

**Homework Set 11**

DUE: MAY 11, 2020 (VIA BLACKBOARD BY 11:00AM)

**To be handed in:***Please write your solution to Problems 1, 2, 3 on a single sheet of paper!*

1. Let  $X$  be a uniform random variable on the interval  $(0, 1)$ .
  - a) Find a formula for the moment generating function  $M_X(t)$  of  $X$ .
  - b) Compute the first 3 moments of  $X$  by differentiating  $M_X(t)$ .
  - c) Use the first 2 moments to recover the variance of  $X$ .
  
2. Let  $Y$  be a Poisson random variable with parameter  $\lambda = 5$ .
  - a) Find a formula for the moment generating function  $M_Y(t)$  of  $Y$ .
  - b) Compute the first 3 moments of  $Y$  by differentiating  $M_Y(t)$ .
  - c) Use the first 2 moments to recover the variance of  $X$ .
  
3. Assume that the random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  in the above problems are independent. What is the moment generating function  $M_{X+Y}(t)$  of their sum?