

**ECONOMICS 6331 – Probability and Statistics, Fall 2005**

Homework 4. Monday September 19. Due Monday September 26.

1. Ramanathan, Practice Problem 3.7, page 43.
2. Ramanathan, Practice Problem 3.8, page 47.
3. If  $X$  is a Binomially distributed random variable with  $p = 0.4$  and  $n = 2$ , what is the mean and variance of  $X$ ?
4. Ramanathan, Practice Problem 3.9, page 48. (Check that your answer agrees with what you got in question 3.)
5. Assume that  $X$  is uniformly distributed on the interval  $[-5, 10]$ . Let  $h(x)$  be the function  $x^4$ . Find  $P\{h(X) \geq b\}$  and  $Eh(X)$  and verify that  $Eh(X) \geq bP\{h(X) \geq b\}$  for  $b = 1$  and  $b = 16$ .