

STA257H1F Fall, 2008

Term Test

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Name: Solution

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Tutorial: (circle one)

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Instructions:

- Time: 90 minutes.
- No aids allowed except a nonprogrammable calculator.
- Answers that are algebraic expressions should be simplified. Series and integrals should be evaluated. Numerical answers need **not** be expressed in decimal form.
- If you do not understand a question, or are having some other difficulty, do not hesitate to ask your instructor for clarification.
- There are 12 pages including this page. Please check that you are not missing any page.
- Show your work and answer in the space provided, in ink. Pencil may be used, but then remarks will not be allowed. Use back of pages for rough work.
- Total point: 70.

Good luck!!

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Question	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Max	10	7	10	14	14	15	70
Score							

Question 1

a) (5 points) Let P be probability measure defined on the sample space Ω . For any event

A define $Q(A) = \frac{1}{P(A)}$. Is Q a probability measure on Ω ? Why or why not?

① No since it does not satisfy the conditions of additivity of the union of disjoint events.

Let A and B be disjoint events with $P(A) > 0$, $P(B) > 0$ then

$$Q(A \cup B) = \frac{1}{P(A \cup B)} = \frac{1}{P(A) + P(B)} \neq \frac{1}{P(A)} + \frac{1}{P(B)} = Q(A) + Q(B)$$

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b) (5 points) Show that if A, B, C are (mutually) independent, then B and $A \cup C$ are independent..

$$\begin{aligned} P(B \cap (A \cup C)) &= P((B \cap A) \cup (B \cap C)) \\ &= P(B \cap A) + P(B \cap C) - P(A \cap B \cap C) \\ &= P(B) \cdot P(A) + P(B) \cdot P(C) - P(A) \cdot P(B) \cdot P(C) \\ &= P(B) [P(A) + P(C) - P(A) \cdot P(C)] \\ &= P(B) \cdot P(A \cup C) \end{aligned}$$

① mark for each line

Question 2

10 people are getting into an elevator in a building that has 20 floors.

a) (4 points) What is the probability that each person gets off on a different floor?

①.5 $N(\Omega) = 20^{10} \leftarrow$ all possible ways in which 10 people can get off.

①.5 $N(A) = P_{10}^{20} = \binom{20}{10} \cdot 10! \leftarrow$ all the ways in which 10 people get off on a different floor

$$P(A) = \frac{N(A)}{N(\Omega)} = \frac{\frac{20!}{10!}}{20^{10}} = 0.0655$$

①

b) (3 points) What is the probability that all of them get off on the same floor?

① $N(A) = \binom{20}{1} \leftarrow$ only need to choose one floor out of 20 in which they will all get off.

$$P(A) = \frac{\binom{20}{1}}{20^{10}} = \frac{1}{20^9}$$

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Question 3

Suppose a couple of your friends go to 'Sushi on Bloor' on either Monday or Friday each week, not both. 26% of the time they go on Monday. On Mondays, the probability of receiving a good service is 0.72. On Fridays, probability of receiving a good service is only 0.13.

- a) (3 points) What is the probability that they went to that restaurant on Monday and received a good service?

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{Monday and good service}) &= P(\text{good service} | \text{Monday}) \cdot P(\text{Monday}) \\ &= 0.72 \times 0.26 = 0.1872 \end{aligned}$$

- b) (3 points) What is the probability that they received good service at that restaurant last week?

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{good service}) &= P(\text{good service} | M) \cdot P(M) + P(\text{good service} | F) \cdot P(F) \\ &= 0.72 \times 0.26 + 0.13 \times 0.74 = 0.2834 \end{aligned}$$

- c) (4 points) Suppose that you don't know which day they went last week, but they tell you they received good service. What is the probability that they went on Monday?

$$P(M | \text{good service}) = \frac{P(M \text{ and good service})}{P(\text{good service})} = \frac{0.72 \cdot 0.26}{0.2834} = 0.66$$

Question 4

The number of students arriving at the ATM machine in Sidney Smith hall is a Poisson random variable with mean of 3 students per minutes.

- a) (2 points) What is the probability that in a given minute exactly 4 students arrive at the ATM?

① X - # of students arriving at the ATM per minute

$$X \sim \text{Poisson}(3)$$

$$P(X=4) = \frac{e^{-3} 3^4}{4!} = 0.168$$

①

- b) (3 points) What is the probability that in a given minute at least one student arrive at the ATM?

$$P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X < 1) = 1 - P(X=0) = 1 - \frac{e^{-3} 3^0}{0!} = 0.9502$$

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- c) (2 points) What is the expected number of students arriving at the ATM in a given hour?

Y - # of students arriving at the ATM per hour

① $Y \sim \text{Poisson}(180)$

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60 × 3
mins

① $E(Y) = 180$

d) (3 points) What is the probability that during half an hour there were exactly 2 minutes in which no student arrive at the ATM?

$$P(\text{in a given minute no student arrive at the ATM}) = P(X=0) = e^{-3} \quad (1)$$

Let Z - # of minutes in half an hour in which no cars crossed
(1) the intersection.

$$Z \sim \text{Bin}(30, e^{-3})$$

$$P(Z=2) = \binom{30}{2} (e^{-3})^2 \cdot (1-e^{-3})^{28}$$

(1)

d) (4 points) Starting at 8:00 AM, what is the probability that the first minute in which no student arrive at the ATM was after 8:26 AM?

Let T = # of minutes until the first minute in which no
(1) student arrive at the ATM.

$$(1) \quad T \sim \text{Geometric}(e^{-3})$$

$$P(T > 26) = (1-e^{-3})^{26}$$

(2)

Question 5

The length of time to failure (in hundreds of hours) for a transistor is a random variable X with a distribution function given by

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ 1 - e^{-2x^2} & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

a) (4 points) Show that $F_X(x)$ has the properties of a distribution function (Note: F is known to be right continuous function).

① • $F_X(-\infty) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} 0 = 0$

① • $F_X(\infty) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1 - e^{-2x^2} = 1$

• Need to show that $F_X(x)$ is non-decreasing. So if $x_1 \leq x_2$

② then $x_1^2 \leq x_2^2 \Rightarrow -2x_1^2 \geq -2x_2^2 \Rightarrow e^{-2x_1^2} \geq e^{-2x_2^2}$
 $\Rightarrow 1 - e^{-2x_1^2} \leq 1 - e^{-2x_2^2} \Rightarrow F_X(x_1) \leq F_X(x_2)$

b) (2 points) Find the probability density function of X .

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 4x e^{-2x^2} & x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

c) (4 points) Find the probability that the transistor operates for at least 260 hours if it is known that it can operate no more than 300 hours.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X \geq 2.6 \mid X \leq 3) &= \frac{P(X \geq 2.6 \cap X \leq 3)}{P(X \leq 3)} = \frac{P(2.6 \leq X \leq 3)}{P(X \leq 3)} \\
 &= \frac{F_X(3) - F_X(2.6)}{F_X(3)} = \frac{e^{-13.52} - e^{-18}}{1 - e^{-18}}
 \end{aligned}$$

d) (4 points) Find the mean and variance of X .

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(X) &= \int_0^{\infty} x \cdot 4x e^{-2x^2} dx = \int_0^{\infty} 4x^2 e^{-2x^2} dx = \int_0^{\infty} 2u^{1/2} e^{-2u} du \\
 &\quad \text{let } u = x^2 \\
 &\quad \quad du = 2x dx \\
 &= \frac{2\Gamma(\frac{3}{2})}{2^{3/2}} \cdot \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-2u} 2^{3/2} \cdot u^{1/2}}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2})} du}_{=1 \text{ since integrand is gamma}(\frac{3}{2}, 2) \text{ density}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Gamma(\frac{3}{2})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(X^2) &= \int_0^{\infty} x^2 \cdot 4x e^{-2x^2} dx = \int_0^{\infty} 2u e^{-2u} du = \frac{1}{2} \\
 &\quad \text{let } u = x^2 \\
 &\quad \quad du = 2x dx
 \end{aligned}$$

Note: the above integral is the $E(u)$ where $u \sim \text{exp}(2)$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = \frac{1}{2} - \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Gamma(\frac{3}{2})\right)^2$$

Question 6

Let X have the density function give by

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0.2 & -1 < x \leq 0 \\ 0.2 + cx & 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

a) (3 points) Find the constant c that makes it a valid density.

We must have $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) = 1$ (1)

$$\int_{-1}^0 0.2 dx + \int_0^1 (0.2 + cx) dx = 0.2 \cdot x \Big|_{-1}^0 + \left(0.2x + \frac{cx^2}{2} \right) \Big|_0^1$$

$$= 0.2 + 0.2 + \frac{c}{2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 2 \cdot (1 - 0.4) = 1.2$$
 (1)

b) (3 points) Find the cumulative distribution function of X , i.e. $F_X(x)$

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < -1 \\ \int_{-1}^x 0.2 dx = 0.2(x+1) & -1 \leq x < 0 \\ 0.2 + \int_0^x (0.2 + 1.2x) dx = 0.2 + 0.2x + 1.2 \frac{x^2}{2} & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 1 & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

c) (4 points) Find the third moment of X .

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(X^3) &= \int_{-1}^0 x^3 \cdot 0.2 dx + \int_0^1 x^3 (0.2 + 1.2x) dx \\
 &= 0.2 \frac{x^4}{4} \Big|_{-1}^0 + \left(0.2 \frac{x^4}{4} + 1.2 \frac{x^5}{5} \right) \Big|_0^1 \\
 &= -\frac{0.2}{4} + \frac{0.2}{4} + \frac{1.2}{5} = 0.24
 \end{aligned}$$

d) (5 points) Find the variance of $C = 3X + 7$.

First we need to find the variance of X .

$$V(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2.$$

$$E(X) = \int_{-1}^0 x \cdot 0.2 dx + \int_0^1 x \cdot (0.2 + 1.2x) dx = 0.2 \frac{x^2}{2} \Big|_{-1}^0 + \left(0.2 \frac{x^2}{2} + 1.2 \frac{x^3}{3} \right) \Big|_0^1 = 0.4$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(X^2) &= \int_{-1}^0 x^2 \cdot 0.2 dx + \int_0^1 x^2 (0.2 + 1.2x) dx = 0.2 \frac{x^3}{3} \Big|_{-1}^0 + \left(0.2 \frac{x^3}{3} + 1.2 \frac{x^4}{4} \right) \Big|_0^1 \\
 &= \frac{0.2}{3} + \frac{0.2}{3} + \frac{1.2}{4} = 0.4333
 \end{aligned}$$

$$V(X) = 0.4333 - (0.4)^2 = 0.27333$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}(C) = \text{Var}(3X + 7) = 9 \cdot \text{Var}(X) = 9 \times 0.27333 = 2.46$$