

## Probability and Random Processes

MA6.102, Monsoon-2022

Exam: Mid Semester

Total Marks: 50

Date: 19 Sept 2022

Time: 4:30 PM-6:00 PM

### Instructions:

- This is a closed book exam.
- There are two questions and answering both is compulsory.
- Clearly state the assumptions (if any) made that are not specified in the questions.

1. Answer any four of the following questions.

[Marks: 30 (7.5x4)]

- (a) A coin is tossed for  $N$  times independently and the probability of showing head in each toss is  $p$ . Find the correlation between the numbers of head and tail occur in the outcome.
- (b) A box contains two biased coins having probabilities of 0.4 and 0.6 of showing head. Consider you randomly select a coin and toss it 3 times. If the outcome is THT, then find the probability that the selected coin has biased probability equal to 0.4?
- (c) Derive the MGF of the sum of  $K$  independent binomial random variables with parameters  $p_k$  and  $N_k$  for  $k = 1, \dots, K$ . Use the derived MGF to determine the mean and variance of the sum.
- (d) Consider two points are placed uniformly at random on the circumference of a circle having radius  $R$ . Find the pdf of the length of the segment connecting these two points.
- (e) Assume  $X$  follows a two-sided exponential distribution as

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} p\lambda \exp(-\lambda x) & \text{for } x \geq 0 \\ (1-p)\lambda \exp(\lambda x) & \text{for } x < 0, \end{cases}$$

where  $\lambda > 0$  and  $p \in [0, 1]$ . Find the mean and variance of  $X$ .

- (f) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be the two random variables. Show that

$$\text{Var}[X] = \mathbb{E}[\text{Var}[X|Y]] + \text{Var}[\mathbb{E}[X|Y]].$$

2. A circle  $C$  of radius  $R$  contains  $N$  number of uniformly distributed points (over  $C$ ), where  $N$  is a Poisson random variable with mean  $\lambda$ . Let  $N_S$  denote the number of points falling within set  $S \subset C$ . Answer the following. [Marks: 20]

- (a) Find the pmf of  $N_A$ .
- (b) For  $A \cap B = \phi$ , determine whether  $N_A$  and  $N_B$  are independent or not?