



## AI5090: STOCHASTIC PROCESSES

### QUIZ 3

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#### Instructions:

- Fill in your name and roll number on each of the pages.
- You may use any result covered in class directly without proving it.
- Unless explicitly stated in the question, DO NOT use any result from the homework without proof.

Fix a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ . Assume that all random variables appearing in the problems below are defined w.r.t.  $\mathcal{F}$ .

1. Suppose that a fair die is rolled sequentially and independently over time.  
Let  $X_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , denote the outcome of the die at time  $n$ .  
Set  $T_1 = 1$ , and for each  $k \in \{2, \dots, 6\}$ , let

$$T_k := \inf \left\{ n > T_{k-1} : X_n \in \{1, \dots, 6\} \setminus \{X_{T_1}, \dots, X_{T_{k-1}}\} \right\}$$

denote the first time instant of observing the  $k$ th distinct face of the die. Furthermore, let

$$S_1 = T_1 = 1, \quad S_k := T_k - T_{k-1}, \quad k \in \{2, \dots, 6\}.$$

(a) **(1 Mark)**

Write down the PMF of  $S_k$  for any  $k \in \{2, \dots, 6\}$ .

(b) **(1 Mark)**

Using the PMF of part (a), compute  $\mathbb{E}[S_k]$  for any  $k \in \{2, \dots, 6\}$ .

(c) **(1 Mark)**

Compute the expected time required to observe all six faces of the die.

**Hint:** Use the result of part (b).

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2. (2 Marks)

Consider a filtration  $\{\mathcal{F}_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  in which  $\mathcal{F}_k \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{k+1} \subset \mathcal{F}$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .  
Let  $N$  be a stopping time w.r.t the filtration  $\{\mathcal{F}_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ . Let

$$\mathcal{F}_N := \left\{ A \in \mathcal{F} : A \cap \{N = k\} \in \mathcal{F}_k \ \forall k \in \mathbb{N} \right\}.$$

Show that  $\mathcal{F}_N$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets of  $\Omega$ .