Problem 1

Part A

f(x) will be a valid density if

$$\int_0^2 f(x) \mathrm{d}x = 1.$$

Therefore

$$\int_0^2 f(x)dx = \int_0^2 cx^3 dx$$

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$$1 = \frac{c}{4} \cdot x^4 \Big|_0^2$$

$$1 = \frac{c}{4} \cdot 2^4$$

$$1 = 4c \implies \boxed{c = \frac{1}{4}}.$$

Part B

$$\mathbb{P}(X=1) = \int_1^1 f(x) \mathrm{d}x = 0.$$

Part C

$$\mathbb{P}(X = 1 \text{ or } X = 2) = \mathbb{P}(X = 1) + \mathbb{P}(X = 2) = \int_{1}^{1} f(x) dx + \int_{2}^{2} f(x) dx = 0.$$

Part D

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \int_0^2 x f(x) dx = \int_0^2 \frac{x^4}{4} dx = \frac{8}{5}.$$

Part E

$$\mathbb{P}(0.5 < X < 1.5) = \int_{0.5}^{1.5} \frac{x^3}{4} dx = \frac{x^4}{16} \Big|_{0.5}^{1.5} = \frac{5}{16}.$$

Part F

$$\mathbb{P}(0.5 < X < 2.5) = \mathbb{P}(0.5 < X < 2) = \int_{0.5}^{2} \frac{x^3}{4} dx = \frac{x^4}{16} \Big|_{0.5}^{2} = \frac{255}{256}.$$

Problem 2

Part A

$$\mathbb{P}(X > 3) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(X < 3) = 1 - \left(1 - e^{-10(3)}\right) = e^{-30} \approx 9.35762 \times 10^{-14}.$$

Part B

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \int_0^\infty x e^{-10x} dx$$

$$= -xe^{-10x} \Big|_0^\infty + \int_0^\infty e^{-10x} dx$$

$$= 0 + \frac{e^{-10x}}{-10} \Big|_0^\infty$$

$$= \frac{1}{10} \text{ minutes.}$$

Part C

$$\mathbb{P}(X > 5) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(X < 5) = 1 - \left(1 - e^{-10(5)}\right) = e^{-50} \approx 1.92875 \times 10^{-22}.$$

Part D

Expected time to wait is

$$\mathbb{E}[10X] = 10 \cdot \mathbb{E}[X] = 10 \cdot \frac{1}{10} = 1 \text{ minute.}$$

The variance of the true wait time is

$$Var(10X) = 100 \cdot Var(X) = 100 \cdot \frac{1}{100} = 1 \text{ minute}$$

Problem 3

Part A

f(x) will be a valid probability mass function if

$$\sum_{x=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) = 1.$$

Therefore

$$\sum_{x=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) = 1$$

$$\sum_{x=-\infty}^{0} f(x) + \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} f(x) = 1$$

$$0 + \sum_{x=1}^{6} f(x) + \sum_{x=7}^{\infty} = 1$$

$$\sum_{x=0}^{6} \frac{c}{x} = 1$$

$$c \cdot \sum_{x=0}^{6} \frac{1}{x} = 1$$

$$c \cdot \frac{49}{20} = 1 \implies c = \frac{20}{49}$$

Part B

$$\mathbb{P}(1 < X < 6) = \sum_{x=1}^{5} f(x)$$

$$= \sum_{x=1}^{5} \frac{20}{49x}$$

$$= \frac{20}{49} \cdot \sum_{x=2}^{5} \frac{1}{x}$$

$$= \frac{20}{49} \cdot \frac{77}{60} = \boxed{\frac{11}{21}}$$

Problem 4

Part A

$$\mathbb{P}(X < 12) = 1 - e^{-0.03(12)^{1.2}} \approx 0.4466.$$

Part B

$$\mathbb{P}(X > 12) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(X < 12) \approx 1 - 0.4466 = 0.5534.$$

Part C

$$\mathbb{P}(X > 12 | X > 6) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(X > 12)}{\mathbb{P}(X > 6)} = \frac{\mathbb{P}(X > 12)}{e^{-0.03 \cdot (6)^{1.2}}} \approx \frac{0.5534}{0.7729} = 0.716.$$

Part D

$$\mathbb{P}(X \le a) = 0.5$$

$$1 - e^{-0.03 \cdot a^{1.2}} = 0.5$$

$$e^{-0.03 \cdot a^{1.2}} = 0.5$$

$$-0.03 \cdot a^{1.2} = \ln(0.5)$$

$$a^{1.2} = \frac{\ln(0.5)}{-0.03}$$

$$a = \left(\frac{\ln(0.5)}{-0.03}\right)^{\frac{1}{1.2}} \implies \boxed{a \approx 13.6905}.$$

Part E

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{Only one last more than 12 months}) = 2 \cdot \mathbb{P}(X > 12) \cdot \mathbb{P}(X < 12)$$

$$\approx 2 \cdot (0.4466)(0.5534) = 0.4943.$$

Part F

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}F(x) = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \left(1 - e^{-0.03 \cdot x^{1.2}} \right)$$
$$= 0.03(1.2)(x^{0.2})e^{-0.03 \cdot x^{1.2}}$$
$$f(x) = 0.036 \cdot x^{0.2}e^{-0.03 \cdot x^{1.2}}.$$