

Math255 – Mathematics for Computing

S3-2024 Assignment 2

(Each Question carries 10 marks)

1. Find the mean and variance for the following frequency distribution:

x_i	6	10	14	18	24	28	30
f_i	2	4	7	12	8	4	3

2. In a group of 100 students, 90 study Mathematics, 80 study Physics, and 5 study none of these subjects. Find the probability that a randomly selected student: (a) studies Mathematics given that he or she studies Physics, and (b) does not study Physics given that he or she studies Mathematics.
3. A certain assembly plant, three machines, Machine 1, Machine 2 and Machine 3 make 30%, 45% and 25% respectively of the products. It is known from the quality control data collected from the past that 2%, 3% and 2% of the products made by each machine respectively, are defective. If a product is chosen randomly chosen and found to be defective, what is the probability that it is made by Machine 3?
4. A function f is defined as follows:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 5x^4, & x \in (0, 1) \\ 0, & x \notin (0, 1) \end{cases}$$

Show that $f(x)$ is a valid pdf and find $P(0.1 < X < 0.9)$.

5. Given a random variable X having a normal distribution with $\mu = 50$ and $\sigma = 10$, find the probability that X assumes a value between 42 and 62.

6. The average mark for an exam is 74 with standard deviation = 7. All the marks are integer values between 0 and 100 inclusively. If the highest 12.3% of the marks are to be awarded with the highest grade A and marks are curved to follow a normal distribution, what is the lowest possible A and the highest possible for the next lower grade B?

7. A drug company is testing a drug intended to increase heart rate. A sample of 100 yielded a mean increase of 1.4 beats per minute, with a population standard deviation known to be 3.6. Since the company wants to avoid marketing an ineffective drug, it proposes a 0.001 significance level. Should it market the drug? (*Hint: If the drug doesn't work, increase will be zero.*)

8. *Suppose that against a certain opponent the number of points the MIT basketball team scores is normally distributed with unknown mean θ and unknown variance σ^2 .*
Suppose that over the course of the last 10 games between the two teams MIT scored the following points:
59, 62, 59, 74, 70, 61, 62, 66, 62, 75
Compute a 95% t -confidence interval for θ .

9. The volume in a set of wine bottles is known to follow a $N(\mu, 25)$ distribution. You take a sample of the bottles and measure their volumes. How many bottles do you have to sample to have a 95% confidence interval for μ with width 1?

10. The data below show the sugar content of a fruit (SUGAR) for different numbers of days after picking (DAYS).

Days	Sugar
0	7.9
1	12.0
3	9.5
4	11.3
5	11.8
6	11.3
7	4.2
8	0.4

Draw the scatterplot and obtain the estimated regression line to predict sugar content based on the number of days after picking.