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**Show all work.** You should either write at a sentence explaining your reasoning, or annotate your math work with brief explanations. There is no need to simplify, and no calculators are needed. Two two-sided pages of handwritten notes are allowed.

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(1) Let  $X_1, X_2$  be independent  $\text{Bin}(2, \frac{1}{2})$  random variables.

In this table, fill the values of the probability mass function of  $X_1$ :

$i$	0	1	2
$P(X_1 = i)$			

Find the joint probability mass function of  $(X_1, X_2)$ , that is,  $P(X_1 = i, X_2 = j)$ :

$i \backslash j$	0	1	2
0			
1			
2			

Let  $Y_1 = \min(X_1, X_2)$  and  $Y_2 = \max(X_1, X_2)$ .

Find the joint probability mass function of  $(Y_1, Y_2)$ , that is,  $P(Y_1 = i, Y_2 = j)$ :

$i \backslash j$	0	1	2
0			
1			
2			

In this table, fill the values of the probability mass function of  $Y_1$ :

$i$	0	1	2
$P(Y_1 = i)$			

In this table, fill the values of the probability mass function of  $Y_2$ :

$j$	0	1	2
$P(Y_2 = j)$			

(2) If  $X$  is an exponential random variable with  $\mathbb{E}X = 2$ , and  $Y = 1 + 3X$ , find  $F_Y(y)$  and  $f_Y(y)$ .

- (3) If  $Z_1, Z_2, Z_3$  are independent standard normal random variables, and  $X = Z_1 + Z_2 + Z_3$ , find  $\mathbb{P}(|X| < 1)$ . Your answer should include  $\Phi$ .

(4) Consider random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  with the joint probability density function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} a(2x + 3y) & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(a) Find  $a$

(b) Find the marginal p.d.f.  $f_X(x)$ .

(c) Find the marginal p.d.f.  $f_Y(y)$ .

- (5) If  $X_1, X_2$  are independent exponential random variables with  $\lambda = 1$ , let  $Y_1 = X_1 + X_2$  and  $Y_2 = X_1 - X_2$ . Find the joint probability density function  $f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2)$

[(*optional questions for extra credit*)]:

Let  $X_1, X_2$  be independent continuous random variables, uniform on the interval  $[0, 1]$ .

Let  $Y_1 = \min(X_1, X_2)$  and  $Y_2 = \max(X_1, X_2)$ . Find the joint probability density function  $f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2)$

Find the marginal probability density function  $f_{Y_1}(y_1)$

Find the marginal probability density function  $f_{Y_2}(y_2)$

Use either calculus or geometry to find  $\mathbb{E}Y_1$  and  $\mathbb{E}Y_2$

Table of probability distributions

**Discrete random variables**

Name	Abbrev.	Parameters	p.m.f.: $\mathbb{P}[X = k], k \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$\mathbb{E}[X]$	$\text{Var}(X)$	m.g.f.: $\mathbb{E}[e^{tX}], t \in \mathbb{R}$
Bernoulli	$\text{Bern}(p)$	$p \in [0, 1]$	$\binom{1}{k} p^k (1-p)^{1-k}$	$p$	$p(1-p)$	$(1-p) + pe^t$
Binomial	$\text{Bin}(n, p)$	$n \in \mathbb{N}, p \in [0, 1]$	$\binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$	$np$	$np(1-p)$	$[(1-p) + pe^t]^n$
Poisson	$\text{Pois}(\lambda)$	$\lambda > 0$	$e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}$	$\lambda$	$\lambda$	$\exp(\lambda(e^t - 1))$
Geometric	$\text{Geo}(p)$	$p \in (0, 1)$	$\begin{cases} (1-p)^{k-1} p, & \text{for } k \geq 1, \\ 0, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$	$\frac{1}{p}$	$\frac{1-p}{p^2}$	$\frac{pe^t}{1 - (1-p)e^t}$ , for $t < -\log(1-p)$
Negative binomial	$\text{NB}(r, p)$	$r \in \mathbb{N}, p \in (0, 1)$	$\begin{cases} \binom{k-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^{k-r}, & \text{if } k \geq r, \\ 0, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$	$\frac{r}{p}$	$\frac{r(1-p)}{p^2}$	$\left( \frac{pe^t}{1 - (1-p)e^t} \right)^r$ , for $t < -\log(1-p)$
Hypergeometric		$n, m, N \in \mathbb{N}_0$	$\frac{\binom{m}{k} \binom{N-m}{n-k}}{\binom{N}{n}}$	$\frac{nm}{N}$	(not tested)	(not tested)

**Continuous random variables**

Name	Abbrev.	Parameters	p.d.f.: $f(x), x \in \mathbb{R}$	$\mathbb{E}[X]$	$\text{Var}(X)$	m.g.f.: $\mathbb{E}[e^{tX}], t \in \mathbb{R}$
Uniform	$\mathcal{U}(a, b)$	$a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a < b$	$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a}, & \text{if } x \in [a, b], \\ 0, & \text{if } x \notin [a, b]. \end{cases}$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$	$\frac{e^{tb} - e^{ta}}{t(b-a)}$
Normal	$\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$	$\mu, \sigma \in \mathbb{R}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$	$\mu$	$\sigma^2$	$e^{\mu t} e^{\sigma^2 t^2 / 2}$
Exponential	$\text{Exp}(\lambda)$	$\lambda > 0$	$\begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x}, & \text{if } x \geq 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda^2}$	$\frac{\lambda}{\lambda - t}$ , for $t < \lambda$