

- 1) The joint probability mass function $p(x, y)$ for random quantities X, Y is defined by the table:

		Y		
		-1	0	1
X	-1	.06	.09	.15
	0	.10	.15	.25
	1	.04	.06	.10

- (a) Verify that $p(x, y)$ is a valid probability mass function. [2]
- (b) Find the correlation coefficient $\rho_{X, Y}$. [7]
- (c) Are the random quantities X, Y independent? Why or why not? [4]
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- 2) Lamps from a certain factory are known to have lifetimes T that are independent random quantities following an exponential distribution with a mean lifetime of 10,000 hours.
- (a) Show that the probability p that a randomly chosen lamp has a lifetime exceeding 23,026 hours is 0.100 00, correct to five decimal places. [4]
- (b) A random sample of ten such lamps is tested. Let X be the number of lamps in this sample that have lifetimes exceeding 23,026 hours. Does X follow a binomial distribution exactly, approximately or not at all? Justify your answer. [2]
- (c) Assume that $p = 0.1$ exactly. Write down the value of $E[X]$. [2]
- (d) Find $P[X < 2]$. [3]
- (e) Another random sample of 100 lamps is tested. Estimate the probability that the sample mean lifetime \bar{T} will be less than 9,000 hours. [4]
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- 3) Two percent of all items from a production line are known to be defective. [10]
 A quality control process rejects a defective item 99% of the time and it rejects a good (non-defective) item 5% of the time.

Given that the quality control process has just rejected an item, find the odds that the item is, indeed, defective.

- 4) A cumulative distribution function $F(x)$ of a continuous variable x is defined by

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & (x < 0) \\ 21x^5 - 35x^6 + 15x^7 & (0 \leq x \leq 1) \\ 1 & (x > 1) \end{cases}$$

- (a) Evaluate $P\left[X > \frac{1}{2}\right]$ exactly. Leave your answer as a fraction. [6]
(b) Find the probability density function (p.d.f.) for this c.d.f. in its simplest form; [6]
[that is, factor $f(x)$ as much as possible.]

BONUS QUESTION:

- (c) Find the population mean μ as a fraction reduced to its lowest terms. [+3]
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