

M.Sc. Entrance Test 2013,  
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Answer all questions. This is closed book, closed notes test. Only a calculator is allowed during the test. Put the page number on the top of each page.

1. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be identically distributed as  $\text{Normal}(0,1)$  with  $\text{Cov}(X,Y) = \rho$ . Show that  $E(Z) = \sqrt{\frac{1-\rho}{\pi}}$ , where  $Z = \max(X,Y)$ . (5 points)
2. (a) If  $n$  indistinguishable balls are to be placed in  $n$  cells, what is the probability that exactly one cell remains empty? (4 points)  
(b) Let  $U_1, U_2, U_3$  be independently distributed Uniform  $(0,1)$  random variables. Find the probability that the quadratic equation  $U_1x^2 + 2U_2x + U_3 = 0$  will have all real roots. (6 points)
3. Suppose that the random variables  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n$  satisfy  $Y_i = \beta x_i + \epsilon_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , where  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  are fixed constants and  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_n$  are iid  $N(0, \sigma^2)$ ,  $\sigma^2$  being unknown.
  - (a) Find a two-dimensional sufficient statistic for  $(\beta, \sigma^2)$ . (5 points)
  - (b) Find the MLE of  $\beta$  and show that it is unbiased for  $\beta$ . (3 points)
  - (c) Find the distribution of the MLE of  $\beta$ . (4 points)
  - (d) Show that  $\frac{\sum Y_i}{\sum x_i}$  is an unbiased estimator of  $\beta$ . (3 points)
  - (e) Calculate the exact variance of  $\frac{\sum Y_i}{\sum x_i}$ . (3 points)
4. A non-negative random variable  $U$  has cdf  $F$  and density  $f = F'$ ; its mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$  are both finite. A game is offered as follows: choose any non negative number  $c$ ; if  $U > c$  then you win the amount  $c$ ; otherwise you win nothing.
  - (a) Find an equation to characterize the value of  $c$  that maximizes the expected gain. (3 points)
  - (b) Give a characterization of  $c$  in terms of the hazard rate  $\lambda(x) := \frac{f(x)}{1-F(x)}$ ,  $x > 0$ . (3 points)
  - (c) Derive  $c$  explicitly for an exponential random variable with rate  $\mu$ . (4 points)
5. Give the key block arrangements of a balanced confounding for  $(2^4, 2^2)$  -experiment into minimum number of replicates such that all the 2-, 3- and 4-factor interactions get partially confounded. Also find the ratio of the amount of loss in information of those interactions due to the experiment. (7 points)

6. Let  $(X, Y)$  have a bivariate normal distribution with all parameters unknown. On the basis of a random sample of size  $n$ , how will you test whether the random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  are independently distributed? (5 points)
7. A unit is selected at random from a population consisting of  $N$  units numbered  $1, 2, \dots, N$  and the value (say  $y_1$ ) of a study variable  $y$  is observed for the selected unit. Next every  $k$ -th unit is taken in a circular way and the  $y$ -value is observed for each of a total of  $n$  units. If these values be  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$ , find the expectation of  $T = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$ , in terms of the whole set of population values. (5 points)
8. (a) Define a  $p$ -component random vector and mention the fundamental properties of its distribution function. (6 points)
- (b) When is a  $p$ -component random vector  $X$  said to follow  $p$ -variate normal distribution with mean vector  $\mu$  and covariance matrix  $\Sigma$ ? (2 points)
9. (a) Determine whether  $S = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in R^3 : x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 4\}$  is a subspace or not. (2 points)
- (b) Mention any 5 subspaces of  $R^2$ . (1 point)
- (c) Prove or disprove: If  $U_1, U_2, W$  are subspaces of a vector space  $V$  such that  $U_1 + W = U_2 + W$ , then  $U_1 = U_2$ . (4 points)
- (d) Let  $V$  be finite dimensional and  $U$  be a subspace of  $V$  such that dimension of  $U =$  dimension of  $V$ . Prove that  $U = V$ . (4 points)
- (e) Find the Echelon form of the following matrix and hence find the rank:
- $$M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 5 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 & 5 \\ 4 & 8 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (5 \text{ points})$$
10. Based on a random observation  $X$  drawn from Beta  $(\theta, 1)$  distribution, most powerful level- $\alpha$  test for testing  $H_0 : \theta = 1$  against  $H_1 : \theta = 2$  is given as follows:  
Reject  $H_0$  if  $X > 1 - \alpha$  and accept otherwise.
- (a) Check whether this test is UMP against  $H_1 : \theta > 1$ . (5 points)
- (b) Examine whether the size and the level of the test are the same if  $H_0$  states that  $\theta < 1$ . (5 points)
11. Suppose  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are random observations drawn from a population with pdf  $f_\theta(x) = \theta x^{\theta-1}$ , where  $\theta > 0$  and  $0 < x < 1$ .  
Show that  $\log \frac{1}{\sqrt{X_1 X_2}}$  is the MVUE of  $\frac{1}{\theta}$ . (6 points)