

Retake Midterm Exam

1. A real number is chosen uniformly at random from the interval $(0, 2)$, and independently another real number is chosen uniformly from the interval $(1, 3)$. What is the probability that the number chosen from $(1, 3)$ is larger, but at most twice as large as the number chosen from $(0, 2)$?
2. A midterm exam of an elective course is written in two rooms: IB027 and IB028. In room IB027, there are 45 Hungarian-track and 15 German-track students; in room IB028, there are 80 Hungarian-track and 40 English-track students. A student writing the exam is chosen uniformly at random.
 - (a) What is the probability that the selected student is in the Hungarian track?
 - (b) Given that the selected student is in the Hungarian-track, what is the probability that they are writing the exam in IB028?
 - (c) Are the following events independent (and why)?
 $\{\text{the selected student is not in the Hungarian track}\}$ and
 $\{\text{the selected student writes the exam in IB027}\}$.
3. We examine the number of Colorado potato beetles found on a small patch of a potato field. This number is well approximated by a Poisson distribution, and the probability of finding exactly two beetles equals $2e^{-2}$.
 - (a) What is the parameter (λ) of the distribution?
 - (b) What is the probability that at least one beetle is found on the patch?
 - (c) Let X denote the number of beetles on the patch. Determine the expected value of the random variable $2X - 3$ and the variance of the random variable $-4X - 7$.
4. Two fair coins are tossed, each having 1 written on one side and 0 on the other. Let U and V denote the numbers shown on the upper sides of the first and second coin, respectively. Define $X = U + V$ and $Y = U - V$.
 - (a) Give the joint distribution of X and Y , that is, specify $\mathbb{P}(X = k, Y = \ell)$ for all (k, ℓ) for which it is positive, in tabular form.
 - (b) Determine the marginal distributions of X and Y .
 - (c) Is it true that $\mathbb{E}(XY) = \mathbb{E}(X)\mathbb{E}(Y)$?
 - (d) Are X and Y independent?
5. The lifetime of a battery (in months) follows a continuous, memoryless distribution. It is known that the probability that the battery runs out within two months is $1 - e^{-4}$. Let X denote the battery lifetime.
 - (a) Determine the value of the density function of X at $x = 3$.
 - (b) Determine the expected value and the standard deviation of X .
 - (c) Given that the battery lasts longer than eight months, what is the probability that its lifetime (including those eight months) exceeds thirteen months?
6. * Let X be uniformly distributed on $(-1, 1)$ and define $Y = X^4$. Determine the distribution function, the density function, and the expected value of Y .

Distribution	Notation	Ran(X)	$F_X(t)$	$p_X(k), f_X(t)$	$\mathbb{E}(X)$	$\mathbb{D}^2(X)$
Indicator Bernoulli	$\mathbb{1}_A$ $B(p)$	$\{0, 1\}$		$p_X(0) = 1 - p, p_X(1) = p$ ($p = \mathbb{P}(A)$)	p	$p(1 - p)$
Binomial	$\text{Bin}(n; p)$	$\{0, 1, \dots, n\}$		$\binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$	np	$np(1 - p)$
Poisson	$\text{Pois}(\lambda)$	$\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$		$\frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda}$	λ	λ
Geometric	$\text{Geo}(p)$	$\{1, 2, \dots\}$		$(1 - p)^{k-1} p$	$\frac{1}{p}$	$\frac{1-p}{p^2}$
Uniform	$U(a; b)$	$(a; b)$	$\frac{t-a}{b-a}$ (if $t \in (a; b)$)	$\frac{1}{b-a}$ (if $t \in (a; b)$)	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$
Exponential	$\text{Exp}(\lambda)$	$[0; \infty)$	$1 - e^{-\lambda t}$	$\lambda e^{-\lambda t}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda^2}$