

EE 381 Homework 3 Part 3

Name, I.D. #, and Date: _____

Instructions: Attempt each exercise and show your work. You can attach pages to your submission. Submit this part of homework 3 with the additional parts of homework 3 on Monday March 2. You may want to make copies of your work.

Expectation

Let X be a random variable (RV) with either probability density function $f_X(x)$ (continuous) or probability mass function $f_X(x)$ (discrete). The *expected value* of X is denoted by $E(X)$, or μ , and is given by

$$E(X) = \sum_{\text{all } x} x f_X(x) \quad \text{if } X \text{ is discrete}$$

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx \quad \text{if } X \text{ is continuous}$$

Given n RV X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n and a set of n constants a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n ,

$$E(a_1 X_1 + a_2 X_2 + \dots + a_n X_n) = a_1 E(X_1) + a_2 E(X_2) + \dots + a_n E(X_n)$$

You have \$5000.00 to invest. A bond is available and it pays a return (or simple interest) of 4% but has a default rate of 2%. If you invest your \$5000.00 in this bond what is the expected rate of return?

Roll 2 standard die and add the numbers. What is the probability of getting a number larger than 9 for the first time on the third roll?

Let Z be a continuous uniform RV on $[a, b]$. Determine the variance of Z .