# Statistical Foundations of Data Science (COMS4055A, COMS7058A) Class Test 2

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# **Instructions**

- Answer all questions in pen. Do not write in pencil.
- This test consists of 3 pages. Ensure that you are not missing any pages.
- A formula sheet is provided
- You are allocated 2 hour to complete this test.
- Ensure your cellphone is switched off.
- You may use a calculator during the test.
- Round off to an appropriate number of decimal places and simplify your answers fully.
- Please manage your time appropriately. Some questions are difficult but worth few marks, do not linger on a difficult question if you have not answered others.

# Question 1

# **Probability**

[35 Marks]

- 1. A certain disease affects 1 in every n people. There is a test for the disease with the following properties:
  - If a person has the disease, the test is positive with probability  $p_t$  of the time (true positive rate).
  - If a person does *not* have the disease, the test is falsely positive  $p_f$  of the time (false positive rate).

A randomly selected person takes the test and receives a **positive** result. What is the probability that this person actually has the disease? If

- (a) n=1000,  $p_t=0.98$  and  $p_f=0.05$ . That is one in 1000 people has the disease 98% of infected people test positive and only 5% of uninfected people test positive. [3]
- (b) n = 2000,  $p_t = 0.99$  and  $p_f = 0.02$ . That is one in 2000 people has the disease 99% of infected people test positive and only 2% of uninfected people test positive. [3]
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$$\begin{split} \frac{0.001 \times 0.98}{0.001 \times 0.98 + 0.999 \times 0.05} &= 0.01924209699 \\ \frac{0.0005 \times 0.99}{0.0005 \times 0.99 + 0.9995 \times 0.02} &= 0.02416402245 \\ \frac{\frac{1}{n}p_t}{\frac{1}{n}p_t + \frac{n-1}{n}p_f} &= \frac{p_t}{p_t + (n-1)p_f} \end{split}$$

- 2. In a group of 4 randomly selected people, assume that each person is equally likely to have any of the 12 zodiac star signs, and that star signs are independent between people.
  - (a) What is the probability that all 4 people have different star signs? [4]
  - (b) What is the probability that at least two people share the same star sign? [2]

(a) 
$$\frac{12}{12} \cdot \frac{11}{12} \cdot \frac{10}{12} \cdot \frac{9}{12} = 0.57291666666$$

(b) 1 - 0.57291666666 = 0.427083333333

3. Let f(x) be a probability density function (PDF) defined as follows:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} c \cdot x^2 & \text{for} \quad 0 \le x \le 2, \\ c \cdot (4 - x^2) & \text{for} \quad 2 < x \le 4, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

where c is a constant.

- (a) Find the value of c that makes f(x) a valid probability density function. [3]
- (b) Once you have the value of c, calculate the mean  $\mu$  of the distribution. [3]
- (c) Calculate the variance  $\sigma^2$  of the distribution. [4]

Error in question, this "distribution" goes negative. However if you apply the standard formulas:

(a)

$$\int_0^2 cx^2 dx + \int_2^4 c4 - cx^2 dx = 1$$
$$c = \frac{-1}{8}$$

(b)

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \int_0^2 \frac{-1}{8} x^3 dx + \int_2^4 \frac{-1}{8} 4x - \frac{-1}{8} x^3 dx$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = 4$$

(c)  $V(X) = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - \mathbb{E}[X]^2 = \frac{-4}{3}$ 

- 4. (a) The weights of apples in a large orchard are approximately normally distributed with a mean of 150 grams and a standard deviation of 20 grams. What proportion of apples weigh more than 150 grams? [2]
  - (b) A student scores 72 on a test where the class mean is 65 and the standard deviation is 5.
    - Find the student's z-score and integret it. [2]
  - (c) The heights of adult men in a population are normally distributed with a mean of 175 cm and a standard deviation of 8 cm. What is the probability that a randomly selected man is taller than 183 cm? [2]

- (d) The marks on a certain test are normally distributed. It is known that:
  - 20% of students scored below 40 marks
  - 10% of students scored above 70 marks

Find the mean score on the test.

[3]

- (a) The weights of apples in a large orchard are approximately normally distributed with a mean of 150 grams and a standard deviation of 20 grams. What proportion of apples weigh more than 150 grams? [2] 0.5, normals are symmetric about their means.
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Z=1.4, 1.4 standard deviations above the mean, better than 91.924 percet of students.

- (c) The heights of adult men in a population are normally distributed with a mean of 175 cm and a standard deviation of 8 cm. What is the probability that a randomly selected man is taller than 183 cm? [2] Z score of 1. Equates to 0.15866 probability.
- (d) The marks on a certain test are normally distributed. It is known that:
  - 20% of students scored below 40 marks
  - 10% of students scored above 70 marks

Find the mean score on the test. [3]

$$40 = \mu - 0.84\sigma$$
  
 $70 = \mu + 1.28\sigma$ 

 $\mu \approx 52$ 

# Question 2

### **Combinatorics**

[6 Marks]

- 5. How many integers between 1 and 1000 inclusive are divisible by
  - (a) At least one of 2,3 and 5.

[3]

(b) Exactly two of 2,3 and 5.

[3]

- (a) At least one of 2,3 and 5.[3] 500 + 333 + 200 166 100 66 + 33 = 734
- (b) Exactly two of 2,3 and 5.[3] 166 + 100 + 66 2 \* 33 = 266

# Question 3 Inference [29 Marks]

- 6. A manufacturer claims that 90% of their light bulbs last at least 1,000 hours. A quality control engineer decides to test this claim using two different sample sizes.
  - (a) In a small-scale test, the engineer tests a random sample of 10 light bulbs and finds that 7 of them last at least 1,000 hours.
    - i. State the null and alternative hypotheses. [2]
    - ii. Assuming the manufacturer's claim is correct, let *X* be the number of bulbs in the sample that last at least 1,000 hours. What is the distribution of *X* under the null hypothesis? [3]
    - iii. Compute  $P(X \le 7)$  under the null hypothesis. [2]
    - iv. At the 5% significance level, should the engineer reject the manufacturer's claim? Justify your answer. [2]
  - (b) In a larger test, the engineer tests 1,000 light bulbs and finds that 850 of them last at least 1,000 hours.
    - i. Again, state the null and alternative hypotheses. Does it change? [2]
    - ii. Let  $\hat{p}$  be the observed proportion of bulbs that last at least 1,000 hours. Use the normal approximation to the binomial distribution to test the hypothesis. [4]
    - iii. At the 5% significance level, what conclusion should the engineer draw?[2]
  - (a) i.
    - ii.  $H_0: P=0.9, H_1: p<0.9 \ \alpha=0.05$  (technically you use a different  $\alpha$
    - iii. Binomial(10, 0.9) [3]

iv.

$$P(X \le 7) = 1 - P(X = 8) - P(X = 9) - P(X - 10) = 0.0701908264$$

- v. Fail to reject at 5 percent.
- (b) i.  $H_0: P=0.9, H_1: p<0.9 \ \alpha=0.05$  (technically you use a different  $\alpha$ . Doesn't change.
  - ii. X is normal with mean 900 and variance 100\*0.9\*0.1=90, standard deviation is  $\sqrt{90}=9.48683298051$ . This gives a Z-score of  $\frac{850-900}{\sqrt{90}}=-5.27046276695$ . P-value is basically 0
  - iii. We reject the null hypothesis.
- 7. A local call center receives an average of 10 calls per hour. Assume that the number of calls follows a Poisson distribution.
  - (a) What is the probability that the call center receives exactly 7 calls in an hour? [2]
  - (b) What is the probability that the call center receives fewer than 5 calls in an hour? [2]

- (c) What is the probability that the call center receives more than 3 calls in a half hour period? [2]
- (a) What is the probability that the call center receives exactly 7 calls in an hour? [2]

$$\frac{10^7 e^{-10}}{7!} = 0.09007922571$$

(b) What is the probability that the call center receives fewer than 5 calls in an hour? [2]

$$\frac{10^0 e^{-10}}{0!} + \frac{10^1 e^{-10}}{1!} + \frac{10^2 e^{-10}}{2!} + \frac{10^3 e^{-10}}{3!} + \frac{10^4 e^{-10}}{4!} = 0.02925268807$$

(c) What is the probability that the call center receives more than 3 calls in a half hour period? [2]

$$1 - \frac{5^0 e^{-5}}{0!} - \frac{5^1 e^{-5}}{1!} - \frac{5^2 e^{-5}}{2!} - \frac{5^3 e^{-5}}{3!} = 0.55950671493$$

8. Prove that

(a) 
$$\mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)^2] = \mathbb{E}[x^2] - \mathbb{E}[X]^2$$
 [3]

(b) 
$$\mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)^3] = \mathbb{E}[x^3] - 3\mu \mathbb{E}[X]^2 + 2\mathbb{E}[X]^3$$
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$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)^2] &= \mathbb{E}[(X^2 - 2\mu X + \mu^2)] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[X^2] - 2\mu \mathbb{E}[X] + \mu^2 \\ &= \mathbb{E}[X^2] - 2\mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[X] + \mu^2 \\ &= \mathbb{E}[x^2] - \mathbb{E}[X]^2 \end{split}$$

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$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)^3] &= \mathbb{E}[(X^3 - 3\mu X^2 + 3\mu^2 X - \mu^3)] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[X^3] - 3\mu \mathbb{E}[X^2] + 3\mathbb{E}[X]^2 \mathbb{E}[X] - \mu^3)] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[X^3] - 3\mu \mathbb{E}[X^2] + 3\mathbb{E}[X]^2 \mu - \mathbb{E}[X]^3)] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[x^3] - 3\mu \mathbb{E}[X]^2 + 2\mathbb{E}[X]^3 \end{split}$$