Question 1: [25%, Work-out question] Suppose the continuous random variable X is uniformly distributed between with [2, 12]. Given  $X = x_0$ , the continuous random variable Y is uniformly distributed between  $[0, 1 + x_0]$ .

- 1. [12%] Find the expectation E(XY).
- 2. [13%] Let  $F_{XY}(x,y)$  denote the joint cdf of X and Y. Find the expression of the  $F_{XY}(x,y)$  when assuming x < 12. Namely, you do not need to compute the expression of  $F_{XY}(x,y)$  when  $12 \le x$ .

Hint 1: If you do not know how to discuss the cases, you can find out the values of  $F_{XY}(10,7)$ ,  $F_{XY}(7,10)$ , separately. You will receive 10 points if you compute both values correctly.

Hint 2: The following equation may be useful:  $\int \frac{1}{1+s} ds = \ln(1+s)$ .

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Question 2: [20%, Work-out question] Consider a geometric random variable X with parameter  $p = \frac{2}{3}$ . We can use X to generate another random variable Y = 2X + 1.

- 1. [10%] Find the expression of the probability generating function  $G_Y(z)$  of Y. Hint 1: If you do not know how to find the probability generating function, you can find the following expectation  $E(e^{-sY})$  instead. You will receive 8 points if your answer is correct.
- [10%] Use the probability generating function G<sub>Y</sub>(z) to find the mean of Y.
   Hint 1: If you do not know the answer to the previous sub-question, you can assume that G<sub>Y</sub>(z) = (<sup>2+z</sup>/<sub>3</sub>)<sup>20</sup>. You will still get 10 points if your answer is correct.
   Hint 2: If you do not know how to answer this question, you can use any other method to solve the mean of Y. You will receive 6 points if your answer is correct.

$$P(X = k) = (1-p)^{k} P_{3} > 1/3$$

$$G_{X}(z) = E[2^{n}]$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^{k} (1-p)^{k} p = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (2(1-p))^{k}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-(1-p)} z$$

$$G_{Y}(z) = E[2^{n}]$$

$$= E[2^{2x+1}] = z E[(z^{2n}]] = \frac{z}{1-(1-p)} z^{2}$$

$$M_{Y} = \frac{dG_{X}(z)}{dz}|_{z=1}$$

$$= (1-(1-p)z^{2})p - zp(0-(1-p)2z)$$

$$(1-(1-p)z^{2})$$

$$= p^{2} + p(1-p)2 = p^{2} + 2p^{-2}p^{2} = 2-p$$

$$G_{Y}(z) = (2+z)^{20}$$

$$= 2-2(z^{2}+z^{2})$$

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Question 3: [20%, Work-out question] We know that X is a binomial distribution with parameter n=10000 and  $p=\frac{1}{2}$ . We use X to create another random variable  $Y=\frac{X}{10000}$ . That is, X is the total number of heads after flipping a fair coin 10000 times and Y is the empirical frequency (normalized by the trials) after the coin flipping.

- [5%] Express the probability P(Y ≥ <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>) as a summation.
   Hint: You do not need to expand/compute the value of the summation. Something like ∑<sub>k</sub> <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3k</sub> would suffice.
- 2. [10%] Use the Chebyshev inequality to upper bound the probability  $P(|Y-0.5| \ge \frac{1}{6})$ .
- 3. [5%] Write down how to use the Chernoff inequality to upper bound the probability  $P(Y \ge \frac{2}{3})$ .

Hint 1: You do not need to compute the Chernoff inequality in this sub-question. Instead, all you need to do is to write down "what is the Chernoff inequality" explicitly and then provide step-by-step description how you plan to compute the Chernoff inequality.

Hint 2: The moment generating function of a binomial distribution is  $X^*(s) = (1 - p + pe^{-s})^n$ .

4. [Bonus 5%] Compute the Chernoff inequality value exactly, so that you can upper bound the probability  $P(Y \ge \frac{2}{3})$ .

Hint 3: This is a bonus question. So even if you do not answer this question, you can still get 20 points if your answers to the previous sub-questions are correct.

Hint 4: You may want to use the fact that  $e^{s \cdot 5}(3+s)^{10} = (e^{\frac{s \cdot 5}{10}} \cdot (3+s))^{10}$ .

 $P(x_{2a}) \leq \frac{\varepsilon(e^{ta})}{e^{ta}}$ 

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$$P(Y>2/3) = P(X > 20000) \le e^{t(2000)} \in [e^{-tX}]$$

$$\le e^{t(20000)} (1-p+pe^{-t})^{10000}$$

$$\le e^{t(20000)} (\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-t})^{10000}$$

Question 4: [15%, Work-out question] The continuous random variable Y is uniformly distributed on (1,4); the continuous random variable X is exponentially distributed with parameter  $\lambda=1$ ; and X and Y are independent. Let Z=X+Y. Find the expectation of  $E(Z^2)$ .

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## Question 5: [20%, Multiple choice question. There is no need to justify your answers]

- 1. [2%] X and Y are Bernoulli distributed with parameters  $p_X = 0.5$  and  $p_Y = 0.5$ , respectively. Compute  $Z = X \oplus Y$ , i.e., Z is the binary exclusive or of X and Y. For example  $0 \oplus 0 = 0$ ,  $0 \oplus 1 = 1$ ,  $1 \oplus 0 = 1$ , and  $1 \oplus 1 = 0$ . Are X and Z independent?
- yes 2. [2%] X and Y are Bernoulli distributed with parameters  $p_X = 0.5$  and  $p_Y = \frac{1}{3}$ , respectively. Compute  $Z = X \oplus Y$ . Are Y and Z independent?
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- 4. [2%] Consider a random variable X with mean m=4 and variance  $\sigma^2=25$ . Is the following inequality always true:  $P((X-m) \leq -10) \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{100}$ ?
- 5. [2%] Suppose we know that  $P(X \ge Y) = 1$ . Is the following inequality always true:  $F_X(100.7) \ge F_Y(100.7)$  where  $F_X(x)$  and  $F_Y(y)$  are the marginal cdf of X and Y respectively?
  - 6. [3%] Suppose X is Gaussian with  $\mu = 1$  and  $\sigma^2 = 4$  and Y = -X + 1. Is it true that P(|Y| < 3) = 1 Q(1.5).
- 7. [3%] Is the following statement always true? "If two random variables X and Y are independent, then we have  $E(e^{3X+2Y}) = (E(e^{3X}))(E(e^{2Y}))$ ."

NO

- 8. [2%] Is the following statement true? "X is a binomial random variable with n = 4 and p = 0.5. Given  $X = x_0$ , the conditional probability of Y is Poisson with parameter  $\alpha = x_0$ . In this scenario, X and Y are independent."
- yes n = 100 and p = 1; and Y is also binomial distributed with the same parameter value n = 100 and p = 1, then X and Y are independent."