Mathematics 170B – HW2 – Due Tuesday, April 10, 2012.

Problems 8,9,10,12 on pages 246–247.

 B_1 . Toss a biased coin with probability p of heads repeatedly. Let N be a random variable that is independent of the tosses, and has a Poisson distribution with parameter λ . Let X be the number of heads obtained in the first N tosses. What is the distribution of X? (You should do a computation, not just give an answer.)

 B_2 . Suppose X and Y are independent random variables with the exponential distribution with parameter 1. Let $U = \max(X, Y)$ and $V = \min(X, Y)$.

(a) Compute $P(U \le u, V \ge v)$ for $0 \le v \le u$.

(b) Compute the joint PDF f(u, v) of (U, V).