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STAT 401D

Exam II  
(100 points)

**Instructions:**

- Full credit will be given only if you show your work.
- The questions are not necessarily ordered from easiest to hardest.
- You are allowed to use any resource except aid from another individual.
- Aid from another individual, will automatically earn you a 0.

1. Please answer the following questions using your own words. If I find that you have copied your answers from the internet, you will receive a 0.

(a) What is the likelihood? (5 points)

(b) What does a pvalue measure? (5 points)

(c) What does “95% confidence” mean in a 95% confidence interval? (5 points)

(d) What does “95% credible” mean in a 95% credible interval? (5 points)

2. SpaceX has successfully completed 28 of its 30 Falcon 9 launches. SpaceX claims it is “right in the ballpark” to the industry standard of 95% of launches being successful. For the following assume  $Y \sim \text{Bin}(n, \theta)$  where  $Y$  is the number of successful launches,  $n$  is the number of attempted launches, and  $\theta$  is the unknown probability of success. Also assume  $\theta \sim \text{Unif}(0, 1)$ .

(a) State the posterior distribution for  $\theta$ . (5 points)

(b) State the Bayes estimate for  $\theta$ . (5 points)

(c) Find a 95% equal-tail credible interval for  $\theta$ . (5 points)

(d) Find the probability that  $\theta$  is less than the industry standard of 0.95. (5 points)

3. A manufacturing process for maple syrup has a target viscosity for the maple syrup of 5,000 cP @ 25°C. A random sample of 25 lots of maple syrup had an average viscosity of 4,956 cP with a sample standard deviation of 100 cP. Assume  $Y_i \stackrel{ind}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  where  $Y_i$  is the  $i$ th viscosity measurement.

(a) Calculate a pvalue for  $H_0 : \mu = 5,000$  vs  $H_A : \mu \neq 5,000$ . (5 points)

(b) Calculate a 95% confidence interval for  $\mu$ . (5 points)

(c) If you were to calculate a 99% confidence interval for  $\mu$ , would the interval be wider or narrower than 95% confidence interval for  $\mu$ ? Why? (5 points)

(d) The predictive distribution for a new observation  $\tilde{Y}$  is  $\tilde{Y} \sim t_{n-1}(\bar{y}, s^2(1 + 1/n))$ . Calculate the probability a new observation is over 5,000 cP. (5 points)

4. A random sample of homes in Ames found that 35 out of 100 use “smart thermostats” while a random sample of homes in Des Moines found that 245 out of 923 use “smart thermostats”.

(a) State an appropriate model to use for these data. (10 points)

(b) Calculate a pvalue for the null hypothesis that the proportion of homes in Ames that use smart thermostats is less than or equal to the proportion in Des Moines versus the alternative that the proportion is higher in Ames. (5 points)

(c) Calculate a 90% equal-tail confidence interval for the difference in the true proportions. (5 points)

5. The file `skin.csv` contains data on a study where participants were randomly assigned one arm to receive skin lotion while the other arm served as a control. After using the lotion for one week, the dryness on each arm was measured.

(a) State an appropriate model to use for these data. (10 points)

(b) Calculate the Bayes estimate for the difference in skin dryness. (5 points)

(c) Calculate a 95% equal-tail credible interval for the difference in skin dryness. (5 points)