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 Probability and Statistics I  
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**Aids: Calculator Model(s): Any calculator with no wifi connection;  
 Statistical Table and Formula Sheet supplied**

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Question	Value	Points	Question	Value	Points
1	4		7	18	
2	4		8	12	
3	10		9	10	
4	8		10	8	
5	8		11	8	
6	10		Total Marks = 100 Points		

4 points

1. Ten students are standing in line. If they lined up completely at random, what is the probability that Romeo is standing next to Juliet? The answer is a number. Circle your answer.

$$\frac{9! \cdot 2}{10!} = \frac{2}{10} = \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)$$

4 points

2. A box of 25 Valentine's Day chocolates has 10 that are cream filled and 15 that are not cream filled. If you eat 7 chocolates at random, what is the probability that you get exactly 2 cream filled? Just write down the answer. There is no need to simplify.

$$\frac{\binom{10}{2} \binom{15}{5}}{\binom{25}{7}}$$

10 points

3. In this question, you will show that if the events  $A$  and  $B$  are independent, then  $A^c$  and  $B^c$  are independent.

(a) In symbols, *not words, but symbols*, what are you trying to show? If you don't have this right, it is hard to imagine how you could get any marks.

$$P(A^c \cap B^c) = P(A^c)P(B^c)$$

(b) Now do the proof. You do *not* have to use the tabular format from the first part of the course. You will be using several facts from the formula sheet, but you don't have to specifically cite them.

$$P(A^c \cap B^c) = P\{(A \cup B)^c\} = 1 - P(A \cup B)$$

$$= 1 - P(A) - P(B) + P(A \cap B)$$

$$= 1 - P(A) - P(B) + P(A)P(B) \quad \text{By independence, but they don't have to say it.}$$

$$\text{Now } P(A^c)P(B^c) = (1 - P(A))(1 - P(B))$$

$$= 1 - P(A) - P(B) + P(A)P(B)$$

same.

Continue the answer to Question 3 if necessary.

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8 points

4. Let  $X$  have a Uniform(0,1) distribution, and let  $Y = -\ln X$ . Find the density  $f_Y(y)$ . Show your work. In your final answer, do not forget to specify where the density of  $Y$  is non-zero.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_Y(y) &= \frac{d}{dy} P(Y \leq y) = \frac{d}{dy} P(-\ln X \leq y) && \text{2 points to here} \\
 &= \frac{d}{dy} P(\ln X \geq -y) = \frac{d}{dy} P(X \geq e^{-y}) \\
 &= \frac{d}{dy} (1 - F_X(e^{-y})) = -f_X(e^{-y}) \cdot e^{-y} \cdot (-1) \\
 &= f_X(e^{-y}) e^{-y}
 \end{aligned}$$

Nonzero iff  $0 < e^{-y} < 1 \Leftrightarrow -\infty < -y < 0$

$\Leftrightarrow \infty > y > 0$  (They don't have to show this work as long as the answer below is right.)

so

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} e^{-y} & \text{for } y \geq 0 & \text{5 marks} \\ 0 & \text{for } y < 0 & \text{3 marks} \end{cases}$$

8 points

5. There is a continuous version of Bayes' Theorem, which says  $f_{y|x}(y|x) = \frac{f_{x|y}(x|y)f_y(y)}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{x|y}(x|t)f_y(t) dt}$ .  
 Prove it. It's helpful to start with the right-hand side.

$$\frac{f_{x|y}(x|y) f_y(y)}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{x|y}(x|t) f_y(t) dt} = \frac{\frac{f_{xy}(x,y)}{f_y(y)} f_y(y)}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{f_{xy}(x,t)}{f_y(t)} f_y(t) dt} \quad 2 \text{ pts}$$

$$= \frac{f_{xy}(x,y)}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{xy}(x,t) dt} = \frac{f_{xy}(x,y)}{f_x(x)} = f_{y|x}(y|x) \quad 3 \text{ pts}$$

↔ 3 pts

10 points

6. Let  $X$  have a beta distribution with parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . Calculate  $E(X)$ . Simplify! For full marks, no gamma functions should appear in your answer. Remember that  $\Gamma(\alpha + 1) = \alpha\Gamma(\alpha)$ . **Circle your answer.**

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(X) &= \int_0^1 x \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} dx && \text{one pt} \\
 &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta+1)} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)\Gamma(\beta)} \int_0^1 x^{(\alpha+1)-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} dx && \text{2 more pts} \\
 &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha+\beta+1)} = 1 && \text{3: Integral = 1} \\
 &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha+\beta+1)} = \frac{\alpha\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)(\alpha+\beta)\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)} = 1 && \text{4 pts for simplifying gammas} \\
 &= \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}
 \end{aligned}$$

18 points

7. The random variables  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent.  $X_1$  has a gamma distribution with parameters  $\alpha = a$  and  $\lambda = 1$ , and  $X_2$  has a gamma distribution with parameters  $\alpha = b$  and  $\lambda = 1$ . Let  $Y_1 = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2}$  and  $Y_2 = X_1 + X_2$ .

(a) Give the joint density of  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$ . Factor, separating  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  as much as possible. In your final statement of the answer to this part, specify where the joint density is non-zero.

$$y_1 = \frac{x_1}{x_1 + x_2}$$

$$x_1 = y_1 y_2$$

$$\frac{dx_1}{dy_1} = y_2 \quad \frac{dx_1}{dy_2} = y_1$$

$$y_2 = x_1 + x_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= y_2 - x_1 \\ &= y_2 - y_1 y_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dx_2}{dy_1} = -y_2 \quad \frac{dx_2}{dy_2} = 1 - y_1$$

$$\det = y_2 - y_1 y_2$$

$$= y_2$$

So  $f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2)$

$$= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)} e^{-y_1 y_2} (y_1 y_2)^{a-1} \cdot \frac{1}{\Gamma(b)} e^{-(y_2 - y_1 y_2)} (y_2 - y_1 y_2)^{b-1} \cdot y_2$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a) \Gamma(b)} e^{-y_1 y_2} e^{-y_2} (y_1 y_2)^{a-1} (y_2 - y_1 y_2)^{b-1} y_2$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a) \Gamma(b)} y_1^{a-1} (1 - y_1)^{b-1} e^{-y_2} y_2^{(a+b)-1}$$

for  $0 \leq y_1 \leq 1$  and  $y_2 \geq 0$   
zero otherwise



Continue the answer to Question 7a if necessary.

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(b) Find  $f_{Y_1}(y_1)$ , the marginal density of  $Y_1$ . Again, do not forget to specify where the density is non-zero.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{Y_1}(y_1) &= \int_0^{\infty} f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2) dy_2 \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} y_1^{a-1} (1-y_1)^{b-1} e^{-y_2} y_2^{(a+b)-1} dy_2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} y_1^{a-1} (1-y_1)^{b-1} \Gamma(a+b) \\
 &\quad \times \left[ \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\Gamma(a+b)} e^{-y_2} y_2^{(a+b)-1} dy_2 \right] = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} y_1^{a-1} (1-y_1)^{b-1} & \text{for } 0 \leq y_1 \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(c) Identify the distribution of  $Y_1$  by name; it is on the formula sheet.

Beta  $(a, b)$

12 points

8. Let  $X$  have a binomial distribution with parameters  $n$  and  $p$ .8 (a) Derive the moment-generating function of  $X$ . Show your work.

$$M_X(t) = E(e^{xt}) = \sum_{x=0}^n e^{xt} \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^n \binom{n}{x} (pe^t)^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

Binomial Formula

$$\downarrow \\ = (pe^t + 1-p)^n$$

4 (b) Use the moment-generating function (which is also on the formula sheet) to obtain  $E(X)$ . Show some work and **circle your answer**.

$$M'(t) = n(pe^t + 1-p)^{n-1} \cdot pe^t \quad \text{set } t=0 \text{ and}$$

$$E(X) = n \cdot 1 \cdot p \cdot 1 = \textcircled{np}$$

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10 points

9. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be independent exponential random variables with parameter  $\lambda > 0$ . The sample mean is  $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ . Find the distribution of  $\bar{X}$ . Show your work. Identify the distribution by name; it is on the formula sheet. *What are the parameters?* Note that this question is asking for the *exact* distribution of  $\bar{X}$ . It is not a Central Limit Theorem problem.

$$M_{\bar{X}}(t) = M_{\frac{1}{n} \sum X_i}(t) = M_{\sum X_i}\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)$$

*No need to mention independence*

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n M_{X_i}\left(\frac{t}{n}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 - \frac{t}{n\lambda}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= \left(1 - \frac{t}{n\lambda}\right)^{-n} \quad \text{MGF of Gamma}$$

$$\text{So } \bar{X} \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha = n, \lambda = \lambda n)$$

8 points

10. Question 9 was not a Central Limit Theorem problem, but this one is. In Question 9, the exponential distribution of  $X_i$  means that  $E(X_i) = \frac{1}{\lambda}$  and  $Var(X_i) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$ . If  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $n = 49$ , find the approximate probability that  $\bar{X} > 2.5$ . The answer is a number. Circle your answer.

$$P(\bar{X} > 2.5) = P\left(\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma} > \frac{\sqrt{49}(2.5 - 2)}{2}\right)$$

$$= P(Z_n > 1.75) \approx 1 - \Phi(1.75)$$

$$= 1 - 0.9599 = \textcircled{0.0401}$$

8 points

11. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be independent random variables from a distribution with  $E(X_i) = \mu$  and  $\text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$ . Prove the Law of Large Numbers, which says that for all  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|\bar{X}_n - \mu| \geq \epsilon) = 0$ .

You may use the facts that  $E(\bar{X}_n) = \mu$  and  $\text{Var}(\bar{X}_n) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$ .

Because  $E(\bar{X}) = \mu$  and  $\text{SD}(\bar{X}) = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^2}{n}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ ,

Chebyshev says

$$P\left(|\bar{X}_n - \mu| \geq k \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \leq \frac{1}{k^2}$$

Setting  $k \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = \epsilon$  so that  $k = \frac{\epsilon \sqrt{n}}{\sigma}$

A different  $k$  for each  $n$  but that's okay - They don't have to say this

$$\frac{1}{k^2} = \frac{\sigma^2}{\epsilon^2 n}, \text{ and}$$

$$0 \leq P\left\{|\bar{X}_n - \mu| \geq \epsilon\right\} \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{\epsilon^2 n} \downarrow 0$$

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