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Directions:

- 1) You must **<u>show all work</u>** to obtain full credit for questions on this exam.
- 2) <u>**DO NOT round**</u> your answers at each step. Round answers only if necessary at <u>your final step</u> <u>to 4 decimal places</u>.
- 3) You are allowed to use electronic calculators and other reasonable writing accessories that help write the exam. Try to define events, formulate problem and solve.
- 4) Do not keep your mobile with you during the exam, turn off your mobile and leave it aside

Question No	Full Marks	Marks Obtained
<i>Q</i> 1	13	
Q2	18	
Q3	13	
Q4	13	
<i>Q5</i>	13	
Total	70	

Question One (13 points)

A certain type of component is packed in lots of four. Let X represents the number of properly functioning components in a randomly chosen lot. Assume that the probability that exactly x components function is proportional x; in other words, assume that the probability mass function of X is given by

$$P(X = x) = \begin{cases} c \ x & , x = 1, 2, 3, or \ 4 \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases}$$

Where C is a constant

1. (**5** points) Find the value of the constant C so that P(X = x) is probability mass function. Then find the expected value and standard deviation of the number of properly functioning components

- 2. (1 points) Find probability that more than two properly functioning components.
- 3. (**7** *points*) If a sample of size 36 components, find the probability that the average number of the components function is less than 3.1

Question Two (18 points)

The reading given by a thermometer calibrated in ice water (actual temperature 0°C) is a random variable with probability density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} k(1-x^2) & , -1 < x < 1 \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases}$$

Where k is a constant

- 1. (**2** points) Find the value of k
- 2. (1 point) What is the probability that the thermometer reads 0°C?
- 3. (2 points) What is the probability that the reading is within 0.25°C of the actual temperature?

4. (*3 points*) What is the median reading?

5. (**10** *points*) If a sample of size 49 thermometers selected at random, find the probability that the average reading is more than 0. 15°C of the actual temperature

Question Three (13 points)

An insurance company offers a discount to home owners who install smoke detectors in their homes. A company representative claims that 80% or more of policyholders have smoke detectors.

- 1. (**2** *points*) If you keep selecting policyholders until the first policyholders have smoke detectors, what is the probability that the first policyholders have smoke detectors is the 6th one.
- 2. (**2** *points*) If you draw a random sample of four policyholders from 30 policyholders, what is the probability that the first two policyholders have smoke detectors?
- 3. (**2** *points*) If you draw a random sample of four policyholders from 30 policyholders, what is the probability that the two policyholders have smoke detectors?

4. (**2** *points*) If you draw a random sample *with replacement* of four policyholders from 30 policyholders, what is the probability that the two policyholders have smoke detectors?

5. (**5** *points*) Approximate, by normal distribution, the probability that in a sample of 30 policyholders, more than 25 policyholders have smoke detectors?

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Question Four (13 points)

Researchers studying the effects of a new diet found that the weight loss over a one-month period by those on the diet was normally distributed with a mean of 9 pounds and a standard deviation of 3 pounds.

1. (2 points) What proportion of the dieters gained weight?

2. (**2** *points*) If a dieter is selected at random, what is the probability that the dieter lost more 12 pounds?

- 3. (2 points) If 2950 dieters lost more than 12 pounds, how many persons took the test?
- 4. (**7** *points*) If a sample of size 9 dieters selected at random, what is the probability that the group of dieters lose more than 85 pounds?

Question Five (13 points)

1. (**6** points) A Poisson distribution is such that the probability that the random variable takes the value 1 is the same as the probability that it takes the value 2. What is the probability?

- 2. In a particular year, 1000 policies gave rise to 140 claims.
 - a. (*2 points*) Find the probability that a particular policyholder makes no claim in nine months.

b. (**5** points) Find the probability that, during a given year, two independent policyholders have exactly one claim between them