Final Exam

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- This is exam for section 002, instructor Mikhail Ivanov.
- There are 8 problems on the exam, some of them have multiple parts.
- Read the problems carefully and budget your time wisely.
- No calculators or other electronic devices, please. Turn off your phone.
- You do not have to carry out complicated numerical computations, but you should simplify your answer if it is possible with reasonable effort. In particular, geometric series must be evaluated.
- Please present your solutions in a clear manner. Justify your steps. A numerical answer without explanation cannot get credit. Cross out the writing that you do not wish to be graded on.

Problem	Points
1	/10
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5	/10
6	/10
7	/10
8	/15
Total	/100

- 1. A vote on certain matter is to be held. A polling company takes a random sample of 10000 voting adults to measure support for the new legislation. Suppose in fact 20% of the total population of voting adults support the legislation. Let X be the number of individuals in the *sample* who **oppose** the legislation.
 - (a) Suppose X has Binomial distribution Bin(n, p). Fill in the blanks: the parameters of the Binomial distribution for X are

$$n = p =$$

(b) The mean and the variance of X are:

$$\mu_X = \sigma_X^2 =$$

(c) Use the normal approximation to the Binomial to find an approximate value for the probability P(7960 < X < 8060).

- 2. Let (X, Y) be a uniformly chosen point from the triangle given by the points (0, 0), (1, 0) and (1, 1).
 - (a) What is the joint density of (X, Y)?
 - (b) Find the conditional density of X given Y = y.
 - (c) Find the conditional expectation E[X|Y].

- 3. The daily number of customers that visit my store is $N \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$. Each customer buys something with probability p, independently of other customers. Let X be the daily number of customers that buy something.
 - (a) Write down the conditional probability mass function $p_{X|N}(k|n) = P(X = k|N = n)$. Be careful about the range of n and k.
 - (b) Find the conditional expectations E(X|N=n).
 - (c) Deduce E[X] from the conditional expectation from the previous part.

- 4. Suppose that 8 balls are put into 4 boxes with each ball independently put into box *i* with probability p_i , where $p_i > 0$ and satisfy $p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 = 1$. In the followings, your answers should be written in terms of p_1 , p_2 , p_3 , p_4 .
 - (a) Find the probability that all balls fall into the same box.
 - (b) Write down the probability that there are exactly 2 balls in each box.
 - (c) Let T be the number of boxes containing exactly one ball. Find the expectation $\mathbb{E}[T]$. Hint: Consider the relation between T and the random variables $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^4$, where

 $X_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if the i-th box has exactly one ball} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

5. You are on a game show. There are 3 bins in front of you labeled 1, 2, 3, with bin 1 having 1 green balls and 1 red ball, bin 2 have 3 green and 1 red ball and bin 3 having 5 green and 1 red ball. Without you seeing, the game show host chooses one of the bins at random (so that bin 1 gets selected with probability 1/3, the same for bin 2 and 3) and then selects a ball at random from the bin selected. He tells you that the color of the ball selected is green.

What is the conditional probability that bin 3 was selected?

6. Let the joint density function of (X, Y) be

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x+y}{3} & \text{if } 0 < x < 2, \quad 0 < y < 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Calculate the covariance Cov(X, Y).

- 7. Let X be a non-negative random variable with mean 1.
 - (a) Use Markov's inequality to find an upper bound for $P(X\geq 3)$
 - (b) Suppose we further know that the variance of X is $\frac{1}{3}$. Use Chebyshev's inequality to find an upper bound for $P(X \ge 3)$.

8. Suppose that the moment generating function of the random variable Y is given by

$$M_Y(t) = \frac{11}{20} + \frac{1}{4}e^{-4t} + \frac{1}{5}e^{5t}.$$

- (a) Find $\mathbb{E}[Y^3]$;
- (b) Let X be the random variable independent with Y and with the same distribution. Find pmf or pdf of random variable Z = X + Y.

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Table of values for $\Phi(x),$ the cumulative distribution function of a standard normal random variable