

Econ 103 – Quiz 2

Name: _____

Instructions: This is closed-book, closed-notes quiz. Please write your answers in the blanks provided. Each question is worth one point but no partial credit will be awarded. Non-programmable calculators are permitted.

1. Let X be a discrete random variable denoting the number of days it will rain within a 2 day interval and Y denotes the number of days it will snow. The following table represents the joint PMF of X and Y denoted by $P(X, Y)$.

		Y		
		0	1	2
X	0	$1/20$	$2/20$	$4/20$
	1	$5/20$	$1/20$	$3/20$
	2	$1/20$	$2/20$	$1/20$

Calculate (1 point each):

- The probability that it will rain on one day only.
- The probability that it will snow on one day only.
- The probability that it will rain on one day only and it will snow on one day only.
- The probability that it will rain on one day only, given that it will snow on one day only.
- Are the random variables X and Y independent?

1. $9/20; 1/4; 1/20; 1/5$; **No**

2. Let X be a random variable with support set $\{2, 3, -1\}$ where $p(2) = p(3) = p(-1)$. Calculate $E[X^2]$

2. **14/3**

3. X and Y are random variables. Write $Var(aX + bY)$ in terms of $Var(X)$, $Var(Y)$ and $Cov(X, Y)$.

3. $a^2Var(X) + b^2Var(Y) + 2abCov(X, Y)$

4. An employer uses a lie detector test to try and figure out which of her employees may be thieves. She knows that 1% of her workers steal from her supply closet. The lie detector test is 90% effective – if a thief takes it, 90% of the time they will fail the test, and if an honest employee takes it, they will *pass* 90% of the time. An employee failed the test. What is the probability that they are a thief?

4. $\frac{1}{12}$

5. A six sided fair die is randomly rolled 3 times. What is the probability **in fraction** that you get at least one 6?

5. $3\frac{1}{6}\frac{5}{6}\frac{5}{6} + 3\frac{1}{6}\frac{1}{6}\frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{6}\frac{1}{6}\frac{1}{6} = \frac{75 + 15 + 1}{216} = \frac{91}{216}$

6. A and A^C are mutually exclusive and collectively exhaustive. True or false?

6. **True**

7. $P(A \cap A^C) = 1$. True or false?

7. **False**