## SKIT COLLEGE Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering

# ME-201– QUIZ #3 Discrete Random Variables & Probability Distributions

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This exam contains 7 pages (including this cover page) and 4 questions. Total of points is 15. Good luck and Happy reading work!

Question	Points	Score
1	0	
2	0	
3	7	
4	8	
Total:	15	

#### **Distribution of Marks**

- 1. In a particular game, a fair die is tossed. If the number of spots showing is either 4 or 5 you win 1, *ifthenumberof spots showing is* 6*youwin* 4, and if the number of spots showing is 1, 2, or 3 you win nothing. Let X be the amount that you win. Which of the following is the expected value of X?
  - (a) 1.00
  - (b) 2.50
  - (c) 4.00
  - (d) 6.00

- 2. The weight of written reports produced in a certain department has a Normal distribution with mean 60 g and standard deviation 12 g. The probability that the next report will weigh less than 45 g is
  - (a) 0.1056
  - (b) 0.3944
  - (c) 0.1045
  - (d) 0.8944

- 3. A small store keeps track of the number X of customers that make a purchase during the first hour that the store is open each day. Based on the records, X has the following probability distribution. The standard deviation of the number of customers that make a purchase during the first hour that the store is open is
  - (a) (4 points) P(X = 1)
  - (b) (3 points)  $P(X \ge 4)$

- 4. A reservation service employs five information operators who receive requests for information independently of one another, each according to a Poisson process with rate  $\mu = 2$  per minute.
  - (a) (4 points) What is the probability that during a given 1-min period, the first operator receives no requests?
  - (b) (4 points) What is the probability that during a given 1-min period, exactly four of the five operators receive no requests?(*Hint*: treat either as a binomial process of 5 trials with 4 successes or consider 5 combinations of Poisson processes, e.g. only 1st operation receives a request or only 2nd operation receives a request and so on)

## Probability mass/distribution functions

### **Binomial Distribution**

$$f(x;n,p) = b(x;np) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$
$$\mu = E(x) = np$$
$$\sigma_x^2 = np(1-p)$$

Hypergeometric Distribution

$$P(X = x) = h(x; n, M, N) = \frac{\binom{M}{x}\binom{N-M}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$
$$\mu = E(X) = \frac{nM}{N}$$
$$\sigma_x^2 = n\frac{M}{N}\frac{N-M}{N}\frac{N-n}{N-1}$$

**Poisson Distribution** 

$$P(x;\mu) = e^{-\mu} \frac{\mu^x}{x!}$$
$$E(X) = Var(X) = \mu$$

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