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Probability Theory 1 retaken 2nd midterm, 3rd December 2024.

16:15–17:00

Working time: 45 minutes. Only simple scientific, non-programmable calculators are allowed.

Maximum score (with the bonus exercise): 24 points, but we consider 20 points already as 100%.

1. Adam and Brian are collecting mushrooms in a forest of 8km^2 . The mushrooms in the forest grow according to a two dimensional Poisson point process in such a way that there is 1 mushroom in every 2km^2 on average. They divide the forest into two parts among each other: Adam searches in a 5km^2 part and Brian searches in the remaining 3km^2 part.
 - (a) What is the probability that together they find at least 3 mushrooms? (2 points)
 - (b) What is the probability that Adam found exactly 2 mushrooms and Brian found exactly 1 mushroom? (3 point)
 - (c) Adam and Brian together found 3 mushrooms. What is the probability that Adam found more mushrooms than Brian? (5 points)

Bonus: Let X, Y and Z denote independent identically distributed random variables with p.d.f.

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{(e^x + e^{-x})^2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Calculate the probability $\mathbb{P}(\{X < Y\} \cap \{Y < Z\})$. (4 points)

2. The Random Corp. produces lightbulbs. The lifespan of a lightbulb (measured in years) is an absolutely continuous random variable with density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{C}{(1+x)^4} & x > 0, \\ 0 & x \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

- (a) What is the value of the constant C ? (1 points)
- (b) What is the expected value and the variance of the lifespan of a lightbulb? (4 points)
- (c) In the factory, a lightbulb is called excellent if its lifespan is greater than one year. Estimate the probability that in a box of one hundred (independent) lightbulbs, there are more than 17 excellent ones! (5 points)

(Table of the Normal distribution on the next page!)

