bar{X}$ ,  $\text{var}=\frac{\theta^2}{3N}$ .

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D11. (a)  $E(X)=\beta$   $E(X^2)=2\beta^2$ ,  $\text{var}(X)=\beta^2$ ; (b)  $e^{-\frac{2}{\beta}}$ ; (c) approximately  $N(\beta, \beta^2/100)$ ; (e) reject  $H_0$  as  $Z=3$ ; (f)  $\approx 0.963$ ; (g)  $\ln(3.578) \approx 1.275$ .

12. (a) 0.055974; (b) VVVV=9.5713, YYYY=0.0445, ZZZZ=0.0674; (c) zero; (d) 209.5;

(e) 0.0961 (f)  $lwage_i = \alpha + \epsilon_i$ ; (h) 0.055974; (i) 0.0961.

## 2018

A1. (a)  $f(x) = -x - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots$ ; (b)  $P(x) = -x - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots$ ; (c)  $-0.01005$ .

2. (a)  $\frac{1}{9}(3x-1)e^{3x}+c$ ; (b)  $\frac{3}{8}$ ; (c)  $\frac{5}{2}\ln|x+5| - \frac{1}{2}\ln|x+1| + c$

3. (a)  $T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ ; (b)  $A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $A^5 = A$ ; (c)  $A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

4. (a) Max  $pK^\alpha L^\beta - rK - wL$ ; (b) Min Cost =  $rK + wL$  subject to  $K^\alpha L^\beta = Q$ ;  
 (c)  $K=1/4, L=4, \Pi=2$ ; (d) Indifferent,  $0.04 \ln 4$ . If this answer to (d) puzzles you, consider the fact that the question says "improve" alpha, and since  $K^* < 1$ , that means decreasing it.

B5. (a)  $f(p) = 100e^{(p^2-1)a/2}$ ,  $g(p) = 100e^{(p^2-1)b/2}$  (b)  $ap_t^2 - bp_{t-1}^2 - a + b = 0$ ,  $p^* = 1$ ;  
 (c)  $p_t = \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^t (p_0^2 - 1) + 1$ ; (d)  $|b| < |a|$ ,  $p = 1$ .

6. (a)  $\left(\frac{11}{6}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$  is a minimum, no; (c) max at  $(-11, -2)$ , min at  $\left(\frac{11}{6}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$ .

C7. (a)  $f(x) = 2x$ ,  $f(y) = (1+y)/4$ ,  $E(X) = \frac{2}{3}$  and  $E(Y) = \frac{7}{6}$ ; (c) Yes.

8. (a) 0.5625; (b) 0.964.

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10. (b)  $Z = 3.73$ , reject null hypothesis; (c)(i)  $\hat{W} = 10.145 + 0.031E$ , (ii)  $\hat{W} = 8.130 + 0.031E$ ;  
 (d) 2.015.

D11. (a)  $f(x)F(x)$ ; (b)  $F(x) = x$ ,  $g(y) = 2y$ ; (d)(i)  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; (ii) 1.3%; (e) Distribution of the sum is  $N\left(\frac{90N}{N+1}, \frac{90N}{(N+2)(N+1)^2}\right)$ , so mean  $\rightarrow 1$ , var  $\rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

12. (a)  $\hat{\alpha}^A = \bar{Y}^A$ ; If  $N_A$  and  $N_B$  are large,  $\frac{(\hat{Y}_A - \hat{Y}_B) - (\mu_A - \mu_B)}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}_A^2}{N_A} + \frac{\hat{\sigma}_B^2}{N_B}\right)}}$  is approximately  $N(0, 1)$ , or if

$Y_A$  and  $Y_B$  are Normal and the variances are equal then we can do a t-test; (c)  $\hat{\beta} = \bar{Y}_A - \bar{Y}_B$

2019

A1. (a) Rotation by 45 degrees clockwise and magnification by  $\sqrt{2}$ ; (b)  $\frac{1}{2^{608}} \begin{pmatrix} 21 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix}$ .

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4. The integral is the greater.

B5. (a)  $x > S, y < T$ ; (d)  $x = \frac{ATp_y + BSp_x - Am}{p_x(B-A)}, y = \frac{Bm - ATp_y - BSp_x}{p_y(B-A)}$ , so neither of the goods is a Giffen good.

6. (a)(i)  $r = 1.00\%$ ; (ii)  $m = £1245$ ; (iii)  $D_t = 1.01D_{t-1} - (1.005)^{t-1}m_0$ ;

(b)  $D_t = (1+r)^t D_0 - \frac{[(1+r)^t - (1+i)^t]m_0}{(r-i)}, m_0 = 1087$ .

C7. (a)  $x_1 = 0 : \frac{1}{3}, x_1 = 1 : \frac{2}{3}, x_2 = 0 : \frac{1}{4}, x_2 = 1 : \frac{3}{4}$ , yes, they are independent;

(c)

|           |           | $x_2 = 0$         | $x_2 = 1$          |
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|           |           | $x_1 = 0$         | $x_1 = 1$          |
| $x_1 = 0$ | $x_2 = 0$ | $a$               | $\frac{1}{3} - a$  |
|           | $x_2 = 1$ | $\frac{1}{4} - a$ | $\frac{5}{12} + a$ |

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9. 0.107.

10. (c) Intercept is  $\alpha + E(\epsilon_i)$ .

D11. (a)  $E(x) = \sum_i x_i P(x_i), E(g(x)) = \sum_i g(x_i)P(x_i)$ ; (d)  $M(t) = pe^t + 1 - p$ .

12. (c) Variance would be slightly higher.

## 2020

A1. (a) Yes; (b) Yes; (c) Min 0, Max  $(0,1/2e)$  .

2. (b) True; (c) False.

3. (b)  $x=y=\pm\sqrt{(2019/2)}, z=0$  .

4. 576047996/288000000.

B5. (a) Yes, by Extreme Value Theorem; (b) same as (a); (c) No; (d) Max u is -13 at  $(0.6)$ , Min u is -325 at  $(12,-12)$ ; (e) Min u  $\sim -325.0025$ , true new  $u^*$  will be slightly less negative.

6. (a)  $p_{t+1}=p_t+\gamma(D_t-S_t)$ ; (b)  $D=2(A+ap)$ ,  $S=2(B+bp)$  ;

(c)  $p_t=[1+2\gamma(a-b)]^t p_0 + [1-[1+2\gamma(a-b)]^t] \frac{B-A}{a-b}$ ; (d)  $|1+2\gamma(a-b)|<1$  and hence

$\gamma<1/(b-a)$ ; (e) limit price is  $p=\frac{B-A}{a-b}$  .

C7.  ${}^nC_k \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n = {}^nC_k \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n 2^{n-k}$  .

8. 49/20.

9. (a) Bias  $= -\theta/2$ , MSE  $= \theta^2/3$ ; Yes, MSE minimised by  $k=3/2$ .

10. (c) If you assume variances are equal and base your pooled variance on that,  $t=-4.5$ ; if you use the large sample formula (which *doesn't* need the assumption of equal variances),  $t=-4.41$ ; (d) Depends on what you get for (c), obviously, and is probably off the scale of tables, but if the LH tail area is  $p_0$  then  $p=1-p_0$ ,  $p=p_0$ ,  $p=2p_0$ .

D11. (a)  $C=8/5$ ; (b)  $x_C=0.90$ ; (c) (question intended you to assume the  $0.5x$  cost applies for  $0 \leq x \leq 0.9$ )  $0.1820+0.4747=0.6567$ ; (d)  $Z=1.71$ , reject hypothesis; (e) Depends what you assume: if you work with the *fraction* of overflows, then 0.856; if you work with the *number* of overflows and round the critical number up to 9, then 0.846; if you adjust the 9 to 8.5 due to something called the continuity correction (not taught in the course) then 0.879, and if you use a computer to find the true Binomial probability of overflows  $\geq 9$  then 0.883.

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