

**MAT 2377C**  
**Midterm exam**  
**Version B**

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**Time: 70 minutes**

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This is a closed book examination.

Only non-programmable and non-graphic calculators are permitted.

**Record your answer to each question in the table below.**

Number of pages: **7** (one title page, two pages with questions, two pages of formulas and two pages of tables).

Number of questions: **10**.

**NOTE: At the end of the examination, hand in only this page. You may keep the questionnaire.**

Question	Answer
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**Q1.** A company's warranty document states that the probability that a new swimming pool requires some repairs within the first year is 20%. What is the probability, that the sixth sold pool is the first one which requires some repairs within the first year?

- (a) 0.6068                                      (b) 0.3932                                      (c) 0.9345  
 (d) 0.0655                                      (e) none of the preceding

**Q2.** Let  $X$  be a discrete random variable with values 0, 1, 2 and associated probabilities given by the table below:

$x$	0	1	2
$P(X = x)$	0.5	0.3	0.2

- (a)  $E(X) = 0.7, \text{Var}(X) = 0.61$                                       (b)  $E(X) = 0.7, \text{Var}(X) = 1.1$   
 (c)  $E(X) = 1.3, \text{Var}(X) = 0.61$                                       (d)  $E(X) = 0.4, \text{Var}(X) = 0.3$

**Q3.** The probability that a drug  $A$  is efficient for the treatment of ear infections is 0.75. For drug  $B$ , this probability is 0.55. A large clinical trial is conducted on patients with chronic ear infections: 50% of the patients are treated with drug  $A$ , the others are treated with drug  $B$ . If the drug has been efficient for a certain patient, what is the probability that this patient was treated with drug  $A$ ?

- (a) 0.5769                                      (b) 0.5111                                      (c) 0.4231  
 (d) 0.3333                                      (e) none of the preceding

**Q4.** In a box of 50 fuses there are 8 defective ones. We choose 5 fuses randomly (without replacement). What is the probability that all 5 fuses are not defective?

- (a) 0.4015                                      (b) 0.84                                      (c) 0.3725  
 (d) 0.4275                                      (e) none of the preceding

**Q5.** Find the value of  $P(X \leq 0.5)$  if the following probability density function is given:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq -1 \\ \frac{3}{4}(1 - x^2) & \text{if } -1 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

- (a)  $11/32$                                       (b)  $27/32$                                       (c)  $16/32$   
 (d) 1                                      (e) none of the preceding

**Q6.** A receptionist receives on average 2 phone calls per minute. If the number of calls follows a Poisson process, what is the probability that the waiting time for call will be greater than 4 minutes?

- (a)  $e^{-1/15}$                       (b)  $e^{-1/30}$                       (c)  $e^{-8}$                       (d)  $e^{-1}$                       (e) none of the preceding

**Q7.** A study on the quality of medical services in Canada indicates that the average waiting time for a surgery is 17.3 weeks. Assume that the waiting time for a surgery is normally distributed with a standard deviation of 1.9 weeks. What is the probability that a randomly chosen patient who needs surgery has to wait more than 22 weeks?

- (a) 0.9932                      (b) 0.9545                      (c) 0.0068                      (d) 0.9772                      (e) none of the preceding



Solutions to multiple choice questions:

Q1  $\rightarrow$  d

Q2  $\rightarrow$  a

Q3  $\rightarrow$  a

Q4  $\rightarrow$  a

Q5  $\rightarrow$  b

Q6  $\rightarrow$  c

Q7  $\rightarrow$  c

Q8  $\rightarrow$  a

Q9  $\rightarrow$  a

Q10  $\rightarrow$  b