

Problem Set 7 Answers

- 1a.** We see that X is a continuous random variable.
- 1b.** Since Y can only take on the values 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, then Y is a discrete random variable.
- 1c.** No, (X, Z) is not a random variable. It is a pair of random variables. A random variable maps outcomes (elements of the sample space) to \mathbb{R} , i.e., to real numbers.
- 1d.** We see that $X + Z$ is a continuous random variable; it is the sum of two measurements.
- 2a.** We have $P(X = 0) = (4/6)(3/5)(2/4) = 1/5$.
- 2b.** We have $P(X = 1) = (2/6)(4/6)(3/5) + (4/6)(2/5)(3/5) + (4/6)(3/5)(2/4) = 37/75$.
- 2c.** We have $P(X = 2) = (2/6)^2(4/6) + (2/6)(4/6)(2/5) + (4/6)(2/5)(2/5) = 182/675$.
- 2d.** We have $P(X = 3) = (2/6)^3 = 1/27$.
- 3a.** We note that $X \geq 3$ if and only if he does not select a Jack, Queen, or King on the first two moves, so $P(X \geq 3) = (40/52)^2$.
- 3b.** Similarly, we have $X \geq 10$ if and only if he does not select a Jack, Queen, or King on the first nine moves, so $P(X \geq 10) = (40/52)^9$.
- 3c.** Similarly, we have $X \geq 100$ if and only if he does not select a Jack, Queen, or King on the first ninety-nine moves, so $P(X \geq 100) = (40/52)^{99}$.
- 3d.** Finally, we have $X \geq n$ if and only if he does not select a Jack, Queen, or King on the first $n - 1$ moves, so $P(X \geq n) = (40/52)^{n-1}$.
- 4.** We go in reserve order.
- 4d.** We have $X = 4$ if and only if all of the dice are 4's, so $P(X = 4) = (1/4)^3 = 1/64$.
- 4c.** We have $X = 3$ if and only if all of the dice are 3's or 4's, but they are not all 4's, so $P(X = 3) = (2/4)^3 - (1/4)^3 = 7/64$.
- 4b.** We have $X = 2$ if and only if all of the dice are 2's or 3's or 4's, but they are not all 3's or 4's, so $P(X = 2) = (3/4)^3 - (2/4)^3 = 19/64$.
- 4a.** We have $X = 1$ if and only if all of the dice are 1's or 2's or 3's or 4's, but they are not all 2's or 3's or 4's, so $P(X = 1) = (4/4)^3 - (3/4)^3 = 37/64$.