

Math/Stat 414.1
Exam 1
February 18, 2011

Name: _____

Instructions: Please read!

1. Do all work on this exam packet. It is okay to leave your answer unsimplified, as in $0.56\frac{15!}{6!9!}$ or $14e - 20$. This means that no calculator is needed.
2. Show all work for full credit! Small mistakes in arithmetic wont reduce credit if you show work; but conversely, even a correct answer could get no credit without supporting work.
3. I will award partial credit where appropriate.

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1. Drawer A contains five pennies and three dimes, while drawer B contains three pennies and seven dimes. A drawer is selected in the following way. A die is rolled. If a 1 or 2 comes up, then drawer A is selected and a coin is drawn. If a 3,4,5 or 6 comes up, then drawer B is selected and a coin is drawn.
 - (a) Find the probability of selecting a dime.
 - (b) Suppose a dime is obtained. What is the probability that it came from drawer B?
 2. A football coach has 49 players available for duty on a special kick-receiving team.
 - (a) If eleven players must be chosen to play on this special team, how many different teams are possible?
 - (b) If the 49 include 28 offensive and 21 defensive players, what is the probability that a randomly selected team has 6 offensive and 5 defensive players?
 3. If random variable X has the moment generating function $M(t) = e^{2t+3t^2}$, find the variance of X using the moment generating function.
 4. Find $E[z^X]$ where z is a real number and X is a geometric-distributed random variable. (Hint: Recall how we calculated the moment generating function for a geometric-distributed random variable.)

5. A machine makes bolts at the rate of 1000 per hour. The probability of any given bolt is defective is 0.023 and is independent of whether any other bolt is defective.
- (a) What is the exact distribution for the number of defects in an hour? What is the probability of 3 defects in an hour?
 - (b) Is there a standard way to approximate the probability of 3 defects in an hour given the circumstances?
 - (c) What is the mean number of defects in one hour? Is it different if you use the exact versus approximate distribution?
6. Let $E[X] = 2$ $Var[X] = 4$. Find

$$E\left[\left(\frac{X-2}{2}\right)^2\right]$$