Probability Distributions Review Worksheet

Question no 1-

The distribution function for a random variable X is

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-2x} & x \ge 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Find (a) the density function, (b) the probability that X > 2, and (c) the probability that $-3 < X \le 4$.

Question no 2

The joint probability function of two discrete random variables *X* and *Y* is given by f(x, y) = c(2x + y), where *x* and *y* can assume all integers such that $0 \le x \le 2$, $0 \le y \le 3$, and f(x, y) = 0 otherwise.

- (a) Find the value of the constant c. (c) Find $P(X \ge 1, Y \le 2)$.
- (b) Find P(X = 2, Y = 1).

Question no 3

The joint density function of two continuous random variables X and Y is

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} cxy & 0 < x < 4, 1 < y < 5 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find the value of the constant c.
- (c) Find $P(X \ge 3, Y \le 2)$.
- (b) Find P(1 < X < 2, 2 < Y < 3).

Question no 4

A continuous random variable X has probability density given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2e^{-2x} & x > 0 \\ 0 & x \le 0 \end{cases}$$

Find (a) E(X), (b) $E(X^2)$.

Question no 5

EXAMPLE 3.1 Suppose that a game is to be played with a single die assumed fair. In this game a player wins \$20 if a 2 turns up, \$40 if a 4 turns up; loses \$30 if a 6 turns up; while the player neither wins nor loses if any other face turns up. Find the expected sum of money to be won.