

Problems from Assignment 11

1. Suppose the  $X \sim \mathcal{P}(\lambda)$ . You may use that  $E(X) = \lambda$ . Find:
  - (a)  $E(X(X - 1))$
  - (b)  $E(X^2)$
  - (c)  $\text{Var}(X)$ .

2. Suppose the number of calls to a call center each minute is a Poisson Distribution with mean 3. What is the probability there will be exactly 4 calls in a given minute given there is at least 1?

3. Suppose that  $N$  is a Poisson process with rate  $\lambda$ . Let  $X$  be the time until the second event occurs.
  - (a) Using the same approach that we did with the waiting time for the first event, show that:

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda^2 x e^{-\lambda x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (b) Notice this the same pdf we got from the sum of two independent exponential distributions. Explain why that makes sense.
- (c) Suppose  $\lambda = \frac{1}{4}$ . Find  $P(3 \leq X \leq 9)$ , using:
  - i.  $f_X(x)$  above
  - ii. the distributions of  $N$  (remember  $N$  consists of infinitely many random variables) .