

ISyE 2027 C  
Test 3

Calculators, notes, and books are not allowed. Put your name on both sides of this sheet. Please stop when time is up. You may leave terms like  $\binom{52}{5}$  and  $e^{-2}$  in your answers.

1. (30 points) Let  $k \geq 1$ . Suppose  $P\{X = 1\} = P\{X = -1\} = 1/(2k^2)$  and  $P\{X = 0\} = 1 - 1/k^2$ .
  - (a) Compute  $P\{X = 1 \mid X \neq 0\}$ .
  - (b) Compute  $P\{|X| \geq 1\}$ .
  - (c) Suppose  $Y$  is a r.v. with the same mean and variance as  $X$ . Obtain a good upper bound on  $P\{|Y| \geq 1\}$ .
2. (30 points) An aluminum plant needs 2 rollers. Currently, 2 rollers are in use, and a 3rd roller is being repaired. The length of time until a roller in use fails is exponentially distributed with rate  $\mu$ . The length of time until the 3rd roller is repaired is exponentially distributed with rate  $\lambda$ . All 3 times are independent.
  - (a) What is the probability that it takes  $t$  more units of time to repair the 3rd roller given that it has already been worked on for 2 units of time?
  - (b) What is the expected time until the first roller failure?
  - (c) What is the probability that a roller fails before the 3rd roller is repaired?
3. (30 points) Suppose  $(X, Y)$  have joint p.d.f.  $f_{X,Y}(s, t) = st/4$  for  $0 \leq s \leq 2$  and  $0 \leq t \leq 2$ .
  - (a) Compute the marginal p.d.f. of  $X$ .
  - (b) Compute  $E[1/(XY)]$ .
  - (c) Compute  $P\{\max\{X, Y\} \leq 1\}$ .
4. (30 points) Suppose  $\text{Cov}(X_i, X_i) = 2$  and  $\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = 1$  for  $i \neq j$ .
  - (a) What is the variance of  $3X_1$ ?
  - (b) What is the  $\text{Cov}(X_1 - X_2, X_1 + X_2)$ ?
  - (c) What is the variance of  $X_1 + X_2 + X_3$ ?
5. (30 points) Let  $X_i$  be the number of people that arrive on day  $i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, 25$ . Assume that  $X_1, \dots, X_{25}$  are i.i.d. Poisson random variables with mean 4. Let  $S$  be the total number of people that arrive on the 25 days.
  - (a) Compute  $P\{X_1 + X_2 = 1\}$ .
  - (b) Accurately approximate the probability that 105 or fewer people arrive during those 25 days.
  - (c) Compute  $E[z^{X_1}]$ .