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- Add your answers on this and the following page.
- Please justify all your answers.
- This test has ONE PAGE and THREE QUESTIONS. The total of points is 4.0.

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1. Let two fair dice be tossed (independently) and $\Omega = \{(i, j) : i, j = 1, \dots, 6\}$ be the associated sample space. (1.0)

Consider the events:

- $A = \{\text{points of the first die} = 1, 2 \text{ or } 3\}$,
- $B = \{\text{points of the first die} = 3, 4 \text{ or } 5\}$,
- $C = \{\text{the sum of points of the two dies} = 9\}$.

Show that $P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A) \times P(B) \times P(C)$ and yet these three events are not mutually independent.

• **Events and probabilities**

Since the 36 elementary events of the sample space are equiprobable, we get

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \{(i, j) : i = 1, 2, 3, j = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\} \\ P(A) &= \#A \times \frac{1}{36} = \frac{3 \times 6}{36} = \frac{1}{2} \\ B &= \{(i, j) : i = 3, 4, 5, j = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\} \\ P(B) &= \#B \times \frac{1}{36} = \frac{3 \times 6}{36} = \frac{1}{2} \\ C &= \{(i, j) : i, j = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, i + j = 9\} = \{(3, 6), (4, 5), (5, 4), (6, 3)\} \\ P(C) &= \#C \times \frac{1}{36} = \frac{4}{36} = \frac{1}{9} \end{aligned}$$

• **Requested proof**

$$\begin{aligned} A \cap B \cap C &= (3, 6) \\ P(A \cap B \cap C) &= P((3, 6)) = \frac{1}{36} = P(A) \times P(B) \times P(C) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{9} = \frac{1}{36} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \cap B &= \{(3, j) : j = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\} \\ P(A \cap B) &= \#(A \cap B) \times \frac{1}{36} = \frac{6}{36} = \frac{1}{6} \neq P(A) \times P(B) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4}, \end{aligned}$$

thus, the 3 events are not pairwise independent and therefore not mutually independent. \checkmark

2. Let X and Y two i.i.d. r.v. with common standard normal distribution. (1.5)

Derive the p.d.f. of $W = \frac{X}{Y}$.

• **Random vector and range**

$$(X, Y), \quad X \stackrel{indep.}{\sim} Y \sim \text{normal}(0, 1)$$

$$\mathbb{R}_{X, Y} = (\mathbb{R})^2$$

• **Transformation of (X, Y) and its range**

$$W = g(X, Y) = \frac{X}{Y}$$

$$\mathbb{R}_W = g(\mathbb{R}_{X,Y}) = \mathbb{R}$$

• **P.d.f. of W**

$$\begin{aligned} f_W(w) &= f_{X|Y}(w) \\ &\stackrel{X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y}{=} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_X(wy) \times f_Y(y) \times |y| dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{w^2 y^2}{2}\right) \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{y^2}{2}\right) \times |y| dy \\ &= -\int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{2\pi} \exp\left[-\frac{y^2}{2} \times (w^2 + 1)\right] \times y dy + \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \exp\left[-\frac{y^2}{2} \times (w^2 + 1)\right] \times y dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{w^2 + 1} \int_{-\infty}^0 (-y) (w^2 + 1) \times \exp\left[-\frac{y^2}{2} \times (w^2 + 1)\right] dy \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{w^2 + 1} \int_0^{+\infty} (-y) (w^2 + 1) \times \exp\left[-\frac{y^2}{2} \times (w^2 + 1)\right] dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{w^2 + 1} \times \exp\left[-\frac{y^2}{2} \times (w^2 + 1)\right] \Big|_{-\infty}^0 - \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{w^2 + 1} \times \exp\left[-\frac{y^2}{2} \times (w^2 + 1)\right] \Big|_0^{+\infty} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi \times (1 + w^2)}, \quad w \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

3. Let $\{X_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a Bernoulli process with parameter p and $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.

(1.5)

Derive the p.f. of $(S_m | S_n = k)$, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $m = 1, \dots, n$, and $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$.

• **Stochastic process**

$$\{X_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\} \sim BP(p)$$

$$X_i \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p), \quad i \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$p = P(\text{success}), \quad p \in (0, 1)$$

• **R.v.**

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \text{number of successes in the first } n \text{ Bernoulli trials} \sim \text{binomial}(n, p), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

• **Requested p.f.**

$$P(S_m = x | S_n = k) = \frac{P(S_m = x, S_n = k)}{P(S_n = k)}, \text{ where:}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(S_n = k) &= \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}; \\ P(S_m = x, S_n = k) &= P\left(\sum_{i=1}^m X_i = x, \sum_{i=m+1}^n X_i = k-x\right) \\ &\stackrel{\text{disj. block theo.}}{=} P\left(\sum_{i=1}^m X_i = x\right) \times P\left(\sum_{i=m+1}^n X_i = k-x\right) \\ &= P_{\text{binomial}(m,p)}(x) \times P_{\text{binomial}(n-(m+1)+1,p)}(k-x) \\ &= \binom{m}{x} p^x (1-p)^{m-x} \times \binom{n-m}{k-x} p^{k-x} (1-p)^{(n-m)-(k-x)} \\ &= \binom{m}{x} \binom{n-m}{k-x} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$P(S_m = x | S_n = k) = \frac{\binom{m}{x} \binom{n-m}{k-x} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}}{\binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}} = \frac{\binom{m}{x} \binom{n-m}{k-x}}{\binom{n}{k}},$$

[for $x \in \{\max\{0, k - (n - m)\}, \dots, \min\{k, m\}\}$]. ✓