

• SHOW YOUR WORK & GOOD LUCK !

• Use Table 1 if necessary

1. (15%) Urn A has 5 white and 7 black balls. Urn B has 3 white and 12 black balls. We flip a coin which lands heads with probability 0.4 and tails with probability 0.6. If the outcome is heads, then a ball from urn A is selected, whereas if the outcome is tails, then a ball from urn B is selected. Suppose that a black ball is selected what is the probability that the coin landed heads ?

2. The joint density of  $X$  and  $Y$  is given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} e^{-(x+y)} & 0 < x < \infty, 0 < y < \infty \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a). (10%) Find the probability density function of the random variable  $\frac{2X}{Y}$ .
- (b). (10%) Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent ? Justify your answer.
3. (15%) If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent binomial random variables with identical parameters  $n$  and  $p$ . Calculate the conditional probability mass function of  $X$  given that  $X + Y = m$ .
4. (15%) Many people believe that the daily change of price of a company's stock on the stock market is a random variable with mean 0 and variance  $\sigma^2$ . That is, if  $Y_n$  represents the price of the stock on the  $n$ th day, then

$$Y_n = Y_{n-1} + X_n \quad n \geq 1$$

where  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  are independent and identically distributed random variable with mean 0 and variance  $\sigma^2$ . Suppose that the stock's price today is 100. If  $\sigma^2 = 1$ , what is the probability that the stock's price will exceed 106 after 16 days ?

5. (15%) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be independent standard normal random variables. Compute the joint density of  $U = X + Y$  and  $V = \frac{X}{X+Y}$ .
6. (20%) Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_m$  be independent nonnegative integer-valued random variables all having the same distribution. The distribution of  $X_1$  is given by  $P(X_1 = n) = p_n$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . Let  $r_n = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} p_k$ . Show that

$$E\{\min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_m)\} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r_n^n.$$



