

MATH 333A: Probability & Statistics. **Examination #2** (Fall 2006)

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1. The number of patients arriving for emergency treatment in a one-hour period in a hospital can be modeled by a **Poisson process** with a **mean of 6**. (7 pts each)
 - a. What is the probability that exactly 5 arrivals occur in a one-hour period?
 - b. What is the probability that at least 3 arrivals occur in a one half-hour period?
 - c. Let Y be the number of people arriving at the emergency room in a 90-minute period. Find the mean and standard deviation of Y .

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2. A sample of 20 parts is taken every hour from a metal punching process. Typically, 1% of the parts require rework. Let X denote the number of parts in the sample of 20 in one hour that require rework. Assume that the parts are produced and sampled independently. (7 pts each)
 - a. If the percentage of parts that require rework remains at 1%, what is the probability that X exceeds its mean by more than 1.5 standard deviations?
 - b. If the rework percentage increases to 4%, what is the probability that X exceeds 1?
 - c. If the rework percentage increases to 4%, what is the probability that X exceeds 1 in at least one of the next 5 hourly samples of 20 parts each?

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3. The time it takes for a cell to divide (a process, biologists call *mitosis*) can be considered to be **Normally distributed**. (9 pts each)
 - a. If 14% of all cells complete mitosis within 54.6 minutes, while 10% of all cells need over 66.5 minutes to divide, find the mean and the standard deviation of the time taken by a cell to undergo mitosis.
 - b. By what time do 99% of all cells complete mitosis ?

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4. At a local branch of a certain bank with a single drive-in service window, the amount of time a teller spends in servicing a customer is **exponentially distributed** with a **mean of 5 minutes**. (7 pts each)
- What is the probability that at least 3 customers are served at the drive-in window within 15 *minutes* ?
 - If there is one car ahead of you at the drive-in service window at the time you arrive, what is the probability that you will be still waiting for service after the next 4 *minutes* ?
 - What is the median time spent by a teller in servicing a customer?

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5. A filling station gets its gasoline supply once a week. Its weekly sales volume (in *thousand-gallon* units) is distributed with the **following probability density function**:

$$f(x) = 5(1-x)^4, \quad \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

- a. What should the capacity of the filling station's underground tank be, so that the chance of the filling station running out of gas in a given week is only 1%? (7 pts)
- b. If gasoline is sold at \$2.05/gallon, what is the average weekly revenue of the filling station? (5 pts)
- c. What is the cumulative distribution function of the weekly sales volume? (7 pts)

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