

# Math 368 / 621 Fall 2019

## Midterm Examination One

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### Instructions

This exam is seventy five minutes and closed-book. You are allowed one page (front and back) of a "cheat sheet." You may use a graphing calculator of your choice. Please read the questions carefully. If the question reads "compute," this means the solution will be a number otherwise you can leave the answer in choose, permutation, exponent, factorial or any other notation which could be resolved to a number with a computer. Questions marked "[MA]" are required for those enrolled in 621 and extra credit for those enrolled in 368. If you are enrolled in 368, I advise you to finish the other questions on the exam and only then attempt the extra credit. I also advise you to use pencil. The exam is 100 points total plus extra credit. Partial credit will be granted for incomplete answers on most of the questions.

Box in your final answers. Good luck!

**Problem 1** Below are some theoretical exercises.

(a) [6 pt / 6 pts] Compute as best as possible:  $\sum_{x_1 \in \mathbb{R}} \sum_{x_2 \in \mathbb{R}} \mathbb{1}_{x_1 \in \{3,4,5\}} \mathbb{1}_{x_2 \in \{3,4,5\}}.$

(b) [6 pt / 12 pts] Let  $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p) := \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$  where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $p \in (0, 1)$ . In class we said that this PMF was valid  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ . If so, how did we define  $\binom{n}{x}$  under the hood?

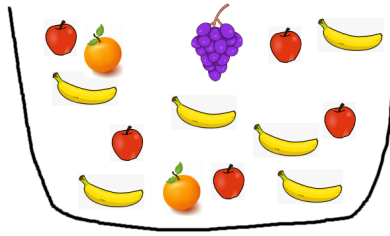
$$\binom{n}{x} :=$$

(c) [10 pt / 22 pts] Let r.v.'s  $X_1, X_2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim}$  with expectation  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ . Let  $T = X_1 + X_2$  and  $\mathbf{Y} = [X_1 \ X_2 \ T]^\top$ . Find  $\text{Var}[\mathbf{Y}]$ . Simplify to be as clean as possible.

(d) [6 pt / 28 pts] [MA] Consider  $X, Y \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Geometric}(p)$  and find  $\mathbb{P}(X \geq Y + c)$  as a function of  $p$  and  $c$  where  $c \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , a constant.

- (e) [6 pt / 34 pts] [MA] Let  $X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\frac{1}{2})$  independent of  $Y \sim U(\{c, c+2, c+4, \dots, c+2m\})$  where  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  are both constants. Find the PMF of  $T = X + Y$  using a convolution formula. Is the final answer a brand name r.v. you know? If so, denote it using the notation we learned in class.

**Problem 2** Consider the following bag of fruit with 5 apples, 6 bananas, 2 oranges and 1 grape cluster.



Let the vector r.v.  $\mathbf{X} = [X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4]^\top$  represent a sample of 20 fruits uniformly at random *with replacement* from a bag where  $X_1$  denotes the number of apples sampled,  $X_2$  denotes the number of bananas sampled,  $X_3$  denotes the number of oranges sampled and  $X_4$  denotes the number of grape clusters sampled. Assume this sampling procedure and this notation for all questions in this problem.

A “format that can be computed without choose notation” would mean if  $X \sim \text{Binomial}(11, 0.4)$  then you should write its PMF as  $\frac{11!}{x!(11-x)!} 0.4^x 0.6^{11-x}$  and  $\mathbb{P}(X = 2) = \frac{11!}{2!9!} 0.4^2 0.6^9$ .

- (a) [7 pt / 41 pts] Find the JMF of  $\mathbf{X}$  in a format that can be computed. Do not use choose notation. No brand name notation allowed in the final answer. Assume  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{Supp}[\mathbf{X}]$  so no need to ensure your answer is valid  $\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^K$ . Please write all parameter values explicitly.

- (b) [7 pt / 48 pts] What is the probability you draw 3 apples, 10 bananas, 5 oranges and 2 grape clusters? Do not compute explicitly but leave your answer in a format that a computer can do the calculation. Do not use choose notation.
- (c) [5 pt / 53 pts] What is the probability you draw 7 apples, 8 bananas, 3 oranges and 3 grape clusters? Do not compute explicitly but leave your answer in a format that a computer can do the calculation. Do not use choose notation.
- (d) [5 pt / 58 pts] What is the probability you draw 5 apples? Do not compute explicitly but leave your answer in a format that a computer can do the calculation. Do not use choose notation.
- (e) [8 pt / 66 pts] Knowing that you drew 5 apples, what is the probability you drew 3 bananas? Do not compute explicitly but leave your answer in a format that a computer can do the calculation without using choose notation.
- (f) [5 pt / 71 pts] You cannot sell apples and bananas, but you can sell each orange for \$0.50 and each grape cluster for \$2.00. Let  $R$  be the r.v. the models sale revenue on the sample of 20 fruits from part (a). Compute  $\mathbb{E}[R]$  to the nearest cent.

- (g) [7 pt / 78 pts] Write an expression to compute  $\text{Var}[R]$ . Factor out constants but leave in terms of matrix and vector multiplication. Do not compute.

**Problem 3** In soccer, each team scores a number of “goals” and whoever has the most goals wins. We will consider modeling soccer game point spreads. This is the number of goals one time wins (or loses) by. We will be using the Skellam distribution:

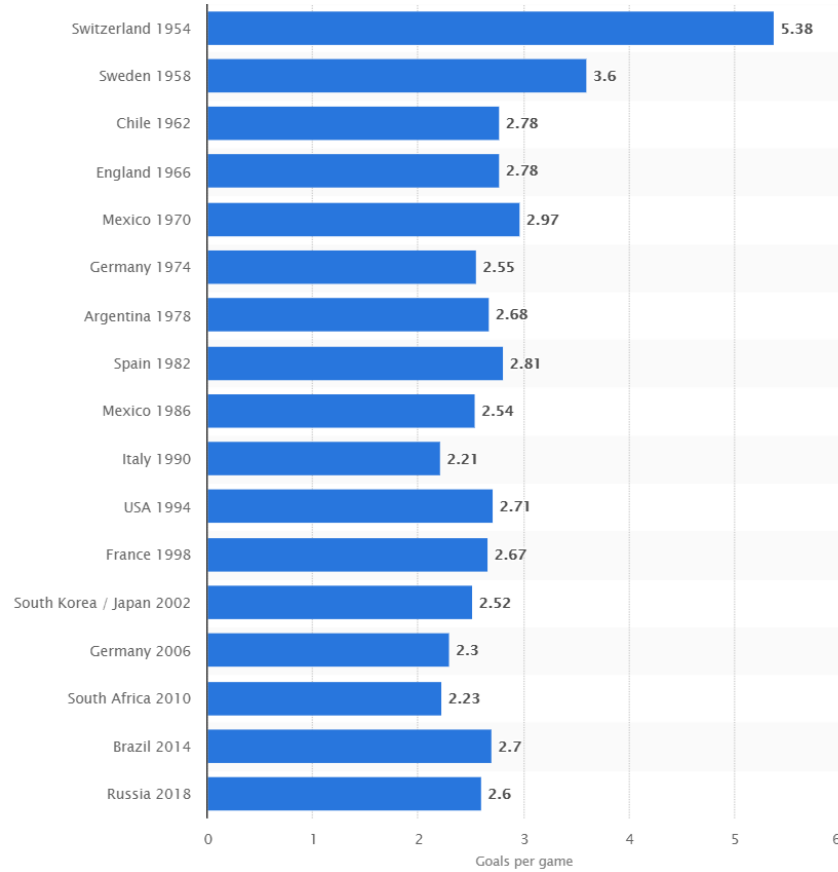
$$D \sim \text{Skellam}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) := e^{-(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} \left( \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2} \right)^{d/2} I_{|d|}(2\sqrt{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}) \mathbf{1}_{d \in \mathbb{Z}}$$

where  $I_c(a)$  denotes the modified Bessel function of the first kind.

- (a) [6 pt / 84 pts] Let  $R = -D$  and prove that  $R \sim \text{Skellam}(\lambda_2, \lambda_1)$ .

The website linked here compiled statistics on each soccer team for almost 90 years. Below are average number of goals for many countries’ teams that won the world cup since 1950:

This is not a class on statistics, so we will not talk about estimation. We will assume (a) the number of goals scored in any game is independent and Poisson-distributed and (b) the average number of goals above is exactly the  $\lambda$  parameter in the Poisson distribution for each team.



- (b) [5 pt / 89 pts] If Brazil plays Argentina, who is expected to win and by how much?
- (c) [6 pt / 95 pts] Find an expression for the probability that Brazil beats Argentina by 2. You can leave your answer in terms of  $I_c(a)$ , the modified Bessel function of the first kind. Simplify to be as clean as possible.
- (d) [5 pt / 100 pts] [MA] The Skellam model actually has a small problem: you cannot tie in soccer (meaning both teams get the same score), so  $d = 0$  *should not be* in the support of our final modeling distribution. With this fact in mind, find an expression for the probability that Brazil beats Argentina by 2. You can leave your answer in terms of  $I_c(a)$ , the modified Bessel function of the first kind. Simplify to be as clean as possible.