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SMA 2230 - PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS II

Instructions

Answer question ONE and any other two questions

1. a) Define the following terms
  - i) Random variable
  - ii) Discrete random variable
  - iii) Continuous random variable
  - iv) Probability mass function
  - v) Probability density function (15 marks)
- b) A coin is tossed 4 times. Derive the probability mass function, the expectation and the variance. (15 marks)
2. Find the moment generating function (mgf), the mean and variance of a Poisson distribution. (20 marks)
3. a) A random variable X has the density function  $f(x)=x^2$  ( $0 \leq x \leq 1$ ). If the variable Y is the area of a circle, radius X. Find the mean value of Y and its density function. (10 marks)
- b) There are 5 white and 45 black mables in an urn. If 10 marbles are drawn without replacement, what is the probability that 2, 3, or 4 of the ten are white? (10 marks)
4. A Poisson distribution is defined as
$$f(x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!} \quad r=0,1,2,3,\dots$$
Prove that the mean and variance is  $\lambda$ . (20 marks)
5. a) An athlete finds that in the high jump, he can clear a height of 1.68m once in five attempts and a heght of 1.52 nine times out of ten attempts. Assuming the heights he can clear in various jumps form a normal distribution, estimate the mean and standard deviation of the distribution. (10 marks)
- b) Explain the following terms as used in hypothesis testing
  - i) Type I and Type II errors

- ii) One tailed and Two tailed tests
- iii) Null hypothesis and Alternative hypothesis (10 marks)