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Instructions:

- All answers must be written clearly.
- You may use a calculator, but you must show all your work in order to receive credit.
- Be sure to erase or cross out any work that you do not want graded.
- If you need extra space, you may use the back sides of the exam pages (if you do, please write me a note so that I know where to look).
- You must include all work to receive full credit.

1. Consider a standard deck of 52 cards. What is the probability of a four of a kind? (This occurs when the cards have denominations a, a, a, a, b .)

$$\binom{13}{1} \cdot \binom{4}{4} \cdot \binom{12}{1} \cdot \binom{4}{1} / \binom{52}{5}$$

4 of kind Rank
choose all 4
choose rank
choose suit

$$= \frac{13 \cdot 12 \cdot 4}{\binom{52}{5}}$$

2. Consider a roulette wheel consisting of 50 numbers 1 through 50, 0, and 00. If Phan always bets that the outcome will be one of the numbers 1 through 20, what is the probability that

(a) Phan will lose his first 7 bets,

$$\# \text{ are } 1-50, 0, 00 = 52 \text{ total}$$

$$P = \frac{20}{52}$$

$$P(\text{lose first 7 bets}) = \left(\frac{32}{52}\right)^7 \approx 0.33$$

(b) his first win will occur on his ninth bet?

$$X \sim \text{Geometric} \left(\frac{20}{52}\right)$$

$$P(X=9) = \left(\frac{32}{52}\right)^{9-1} \cdot \left(\frac{20}{52}\right) = \left(\frac{32}{52}\right)^8 \cdot \left(\frac{20}{52}\right)$$

$$\approx 0.0079$$

3. The monthly worldwide average number of airplane crashes of commercial airlines is 3.5. What is the probability that at most 1 accident will occur in next 2 months?

$$2 \text{ month average is } = 2(3.5) = 7$$

$X \sim \text{Poisson}(7)$, $X = \#$ of accidents in a 2 month period.

$$P(X=n) = e^{-7} \frac{7^n}{n!}$$

$$P(X \leq 1) = P(X=0) + P(X=1)$$

$$= e^{-7} + e^{-7} \frac{7^1}{1!} \approx \boxed{.00723}$$

4. The r.v. X has a mgf given by

$$m_X(t) = \frac{1}{1-t}, \quad t < 1.$$

If u is some unknown number greater than 0, what is $P(X > 1+u | X > u)$?

Note that by matching the mgf of X with the known ones in the table we see that $X \sim \text{exp}(1)$, since $\frac{1}{1-t} = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda-t}$.

From class, we know $P(X > a) = e^{-\lambda a} = e^{-a}$

Thus,

$$P(X > 1+u | X > u) = \frac{P(X > 1+u, X > u)}{P(X > u)} = \frac{P(X > 1+u)}{P(X > u)}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-(1+u)}}{e^{-u}} = \boxed{e^{-1}}, \text{ Recall that this means}$$

5. A manufacturing company sources widgets from three different suppliers (A, B, and C). Based on the company's quality control data, it appears that 3 percent of widgets coming from A are faulty, as are 5 percent of the widgets coming from B, and 2 percent coming from C. Based on recent purchasing records, suppliers A, B, and C supply 30 percent, 20 percent, and 50 percent of the company's stock of widgets, respectively.

(a) What is the probability that a random widget from the company's stock is faulty?

$$P(A) = .30, \quad P(B) = .20, \quad P(C) = .5$$

$F = \text{Faulty}$, By the Law of total probability,

$$\begin{aligned} P(F) &= P(F|A)P(A) + P(F|B)P(B) + P(F|C)P(C) \\ &= (.03)(.3) + (.05)(.2) + (.02)(.5) \\ &= \boxed{.029} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Given that a widget is faulty, what is the probability that it came from supplier C?

$$\begin{aligned} P(C|F) &= \frac{P(C \cap F)}{P(F)} = \frac{P(F|C)P(C)}{P(F)} \\ &= \frac{(.02)(.5)}{.029} = \boxed{.345} \end{aligned}$$

(c) Using the definition of independence of events, determine whether the events $F = \{\text{widget is faulty}\}$ and $C = \{\text{widget came from supplier C}\}$ are independent or not.

Not independent, because independent

means $P(C|F) = P(C)$

but

$$.345 \neq .5$$

6. Suppose the joint density function of the random variables X and Y is

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} c(x+y) & 0 < x, y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(a) Find the value of c .

$$1 = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(x, y) dy dx = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 c(x+y) dy dx$$

$$= c \int_0^1 \left[xy + \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_{y=0}^{y=1} dx = c \int_0^1 \left(x + \frac{1}{2} \right) dx$$

$$= c \left[\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2}x \right]_0^1 = c \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right] = c, \Rightarrow \boxed{c=1}$$

(b) Compute $P(X^2 + Y^2 \leq 1)$

Domain



$$P(X^2 + Y^2 \leq 1) = \int_0^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} (x+y) dy dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \left[xy + \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_{y=0}^{y=\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx$$

$X^2 + Y^2 \leq 1 \rightarrow$ circle

$$= \int_0^1 \left(x\sqrt{1-x^2} + \frac{1-x^2}{2} \right) dx$$

u-sub

$$\begin{cases} u = 1-x^2 \\ du = -2x dx \\ -\frac{du}{2} = x dx \end{cases}$$

$$= \left[-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} (1-x^2)^{3/2} + \frac{1}{2} \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right) \right]_0^1$$

$$= \left[0 + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} \right) \right] - \left[-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} + 0 \right]$$

Top $y = \sqrt{1-x^2}$

Bottom $y = 0$

$$0 \leq x \leq 1 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = \boxed{\frac{2}{3}}$$

(c) Compute $\mathbb{E}[X^2Y]$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{E}[X^2Y] &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 x^2 y (x+y) dy dx = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (x^3 y + x^2 y^2) dy dx \\
 &= \int_0^1 \left[x^3 \frac{y^2}{2} + x^2 \frac{y^3}{3} \right]_{y=0}^{y=1} dx \\
 &= \int_0^1 \left[\frac{x^3}{2} + \frac{x^2}{3} \right] dx \\
 &= \frac{x^4}{8} + \frac{x^3}{9} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{9} = \boxed{\frac{17}{72}}
 \end{aligned}$$

7. Suppose X is a normal r.v. with mean 1 and variance 1 and let Y be an independent Poisson r.v. with parameter 2. What is $\text{Var}(2X - Y)$?

Recall $\text{Var}(V \pm W) = \text{Var}(V) + \text{Var}(W) + 2\text{Cov}(V, W)$

$$\text{Var}(aW) = a^2 \text{Var}(W)$$

Since $X \sim N(1, 1)$, then $\text{Var} X = 1$

$Y \sim \text{Poisson}(2)$, then $\text{Var}(Y) = 2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Thus } \text{Var}(2X - Y) &= \text{Var}(2X) + \text{Var}(-Y) + 2\text{Cov}(2X, -Y) \\
 &= 2^2 \text{Var}(X) + (-1)^2 \text{Var}(Y) + 2(2)(-1)\text{Cov}(X, Y) \\
 &= 4 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 2 + 0 = \boxed{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

where I used the fact that $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$, since X, Y independent.

8. Let X be a uniform random variable over $(1, 6)$. Find the moment generating function of X .

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6-1} & 1 < x < 6 \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{5} & 1 < x < 6 \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } m_X(t) &= |E[e^{tX}]| = \int_1^6 e^{tx} f_X(x) dx \\ &= \int_1^6 e^{tx} \frac{1}{5} dx = \frac{1}{5} \left[\frac{1}{t} e^{tx} \right]_{x=1}^{x=6} \\ &= \frac{e^{6t} - e^t}{5t} \end{aligned}$$

9. Suppose X has the following moment generating function

$$m_X(t) = \frac{e^t}{1-t^2}$$

Find $E[X]$. (This distribution is known as the *Laplace* distribution)

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= m'(0) = \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{e^t}{1-t^2} \right]_{t=0} \\ &= \frac{(1-t^2)e^t - e^t(-2t)}{(1-t^2)^2} \Bigg|_{t=0} \\ &= \frac{1 - e^0 \cdot 0}{1} = \boxed{1} \end{aligned}$$

109. A person has 100 light bulbs whose lifetimes are independent exponentials with mean 5 hours. If the bulbs are used one at a time, with a failed bulb being replaced immediately by a new one, approximate the probability that there is still a working light bulb after 525 hours.

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{100} be the lives (in hours) of the 100 light bulbs.

Note that $X_i \sim \exp\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)$, since $\boxed{\mu = \frac{1}{\lambda}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = \frac{1}{5}}$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\mu = 5}, \quad \sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X) = 5^2 = 25 \quad \boxed{\sigma = 5}$$

$$\bullet \quad n\mu = 100 \cdot 5 = 500$$

$$\bullet \quad \sqrt{n}\sigma = \sqrt{100} \cdot 5 = 10 \cdot 5 = 50$$

$$\bullet \quad \mathbb{P}\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{exists working light bulb} \\ \text{after 525 hours} \end{array}\right) = \mathbb{P}(X_1 + \dots + X_{100} > 525)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{lifetime of all} \\ \text{bulbs} \end{array} > 525\right)$$

$$\stackrel{\approx}{=} \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_{100} - 500}{50} > \frac{525 - 500}{50}\right)$$

by CLT we have,

$$\approx \mathbb{P}\left(Z > \frac{25}{50}\right) = \mathbb{P}(Z > 0.5) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(Z \leq 0.5)$$

$$= 1 - 0.6915 = \boxed{0.3085}$$