EMTH 1019

Workshop 2

16. Given a standard normal distribution, find the area under the curve which lies

- (a) to the left of z = 1.43
- (b) to the right of z = -0.89
- (c) between z = -2.16 and z = -0.65
- (d) to the left of z = -1.39
- (e) to the right of z = 1.96
- (f) between z = -0.48 and z = 1.74

15. Given a standard normal distribution, find the value of k such that

(a)
$$P(Z < k) = 0.0427$$

(b)
$$P(Z > k) = 0.2946$$

(c)
$$P(-0.93 < Z < k) = 0.7235$$

- 17. A soft drink machine is regulated so that it discharges an average of 200 millilitres per cup. If the amount of drink is normally distributed with a standard deviation equal to 15 millilitres,
 - (a) what fraction of the cups will contain more than 224 millilitres?
 - (b) what is the probability that a cup contains between 191 and 209 millilitres?
 - (c) how many cups will probably overflow if 230 millilitre cups are used for the next 1000 drinks?
 - (d) below what value do we get the smallest 25% of the drinks?

- 18. The fracture strengths of a certain type of glass average 14 (thousands of pounds per square inch) and have standard deviation of 2.
 - (a) What is the probability that the average fracture strength for 100 pieces of this glass exceeds 14.5?
 - (b) Find the interval that includes the average fracture strength for 100 pieces of this glass with probability 0.95.

 A car pooling study shows that the number of passengers, X, in a car (excluding the driver) is likely to assume the values 0,1,2,3 and 4 with probabilities given by the table

- (a) Determine the probability of at least two passengers in a car.
- (b) Find the cumulative distribution function of *X* and sketch it.
- 5. Refer to Question 1. Calculate (i) E(X) (ii) $E(X^2)$ (iii) Var(X)

7. Suppose that an antique jewellery dealer is interested in purchasing a gold necklace for which the probabilities are 0.22, 0.36, 0.28, and 0.14, respectively, that she will be able to sell it for a profit of \$250, sell it for a profit of \$150, break even, or sell it for a loss of \$150. What is the expected profit?

10. Suppose that the probabilities are 0.4, 0.3, 0.2, and 0.1, respectively, that 0, 1,2,or 3 power failures will strike a certain subdivision in any given year. Find the mean and variance of the random variable X representing the number of power failures striking the subdivision.

- 11. According to a survey by the Administrative Management Society, one-half of U.S. companies give employees four weeks of vacation after they have been with the company for 15 years. Find the probability that among 6 companies surveyed at random, the number that give employees 4 weeks of vacation after 15 years of employment is
 - (a) anywhere from 2 to 5.
 - (b) fewer than 3.

- 12. HARD QUESTION A manufacturer knows that on the average 20% of the electric toasters which he makes will require repairs within 1 year after they are sold. When 20 toasters are randomly selected, find the appropriate numbers x and y such that
 - (a) The probability that at least x of them will require repairs is less than 0.5.
 - (b) The probability that at least *y* of them will *not* require repairs is greater than 0.8.

- 13. The average number of field mice per acre in a 5-acre wheat field is estimated to be 12. Find the probability that fewer than 7 field mice are found
 - (a) on a given acre;
 - (b) on two of the next 3 acres inspected.

- 14. Changes in airport procedures require considerable planning. Arrival rates of aircraft is an important factor that must be taken into account. Suppose small aircraft arrive at a certain airport, according to a Poisson process, at the rate of 6 per hour. The Poisson parameter for arrivals for a period of t hours is $\lambda = 6t$.
 - (a) What is the probability that exactly 4 small aircraft arrive during a 1hourperiod?
 - (b) What is the probability that at least 4 arrive during a 1-hour period?
 - (c) If we define a working day as 12 hours, what is the probability that at least75 small aircraft arrive during a day?