Homework 07 STAT 509 Statistics for Engineers Summer 2017 Section 001 Instructor: Tahmidul Islam

Question 01

In 1990 the lead concentration in gasoline ranged from 0.1 to 0.5 grams/liter. Let Y = grams per liter of lead in gasoline. The probability density function for Y is

$$f(y) = 12.5y - 1.25; \ 0.1 < y < 0.5.$$

- (a) What is the probability that a random liter of gasoline would contain between 0.1 and 0.4 grams/liter of lead?
- (b) What is the probability that a random liter of gasoline will contain more than 0.3 grams/liter of lead?
- (c) Give the cumulative probability function $F_Y(y)$. (Hint: you need to discuss the value of y for three cases: $y \le 0.1, 0.1 < y < 0.5, Y \ge 0.5$).
- (d) Use the cumulative probability function $F_Y(y)$ to calculate the probability that a random liter of gasoline will contain less than 0.35 grams of lead.
- (e) Calculate the expected value of Y.
- (f) Calculate the variance for Y.

Question 02

Suppose the weight, say, Y, in pounds of a certain packaged chemical is uniform from 48 to 50 pounds. That is the pdf is of the form

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2}; \ 48 \le y \le 50.$$

- (a) What is the mean weight of the chemical?
- (b) What is the probability that a randomly chosen package of chemical will weigh between 48.5 and 49.4 pounds?
- (c) In the long run, what proportion of packages will weigh more than 49.2 pounds?