## MATH 333A: Probability & Statistics. Examination #1 (Spring 2008)

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Must show all steps for each problem to receive full credit.

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- 1. A certain delivery service offers express and standard delivery options for sending parcels. Based on the past records, 75% of the parcels are sent by standard delivery and 25% by express delivery. Of those sent by standard delivery, 60% arrive the next day and of those sent by express delivery, 95% arrive the next day. A record of a parcel is chosen at random from the delivery service's files. What is the probability that the parcel corresponding to this record:
  - a. Was shipped by express delivery and arrived the next day? (7 pts)
  - b. Arrived the next day? (7 pts)
  - c. Was sent by express delivery given that this parcel arrived the next day? (6 pts)
- 2. A recent newspaper article states that 40% of the major U.S. companies electronically monitor their employees. If 6 major U.S. companies are selected at random, find the probability that:
  - a. At most two of these 6 companies monitor their employees electronically. (7 pts)
  - b. All 6 companies monitor their employees electronically. (7 pts)
  - c. None of the 6 companies monitor their employees electronically. (6 pts)
- 3. The National Muffler Company claims it will change your muffler in less than 30 minutes. An undercover consumer reporter monitored a random sample of 30 muffler changes at a National outlet. The data on the time in minutes to change a muffler are reported below:

| _ |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|   | 54 | 12 | 22 | 31 | 26 | 22 | 30 | 26 | 18 | 28 | 12 | 40 | 17 | 13 | 14 |
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- a. Construct a box plot for the above data. (7 pts)
- b. Draw conclusions about the distribution of time to change the muffler (e.g., shape and presence of any outliers). (7 pts)
- c. Find the mean and variance of the time to change the muffler. (6 pts)

Hint: 
$$\Sigma X = 711$$
 and  $\Sigma X^2 = 19,527$ .

4. A researcher collected the following data on the number of ounces of silver per ton of ore for two mines.

| Mine A: | 50 | 52 | 56 | 57 | 55 | 59 | 60 | 61 | 60 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 66 | 67 | 68 | 75 | 88 | 91 | 99 |
|---------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Mine B: | 39 | 43 | 44 | 46 | 47 | 49 | 50 | 52 | 53 | 54 | 55 | 56 | 58 | 59 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 65 | 66 |

- a. Construct a stem-and-leaf display for each mine. (10 pts)
- b. Compare the two displays and draw conclusions about the probability distributions of the ounces of silver per ton of ore and describe any similarities and/or differences. (10 pts)
- 5. An encryption-decription system for sending messages consists of three elements: encode(E), transmit(T), and decode(D) (i.e., this is a series system in E, T, and D). The probability of error is 5%, 10%, and 1% for E, T, and D, respectively. You may assume that for any message, the 3 types of error occur independently. What is the probability that a message:
  - a. Is completely error-free? (10 pts)
  - b. Has either an encode error or a decode error? (10 pts)

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