

FM 5002 Spring 2012, Final Exam  
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**Time for exam: 1.5 HOURS (ONE AND ONE HALF HOURS)**

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SOLUTIONS

Remember to read to the bottom and to SIGN YOUR NAME BELOW!

Closed book, closed notes, no calculators/PDAs; no reference materials of any kind. Turn off all handheld devices, including cell phones.

Show work; a correct answer, by itself, may be insufficient for credit. Arithmetic need not be simplified, unless the problem requests it.

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**STUDENT, PLEASE REMEMBER TO SIGN YOUR NAME:**

I. Definitions: Complete the following sentences.

1. (10 pts, Topic 0038(2).) A **vector field** on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is ...

a smooth function  $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ .

2. (10 pts, Topic 0040(21).) Let  $f, g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be smooth and let  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  be a constant. We say that  $p \in \mathbb{R}^2$  is a **critical point** for the constrained optimization problem with objective  $f$  and constraint  $g = c$  if  $g(p) = c$  and ...

$$\exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } (\nabla f)(p) = \lambda \cdot [(\nabla g)(p)].$$

3. (10 pts, Topic 0042(20).) Let  $\omega = [(f(x, y)) dx] + [(g(x, y)) dy]$  be a one-form in  $x$  and  $y$ . Its **exterior derivative** is given by  $d\omega = \dots$

$$([d(f(x, y))] \wedge dx) + ([d(g(x, y))] \wedge dy).$$

4. (10 pts, Topic 0045(6).) Let  $X$  be a PCRV. We say that  $X$  is **deterministic** if ...

$$\exists c \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } P_n [X = c] = 1.$$

5. (10 pts, Topic 0047(12).) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be PCRVs. Then  $X$  and  $Y$  are said to be **independent** if ....

$$\forall S, T \subseteq \mathbb{R},$$

$(X \in S)$  is independent of  $(Y \in T)$ .

6. (10 pts, Topic 0047(14).) Let  $P$ ,  $Q$  and  $R$  be events. We say that  $P$ ,  $Q$  and  $R$  are **jointly independent** if they are pairwise-independent and ...

$$P_r [P \& Q \& R] = (P_r [P]) (P_r [Q]) (P_r [R]).$$

7. (10 pts, Topic 0049(22).) Let  $\Omega := [0, 1]$ . Let  $X$  be a PCRV, and let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a partition of  $\Omega$  by finite unions of intervals. Then  $E[X|\mathcal{P}]$  is the PCRV defined by the rule: For all  $\omega \in \Omega$ , if  $\omega \in A \in \mathcal{P}$  (and if  $A$  is not of zero size), then  $(E[X|\mathcal{P}])(\omega) = \dots$

$$E[X|A].$$

8. (10 pts, Topic 0037(56).) The **Hessian**  $Hf$  of a smooth function  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by  $(Hf)(x, y) = \dots$

$$\begin{bmatrix} (\partial_{11} f)(x, y) & (\partial_{12} f)(x, y) \\ (\partial_{21} f)(x, y) & (\partial_{22} f)(x, y) \end{bmatrix}$$

9. (10 pts, Topic 0042(34).) Let  $p, q \in \mathbb{C}$  and let  $L = (p, q)$  be the directed line segment in  $\mathbb{C}$  from  $p$  to  $q$ . Let  $\phi : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be the standard parametrization of  $L$ . Then

$$\int_L f(z) dz = \dots$$

$$\int_0^1 [f(\phi(t))] [\phi'(t)] dt.$$

10. (10 pts, Topic 0038(3).) Let  $V : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a vector field. A smooth function  $c : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is said to be a **flowline** of  $V$  if ...

$$\forall t \in (a, b) \quad \frac{d}{dt} (c(t)) = V(c(t)).$$

II. True or False. (No partial credit.)

1. (10 pts, Topic 0045(36).) Any two standard PCRVs are identically distributed.

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2. (10 pts, Topic 0046(2-9).) Let  $M$  be any matrix with real entries. Then both  $M^tM$  and  $MM^t$  are symmetric and positive semidefinite.

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3. (10 pts, Topic 0063(18).) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be any two independent PCRVs whose distributions have Fourier transforms  $f(t)$  and  $g(t)$ . Then the Fourier transform of the distribution of  $X + Y$  is  $[f(t)][g(t)]$ .

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4. (10 pts, Topic 0047(29-31).) Let  $X$  be a PCRV with mean  $E[X] = \mu$  and variance  $\text{Var}[X] = \sigma^2$ . Then  $E[e^X] = e^{\mu + (\sigma^2/2)}$ .

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5. (10 pts, Topic 0047(20).) Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be independent PCRVs. Assume, for all integers  $j \in [1, n]$ , that  $E[e^{X_j}] = 2$ . Then  $E[e^{X_1 + \dots + X_n}] = 2^n$ .

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III. Computations. Some of your answers may involve  $\Phi$ , the cumulative distribution function of the standard normal distribution.

1. Let  $C_1, C_2, \dots$  be an independent sequence of PCRVs such that, for all integers  $j \geq 1$ ,  $\Pr[C_j = 1] = 0.5 = \Pr[C_j = -1]$ . For all integers  $n \geq 1$ , let  $Z_n := (C_1 + \dots + C_n)/\sqrt{n}$ .

a. (10 pts, Topic 0047 (20).) Find a sequence  $a_n$  such that, for all integers  $n \geq 1$ ,  $E[e^{Z_n}] = \cosh^n(a_n)$ . (Hints: The function  $\cosh : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by  $\cosh t := (e^t + e^{-t})/2$ . Recall that, if  $A$  and  $B$  are independent, then  $e^A$  and  $e^B$  are as well. Recall that, if  $P$  and  $Q$  are uncorrelated, then  $E[PQ] = (E[P])(E[Q])$ .)

$$\begin{aligned}\cosh^n(a_n) &= E[e^{Z_n}] = E\left[e^{\frac{\sum_{j=1}^n C_j}{\sqrt{n}}}\right] \\ &= E\left[\prod_{j=1}^n e^{C_j/\sqrt{n}}\right] \stackrel{\text{indep.}}{=} \prod_{j=1}^n \left(E\left[e^{C_j/\sqrt{n}}\right]\right) \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{2}e^{1/\sqrt{n}} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-1/\sqrt{n}}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2}e^{1/\sqrt{n}} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-1/\sqrt{n}}\right)^n \\ &= \left(\cosh\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)\right)^n = \cosh^n\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right),\end{aligned}$$

So  $a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$  works

1. (continued) Recall:  $C_1, C_2, \dots$  is an independent sequence of standard PCRVs such that, for all integers  $j \geq 1$ ,  $\Pr[C_j = 1] = 0.5 = \Pr[C_j = -1]$ . For all integers  $n \geq 1$ , let  $Z_n := (C_1 + \dots + C_n)/\sqrt{n}$ .

b. (20 pts, Topic 0047(28).) Compute  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[Z_n^6]$ .

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^6 e^{-x^2/2} dx$$

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$$1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$$

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$$15$$

c. (20 pts, Topic 0047(28).) For all integers  $n \geq 1$ , let  $X_n := (C_1 + \dots + C_n)/n$ . Compute  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[X_n^6]$ .

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E \left[ \left( \frac{Z_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^6 \right]$$

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$$Z_n / \sqrt{n}$$

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E \left[ Z_n^6 / n^3 \right] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1/n^3) (E[Z_n^6])$$

$$= (0) (15) = 0$$

2. (20 pts, Topic 0040(31).) Find the maximum value of  $8x + 27y$  subject to the constraint that  $x^4 + y^4 = 97/16$ .

$$(8, 27) = \lambda (4x^3, 4y^3),$$

$$\text{so } \frac{8}{27} = \frac{x^3}{y^3}, \text{ so } \frac{2}{3} = \frac{x}{y}, \text{ so } y = \frac{3}{2}x.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{97}{16} &= x^4 + y^4 = x^4 + \left(\frac{3}{2}x\right)^4 = x^4 + \frac{81}{16}x^4 \\ &= \frac{16}{16}x^4 + \frac{81}{16}x^4 = \frac{97}{16}x^4, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } 1 = x^4.$$

$$\text{Either } \left[ (x=1) \text{ and } \left(y=\frac{3}{2}\right) \right]$$

$$\text{or } \left[ (x=-1) \text{ and } \left(y=-\frac{3}{2}\right) \right].$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{At critical points, } 8x + 27y &= \pm \left( 8 \cdot 1 + 27 \cdot \frac{3}{2} \right) \\ &= \pm \left( \frac{16}{2} + \frac{81}{2} \right) = \pm \frac{97}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Maximum value is  $+\frac{97}{2}$

3. (15 pts, Topic 0046(43).) Let

$$M := \begin{bmatrix} 13 & -3 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find a upper triangular matrix  $A$  such that  $AA^t = M$  and such that all diagonal entries of  $A$  are nonnegative.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 13 & -3 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = M = AA^t = \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ y & z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x^2 + y^2 & yz \\ yz & z^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$1 = z^2, \quad z \geq 0 \quad \therefore z = 1$$

$$-3 = yz, \quad z = 1 \quad \therefore y = -3$$

$$13 = x^2 + y^2, \quad y = -3 \quad \therefore x^2 = 13 - 9 = 4$$

$$x^2 = 4, \quad x \geq 0 \quad \therefore x = 2$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. (15 pts, Topic 0048(26).) Let  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  be events. Suppose  $\Pr[A] = 0.2$ . Suppose

$$\Pr[B|A] = 0.4, \quad \Pr[B|(\text{not } A)] = 0.2 .$$

Suppose

$$\Pr[C|(B \text{ and } A)] = 0.5, \quad \Pr[C|(B \text{ and } (\text{not } A))] = 0.1 .$$

Compute  $\text{Odds}[A|(B \text{ and } C)]$ .

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$$\left( \text{Odds}[A] \right) \left( \frac{0.4}{0.2} \right) \left( \frac{0.5}{0.1} \right)$$

$$\parallel$$
$$\left( \frac{0.2}{0.8} \right) (2) (5)$$

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$$\left( \frac{1}{4} \right) (10) = \frac{5}{2}$$

5. (20 pts, Topic 0044(21).) Compute  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x-5)^4 e^{6x} e^{-x^2/2} dx$ .

$$\parallel x \rightarrow x+6$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x+1)^4 e^{6^2/2} e^{-x^2/2} dx$$

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$$e^{36/2} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x^4 + 4x^3 + 6x^2 + 4x + 1) e^{-x^2/2} dx \right]$$

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$$e^{18} \left[ 3 + 4 \cdot 0 + 6 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 0 + 1 \right]$$

$\parallel$

$$e^{18} [3 + 6 + 1]$$

$\parallel$

$$10e^{18}$$

6. (20 pts, Topic 0066(9).) For every integer  $n \geq 1$ , let  $X_n \in \sum^n \mathcal{B}_{0.5, d_n}^{0.5, u_n}$ . Suppose, for all integers  $n \geq 1$ , that  $E[X_n] = 0.03$  and  $SD[X_n] = 0.23$ . Find  $u_n$  and  $d_n$ , as explicit expressions in  $n$ .

$$n \left( \frac{1}{2} u_n + \frac{1}{2} d_n \right) = 0.03 \quad \therefore \frac{1}{2} u_n + \frac{1}{2} d_n \stackrel{\textcircled{*}}{=} \frac{0.03}{n}$$

$$\sqrt{n} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}} (u_n - d_n) = 0.23 \quad \therefore \frac{1}{2} u_n - \frac{1}{2} d_n \stackrel{\textcircled{**}}{=} \frac{0.23}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\textcircled{*} + \textcircled{**} \text{ yields: } u_n = \frac{0.03}{n} + \frac{0.23}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\textcircled{*} - \textcircled{**} \text{ yields: } d_n = \frac{0.03}{n} - \frac{0.23}{\sqrt{n}}$$

7. (20 pts, Topic 0049(41).) Define a PCRV  $X$  by

$$X(\omega) = \begin{cases} 4, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 0.25; \\ 8, & \text{if } 0.25 < x \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

Let  $\mathcal{P} := \{[0, 0.5), [0.5, 1]\}$ . Let  $Y := E[X^2|\mathcal{P}]$ . Compute  $E[Y]$ .

"Power" Tower Law

$$E[E[X^2|\mathcal{P}]]$$

$$E[X^2]$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \cdot 4^2 + \frac{3}{4} \cdot 8^2$$

$$4 + 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 8$$

$$4 + 48$$

$$52$$

8. (20 pts, Topic 0050(48).) Stirling's formula asserts that

$$n! \text{ is asymptotic to } \sqrt{2\pi n} (n/e)^n, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Find constants  $C$ ,  $k$  and  $a > 0$  such that

the binomial coefficient  $\binom{2n}{n}$  is asymptotic to  $Cn^k a^n$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$\frac{(2n)!}{n!n!} \sim \frac{\sqrt{2\pi} (2n) (2n/e)^{2n}}{[\sqrt{2\pi} n (n/e)^n]^2}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{4\pi} \cdot \sqrt{n} \cdot 2^{2n} \cdot \cancel{n^{2n}} \cdot \cancel{e^{-2n}}}{2\pi \cdot n \cdot \cancel{n^{2n}} \cdot \cancel{e^{-2n}}}$$

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$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \cdot 4^n$$

$$\therefore C = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \quad k = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad a = 4$$

9. (20 pts, Topic 0064(30).) For all integers  $n \geq 1$ , let

$$p_n := \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3n} \quad \text{and} \quad q_n := \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3n}, \quad \text{and suppose } X_n \in \Sigma^n \mathcal{B}_{q_n}^{p_n}.$$

Assume that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[X_n] = 0$  and that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[X_n^2] = 1/9$ . Compute  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[X_n^{10} + X_n^9]$ .

$$Z_n := 3X_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{TCLT}} Z \quad \text{in distribution,}$$

against continuous exp-bdd

$$E[X_n^{10} + X_n^9] = E\left[\left(\frac{Z_n}{3}\right)^{10} + \left(\frac{Z_n}{3}\right)^9\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3^{10}} (E[Z_n^{10}]) + \frac{1}{3^9} (E[Z_n^9])$$

$$\xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{3^{10}} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^{10} e^{-x^2/2} dx \right) + \frac{1}{3^9} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^9 e^{-x^2/2} dx \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3^{10}} (1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 9) + \frac{1}{3^9} (0)$$

$$= \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 9}{3^{10}}$$