SOLUTIONS

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STAT-319-Term063-Quiz3

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Question1. (6-points)

Errors in an experimental transmission channel are found when the transmission is checked by a certifier that detects missing pulses. The number of errors found in an eight bit byte is a random variable with the

following distribution:
$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 1 \\ 0.7, & 1 \le x < 4 \\ 0.9, & 4 \le x < 7 \\ 1, & x \ge 7 \end{cases}$$
 find the following:

a. $P(x \le 2)$ The probability distribution of X is

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc}
 & X & 1 & 4 & 7 \\
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 & f(x) & 0.7 & 0.2 & 0.1
\end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(x \le 2) = f(1) = 0.7 \qquad (2-Points)$$
b. $P(x > 4) \Rightarrow P(x > 4) = f(7) = 0.1(1-Point)$

c. If
$$Y = (2X + 1)$$
 find σ_Y^2

$$\sigma_Y^2 = E(Y - \mu_Y)^2$$

$$\mu_Y = \sum (2x + 1)f(x) = (3)(0.7) + (9)(0.2) + (15)(0.1) = 5.4$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_Y^2 = \sum (2x + 1 - 5.4)^2 f(x) = \sum (2x - 4.4)^2 f(x)$$

$$= (2 - 4.4)^2 (0.7) + (8 - 4.4)^2 (0.2) + (14 - 4.4)^2 (0.1) = 15.84$$
(3-Points)

Question2. (4-Points)

The probability density function of the time to failure of an electronic component in a copier (in hours) is

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{-x/1000}}{1000}, & x > 0 \\ 0, & ow \end{cases}$$
 Find the following

a. The probability that a component fails before 1000 hours.

$$\Rightarrow P\left(x \le 1000\right) = \int_{0}^{1000} \frac{e^{-x/1000}}{1000} dx = -e^{-x/1000} \Big|_{0}^{1000} = -\left(e^{-1} - e^{-0}\right) = 1 - 0.3679 = 0.6321 \text{ (2-Points)}$$

b. Determine the number of hours at which 10% of all components have failed.

We need to find k such that $P(x \le k) = 0.1$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(x \le k\right) = \int_{0}^{k} \frac{e^{-x/1000}}{1000} dx = -e^{-k/1000} \Big|_{0}^{1000} = -\left(e^{-k/1000} - e^{0}\right) = 1 - e^{-k/1000} = 0.10$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-k/1000} = 0.9 \Rightarrow -\frac{k}{1000} = \ln(0.9) \Rightarrow k = 105.36 \, hours$$
(2-Points)