

Mathematics 1550H – Introduction to probability

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Time: 50 minutes

Instructions

- Show all your work. Legibly, please!
- If you have a question, ask it!
- Use the back sides of the test sheets for rough work or extra space.
- You may use a calculator and an aid sheet.

1. Do any *three (3)* of **a–d**. [$12 = 3 \times 4$ each]

- A fair coin is tossed ten times. What is the probability that at least two heads occur?
- A hand of five cards is randomly drawn, without order or replacement, from a standard deck. What is the probability that you got exactly three of one kind and one of each of two other kinds in the hand?
- Determine whether $f(t) = \begin{cases} 2e^{2t} & -\infty < t \leq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ is a probability density function.
- A fair three-sided die with faces numbered 1 through 3 is rolled twice. What is the probability that the sum of the two rolls is even, given that the first roll was odd?

2. Do any *two (2)* of **a–c**. [$10 = 2 \times 5$ each]

- A baby's toy has four holes, numbered 1 through 4, and four balls, also numbered 1 through 4. If the baby randomly puts a ball into each hole, what is the probability that at least one ball ends up in a hole with the same number?
- A fair coin is tossed: if it come up heads, a fair standard die is rolled once, but if the coin comes up tails, a fair four-sided die with faces numbered 1 through 4 is rolled once instead. Draw the complete tree diagram for this experiment and determine the probability that the die roll gives a number that is at least 3.
- Suppose A and B are independent events in a sample space Ω . Verify that A and \bar{B} are also independent.

3. Do any *one (1)* of **a** or **b**. [$8 = 1 \times 8$ each]

- Given the density function $g(t) = \begin{cases} t^{-2} & 1 \leq t < \infty \\ 0 & t < 1 \end{cases}$, let $A = [0, 2]$ and $B = [1, 3]$ be events. Compute $P(A|B)$.
- A five-card hand is randomly drawn, without order or replacement, from a standard deck. What is the probability that at least three of the cards in the hand are from the same suit?

[Total = 30]