

## SC531 FINAL EXAMINATION

### INSTRUCTIONS

Form a three digit number from the digits A, C and D of your ID number, as shown below:

Say your student ID number is 2021A1BCD.

Then the three digit number ACD is obtained by concatenating the digits A, C and D. Example: From ID number 202121345, we get the three digit number ACD = 245.

From the three digit number ACD, calculate the two numbers M and N as shown:

$$M = \text{mod}(ACD, 3) + 2 = \text{remainder}(ACD/3) + 2$$

$$N = \text{mod}(ACD, 4) + 5 = \text{remainder}(ACD/4) + 5$$

**SUBSTITUTE THE VALUES OF M AND N IN CALCULATING THE NUMERICAL ANSWERS.**

**ANSWERS GIVEN IN TERMS OF M AND N WILL GET ZERO MARKS.**

**KEEP YOUR CAMERA ON UNTIL YOU UPLOAD THE ANSWERS IN GOOGLE FORM.**

## SC531 PROBABILITY & RANDOM VARIABLES FINAL EXAMINATION

Each question carries 3 marks. Time allowed: 80 minutes.

Use the values of M & N you have calculated earlier.

Q-1. You have 5 bowls containing, respectively, 10, 10, 20, 20 and 20 balls. Some balls in each bowl are white; the rest are black. The number of white balls in the bowls are, respectively, M, 10-M, 11, 4 and 15. A bowl is selected at random, and a single ball is drawn from that bowl at random. It is found that the ball drawn is **black**. Find the probability that the drawn **black** ball came from bowl #2.

From the given data, we get the total number of BLACK balls in the five bowls = 40.

$P(\text{bowl-2} \mid \text{black-drawn})$

$$= P(\text{bowl-2} \& \text{black-drawn}) / P(\text{black-drawn})$$

$$= P(\text{black-drawn} \mid \text{bowl-2}) * P(\text{bowl-2}) / P(\text{black-drawn})$$

$$= [M/10 * 1/5] / [40/80] = \underline{M/25}$$

Q-2. A fair coin is tossed 10 times. Find the probability that it turns up HEAD either N-1 or N times.

$$\text{Answer} = \underline{[{}_{10}C_{N-1} + {}_{10}C_N] / 1024}$$

Q-1  $M=2$   
 White balls: 2, 8, 11, 4, 15  
 Black balls: 8, 2, 9, 16, 5

$P(B_1) = \frac{1}{5} \rightarrow P(B_2) = \frac{1}{5}$

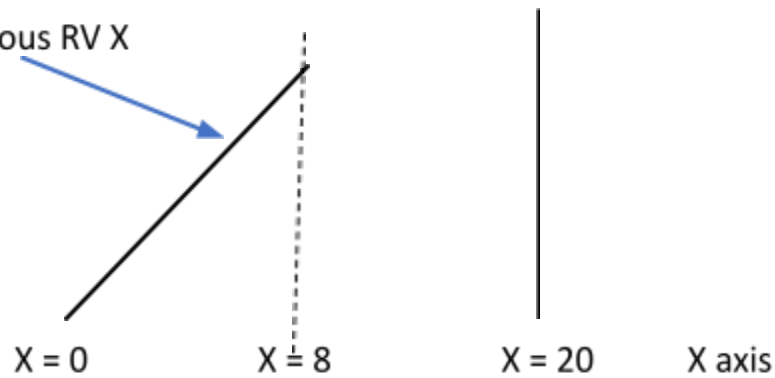
$P(B/B_2) = \frac{2}{10}$

$P(B_2/B) = \frac{P(B/B_2) \cdot P(B_2)}{P(B)}$

$= \frac{\frac{2}{10} * \frac{1}{5}}{\frac{(8+2+9+16+5)}{80}} = \frac{\frac{2}{10} * \frac{1}{5}}{\frac{40}{80}} = \frac{2}{25}$

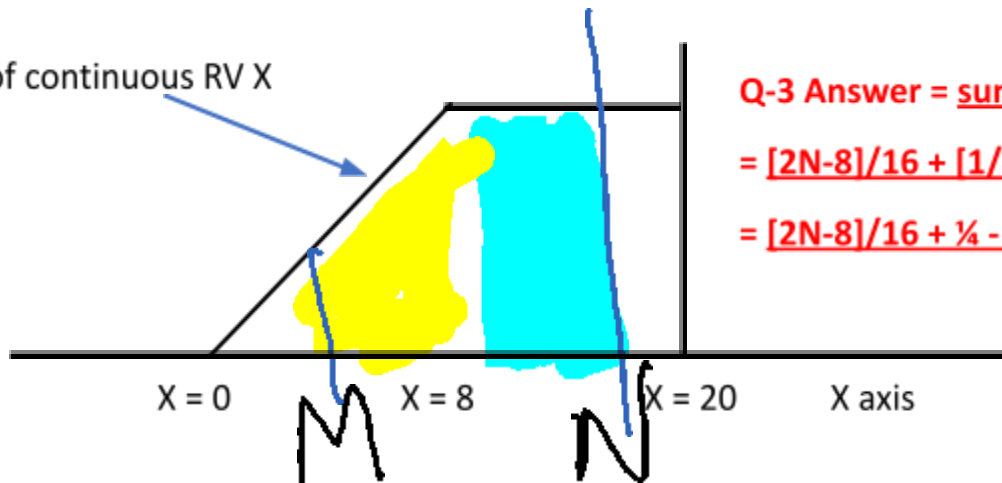
Q-2 prob that it turns up head  
 N-1 or N times  $= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{10} ({}^{10}C_{N-1} + {}^{10}C_N)$

pdf of continuous RV X  
(for Q-3)



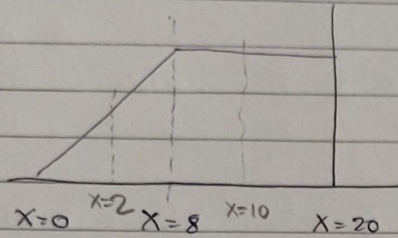
Q-3. Given the probability density function shown in the diagram above, find  
 $\text{Prob}[M \leq X \leq 2N]$ .

pdf of continuous RV X



Q-3 Answer = sum of two shades areas  
 $= \frac{2N-8}{16} + \left[ \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot M \cdot \left( \frac{M}{128} \right) \right]$   
 $= \frac{2N-8}{16} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{M^2}{256}$

Q-3



$$P(M \leq X \leq 2 \mid N) = 9, \quad M=2, N=5$$

$$P(2 \leq X \leq 10) = 9$$

$$\text{Total area} = 1$$

$$\text{triangle area} + \text{rectangle area} = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \times h \times l + h \times l = 1$$

$$h \left[ \frac{8}{2} + (20-8) \right] = 1$$

$$\therefore h = \frac{1}{16}$$

$$m \text{ for triangle} = \frac{\frac{1}{16} - 0}{8 - 0} = \frac{1}{128}$$

$$\text{Rectangle area} = h \times l$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \times 2 = \frac{1}{8} = 0.125$$

$$\text{Triangle area} = \int_2^8 m x \cdot dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{128} \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_2^8 = \frac{64-4}{256} = 0.2343$$

$$\text{Total area} = 0.125 + 0.2343$$

$$= 0.359375$$

Q-4. At a router, the number of packets arriving per millisecond, denoted by  $P$ , follows Poisson distribution, with mean rate of 2 packets per millisecond. Find  $\text{Prob}[M \leq P \leq M+3]$ . Refer to the table below.

**Four entries in the table must be added, for count =  $M$ ,  $M+1$ ,  $M+2$ ,  $M+3$**

Poisson  
distributi  
on, rate =  
2

| count, x | p(x)   |
|----------|--------|
| 0        | 0.1353 |
| 1        | 0.2707 |
| 2        | 0.2707 |
| 3        | 0.1804 |
| 4        | 0.0902 |
| 5        | 0.0361 |
| 6        | 0.0120 |
| 7        | 0.0034 |
| 8        | 0.0009 |
| 9        | 0.0002 |
| 10       | 0.0000 |

Q-4  $\mu = 2, M = 2$   
 $P(M \leq P \leq M+3) = P(2 \leq P \leq 5) =$   
 $= \frac{e^{-2} 2^2}{2!}$   
 $= e^{-2} \left[ \frac{2^2}{2!} + \frac{2^3}{3!} + \frac{2^4}{4!} + \frac{2^5}{5!} \right]$   
 $= 0.5774$

Q-5. The average working life of a certain power supply is claimed to be 10000 hours, with standard deviation of  $400 \cdot M$  hours. We test a sample of size 25 of the power supplies, and calculate the sample mean. Find the probability that the sample mean is between 9600 and 10400 hours.

**Answer:**  $400 \cdot M / 5 = 80 \cdot M$  standard deviation of sample mean

So number of standard deviations on either side  $= 400 / (80 \cdot M) = 5/M$



So answer =  $2 * F(5/M) - 1$ , where  $F(z)$  is the standard normal cdf

Q-5.  $\mu = 10000$ ,  $\sigma = 400 \times 2$  (for  $n=4$ )  
 $n = 25$   
 $X_1 = 9600$ ,  $X_2 = 10400$

$P(X_1 < X < X_2)$

$Z_1 = \frac{X_1 - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} = \frac{9600 - 10000}{\frac{400 \times 2}{\sqrt{25}}} = -\frac{5}{4}$

$Z_2 = \frac{X_2 - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} = \frac{10400 - 10000}{\frac{400 \times 2}{\sqrt{25}}} = +\frac{5}{4}$

$P(-\frac{5}{4} < Z < +\frac{5}{4}) = P(-1.25 < Z < 1.25)$   
 $P(-1.25 < Z < 1.25)$   
 $= P(1.25) - P(-1.25)$   
 $= 0.8944 - 0.1056$   
 $= 0.7888$

#### Standard normal distribution -- cumulative

| Index | z    | F(z)   | Index | z    | F(z)   |
|-------|------|--------|-------|------|--------|
| 1     | 0.00 | 0.5000 | 11    | 1.00 | 0.8413 |
| 2     | 0.10 | 0.5398 | 12    | 1.10 | 0.8643 |
| 3     | 0.20 | 0.5793 | 13    | 1.20 | 0.8849 |
| 4     | 0.30 | 0.6179 | 14    | 1.30 | 0.9032 |
| 5     | 0.40 | 0.6554 | 15    | 1.40 | 0.9192 |
| 6     | 0.50 | 0.6915 | 16    | 1.50 | 0.9332 |

|    |      |        |    |      |        |
|----|------|--------|----|------|--------|
| 7  | 0.60 | 0.7257 | 17 | 1.60 | 0.9452 |
| 8  | 0.70 | 0.7580 | 18 | 1.70 | 0.9554 |
| 9  | 0.80 | 0.7881 | 19 | 1.80 | 0.9641 |
| 10 | 0.90 | 0.8159 | 20 | 1.90 | 0.9713 |
|    |      |        | 21 | 2.00 | 0.9772 |

Q-6. Five pairs of values of random variables X and Y are tabulated below. Find the COVARIANCE of X & Y.

|   |     |     |   |    |    |
|---|-----|-----|---|----|----|
| X | 1   | 2   | 3 | 4  | 5  |
| Y | -3M | -4M | 0 | 3M | 4M |

**Sum of  $\Delta X * \Delta Y$  product = 21M     $\Rightarrow$  answer =  $21M/5 = 4.2 * M$**

Handwritten solution for Q-6:

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)$$

$$E(X) = \frac{1+2+3+4+5}{5} = 3$$

$$E(Y) = \frac{-3M - 4M + 0 + 3M + 4M}{5} = 0$$

if  $M = 1$ .

$$E(XY) = \frac{-3 - 8 + 0 + 12 + 20}{5} = 4.2$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 4.2 - 3 \times 0 = 4.2$$

Q-7. Trucks arrive at a toll booth at the average rate of 12 arrivals per hour, and the arrivals define a Poisson process. What is the probability that the time interval T between two successive arrivals, measured in minutes, satisfies  $M \leq T \leq N$ ?

Answer:  $e^{-M/5} - e^{-N/5}$ , since the rate of arrivals is 1/5 per minute.

Q-7  $M=12, M=2, N=5$ .

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per hour  $\Rightarrow M = \frac{12}{60 \text{ mins}} \Rightarrow M = \frac{1}{5}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(2 \leq T \leq 5) &= P(T \leq 5) - P(T \leq 2) \\
 &= 1 - e^{-\lambda \cdot 2} - (1 - e^{-\lambda \cdot 5}) \\
 &= e^{-\lambda \cdot 2} - e^{-\lambda \cdot 5} \\
 &= e^{-2/5} - e^{-1} \\
 &= 0.670 - 0.3678 \\
 &= 0.3024
 \end{aligned}$$

Q-8. Recall the Markov process defined as "random walk with reflecting barriers". The four states of the process are 1, 2, 3 and 4. The transition probability matrix is as given below, with  $\alpha = M/10$ . The initial probability distribution over states is  $(1/4, 1/4, 1/4, 1/4)$ . What is the probability that the process is in state 1 after two time steps?

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
 \alpha & 0 & \beta & 0 \\
 0 & \alpha & 0 & \beta \\
 0 & 0 & 1 & 0
 \end{bmatrix}$$

Pre-multiply TWICE above matrix with the probability matrix. After one pre-multiplication, probability distribution =  $(a/4 \ (1+a)/4 \ (1+b)/4 \ b/4)$ . After the second round, only the first element of the row is needed, so only one column multiplication is needed.



So answer =  $\alpha(1+\alpha)/4 = (M/10)*(1+M/10)/4 = M*(M+10)/400$

Q-8  $P^0 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$

$TPM = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{2}{10} & 0 & \frac{1-\frac{2}{10}}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{10} & 0 & \frac{1-\frac{2}{10}}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$P^1 = P^0 \cdot TPM$

$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.2 & 0 & 0.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.2 & 0 & 0.3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.05 & 0.3 & 0.45 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}$

$P^2 = P^1 \cdot TPM$

$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.05 & 0.3 & 0.45 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.2 & 0 & 0.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.2 & 0 & 0.3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

state 1  $\Rightarrow 0.3 + 0.2$   
 $= 0.06$

state 1