

**MATH 230 Homework 2**  
**Due to April 12, 2018, before 17:40**

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**IMPORTANT**

- 1 Check that there are 8 questions on your booklet. Not all questions will be graded.
- 2 Show all your work. Correct answers without sufficient explanation may not get full credit.
- 3 Write your name on each page.

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4	4	4	4	4	20

**Problem 1.** The Rockwell hardness of a metal specimen is determined by impressing the surface of the specimen with a hardened point, and then measuring the depth of penetration. The hardness of a certain alloy is normally distributed with a mean of 70 units and standard deviation of 3 units.

(a) If a specimen is acceptable only if its hardness is between 66 and 74 units, what is the probability that a randomly chosen specimen is acceptable?

(b) If the acceptable range is  $70 \pm c$ , for what value of  $c$  would 95% of all specimens be acceptable?

**Problem 2.** One thousand independent rolls of a fair die will be made.

(a) Find an approximate value of the probability that number 6 will appear between 150 and 200 times inclusively.

(b) If number 6 appears exactly 200 times, estimate the probability that number 5 will appear less than 150 times.

**Problem 3.** Let  $X$  be an exponential random variable with mean 2. Let  $Y = X^5$ .

(a) Write the probability density function of random variable  $Y$ .

(b) Find the expected value and the variance for  $Y$ .

**Problem 4.** Let  $X$  be a normal random variable with parameters  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$  ( $\sigma > 0$ ), that is the density function of  $X$  is given as

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}.$$

Show that (a)  $E[X] = \mu$  and (b)  $V(X) = \sigma^2$ .

**Problem 5.** A code word contains 6 digits: each either 0 or 1: to be valid the word must contain exactly four 1's and two 0's. One word is selected at random from the valid code words. Define  $X_1$  to be the first (left most digit) and let  $X_2$  be the second digit in the word selected.

(a) Find the joint probability distribution for  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  and marginal probabilities of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ .

(b) Find  $\text{cov}(X_1, X_2)$ .

**Problem 6.** The joint density of random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  is given by

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

(a) Find constant  $C$ .

(b) Find the marginal density of  $X$ .

(c) Find the marginal density of  $Y$ .

(d) Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent? Explain.

(e) Find  $E[X]$ ,  $E[Y]$ ,  $E[5X - 3Y]$ .

(f) Find  $P(X \leq 0.5; Y \geq 0.75)$  and  $P(X \geq 0.25; 0.25 \leq Y \leq 0.5)$ .

**Problem 7.** Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be independent random variables, and suppose that  $X_i$  has an exponential distribution with mean  $\mu_i$ . Find the distribution of  $M_n = \min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ .

**Problem 8.** Let  $U \sim \text{Uniform}(0,1)$ . For  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta > 0$ , determine the distribution of  $T = (-\beta \log U)^\alpha$ .