

**HOMEWORK 4**

**PROB. AND STAT. FOR ENG. (STAT:2020; BOGNAR)**

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1. Textbook 3.8

2. Textbook 3.12

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3. A large warehouse contains 2-packs, 4-packs, and 8-packs of batteries. Suppose the random variable  $X$  equals the number of batteries in a randomly selected package of batteries. It is known that  $X$  has probability distribution

$$f(x) = P(X = x) = \frac{8}{7x} \quad \text{for } x = 2, 4, 8$$

(a) What is  $P(X = 2)$ ?

(b) Determine  $P(X \geq 4)$ .

(c) Find the cumulative distribution function of  $X$ ,  $F(x)$ . Be sure to define the cdf for all  $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$ .

4. Suppose the discrete random variable  $X$  has probability distribution

$$f(x) = P(X = x) = \frac{1}{2^x} \quad \text{for } x = 1, 2, \dots$$

(a) Find  $P(X = 5)$ .

(b) Determine  $P(X \geq 2)$ .

(c) Find  $P(X \leq 4 \cap X \geq 4)$ .

(d) Determine  $P(X \leq 3 | X \geq 2)$ .

5. A basket contains 4 puppies: one of the puppies has 1 spot, one of the puppies has 2 spots, and the remaining two puppies have 4 spots. Suppose *two* puppies are selected at random *without* replacement. Let the random variable  $X$  equal the *total* number of spots on the selected puppies.

(a) Find the probability distribution of  $X$ .

(b) Find the probability that the puppies have a total of 5 spots, i.e. find  $P(X = 5)$ .

(c) Find the probability that the puppies have a total of 6 or more spots, i.e. find  $P(X \geq 6)$ .

(d) Find the cumulative distribution function of  $X$ ,  $F(x)$ . Be sure to define the cdf for all  $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$ .

6. Suppose a bowl has 9 chips; one chip is labeled “1”, three chips are labeled “3”, and five chips are labeled “5”. Suppose *two* chips are selected at random *with* replacement. Let the random variable  $X$  equal the *absolute difference* between the two draws (e.g. if the first draw is a 1 ( $1_1$ ) and the second draw is a 5 ( $5_2$ ), then the absolute difference is  $|1 - 5| = 4$ ).

(a) Find the probability distribution of  $X$ .

(b) Use the probability distribution to find the probability that both draws are the same.

(c) Use the probability distribution to find the probability that both draws are *not* the same.

(d) Find the cumulative distribution function of  $X$ ,  $F(x)$ . Be sure to define the cdf for all  $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$ .