

# EXAM 1

Math 161a: Appl. Prob. & Stats.  
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*You have 75 minutes.*

*No books, but you are allowed to use a flash-card (provided by the instructor) as cheat sheet.*

*Please write legibly (unrecognizable work will receive zero credit).*

*You must show all necessary steps to receive full credit.*

*Good luck!*

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Total score: \_\_\_\_\_ (/50 points)

1. (9 pts) A small class has 4 boys and 5 girls.
  - (a) In how many different ways can you arrange them along a line? What if the students of each sex must stand together?
  - (b) In how many different ways can you select 2 boys and 2 girls to form a team of size 4 to work on some project?

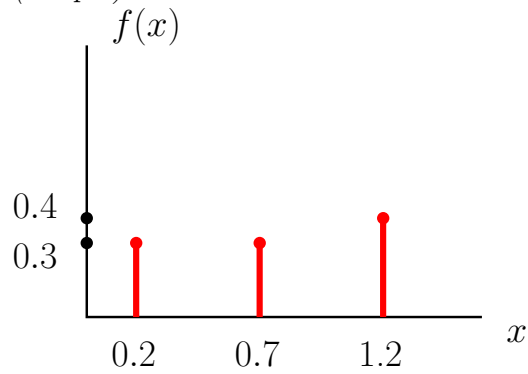
2. (10 pts) A poker hand of 5 cards is drawn from an ordinary deck of 52 cards at random. Consider the following two events:  $A = \{\text{All hearts}\}$ ,  $B = \{5 \text{ consecutive numbers}\}$  (i.e.,  $x, x+1, x+2, x+3, x+4$  where  $x$  represents the face value; Ace can only be used as 14).
- (a) Determine  $P(B)$ .

(b) Find  $P(B \mid A)$ . Are the events  $A$  and  $B$  independent?

3. (10 pts) Suppose that 55% of the defendants are truly guilty. Suppose also that juries vote a guilty person innocent with probability 0.2 whereas the probability that a jury votes an innocent person guilty is 0.1.
- (a) Find the probability that a defendant is convicted.

(b) What percentage of convicted defendants are actually innocent?

4. (11 pts) The distribution of a random variable  $X$  is displayed in the following plot:



(a) What is the range of  $X$ ?

(b) Find the following probabilities:

$$P(X = 0.3) =$$

$$P(X \leq 0.3) =$$

$$P(X = 0.7) =$$

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(c) Plot the cumulative distribution function (cdf) of  $X$  as a graph, to the right of the given graph. Make sure you mark everything clearly.

(d) What are the expected value and standard deviation of  $X$ ?

(e) What is  $\text{Exp}(2X - 3)$ ?

5. (10 pts) Toss two fair dice independently and let  $Y$  be the smaller of the two numbers. Find the pmf of  $Y$ .

6. (5 pts) **Extra credit question.** *Your score earned for this question will be posted separately on Canvas under extra credit assignments.*

Consider the experiment of independently tossing two different dice with probabilities of getting heads equal to 0.5 and 0.6 respectively, and let  $X$  denote their sum. Find the expected value and variance of  $X$ .