

(A1, B1) (10pts)

**Exam A.**

- (a) (5pts)  $\mathbf{X} \sim \text{multinomial}(n, m, p_1, \dots, p_m)$  with  $n = 12$ ,  $m = 3$ , and  $p_1 = 1/8$ ,  $p_2 = 2/8$ ,  $p_3 = 5/8$ .
- (b) (5pts)  $X \sim \text{normal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$  with  $\mu = 4$  and  $\sigma^2$  unknown.

**Exam B.**

- (a) (5pts)  $\mathbf{X} \sim \text{multinomial}(n, m, p_1, \dots, p_m)$  with  $n = 15$ ,  $m = 3$ , and  $p_1 = 3/8$ ,  $p_2 = 4/8$ ,  $p_3 = 1/8$ .
- (b) (5pts)  $X \sim \text{normal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$  with  $\mu = 7$  and  $\sigma^2$  unknown.

(A2, B2) (20pts)

**Exam A.**

- (a) (6pts) Let  $X$  be the location of the point. When  $X < L - X$  ( $\Leftrightarrow X < L/2$ ),

$$X/(L - X) < 1/4 \Leftrightarrow X < L/5,$$

and when  $X > L - X$  ( $\Leftrightarrow X > L/2$ ),

$$(L - X)/X < 1/4 \Leftrightarrow X > 4L/5.$$

The question asked us to find the probability of the event  $\{X < L/5\} \cup \{X > 4L/5\}$ . Because  $X \sim \text{uniform}(0, L)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(\{X < L/5\} \cup \{X > 4L/5\}) &= P(\{X < L/5\}) + P(\{X > 4L/5\}) \\ &= \int_0^{L/5} \frac{1}{L} dx + \int_{4L/5}^L \frac{1}{L} dx = 2/5. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (7pts) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be the times that it takes to service the cars of A.J. and M.J. respectively. The question asked us to find the probability of the event  $A = \{X > Y + t\}$ . Because  $X \sim \exp(1)$ ,  $Y \sim \exp(1)$ , and  $X, Y$  are independent, the joint pdf of  $(X, Y)$  is

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = e^{-(x+y)}, \text{ for } x, y > 0,$$

and zero, otherwise. The probability of interest is

$$\begin{aligned} P(X > Y + t) &= \int \int_A f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_{y+t}^\infty e^{-(x+y)} dx dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty \left[ -e^{-(x+y)} \Big|_{x=y+t}^\infty \right] dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{-(2y+t)} dy \\ &= -(1/2)e^{-(2y+t)} \Big|_0^\infty = e^{-t}/2. \end{aligned}$$

**Exam B.**

- (a) (5pts) Let  $X$  be the location of the point. When  $X < L - X$  ( $\Leftrightarrow X < L/2$ ),

$$X/(L - X) < 1/5 \Leftrightarrow X < L/6,$$

and when  $X > L - X$  ( $\Leftrightarrow X > L/2$ ),

$$(L - X)/X < 1/5 \Leftrightarrow X > 5L/6.$$

The question asked us to find the probability of the event  $\{X < L/6\} \cup \{X > 5L/6\}$ . Because  $X \sim \text{uniform}(0, L)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(\{X < L/6\} \cup \{X > 5L/6\}) &= P(\{X < L/6\}) + P(\{X > 5L/6\}) \\ &= \int_0^{L/6} \frac{1}{L} dx + \int_{5L/6}^L \frac{1}{L} dx = 1/3. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (7pts) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be the times that it takes to service the cars of A.J. and M.J. respectively. The question asked us to find the probability of the event  $A = \{X < Y + t\}$ . Because  $X \sim \exp(1)$ ,  $Y \sim \exp(1)$ , and  $X, Y$  are independent, the joint pdf of  $(X, Y)$  is

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = e^{-(x+y)}, \text{ for } x, y > 0,$$

and zero, otherwise. The probability of interest is

$$\begin{aligned} P(X < Y + t) &= \int \int_A f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^{y+t} e^{-(x+y)} dx dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty \left[ -e^{-(x+y)} \Big|_{x=0}^{y+t} \right] dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{-y} - e^{-(2y+t)} dy \\ &= -e^{-y} + (1/2)e^{-(2y+t)} \Big|_0^\infty = 1 - e^{-t}/2. \end{aligned}$$

**(A2, B2) (cont.)****Exam A.**

- (c) (7pts) Let  $X_{(1)}, X_{(2)}, X_{(3)}$  be the order statistics of  $X_1, X_2, X_3$ . The question asked us to find the probability of the event  $A = \{X_{(3)} > X_{(2)} + X_{(1)}\}$ . By the properties of mutually exclusive and symmetry, we have

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_{(3)} > X_{(2)} + X_{(1)}) &= P(X_3 > X_1 + X_2) \\ &\quad + P(X_2 > X_1 + X_3) + P(X_1 > X_2 + X_3) \\ &= 3P(X_3 > X_1 + X_2) \end{aligned}$$

Because  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  are i.i.d. from uniform(0, 1), their joint pdf is

$$f_{X_1, X_2, X_3}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 1,$$

for  $0 < x_1, x_2, x_3 < 1$ , and zero, otherwise. The probability of interest is

$$\begin{aligned} 3P(X_3 > X_1 + X_2) &= 3 \int \int \int_A f_{X_1, X_2, X_3}(x_1, x_2, x_3) dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 \\ &= 3 \int_0^1 \int_0^{x_3} \int_0^{x_3 - x_2} 1 dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 \\ &= 3 \int_0^1 \int_0^{x_3} x_3 - x_2 dx_2 dx_3 \\ &= 3 \int_0^1 \left[ x_2 x_3 - (1/2)x_2^2 \right]_{x_2=0}^{x_2=x_3} dx_3 \\ &= 3 \int_0^1 (1/2)x_3^2 dx_3 = 3 \left[ (1/6)x_3^3 \right]_0^1 = 1/2. \end{aligned}$$

**Exam B.**

- (c) (7pts) Let  $X_{(1)}, X_{(2)}, X_{(3)}$  be the order statistics of  $X_1, X_2, X_3$ . The question asked us to find the probability of the event  $A = \{X_{(1)} < X_{(2)} + X_{(3)}\}$ . By the properties of mutually exclusive and symmetry, we have

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_{(1)} < X_{(2)} + X_{(3)}) &= P(X_3 < X_1 + X_2) \\ &\quad + P(X_2 < X_1 + X_3) + P(X_1 < X_2 + X_3) \\ &= 3P(X_3 < X_1 + X_2) \end{aligned}$$

Because  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  are i.i.d. from uniform(-1, 0), their joint pdf is

$$f_{X_1, X_2, X_3}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 1,$$

for  $-1 < x_1, x_2, x_3 < 0$ , and zero, otherwise. The probability of interest is

$$\begin{aligned} 3P(X_3 < X_1 + X_2) &= 3 \int \int \int_A f_{X_1, X_2, X_3}(x_1, x_2, x_3) dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 \\ &= 3 \int_{-1}^0 \int_{x_3}^0 \int_{x_3 - x_2}^0 1 dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 \\ &= 3 \int_{-1}^0 \int_{x_3}^0 x_2 - x_3 dx_2 dx_3 \\ &= 3 \int_{-1}^0 \left[ (1/2)x_2^2 - x_2 x_3 \right]_{x_2=x_3}^0 dx_3 \\ &= 3 \int_{-1}^0 (1/2)x_3^2 dx_3 = 3 \left[ (1/6)x_3^3 \right]_{-1}^0 = 1/2. \end{aligned}$$

**(A3, B3) (14pts)****Exam A.**

- (a) (4pts) Because

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \int \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 c \cdot x(1-x)y dy dx \\ &= c \int_0^1 x(1-x) \left[ (1/2)y^2 \right]_{y=0}^1 dx \\ &= (c/2) \int_0^1 x - x^2 dx \\ &= (c/2) \left[ (1/2)x^2 - (1/3)x^3 \right]_0^1 = c/12, \end{aligned}$$

we have  $c = 12$ .

**Exam B.**

- (a) (4pts) Because

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \int \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 c \cdot xy(1-y) dy dx \\ &= c \int_0^1 x \left[ (1/2)y^2 - (1/3)y^3 \right]_{y=0}^1 dx \\ &= (c/6) \int_0^1 x dx \\ &= (c/6) \left[ (1/2)x^2 \right]_0^1 = c/12, \end{aligned}$$

we have  $c = 12$ .

**(A3, B3)** (*cont.*)

**Exam A.**

(b) (4pts) The marginal pdf of  $X$  is

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy \\ &= \int_0^1 12x(1-x)y dy \\ &= 12x(1-x) \left[ (1/2)y^2 \Big|_0^1 \right] = 6x(1-x), \end{aligned}$$

for  $0 < x < 1$ , and zero, otherwise.

(c) (3pts) Let  $g(x) = x(1-x)$  and  $h(y) = y$ . Then, the independence of  $X$  and  $Y$  can also be concluded from (i)  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) \propto g(x)h(y)$  on the set  $A = \{(x,y) | 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1\}$ , and (ii) the set  $A$  is a cross-product set.

(d) (3pts) Because  $X, Y$  are independent, we have

$$\begin{aligned} P(X < 1/2 | Y > 1/2) &= P(X < 1/2) \\ &= \int_0^{1/2} f_X(x) dx = \int_0^{1/2} 6x(1-x) dx \\ &= 6 \left[ (1/2)x^2 - (1/3)x^3 \Big|_0^{1/2} \right] = 1/2. \end{aligned}$$

**Exam B.**

(b) (4pts) The marginal pdf of  $Y$  is

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 12xy(1-y) dx \\ &= 12y(1-y) \left[ (1/2)x^2 \Big|_0^1 \right] = 6y(1-y), \end{aligned}$$

for  $0 < y < 1$ , and zero, otherwise.

(c) (3pts) Let  $g(x) = x$  and  $h(y) = y(1-y)$ . Then, the independence of  $X$  and  $Y$  can also be concluded from (i)  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) \propto g(x)h(y)$  on the set  $A = \{(x,y) | 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1\}$ , and (ii) the set  $A$  is a cross-product set.

(d) (3pts) Because  $X, Y$  are independent, we have

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y > 1/2 | X > 1/2) &= P(Y > 1/2) \\ &= \int_{1/2}^1 f_Y(y) dy = \int_{1/2}^1 6y(1-y) dy \\ &= 6 \left[ (1/2)y^2 - (1/3)y^3 \Big|_{1/2}^1 \right] = 1/2. \end{aligned}$$

**(A4, B4)** (21pts)

(a) (3pts) Because  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are i.i.d. from uniform(0,1) distribution, their marginal pdf is  $f_X(x) = 1$ , for  $0 < x < 1$ , and their marginal cdf is  $F_X(x) = x$ , for  $0 < x < 1$ . The joint pdf of  $X_{(1)}$  and  $X_{(n)}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} f_{X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}}(s, t) &= \binom{n}{2} \times f_X(s) \times f_X(t) \times [F_X(t) - F_X(s)]^{n-2} \\ &= n(n-1) \times 1 \times 1 \times (t-s)^{n-2}, \end{aligned}$$

for  $0 < s < t < 1$ , and zero otherwise.

(b) (8pts) Notice that

$$F_{X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}}(u, v) = P(X_{(1)} \leq u, X_{(n)} \leq v) = \int_{-\infty}^u \int_{-\infty}^v f_{X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}}(s, t) dt ds.$$

It is clear that  $F_{X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}}(u, v) = 0$  if  $v < 0$  or  $u < 0$ , and  $F_{X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}}(u, v) = 1$  if  $1 \leq v$  and  $1 \leq u$ . If  $0 \leq u < v < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^u \int_{-\infty}^v f_{X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}}(s, t) dt ds &= \int_0^u \int_s^v n(n-1)(t-s)^{n-2} dt ds \\ &= n \int_0^u \left[ (t-s)^{n-1} \Big|_{t=s}^v \right] ds = n \int_0^u -(v-s)^{n-1} ds = (v-s)^n \Big|_{s=0}^u = v^n - (v-u)^n. \end{aligned}$$

If  $0 \leq v < 1$  and  $v \leq u$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^u \int_{-\infty}^v f_{X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}}(s, t) dt ds &= \int_0^v \int_s^v n(n-1)(t-s)^{n-2} dt ds \\ &= n \int_0^v \left[ (t-s)^{n-1} \Big|_{t=s}^v \right] ds = n \int_0^v -(v-s)^{n-1} ds = (v-s)^n \Big|_{s=0}^v = v^n. \end{aligned}$$

If  $0 \leq u < 1 \leq v$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^u \int_{-\infty}^v f_{X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}}(s, t) dt ds &= \int_0^u \int_s^1 n(n-1)(t-s)^{n-2} dt ds \\ &= n \int_0^u \left[ (t-s)^{n-1} \Big|_{t=s}^1 \right] ds = n \int_0^u -(1-s)^{n-1} ds = (1-s)^n \Big|_{s=0}^u = 1 - (1-u)^n. \end{aligned}$$

The joint cdf of  $X_{(1)}$  and  $X_{(n)}$  is

$$F_{X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}}(u, v) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } v < 0 \text{ or } u < 0, \\ v^n - (v-u)^n, & \text{if } 0 \leq u < v < 1, \\ v^n, & \text{if } 0 \leq v < 1 \text{ and } v \leq u, \\ 1 - (1-u)^n, & \text{if } 0 \leq u < 1 \leq v, \\ 1, & \text{if } 1 \leq v \text{ and } 1 \leq u. \end{cases} \quad (\text{I})$$

An alternative way to get the solution is given below. Because  $\{X_{(1)} > u, X_{(n)} \leq v\} \subset \{X_{(n)} \leq v\}$ , we have

$$F_{X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}}(u, v) = P(X_{(1)} \leq u, X_{(n)} \leq v) = P(X_{(n)} \leq v) - P(X_{(1)} > u, X_{(n)} \leq v). \quad (\text{II})$$

Because  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are independent, we have

$$P(X_{(n)} \leq v) = P(X_1 \leq v, \dots, X_n \leq v) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i \leq v) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } v < 0, \\ v^n, & \text{if } 0 \leq v < 1, \\ 1, & \text{if } 1 \leq v, \end{cases} \quad (\text{III})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_{(1)} > u, X_{(n)} \leq v) &= P(u < X_1 \leq v, \dots, u < X_n \leq v) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(u < X_i \leq v) \\ &= \begin{cases} (v-u)^n, & \text{if } 0 \leq u < v < 1, \\ (1-u)^n, & \text{if } 0 \leq u < 1 \leq v, \\ 1, & \text{if } 1 \leq v \text{ and } u < 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{IV})$$

Then, we can substitute (III) and (IV) into (II) to obtain (I).

(A4, B4) (cont.)

**Exam A.**

(c) (6pts) The range of  $(R, M)$  is

$$\mathcal{R} = \left\{ (r, m) \left| 0 < r < 1, \frac{r}{2} < m < 1 - \frac{r}{2} \right. \right\}.$$

Because

$$X_{(1)} = \frac{2M - R}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad X_{(n)} = \frac{2M + R}{2},$$

the Jacobians is given by

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} -1/2 & 1 \\ 1/2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = -1.$$

If  $(r, m) \in \mathcal{R}$ , the joint pdf of  $(R, M)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} f_{R,M}(r, m) &= f_{X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}} \left( \frac{2m - r}{2}, \frac{2m + r}{2} \right) |J| \\ &= n(n-1)r^{n-2}, \end{aligned}$$

and  $f_{R,M}(r, m) = 0$  if  $(r, m) \notin \mathcal{R}$ .

(d) (4pts)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(R, M) &= \text{Cov} \left( X_{(n)} - X_{(1)}, \frac{X_{(n)} + X_{(1)}}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Cov}(X_{(n)}, X_{(n)}) + \frac{1}{2} \text{Cov}(X_{(n)}, X_{(1)}) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \text{Cov}(X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Cov}(X_{(1)}, X_{(1)}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Cov}(X_{(n)}, X_{(n)}) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Cov}(X_{(1)}, X_{(1)}) \\ &= [\text{Var}(X_{(n)}) - \text{Var}(X_{(1)})] / 2 \end{aligned}$$

(A5, B5) (16pts)

**Exam A.**

(a) (4pts) By the multiplication law, the joint mixed pdf/pmf of  $W$  and  $N$  is

$$\begin{aligned} f_{W,N}(w, n) &= f_W(w) f_{N|W}(n|w) \\ &= \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda w} \times \frac{e^{-w} w^n}{n!} \\ &= \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{1}{n!} w^{(n+\alpha)-1} e^{-(\lambda+1)w} \end{aligned}$$

for  $w > 0$  and  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , and  $f_{W,N}(w, n) = 0$ , otherwise.

**Exam B.**

(c) (6pts) The range of  $(R, M)$  is

$$\mathcal{R} = \left\{ (r, m) \left| 0 < r < \frac{1}{2}, 2r < m < 2(1-r) \right. \right\}.$$

Because

$$X_{(1)} = \frac{M - 2R}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad X_{(n)} = \frac{M + 2R}{2},$$

the Jacobians is given by

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 1/2 \\ 1 & 1/2 \end{vmatrix} = -1.$$

If  $(r, m) \in \mathcal{R}$ , the joint pdf of  $(R, M)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} f_{R,M}(r, m) &= f_{X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}} \left( \frac{m - 2r}{2}, \frac{m + 2r}{2} \right) |J| \\ &= n(n-1)(2r)^{n-2}, \end{aligned}$$

and  $f_{R,M}(r, m) = 0$  if  $(r, m) \notin \mathcal{R}$ .

(d) (4pts)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(R, M) &= \text{Cov} \left( \frac{X_{(n)} - X_{(1)}}{2}, X_{(n)} + X_{(1)} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Cov}(X_{(n)}, X_{(n)}) + \frac{1}{2} \text{Cov}(X_{(n)}, X_{(1)}) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \text{Cov}(X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Cov}(X_{(1)}, X_{(1)}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Cov}(X_{(n)}, X_{(n)}) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Cov}(X_{(1)}, X_{(1)}) \\ &= [\text{Var}(X_{(n)}) - \text{Var}(X_{(1)})] / 2 \end{aligned}$$

**Exam B.**

(a) (4pts) By the multiplication law, the joint mixed pdf/pmf of  $V$  and  $M$  is

$$\begin{aligned} f_{V,M}(v, m) &= f_V(v) f_{M|V}(m|v) \\ &= \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} v^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda v} \times \frac{e^{-v} v^m}{m!} \\ &= \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{1}{m!} v^{(\alpha+m)-1} e^{-(\lambda+1)v} \end{aligned}$$

for  $v > 0$  and  $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , and  $f_{V,M}(v, m) = 0$ , otherwise.

**Exam A.**

- (b) (6pts) By the law of total probability, the marginal pmf of  $N + \alpha$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{N+\alpha}(x) &= P(N + \alpha = x) = P(N = x - \alpha) \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_W(w) f_{N|W}(x - \alpha|w) dw \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{1}{(x - \alpha)!} w^{x-1} e^{-(\lambda+1)w} dw \\
 &= \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{1}{(x - \alpha)!} \frac{\Gamma(x)}{(\lambda + 1)^x} \\
 &\quad \times \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda + 1)^x}{\Gamma(x)} w^{x-1} e^{-(\lambda+1)w} dw}_{\text{pdf of gamma}(x, \lambda + 1)} \\
 &= \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{(\alpha - 1)!} \frac{1}{(x - \alpha)!} \frac{(x - 1)!}{(\lambda + 1)^x} \\
 &= \underbrace{\left( \frac{x - 1}{\alpha - 1} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + 1} \right)^\alpha \left( 1 - \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + 1} \right)^{x-\alpha}}_{\text{pmf of negative binomial}(\alpha, \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+1})}
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $x = \alpha, \alpha + 1, \alpha + 2, \dots$ , and zero, otherwise.

- (c) (6pts) By the Bayes theorem, the conditional pdf of  $W$  given  $N = n$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{W|N}(w|n) &= \frac{f_W(w) f_{N|W}(n|w)}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_W(w) f_{N|W}(n|w) dw} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{1}{n!} w^{(\alpha+n)-1} e^{-(\lambda+1)w}}{\left( \frac{(\alpha+n)-1}{\alpha-1} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+1} \right)^\alpha \left( 1 - \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+1} \right)^{(\alpha+n)-\alpha}} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{\lambda^\alpha}{(\alpha-1)!} \frac{1}{n!} w^{(\alpha+n)-1} e^{-(\lambda+1)w}}{\frac{(\alpha+n-1)!}{(\alpha-1)!n!} \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{(\lambda+1)^{\alpha+n}}} \\
 &= \underbrace{\frac{(\lambda + 1)^{\alpha+n}}{\Gamma(\alpha + n)} w^{(\alpha+n)-1} e^{-(\lambda+1)w}}_{\text{pdf of gamma}(\alpha + n, \lambda + 1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $w > 0$ , and zero, otherwise.

**Exam B.**

- (b) (6pts) By the law of total probability, the marginal pmf of  $M + \alpha$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{M+\alpha}(x) &= P(M + \alpha = x) = P(M = x - \alpha) \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_V(v) f_{M|V}(x - \alpha|v) dv \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{1}{(x - \alpha)!} v^{x-1} e^{-(\lambda+1)v} dv \\
 &= \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{1}{(x - \alpha)!} \frac{\Gamma(x)}{(\lambda + 1)^x} \\
 &\quad \times \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda + 1)^x}{\Gamma(x)} v^{x-1} e^{-(\lambda+1)v} dv}_{\text{pdf of gamma}(x, \lambda + 1)} \\
 &= \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{(\alpha - 1)!} \frac{1}{(x - \alpha)!} \frac{(x - 1)!}{(\lambda + 1)^x} \\
 &= \underbrace{\left( \frac{x - 1}{\alpha - 1} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + 1} \right)^\alpha \left( 1 - \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + 1} \right)^{x-\alpha}}_{\text{pmf of negative binomial}(\alpha, \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+1})}
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $x = \alpha, \alpha + 1, \alpha + 2, \dots$ , and zero, otherwise.

- (c) (6pts) By the Bayes theorem, the conditional pdf of  $V$  given  $M = m$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{V|M}(v|m) &= \frac{f_V(v) f_{M|V}(m|v)}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_V(v) f_{M|V}(m|v) dv} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{1}{m!} v^{(\alpha+m)-1} e^{-(\lambda+1)v}}{\left( \frac{(\alpha+m)-1}{\alpha-1} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+1} \right)^\alpha \left( 1 - \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+1} \right)^{(\alpha+m)-\alpha}} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{\lambda^\alpha}{(\alpha-1)!} \frac{1}{m!} v^{(\alpha+m)-1} e^{-(\lambda+1)v}}{\frac{(\alpha+m-1)!}{(\alpha-1)!m!} \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{(\lambda+1)^{\alpha+m}}} \\
 &= \underbrace{\frac{(\lambda + 1)^{\alpha+m}}{\Gamma(\alpha + m)} v^{(\alpha+m)-1} e^{-(\lambda+1)v}}_{\text{pdf of gamma}(\alpha + m, \lambda + 1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $v > 0$ , and zero, otherwise.

**(A6, B6) (19pts)****Exam A.**

- (a) (3pts) Given  $X = x$ , the random variable  $I_k$  can only take values 0 or 1. It is clear that  $I_k|X = x$  is a Bernoulli random variable. Because of the independence assumption, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(I_k = 0|X = x) &= P\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{none of the } x \text{ people get off} \\ \text{at } k\text{th floor} \end{array}\right) \\
 &= P\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{1st people not get off at } k\text{th floor,} \\ \text{2nd people not get off at } k\text{th floor,} \\ \dots, \\ \text{} x\text{th people not get off at } k\text{th floor} \end{array}\right) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^x P\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{} i\text{th people not get off} \\ \text{at } k\text{th floor} \end{array}\right) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^x P\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{} i\text{th people get off at a floor} \\ \text{other than } k\text{th floor} \end{array}\right) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^x \left(\frac{R-1}{R}\right) = \left(\frac{R-1}{R}\right)^x.
 \end{aligned}$$

So,  $I_k|X = x \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$  with  $p = 1 - \left(\frac{R-1}{R}\right)^x$ .

- (b) (4pts) Following the same argument as in (a), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(I_1 = 0, I_2 = 0|X = x) &= P\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{none of the } x \text{ people get off} \\ \text{at 1st and 2nd floor} \end{array}\right) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^x \left(\frac{R-2}{R}\right) = \left(\frac{R-2}{R}\right)^x \\
 &\neq \left(\frac{R-1}{R}\right)^x \times \left(\frac{R-1}{R}\right)^x \\
 &= P(I_1 = 0|X = x) \times P(I_2 = 0|X = x)
 \end{aligned}$$

So, given  $X = x$ ,  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  are not conditionally independent.

- (c) (5pts) Because  $Y = \sum_{k=1}^R I_k$  and  $E_{I_k|X}[I_k|x] = 1 - \left(\frac{R-1}{R}\right)^x$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{Y|X}[Y|x] &= E_{I_1, \dots, I_R|X} \left[ \sum_{k=1}^R I_k \middle| x \right] \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^R E_{I_k|X}[I_k|x] = \sum_{k=1}^R \left[ 1 - \left(\frac{R-1}{R}\right)^x \right] \\
 &= R - R \left(\frac{R-1}{R}\right)^x.
 \end{aligned}$$

**Exam B.**

- (a) (3pts) Given  $W = w$ , the random variable  $I_k$  can only take values 0 or 1. It is clear that  $I_k|W = w$  is a Bernoulli random variable. Because of the independence assumption, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(I_k = 0|W = w) &= P\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{none of the } w \text{ people get off} \\ \text{at } k\text{th floor} \end{array}\right) \\
 &= P\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{1st people not get off at } k\text{th floor,} \\ \text{2nd people not get off at } k\text{th floor,} \\ \dots, \\ \text{} w\text{th people not get off at } k\text{th floor} \end{array}\right) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^w P\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{} i\text{th people not get off} \\ \text{at } k\text{th floor} \end{array}\right) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^w P\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{} i\text{th people get off at a floor} \\ \text{other than } k\text{th floor} \end{array}\right) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^w \left(\frac{S-1}{S}\right) = \left(\frac{S-1}{S}\right)^w.
 \end{aligned}$$

So,  $I_k|W = w \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$  with  $p = 1 - \left(\frac{S-1}{S}\right)^w$ .

- (b) (4pts) Following the same argument as in (a), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(I_1 = 0, I_2 = 0|W = w) &= P\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{none of the } w \text{ people get off} \\ \text{at 1st and 2nd floor} \end{array}\right) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^w \left(\frac{S-2}{S}\right) = \left(\frac{S-2}{S}\right)^w \\
 &\neq \left(\frac{S-1}{S}\right)^w \times \left(\frac{S-1}{S}\right)^w \\
 &= P(I_1 = 0|W = w) \times P(I_2 = 0|W = w)
 \end{aligned}$$

So, given  $W = w$ ,  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  are not conditionally independent.

- (c) (5pts) Because  $Z = \sum_{k=1}^S I_k$  and  $E_{I_k|W}[I_k|w] = 1 - \left(\frac{S-1}{S}\right)^w$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{Z|W}[Z|w] &= E_{I_1, \dots, I_S|W} \left[ \sum_{k=1}^S I_k \middle| w \right] \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^S E_{I_k|W}[I_k|w] = \sum_{k=1}^S \left[ 1 - \left(\frac{S-1}{S}\right)^w \right] \\
 &= S - S \left(\frac{S-1}{S}\right)^w.
 \end{aligned}$$

(A6, B6) (cont.)

**Exam A.**

(b) (7pts) By the law of total expectation and  $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_Y(Y) &= E_X[E_{Y|X}(Y|X)] \\
 &= E_X \left[ R - R \left( \frac{R-1}{R} \right)^X \right] \\
 &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \left[ R - R \left( \frac{R-1}{R} \right)^x \right] \frac{\mu^x e^{-\mu}}{x!} \\
 &= R \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mu^x e^{-\mu}}{x!} - R \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\mu - \mu/R)^x e^{-\mu}}{x!} \\
 &= R - R e^{-\frac{\mu}{R}} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \underbrace{\frac{(\mu - \mu/R)^x e^{-(\mu - \mu/R)}}{x!}}_{\text{pmf of Poisson}(\mu - \mu/R)} \\
 &= R (1 - e^{-\mu/R}).
 \end{aligned}$$

**Exam B.**

(b) (7pts) By the law of total expectation and  $W \sim \text{Poisson}(\theta)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_Z(Z) &= E_W[E_{Z|W}(Z|W)] \\
 &= E_W \left[ S - S \left( \frac{S-1}{S} \right)^W \right] \\
 &= \sum_{w=0}^{\infty} \left[ S - S \left( \frac{S-1}{S} \right)^w \right] \frac{\theta^w e^{-\theta}}{w!} \\
 &= S \sum_{w=0}^{\infty} \frac{\theta^w e^{-\theta}}{w!} - S \sum_{w=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\theta - \theta/S)^w e^{-\theta}}{w!} \\
 &= S - S e^{-\frac{\theta}{S}} \sum_{w=0}^{\infty} \underbrace{\frac{(\theta - \theta/S)^w e^{-(\theta - \theta/S)}}{w!}}_{\text{pmf of Poisson}(\theta - \theta/S)} \\
 &= S (1 - e^{-\theta/S}).
 \end{aligned}$$