

doesn't spend any time with the student, then  $Z$  will be equal to  $X + Y$ . On the other hand, if the professor is interrupted by the student, then the length of time will be equal to  $X + Y + R$ . This is because the professor will spend the same amount of total time on the task regardless of whether he is interrupted by the student. Therefore,

$$\mathbf{E}[Z] = \mathbf{P}(F)\mathbf{E}[Z | F] + \mathbf{P}(F^c)\mathbf{E}[Z | F^c] = \mathbf{P}(F)\mathbf{E}[X + Y + R] + \mathbf{P}(F^c)\mathbf{E}[X + Y].$$

Using the results of the earlier calculations,

$$\mathbf{E}[X + Y] = 5,$$

$$\mathbf{E}[X + Y + R] = \mathbf{E}[X + Y] + \mathbf{E}[R] = 5 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{11}{2}.$$

Therefore,

$$\mathbf{E}[Z] = 0.68 \cdot 5 + 0.32 \cdot \frac{11}{2} = 5.16.$$

Thus the expected time the professor will leave his office is 5.16 hours after 9 a.m.

**Solution to Problem 4.29.** The transform is given by

$$M(s) = \mathbf{E}[e^{sX}] = \frac{1}{2}e^s + \frac{1}{4}e^{2s} + \frac{1}{4}e^{3s}.$$

We have

$$\mathbf{E}[X] = \left. \frac{d}{ds} M(s) \right|_{s=0} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{4} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{7}{4},$$

$$\mathbf{E}[X^2] = \left. \frac{d^2}{ds^2} M(s) \right|_{s=0} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{4}{4} + \frac{9}{4} = \frac{15}{4},$$

$$\mathbf{E}[X^3] = \left. \frac{d^3}{ds^3} M(s) \right|_{s=0} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{8}{4} + \frac{27}{4} = \frac{37}{4}.$$

**Solution to Problem 4.30.** The transform associated with  $X$  is

$$M_X(s) = e^{s^2/2}.$$

By taking derivatives with respect to  $s$ , we find that

$$\mathbf{E}[X] = 0, \quad \mathbf{E}[X^2] = 1, \quad \mathbf{E}[X^3] = 0, \quad \mathbf{E}[X^4] = 3.$$

**Solution to Problem 4.31.** The transform is

$$M(s) = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - s}.$$

Thus,

$$\frac{d}{ds} M(s) = \frac{\lambda}{(\lambda - s)^2}, \quad \frac{d^2}{ds^2} M(s) = \frac{2\lambda}{(\lambda - s)^3}, \quad \frac{d^3}{ds^3} M(s) = \frac{6\lambda}{(\lambda - s)^4},$$