

ECE 901

HW #8

- 1) Def. If X is a RV with MGF $M(s) := E[e^{sX}]$, then the cumulant generating function (CGF) of X is $K(s) := \ln E[e^{sX}] = \ln M(s)$.

Problem: Show that K is a convex function of s . Hint: Use the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, which says that for nonnegative U, V , $E[UV] \leq E[U^p]^{1/p} E[V^q]^{1/q}$ if $p, q \geq 1$ and $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$. Show that $K(\frac{1}{p}s_1 + \frac{1}{q}s_2) \leq \frac{1}{p}K(s_1) + \frac{1}{q}K(s_2)$.

- 2) Let N be a point process on \mathbb{X} with Laplace functional $L_N(g) = E[e^{-\int g dN}]$ for functions $g(x) \geq 0$. Let X_1, X_2, \dots be the points of N , and let Y_1, Y_2, \dots be corresponding marks in some space \mathbb{Y} . The marked point process is

$$N^*(C) := \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{I}_C(X_i, Y_i).$$

Recall that the marks are conditionally independent given the X_i 's, and that Y_i given all X_j depends only on X_i . Thus, $E[v(Y_i) | X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2, \dots] = E[v(Y_i) | X_i = x_i]$ for any function $v(y)$. Now, for any function $h(x, y) \geq 0$, define the conditional cumulant generating functional

$$K_h(x) := \ln E[e^{-h(x, Y_i)} | X_i = x] \leq 0.$$

Show that $L_{N^*}(h) := E[e^{-\int h dN^*}]$ satisfies

$$L_{N^*}(h) = L_N(-K_h).$$