

**STAT 3375Q: Introduction to Mathematical Statistics I**  
Spring 2024

Final Simulation

Exam Date: 29 April 2024

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- There are 7 problems in this exam. Pick **ONLY** 5 problems to answer. Indicate your 5 chosen problems by circling the numbers on the table below. Answering more than 5 problems will **NOT** merit additional points.
- You are allowed **ONE** formula sheet which you will **SUBMIT** along with this exam sheet. Put all other items away such as books, notes, phones, laptops, and other electronic devices.
- You have 2 hours to complete the exam. Time remaining will be flashed on the screen and will be updated every 10 minutes.
- A calculator is not necessary. You can keep your final answers as fractions in the simplest form.
- Organize your work, in a reasonably neat and coherent way, in the space provided. Work scattered all over the page without a clear ordering will receive very little credit.
- To merit partial points, make sure to justify/explain your thoughts and solutions, using notations and terminologies properly, and clearly defining any events, random variables, parameters, and distributions that you used.
- Mysterious or unsupported answers will not receive full credit. A correct answer, unsupported by calculations, explanations, or algebraic work will receive no credit; an incorrect answer supported by substantially correct calculations and explanations might still receive partial credit.

Problem	Allocated Points	Score
1	20	
2	20	
3	20	
4	20	
5	20	
6	20	
7	20	
Total	100	

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**Problem 1**

Suppose that a random variable  $X$  can take each of the five values  $-2, -1, 0, 1, 2$  with equal probability. Let  $Y = |X| - X$ .

- a) Find the distribution  $Y$ . (*8 points*)
- b) Compute the mean of  $Y$ . (*6 points*)
- c) Compute the variance of  $Y$ . (*6 points*)

*Solution:*

**Problem 2**

Let  $X$  be a uniform RV over the interval  $[-4, 6]$ . Suppose we have another RV  $Y$  also uniform over the interval  $[a, 4a]$ .

- a) Find the mean of  $X$ . (5 points)
- b) Find  $P(X \leq 2.4)$ . (5 points)
- c) Find  $P(-3 \leq X - 2 \leq 3)$ . (5 points)
- d) Given that  $P(X \leq 1) = P(Y \leq 1)$ , find the value of  $a$ . (5 points)

*Solution:*

**Problem 3**

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be continuous random variables with joint PDF

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 8xy, & \text{if } 0 < y < x, 0 < x < 1; \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

- a) Find  $P(X > 1/2)$ . (5 points)
- b) Find  $P(Y < 3/5, X > 1/2)$ . (5 points)
- c) Find  $P(Y < 3/5 | X > 1/2)$ . (5 points)
- d) Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent? (5 points)

*Solution:*

**Problem 4**

- a) Let  $X$  be a Gaussian random variable with  $\mu = 10$  and  $\sigma^2 = 36$ . Find  $P(4 < X < 16)$ . (6 points)
- b) Let  $X$  be a Gaussian random variable with  $\mu = 5$ . If  $P(X > 9) = 0.2$ , compute  $V(X)$ . (7 points)
- c) Let  $X$  be a Gaussian random variable with  $\mu = 12$  and  $\sigma^2 = 4$ . Find the value of  $c$  such that  $P(X > c) = 0.10$ . (7 points)

*Solution:*

**Problem 5**

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be random variables such that

$$E(X) = 2, \quad E(Y) = 1, \quad E(X^2) = 5, \quad E(Y^2) = 10, \quad E(XY) = 1.$$

- a) Find  $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$ . (4 points)
- b) Find  $V(X)$ . (4 points)
- c) Find  $V(Y)$ . (4 points)
- d) Find  $\text{Corr}(X, Y)$ . (4 points)
- e) Find a number  $c$  so that  $X$  and  $X + cY$  are uncorrelated. (4 points)

*Solution:*

**Problem 6**

Suppose  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Exp}(\beta)$ . Define  $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  as the sample mean.

- a) Find the distribution of the sample mean. (*8 points*)
- b) Compute the mean of the sample mean. (*6 points*)
- c) Compute the variance of the sample mean. (*6 points*)

*Solution:*

**Problem 7**

Let  $X$  have the following PDF:

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2}{9}, & \text{if } 0 < x < 3; \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

Find the PDF of  $Y = X^3$  using the Jacobian method. (20 points)

*Solution:*