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- 1) (10 Marks) In a particular area, there are just three makes of cars available: Ford (60% of the total), Renault (30%) and Honda (10%). The carburetors on Fords have a 0.09 probability of failure, those on Renaults have a 0.05 chance and those on Hondas have a 0.02 chance of failure. If a car with a failed carburetor is selected at random, what is the probability that it is a Ford?
- 2) (10 Marks) A multiple-choice quiz has 200 questions each with 4 possible answers of which only 1 is the correct answer. What is the probability that sheer guesswork yields from 25 to 30 correct answers for 80 of the 200 problems about which the student has no knowledge? [HINT: approximation may be helpful here]
- 3) (10 Marks) Let X and Y represent two random variables whose joint density function is

$$f_{XY}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 24xy, & 0 \le x \le 1, 0 \le y \le 1, & x+y \le 1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

- a) Find $f_Y(y)$.
- b) Are X and Y independent? Explain.
- c) Find $P(Y < \frac{1}{8}|X = \frac{3}{4})$.
- 4) (10 Marks) Two independent experiments are being run in which two different types of paints are compared. Eighteen specimens are painted using type A and the drying time, in hours, is recorded on each. The same is done with type B.
 - a) Suppose that the population standard deviations are both known to be 1.0. Assuming that the mean drying time is equal for the two types of paint, find $P(\bar{X}_A \bar{X}_B > 1.0)$, where \bar{X}_A and \bar{X}_B are average drying times for samples of size $n_A = n_B = 18$.
 - b) Repeat Part (a) when the population standard deviations are unknown, but they are still equal and estimated to be s=0.96.
- 5) (10 Marks) A random sample of 100 automobile owners shows that, in the province of Quebec, an automobile is driven on the average 23,500 kilometers per year with a standard deviation of 3900 kilometers.
 - a) Construct a 99% confidence interval for the average number of kilometers an automobile is driven annually in Quebec.
 - b) What can we assert with 99% confidence about the possible size of our error if we estimate the average number of kilometers driven by car in Quebec to be 23,500 kilometers per year?
- 6) (10 Marks) The life in hours for a battery is known to be normally distributed with standard deviation $\sigma = 1$ hours. A random sample of 16 batteries has a mean life of $\bar{x} = 20.3$ hours.
 - a) Test $H_0: \mu = 20$ versus $H_1: \mu > 20$ for $\alpha = 0.05$.
 - b) What is the P-value of the test in part (a)?
 - c) What is the β error for the test in part (a) if the true mean is 20.75 hours?