

## Q6

### (1)

Let  $X \in \mathcal{B}(n, p)$  be a random variable that follows binomial distribution. Recall from the definition of a binomial distribution that  $X = I_1 + I_2 + \dots + I_n$  where each of  $I_i$  is an independent coin toss with PMF:

$$\begin{cases} P(I_i = 1) = p \\ P(I_i = 0) = 1 - p \end{cases}$$

Let  $X_1 \in \mathcal{B}(n_1, p), X_2 \in \mathcal{B}(n_2, p)$  be two independent random variables following binomial distributions, then:

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} I_i \\ X_2 &= \sum_{i=n_1+1}^{n_1+n_2} I_i \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $X_1 + X_2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n_1+n_2} I_i$ , which is a binomial distribution  $\mathcal{B}(n_1 + n_2, p)$ .

Recall that centered binomial distribution is defined by subtracting the corresponding binomial distribution by a constant (the expectation of said binomial distribution):  $C_i = X_i - E(X_i)$ . Therefore, given centered binomial distributions  $C_1 = X_1 - E[X_1], C_2 = X_2 - E[X_2]$ :

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 + C_2 &= X_1 + X_2 - E[X_1] - E[X_2] \\ &= (X_1 + X_2) - E[X_1 + X_2] \end{aligned}$$

From the results above we know that because  $X_1, X_2$  are independent binomial distributions,  $X_1 + X_2$  follows binomial distribution  $\mathcal{B}(n_1 + n_2, p)$ , thus  $C_1 + C_2$  follows centered binomial distribution  $\mathcal{B}(n_1 + n_2, p)$ .

### (2)

From part (a) we know that the sum of  $k$  i.i.d. random variables following binomial  $\mathcal{B}(n, p)$  is a random variable following binomial  $\mathcal{B}(kn, p)$ .

Let  $I^m = \{0, 1\}^m$  denote the set of bit-masks with length  $m$  and  $K \subseteq I$  denote the subset of vectors with exactly  $k$  entries being 1, then  $|K| = \binom{m}{k}$ . Thus we iterate through all possible values in  $\mathbf{k} \in K$  and compute the inner product  $\mathbf{e}^\top \mathbf{k}$ . Since  $\mathbf{k}$  has exactly  $k$  entries being 1 and  $\mathbf{e}$  contains  $m$  independent samples from centered binomial  $(n, p)$ ,  $\mathbf{e}^\top \mathbf{k}$  is the sum of  $k$  i.i.d. centered binomial with parameters  $(kn, p)$