

Exam I
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32 points

For each problem part: 0 points if not attempted or no work shown,
 1 point for partial credit, if work is shown,
 2 points for correct numerical value of solution

Problem 1. (14 points)

The Young's modulus and ultimate strength of thirteen metals are reported below.

| Element | Young's modulus (GPa) | Ultimate strength (MPa) | modulus ² (GPa ²) | Ultimate strength ² (MPa ²) | modulus-strength (GPa·MPa) |
|------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--|--|----------------------------|
| silicon | 107 | 7000 | 11449 | 49000000 | 749000 |
| tungsten | 411 | 585 | 168921 | 342225 | 240435 |
| iron | 211 | 350 | 44521 | 122500 | 73850 |
| titanium | 120 | 308 | 14400 | 94864 | 36960 |
| copper | 130 | 210 | 16900 | 44100 | 27300 |
| tantalum | 186 | 107 | 34596 | 11449 | 19902 |
| tin | 47 | 107 | 2209 | 11449 | 5029 |
| zinc alloy | 95 | 300 | 9025 | 90000 | 28500 |
| nickel | 170 | 168 | 28900 | 28224 | 28560 |
| silver | 83 | 170 | 6889 | 28900 | 14110 |
| gold | 79 | 100 | 6241 | 10000 | 7900 |
| aluminium | 70 | 45 | 4900 | 2025 | 3150 |
| lead | 16 | 12 | 256 | 144 | 192 |
| sum | 1725 | 9462 | 349207 | 49785880 | 1234888 |

Based on this data, answer the following questions.

- (a) Find the average modulus of these thirteen metals.
- (b) Find the variance of the ultimate tensile strength.
- (c) Find the standard deviation of the ultimate tensile strength.
- (d) Find the covariance of ultimate strength and modulus.
- (e) Find the correlation coefficient of the ultimate strength and modulus.
- (f) Are the ultimate strength and modulus independent random variables?
- (g) What is the physical relationship between ultimate strength and modulus based on your answer to (g)?

Problem 2. (10 points)

In examining a set of specimens from two classes of materials—metals (m) and ceramics (c)—we note the following observations with respect to ductile (d) and brittle (b) properties.

In our sample set, the probability that a material ductile is 0.75.

The probability that a material is brittle given that it is ceramic is 0.95.

The probability that a material is a metal given that it is ductile is 0.993333.

Using this information, answer the following questions.

- (a) Draw a Venn Diagram of the sample space for this experiment.
- (b) What is the probability that a material is brittle?
- (c) What is the probability that a material is metal and ductile?
- (d) What is the probability that a material is ceramic and ductile?
- (e) What is the probability that a material is ceramic?

Problem 3. (8 points)

Consider the following PDF of the random variable, x ,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} cx^4 & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Is the PDF continuous or discrete?
- (b) Find the value of c that normalizes this PDF.
- (c) Find the probability that x is greater than 0.25.
- (d) Find the probability that x is less than 0.25.