

**FINAL EXAM (sample)**

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**Instructions:** Each of the 6 problems has worth either 33 or 34 points. Read each question carefully and answer it in the space provided. **YOU MUST SHOW ALL YOUR WORK TO RECEIVE FULL CREDIT.** Clarity of your solutions may be a factor when determining credit. Calculators, books or notes are not allowed. You can use the Formula Sheet provided at our course website. Unless directed to do so, do *not* evaluate complicated expressions to give the result as a fraction or a decimal number. The proctor has been directed not to answer any interpretation questions.

Make sure that you have a total of 8 pages (including this one) with 6 problems.

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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>over 200</b>

*Before starting:* Imagine that this is your exam and solve it in 2 hours. Problems 1, 2 and 3 come with solutions, so solve them on a different paper. **Avoid reading the solutions**, and compare them with yours only when you finish your simulation.

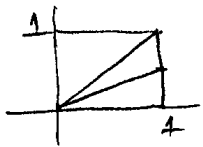
1. The pair  $(X, Y)$  of random variables has <sup>joint</sup> density given by  ~~$f(x, y)$~~   $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} c(xy + 1) & \text{if } x, y \in [0, 1] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

(a) Determine  $c$ . (Recall  $\int_0^1 x^n dx = 1/(n+1)$  for  $n > -1$ .)

$$c \int_0^1 dx \int_0^1 (xy + 1) dy = c \int_0^1 dx (x \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 1)$$

$$= c \left( \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 1 \right) = c \cdot \frac{5}{4} \quad \underline{\underline{c = \frac{4}{5}}}$$

(b) Determine  $P(2Y \leq X | Y \leq X)$ . =  $\frac{P(Y \leq \frac{X}{2})}{P(Y \leq X)}$



$$= \frac{\frac{4}{5} \int_0^1 dx \int_0^{x/2} (xy + 1) dy}{\frac{4}{5} \int_0^1 dx \int_0^x (xy + 1) dy} = \frac{\int_0^1 dx (x \cdot \frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{x}{2})}{\int_0^1 dx (x \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} + x)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{4} + 1} = \frac{9}{20}$$

(c) Determine the density of the random variable  $Z = \sqrt{X}$ .

$$P(Z \leq z) = P(X \leq z^2) = \frac{4}{5} \int_0^{z^2} dx \int_0^1 (xy + 1) dy$$

$$z \in [0, 1]$$

$$= \frac{4}{5} \int_0^{z^2} \left( \frac{1}{2}x + 1 \right) dx$$

$$f_Z(z) = \frac{4}{5} \left( \frac{1}{2} z^2 + 1 \right) \cdot 2z = \frac{4}{5} (z^3 + 2z) \quad \text{if } z \in [0, 1]$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{otherwise}$$

2. Shuffle a full deck of 52 cards.

(a) What is the probability that all Aces are together in the deck (i.e., the four Aces are four consecutive cards, in any order)?

$$\frac{4! \cdot 49!}{52!} \quad (\text{or} \quad \frac{49}{\binom{52}{4}})$$

(b) What is the probability that all the Aces are together in the deck and so are Kings, Queens, and Jacks.

$$\frac{(4!)^4 \cdot 40!}{52!}$$

(c) What is the probability that all the Aces are together in the deck and so are all the hearts (♥) cards?



$$52 - 16 = 36 \text{ other cards}$$

$$\frac{2 \cdot 3! \cdot 12! \cdot 37!}{52!}$$

Problem 2, continued.

(d) What is the probability that the first <sup>three</sup> ~~two~~ cards are all hearts?

$$\frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{12}{51} \cdot \frac{11}{50} \quad \left( \text{or} \quad \frac{\binom{13}{3}}{\binom{52}{3}} \right)$$

(e) What is the probability that the third card is of different suit than either of the first two cards?  
(For example, this event happens if the suits are, in order,  $\heartsuit\heartsuit\diamondsuit$  or  $\heartsuit\spadesuit\diamondsuit$ , but not in the case  $\heartsuit\spadesuit\heartsuit$ .)

$P(\text{1st two card same suit, 3rd different suit})$

+  $P(\text{1st three cards diff. suits})$

$$= \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{choose} \\ \text{suit} \\ \text{of 1st 2 cards}}}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{12}{51} \cdot \frac{39}{50} + \underbrace{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{suits of} \\ \text{1st 3 cards}}} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{13}{51} \cdot \frac{13}{50}$$

3. Roll five red dice and five blue dice. All dice are fair.

(a) Let  $X$  be the number of 6's rolled on red dice and  $Y$  the total number of 6's. Identify the probability mass functions of  $X$  and  $Y$ . Compute  $\text{Var}(Y)$ .

$X$  is Binomial  $(5, \frac{1}{6})$

$Y$  is Binomial  $(10, \frac{1}{6})$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = 10 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{5}{6} = \frac{50}{6}$$

(b) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be as in (a). Determine the joint probability mass function of  $X$  and  $Y$ . (Give a formula rather than a table.)

$$P(X=x, Y=y) = \underbrace{\binom{5}{x}}_{\text{positions of 6's}} \underbrace{\binom{5}{y-x}}_{\text{other nos.}} 5^{10-y} \cdot \frac{1}{6^{10}}$$

$$x = 0, \dots, 5$$

~~$y = 0, \dots, 10$~~

$$x \leq y \leq x+5$$

(c) Give the conditional probability  $P(X=1|Y=1)$  as a single fraction. Compute also the unconditional probability  $P(X=1)$ . Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent?

$$P(X=1|Y=1) = \frac{1}{2} \quad (\text{the 6 needs to appear on a red die})$$

$$P(X=1) = 5 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^4 = \frac{5^5}{6^5}$$

No. The two are different.

4. Suppose that you toss 2 fair coins. Let  $X$  be the number of heads on the first coin and  $Y$  the total number of heads.

(a) Compute the joint density of  $X, Y$ . Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent?

$X \backslash Y$	0	1	2	$f_X$
0	1/4	1/4	0	1/2
1	0	1/4	1/4	1/2
$f_Y$	1/4	1/2	1/4	1

$X \sim \text{Ber}(1/2), Y \sim \text{Bin}(2, 1/2)$   
 $X, Y$  are dependent, since  
 $f(1,0) \neq f_X(1) f_Y(0)$

(b) Find  $\rho(X, Y)$  and  $\mathbb{E}(X|Y)$ .

$$\rho(X, Y) = \text{Cov}(X, Y) / \sqrt{\text{Var}(X) \text{Var}(Y)} = \dots \text{Do it!}$$

$$\mathbb{E}(X|Y=y) = 0 f_{X|Y}(0|y) + 1 f_{X|Y}(1|y) = f_{X|Y}(1|y).$$

$$\text{So, } \mathbb{E}(X|Y=0) = f_{X|Y}(1|0) = \frac{f(1,0)}{f_Y(0)} = \frac{0}{1/4} = 0.$$

$$\text{Similarly } \mathbb{E}(X|Y=1) = 1/2 \text{ and } \mathbb{E}(X|Y=2) = 1.$$

(c) Calculate the characteristic function  $\phi_W(t)$ , where  $W = Y + 1$ .

$$Y \in \{0, 1, 2\} \Rightarrow W \in \{1, 2, 3\}. \quad \mathbb{P}(W=k) = \mathbb{P}(Y=k-1) \quad k=1, 2, 3.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_W(t) &= \mathbb{E}(e^{itW}) = e^{it1} \mathbb{P}(W=1) + e^{it2} \mathbb{P}(W=2) + e^{it3} \mathbb{P}(W=3) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} e^{it} + \frac{1}{2} e^{2it} + \frac{1}{4} e^{3it}. \end{aligned}$$

5. Assume that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent  $Exp(1)$ . Let  $Y_1 = X_1 + X_2$  and  $Y_2 = X_1/X_2$ .

(a) Compute the joint density of  $Y_1, Y_2$ .

(b) Find  $F_{Y_2}$  and  $\mathbb{P}(Y_2 \geq 1)$ .

(c) Find  $f_{Y_1}$  and  $\mathbb{E}(Y_1|Y_2)$ .

6. Determine whether the following statements are True or False (proof or counterexample).

(a) If  $X \sim \text{Ber}(p)$  is independent of  $Y \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$ , then  $X + Y \sim \text{Bin}(n + 1, p)$ .

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(b) If  $\mathbb{E}(X) = 2$  and  $\mathbb{E}(X^2) = 4$ , then  $\mathbb{E}[(X - 2)^2] = 2$ .

$$\mathbb{E}[(X-2)^2] = \mathbb{E}[(X-\mathbb{E}X)^2] = \mathbb{E}(X^2) - (\mathbb{E}X)^2 = 4 - 2^2 = 0$$

or  $\mathbb{E}(x^2 - 4x + 4) = 4 - 4 \cdot 2 + 4 = 0$ . False.

(c) If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent  $\text{Ber}(1/2)$ , then  $X|(X + Y = 1) \sim \text{Ber}(1/2)$ .

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(d) If  $X \sim \beta(2, 2)$ , then  $\mathbb{E}(X^n) = \frac{1}{(n+1)!}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .  $B(2, 2) = \frac{\Gamma(2)\Gamma(2)}{\Gamma(2+2)} = \frac{1}{6}$

So  $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{B(2,2)} x^{2-1} (1-x)^{2-1} = 6x(1-x), x \in (0, 1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}(X^n) &= \int_0^1 x^n \cdot 6x(1-x) dx = 6 \left( \int_0^1 x^{n+1} dx - \int_0^1 x^{n+2} dx \right) \\ &= 6 \left( \frac{1}{n+2} - \frac{1}{n+3} \right) \neq \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \quad \text{False. for } n \geq 2. \end{aligned}$$

(e) If  $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-|x|}$ , for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , then the characteristic function of  $X$  is  $\phi_X(t) = \frac{1}{t^2 + i}$ .

$\frac{1}{t^2 + i}$  is NOT a characteristic function, since at  $t=0$  we get  $\frac{1}{0^2 + i} = -i \neq 1$ . False.