## STAT 511 su 2020 Final Exam

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This is a take-home test due to the COVID-19 suspension of face-to-face instruction. Do not communicate with classmates about the exam until after its due date/time. You may

- Use your notes and the lecture notes.
- Use books.
- NOT work together with others.

Write all answers on blank sheets of paper; then take pictures and merge to a PDF. Upload a single PDF to Blackboard.

| pmf/pdf   | X                      | $M_X(t)$  | $\mathbb{E}X$                              | $\operatorname{Var} X$                                 |
|---|------------------------|---|--|--|
| $p_X(x;p) = p^x (1-p)^{1-x},$   | x = 0, 1               | $pe^t + (1-p)$  | p  | p(1-p)   |
| $p_X(x;n,p) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x},$  | $x = 0, 1, \ldots, n$  | $[pe^t + (1-p)]^n$  | np   | np(1-p)  |
| $p_X(x;p) = (1-p)^{x-1}p,$  | $x = 1, 2, \ldots$     | $\frac{pe^t}{1-(1-p)e^t}$   | $p^{-1}$                                   | $(1-p)p^{-2}$  |
| $p_X(x; p, r) = \binom{x-1}{r-1}(1-p)^{x-r}p^r,$  | $x = r, r + 1, \ldots$ | $\left[rac{pe^t}{1-(1-p)e^t} ight]^r$  | $rp^{-1}$                                  | $r(1-p)p^{-2}$   |
| $p_X(x;\lambda) = e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x / x!$  | $x = 0, 1, \ldots$     | $e^{\lambda(e^t-1)}$  | $\lambda$                                  | $\lambda$  |
| $p_X(x; N, M, K) = \binom{M}{x} \binom{N-M}{K-x} / \binom{N}{K}$  | $x = 0, 1, \ldots, K$  | ;complicadísimo!  | $\frac{KM}{N}$                             | $\frac{KM}{N} \frac{(N-K)(N-M)}{N(N-1)}$               |
| $p_X(x;K) = \frac{1}{K}$  | $x = 1, \ldots, K$     | $\frac{1}{K}\sum_{x=1}^{K}e^{tx}$   | $\frac{K+1}{2}$                            | $\frac{(K+1)(K-1)}{12}$                                |
| $p_X(x;x_1,\ldots,x_n) = \frac{1}{n}$   | $x = x_1, \ldots, x_n$ | $\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}e^{tx_{i}}$   | $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$ | $\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_i-\bar{x})^2$             |
| $f_X(x;\mu,\sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$  | $-\infty < x < \infty$ | $e^{\mu t + \sigma^2 t^2/2}$  | $\mu$                                      | $\sigma^2$   |
| $f_X(x;\alpha,\beta) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^{\alpha}} x^{\alpha-1} \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\beta}\right)$ | $0 < x < \infty$       | $(1-\beta t)^{-\alpha}$   | lphaeta                                    | $lphaeta^2$  |
| $f_X(x;\alpha,\beta) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1}$ | 0 < x < 1              | $1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{k!} \left( \prod_{r=0}^{k-1} \frac{\alpha + r}{\alpha + \beta + r} \right)$ | $\frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta}$              | $\frac{\alpha\beta}{(\alpha+\beta)^2(\alpha+\beta+1)}$ |

The table below gives some values of the function  $\Phi(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{z} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2} dt$ :

| z         | 0.674 | 0.841 | 1.036 | 1.282 | 1.645 | 1.96  | 2.576 |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $\Phi(z)$ | 0.75  | 0.80  | 0.85  | 0.9   | 0.95  | 0.975 | 0.995 |

- 1. Copy down this sentence on your answer sheet and put your signature underneath: I have not collaborated with any other student on this exam. The work I have presented is my own.
- 2. Let X and Y each have the Uniform(0,1) distribution, and suppose corr(X,Y) = 1/2.
  - (a) Give  $\operatorname{Var} X$  and  $\operatorname{Var} Y$ .
  - (b) Find Cov(X, Y).
  - (c) Find  $\operatorname{Var}(X+Y)$ .
  - (d) Find  $\operatorname{Var}(X Y)$ .
  - (e) Suppose  $\operatorname{corr}(X,Y) = \rho$  for some  $\rho \in [-1,1]$ . State whether  $\mathbb{E}(X-Y)^2$  is an increasing or a decreasing function of  $\rho$ . Justify your answer using intuition or by finding the expression for  $\mathbb{E}(X-Y)^2$  in terms of  $\rho$ .
- 3. Let X and Y be random variables such that

$$Y|X \sim \text{Gamma}(3, 1/X)$$
$$X \sim \text{Gamma}(3, 3).$$

- (a) Write down the joint pdf of the random variable pair (X, Y).
- (b) Write down the integral you would need to solve to obtain the marginal pdf  $f_Y$  of Y.
- (c) Find  $\mathbb{E}(1/X)$ . Simplify any gamma functions.
- (d) Find  $\mathbb{E}Y$ . Hint: Use iterated expectation.
- (e) Find  $\mathbb{E}(1/X^2)$ .
- (f) Find  $\operatorname{Var} Y$ .
- (g) Find Cov(X, Y).
- (h) Find  $\operatorname{corr}(X, Y)$ .
- 4. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be independent random variables such that

$$X_1 \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_1, \beta)$$
$$X_2 \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_2, \beta)$$

for some  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta > 0$ .

- (a) Find the mgf of the random variable  $S = X_1 + X_2$ .
- (b) Identify the distribution of S.
- (c) Find the mgf of

$$\bar{X} = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{2}$$

- (d) Identify the distribution of X.
- (e) Give  $\operatorname{Var}(X_1 X_2)$ .

5. Let the pair of random variables (X, Y) have the joint pdf given by

$$f(x,y) = \frac{2}{ab(a+b)}(x+y) \cdot \mathbf{1}(0 < x < a, 0 < y < b)$$

for some a, b > 0. The plot below shows contours of the joint pdf under some specific values of a and b with 1,000 realizations of (X, Y) plotted on top.



- (a) State whether X and Y are independent and explain your answer.
- (b) Find the marginal pdf  $f_X$  of X.
- (c) Find the conditional pdf f(y|x) of Y|X = x.
- (d) Find  $P(Y \le b/2 | X = a/2)$ .