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*Midterm Exam*

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Time: 75 minutes

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**Opening Remarks:**

- This is a 75-minute exam. Calculators are allowed. Books, notes, formula sheets, and other aids are not allowed.
- You are required to show all your work and provide the necessary explanations everywhere to get full credit.

**Problem 1** (20 pts):

- a. If a multiple-choice test consists of 5 questions, each with 4 possible answers of which only one is correct. Assume a student just randomly guesses (يتحزر) the correct answer to each questions. What is the probability that the student gets all of them wrong?
- b. A pair of coins are tossed simultaneously and independently. Each coin has a probability 0.55 to be heads (H). What is the probability that the outcomes of the two coins are different?

**Problem 2** (15 pts)

In an experiment to study the relationship of hypertension (الضغط) and smoking habits, the following data are collected:

	<b>Nonsmokers (NS)</b>	<b>Moderate Smokers (MS)</b>	<b>Heavy Smokers (HS)</b>
<b>Hypertension (H)</b>	15%	19%	16%
<b>No-hypertension (NH)</b>	25%	15%	10%

- a. What is the probability that a randomly selected person is a Nonsmoker?
- b. What is the probability that a randomly selected person is both a moderate smoker and experiences hypertension?
- c. If a random person is selected and found to be a heavy smoker, what is the probability that the person is experiencing hypertension?

**Problem 3** (16 pts)

The waiting time, in hours, between successive speeders (المتجاوزين للسرعة) spotted by a radar unit is a continuous random variable with cumulative distribution function

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ 1 - e^{-8x} & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

- Find the probability of waiting less than 12 minutes between successive speeders?
- What is the average waiting time, in hours, between successive speeders?

**Problem 4** (16 pts):

In testing a certain kind of truck tire, it is found that 25% of the trucks fail to complete the test run without a blowout.

- Find the probability that out of 6 trucks tested, less than two have blowouts.
- How many of the 6 tested trucks would you expect to have blowouts?

**Problem 5** (15 pts)

Suppose that the proportion of colorblind people in a large population is 0.005. Use the normal approximation to calculate the probability that there will be at most 32 colorblind person in a randomly chosen group of 6000 people.

**Problem 6** (18 pts):

Let  $X$  be a random variable representing the time (in years) it takes to develop a software. Suppose that  $X$  has the following probability density function

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} kx^2 & 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Find  $k$  so that this is a valid probability density function
- Compute the probability that it takes more than 1 year to develop the software.
- Find the probability that it will take more than 6 months to develop the software given that it already exceeded 3 months?

*Good Luck*

10 a:  $P(T) = 1/4, P(F) = 3/4$   
 $\times 10^0$

$$P(\text{FFFFF}) = P(F)^5 = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^5 = 0.2373$$

10 b:  $P(H) = 0.55, P(T) = 0.45$   
 $\times 10^0$

$$S = \{HH, HT, TH, TT\};$$

$$P(\text{Different}) = P(HT) + P(TH) = 2P(HT) = 2(0.55 \times 0.45) = 0.495$$

Problem 2

	Nonsmokers (NS)	Moderate smokers (MS)	Heavy smokers HS
Hypertension (H)	45%	19%	16%
No-hypertension (NH)	25%	15%	10%

10 a.  $P(\text{Nonsmoker}) = (0.15) + (0.25) = 0.4$

10 b.  $P(MS \cap H) = 0.19$

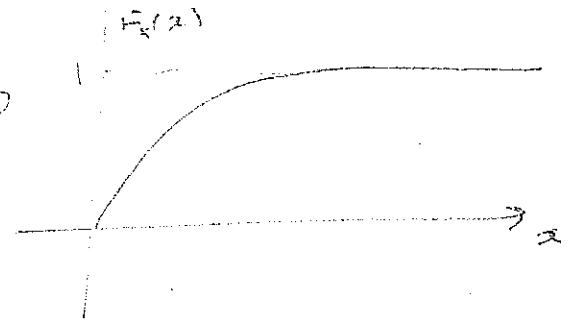
10 c.  $P(H/HS) = \frac{P(H \cap HS)}{P(HS)}$

$$= \frac{0.16}{(0.16) + 0.10} = \frac{0.16}{0.26} = \frac{16}{26}$$

$$= \frac{8}{13} = 0.615$$

Problem 3

$$F_x(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ 1 - e^{-8x} & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$



a.  $X$ : waiting time (in hours)

$$P\left(X \leq \frac{12}{60}\right) = P\left(X \leq \frac{1}{5}\right) \quad ; \quad 12 \text{ minutes}$$

$$= F\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) = 1 - e^{-8/5} = 1 - e^{-1.6}$$

b.  $E(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{8} \text{ (hr)} = \frac{60}{8} = 7.5 \text{ minutes}$

b.  $f_x(x) = 8e^{-8x} \quad x \geq 0$

$$E(X) = \int_0^{\infty} x [8e^{-8x}] dx = \frac{1}{8} \text{ hr} \Rightarrow 7.5 \text{ minutes.}$$

Problem 4

~~$P(X) = 0.25$~~   $P = 0.25$   
 $1 - P = 0.75$

a.  $X$ : # of trucks that fail the test

$$P(X < 2) = P(X=0) + P(X=1)$$

$$= \binom{6}{0} p^0 (1-p)^6 + \binom{6}{1} (p)^1 (1-p)^{6-1}$$

$$= (0.75)^6 + 6(0.25)(0.75)^5$$

b.  $E(X) = np$

$$= (6)(0.25) = 1.5$$

Problem 5

$$p = 0.005$$

$$n = 6000$$

$X$ : number of colorblind persons

$$P(X \leq 32) = \sum_{x=0}^{32} \binom{6000}{x} p^x (1-p)^{6000-x} \quad \text{[exact]}$$

normal approximation

$$\mu_x = np = (6000)(0.005) = 30$$

$$\sigma_x^2 = np(1-p) = 6000 * 0.005 * (1-0.005) = 29.85$$

$$P(X \leq 32) = \Phi\left(\frac{32 - 30}{\sqrt{29.85}}\right) = \Phi(0.366)$$

$$= 0.64$$

Problem 6

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$$f_x(x) = \begin{cases} kx^2 & 0 < x \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases} \quad x \text{ in years}$$

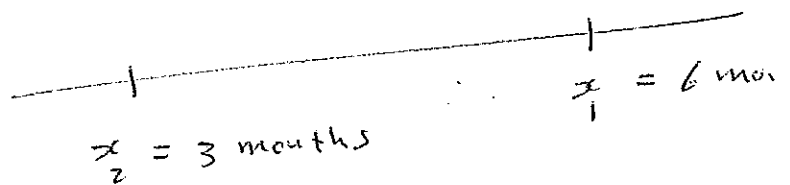
$$a. \int_0^2 kx^2 dx = k \frac{x^3}{3} \Big|_0^2 = k \frac{(8)}{3} = 1 \Rightarrow k = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$b. P(X > 1) = \int_1^2 kx^2 dx = k \frac{x^3}{3} \Big|_1^2 = \frac{3}{8} \cdot \frac{(8-1)}{3} = \frac{7}{8}$$

c.  $x$  : in years

$$P(X > x_1 / X > x_2) = \frac{P(X > x_1 \cap X > x_2)}{P(X > x_2)}$$

$$= \frac{P(X > x_1)}{P(X > x_2)}$$



$$x_1 = \frac{6}{12} = 0.5 \text{ year}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{3}{12} = 0.25 \text{ year}$$

$$= \frac{\int_{0.5}^2 kx^2 dx}{\int_{0.25}^2 kx^2 dx} = \frac{x^3/3 \Big|_{0.5}^2}{x^3/3 \Big|_{0.25}^2}$$

$$= \frac{(8 - (0.5)^3)}{(8 - (0.25)^3)}$$

$$= \frac{(8 - 0.125)}{(8 - 0.015625)} = \frac{7.875}{7.984375} =$$

$$= 0.9863$$