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# Probability and Statistics

## HW #2

Due 24.12.2023

-The students are obligated to do the homework themselves.

-The copied homework will not be considered or graded.

-Homework should be ready before 23.00 on the Ninova in electronic form.

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1) There are 2 Blue, 4 Red and 6 Yellow balls in a box. Two balls are selected at random from a box containing 2 Blue, 4 Red and 6 Yellow balls. Consider random variables X and Y as, respectively, the numbers of Blue and Red balls.

- (a) Find the probabilities associated with all possible pairs of values of X and Y, obtain the joint probability distribution function  $f(x,y)$ . Draw a probability table corresponding to the values of  $X, Y$ .
- (b) Find the joint cumulative distribution function  $F(1,1)$ .
- (c) Find the marginal distributions  $g(x)$  and  $h(y)$  for each  $x, y$  within the range of  $X$  and  $Y$ . Re-draw the table with marginal values.
- (d) Find the conditional distribution of  $X$  given  $Y = 1$ .

2) Consider the PDF of a random variable  $X$  given below;

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2(1-x) & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Verify that the given function is a valid PDF.
- (b) Calculate the standard deviation  $\sigma$  of  $X$ .

3) With reference to *Question-1*,

- (a) Find the expected value of  $E[g(x,y)]$  where  $g(x,y) = X + Y$ .
- (b) Find the covariance of  $X$  and  $Y$ .
- (c) Find the conditional mean of  $X$  given  $Y = 1$ .

4) A professor conducted a study on the sleep habits of her students. She found that their nightly sleep duration follows a normal distribution with an average of 7 hours and a standard deviation of 1.5 hours.

- (a) What is the probability of a student randomly chosen from the class getting less than 5 hours of sleep on a given night?
- (b) What percentage of students get between 6 and 8 hours of sleep?
- (c) If the professor wants to offer extra help sessions for students who chronically sleep less than 6 hours, what percentage of the class would be eligible?

(Hint: Convert the desired values to Z-scores and use standard normal table to find the probabilities.)

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The questions will be evaluated as 1(a)- 15pts., 1(b) - 10pts., 1(c) - 10pts., (d) - 5pts.  
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