

MTH 372

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Due Thursday, 10/28/2021.

Read Chapters 12,13 of *Huber*.

p.83 #12.2 Suppose I choose  $N \sim \text{Unif}(\{1, 2\})$ . Then I roll  $N$  dice independently and identically distributed as  $\text{Unif}(\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\})$  and sum them to get  $S$ . That is,  $[S|N=1] = X_1$ ,  $[S|N=2] = X_1 + X_2$ . Or more compactly,  $[S|N] = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$ .

- (a) What is the probability  $S = 4$ ?
- (b) What is the probability  $S = 7$ ?
- (c) Find the pmf of  $S$ ,  $p_S(i)$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 12\}$ .
- (d) Find  $E[S]$  from  $p_S(i)$ .
- (e) Find  $E[S]$  from the Fundamental Theorem of Probability.

#12.4 Lisa and Bart go spelunking in a cave, and unfortunately, soon get lost. Each time they try to find the exit, they have a 20% chance of finding the exit in an hour, a 45% of returning back to where they started after an hour, and a 35% of returning back to where they started after three hours.

- (a) What is the chance that they find their way out after exactly four hours?
- (b) What is the chance that they find their way out after exactly eight hours?
- (c) What is the expected amount of time they spend in the cave? (Hint: Use the “Fundamental Theorem”.)

#12.6 The probability  $p$  of success for an experiment is modeled as uniform over  $[0.4, 0.5]$ . Then 27 independent trials of the experiment are run. What is the expected number of successes?

p.90 #13.2 (modified) Suppose  $(X, Y)$  has pmf  $p_{X,Y}(x, y) = (x^3 + y^2)/150$  for  $X \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $Y \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ .

- (a) Find the marginal pmf's  $p_X(x)$  and  $p_Y(y)$ .
- (b) Find  $E[XY]$ .
- (c) True or false?:  $E(XY) = E(X) \cdot E(Y)$ .

13.3 (modified) Suppose  $(X, Y)$  has joint pmf

$$p_{X,Y}(x, y) = \frac{x}{9\sqrt{y}} \mathbf{1}(x \in \{1, 2, 3\}) \mathbf{1}(y \in \{1, 4\})$$

- (a) Prove that  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent.
- (b) What is  $P(X = 2)$ ? What is  $P(Y = 4)$ ?

13.K Let  $X \sim \text{Unif}(\{1, 2, 3, 4\})$  and  $Y \sim \text{Unif}(\{1, \dots, X\})$ .

(In words,  $X$  is chosen uniformly from 1,2,3,4, then  $Y$  is chosen uniformly from the numbers from 1 up to  $Y$ ).

- (a) Write in table form the joint pmf  $p_{X,Y}(x, y)$ .
- (b) Find the marginal pmf  $p_Y(y)$ , and use it to compute  $E(Y)$ .
- (c) Find  $E(Y)$  by another method, using the “Fundamental Theorem of Probability.”