ECE 313: Final Examination

Monday December 16, 2013 8:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m.

1. **[64 points]**

Mark each statement as TRUE or FALSE by checking the appropriate box

Each correct answer will earn you 4 points if there is *some* indication of how you arrived at the answer checked. A *complete* solution is not expected, but a check mark in the correct box *without* any *indication of how you arrived at the answer* will be given no credit at all. Wrong answers (with or without justification) will also not be given any credit.

(a) Let A and B be events such that 0 < P(A) < 1 and 0 < P(B) < 1. TRUE FALSE

 $\square \qquad \qquad P(A \mid B)P(B) + P(A \mid B^c)P(B^c) = P(A).$

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 $\square \qquad P(A \mid B^c)P(B^c) + P(A^c \mid B)P(B) = P(A \cup B) - P(A \cap B).$

(b) $\mathbb X$ is a continuous random variable with CDF $F_{\mathbb X}(u)$.

TRUE FALSE

- \square If b > a, then $F_{\mathbb{X}}(b) > F_{\mathbb{X}}(a)$.
- $\square \qquad \qquad \square \qquad \text{ If } F_{\mathbb{X}}(b) > F_{\mathbb{X}}(a), \text{ then } b > a.$
- $\square \qquad \qquad \square \qquad F_{\mathbb{X}}(\alpha) = \tfrac{1}{2} \text{ for some } \alpha, -\infty < \alpha < \infty.$
- (c) \mathbb{X} and \mathbb{Y} are independent random variables.

TRUE FALSE

- $\square \qquad \qquad \square \qquad \text{If } \mathbb{X} \sim \mathsf{Binomial}(m,p) \text{ and } \mathbb{Y} \sim \mathsf{Binomial}(n,p), \text{ then } \mathbb{X} + \mathbb{Y} \sim \mathsf{Binomial}(m+n,p).$
- $\square \qquad \qquad \square \qquad \text{If } \mathbb{X} \sim \mathsf{Geometric}(p) \text{ and } \mathbb{Y} \sim \mathsf{Geometric}(p), \text{ then } \mathbb{X} + \mathbb{Y} \sim \mathsf{Geometric}(p).$
- $\square \qquad \qquad \square \qquad \qquad \text{If } \mathbb{X} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{\mathbb{X}}, \sigma_{\mathbb{X}}^2) \text{ and } \mathbb{Y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{\mathbb{Y}}, \sigma_{\mathbb{Y}}^2), \text{ then } \mathbb{X} \mathbb{Y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{\mathbb{X}} \mu_{\mathbb{Y}}, \sigma_{\mathbb{X}}^2 \sigma_{\mathbb{Y}}^2).$
- (d) X and Y are random variables with finite variances.

TRUE FALSE

- $\square \qquad \qquad \square \qquad \qquad \text{If } \mathsf{var}(\mathbb{X}+\mathbb{Y}) = \mathsf{var}(\mathbb{X}-\mathbb{Y}) \text{ then } \mathbb{X} \text{ and } \mathbb{Y} \text{ are } \textit{uncorrelated}.$
- $\square \qquad \qquad \square \qquad \qquad \text{If } \mathsf{var}(\mathbb{X}) = \mathsf{var}(\mathbb{Y}), \text{ then } \mathbb{X} + \mathbb{Y} \text{ and } \mathbb{X} \mathbb{Y} \text{ are } \textit{uncorrelated}.$

- $\square \qquad \qquad \square \qquad \qquad \text{If } \mathsf{var}(2\mathbb{X}+3\mathbb{Y}) = \mathsf{var}(3\mathbb{X}+2\mathbb{Y}), \text{ then } \mathsf{var}(\mathbb{X}) = \mathsf{var}(\mathbb{Y}).$
- (e) \mathbb{X} is a continuous random variable with *standard deviation* 3 and *even* pdf, that is, $f_{\mathbb{X}}(u) = f_{\mathbb{X}}(-u), -\infty < u < \infty.$

TRUE FALSE

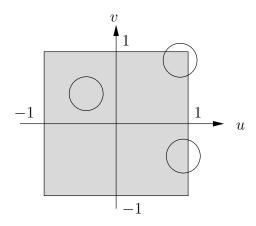
- \Box \Box $P\{X \le 6\} \ge \frac{7}{8} = 0.875.$
- $\square \qquad \qquad \square \qquad \text{If } \mathbb{X} \text{ is } \textit{Gaussian}, \text{ then } P\{\mathbb{X} \leq 6\} = 0.9772.$
- \Box If \mathbb{X} is uniformly distributed, then $P\{\mathbb{X} \leq 6\} < 1$.

- 2. [10 points] We are given a coin that turns up Heads with unknown probability p. n independent tosses of the coin result in X Heads and we estimate p as $\hat{p} = \frac{X}{n}$. Use the Chebychev Inequality to find the smallest n such that the confidence level of the confidence interval $(\hat{p} 0.1, \hat{p} + 0.1)$ is at least 99%.
- 3. [21 points] Y denotes a random variable with probability density function

$$f_{\mathbb{Y}}(v) = \begin{cases} 1+v, & -1 \le v \le 0, \\ v, & 0 < v \le 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find
$$P\left\{|\mathbb{Y}|<\frac{1}{2}\right\}$$
, $P\left\{\mathbb{Y}>0\left|\mathbb{Y}<\frac{1}{2}\right.\right\}$, and $\mathsf{E}[\mathbb{Y}]$.

4. [21 points] The random point (\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) is uniformly distributed on the interior of a square of side 2 centered at the origin. Consider a circle of radius r < 1 centered at (\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) , and let $\mathbb{Z} \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ denote the number of sides of the square that are crossed by the circle, as illustrated in the figure below.



Find the pmf of \mathbb{Z} in terms of r.

5. [10 points] Suppose (X,Y) is uniformly distributed over $[0,1]^2$. Let $W = \frac{X}{X+Y}$. Find $F_W(\alpha)$, the CDF of W. To obtain full credit, you mist specify the value of $F_W(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha, -\infty < \alpha < \infty$.

Hint: consider the cases $0 < \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \alpha < 1$ separately.

- 6. [25 points] A fair coin and a biased coin with $P(\text{Heads}) = \frac{3}{4}$ are in a pocket. One coin is drawn at random from the pocket and flipped independently three times.
 - (a) [10 points] What is the probability that heads show up on all three flips?
 - (b) [15 points] Given that a total of two heads show up on the three flips, what is the probability that the coin is fair?
- 7. [24 points] Let X and Y be discrete random variables with joint pmf

$$p_{X,Y}(i,j) = \begin{cases} p^2(1-p)^{j-2} & i \in \{1,2,3,\ldots\} \text{ and } j \in \{i+1,i+2,i+3,\ldots\} \\ 0 & \text{else,} \end{cases}$$

- (a) [7 points] X and Y independent. State True or False. Justify your answer. TRUE FALSE
- (b) [10 points] Obtain the marginal pmf $p_X(i)$ for all values of i. Simplify as much as you can
- (c) [7 points]) Find $P\{2Y^2 X \ge 0\}$. A numeric answer is expected.
- 8. [10 points] Three draws are made with replacement from a bag containing 7 tokens numbered 1 through 7. What is the probability that the sum of the three numbers drawn is 9?
- 9. [10 points] You hold the Q in a Scrabble game, and need a U to be able to make a word. There are 9 letters left in the bag, 2 of which are U's. If you draw 4 letters at random from the bag, what is the probability that you will get at least one U?
- 10. [30 points] Suppose X, Y, and Z are mutually independent random variables that all have the same mean 4 and same variance 9. Find the numerical values of the quantities indicated.
 - (a) [5 points] var(X + 2Y + 3Z + 5) =
 - (b) [5 **points**] cov(X + Y, X + Z) =
 - (c) [7 points] $E[X^2Y^2] =$
 - (d) [13 points] Let U = X + Y and V = Y + Z. Find the linear minimum mean square estimator of U given V = 10.