- 1. Synthetic fibers used to make carpets have normally distributed tensile strength with an average of 520 kPa and a standard deviation of 25 kPa.
  - (a) What is the probability that the average tensile strength of a random sample of six fibers is greater than 522 kPa? R: P = 0.422
  - (b) What is the probability of the first problem case if the sample size is increased from six to 50 fibers? R: P = 0.286
- 2. Using the method of moments find the estimator for the parameter  $\lambda$  of the exponential probability distribution displaced for  $x_0$ :  $f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda(x-x_0)}$ . R:  $\lambda = 1/(\langle X \rangle x_0)$
- 3. Using the method of maximum likelihood find the estimator for the parameter  $\lambda$  of the Poisson probability distribution. R:  $\lambda = \langle X \rangle$
- 4. Using the method of maximum likelihood find the estimator for the parameter q of the probability distribution with a probability density function  $f(x) = (q+1)x^q$  for  $0 \le x \le 1$ . R:  $q = -1 n/\sum_i^n \log X_i$
- 5. Flow time of certain product has been measured in a workshop for ten selected pieces. The resulting values were (in minutes): 17, 21, 14, 23, 20, 24, 19, 19, 25 and 18. It is assumed that the flow time of the studied product is normally distributed. Determine point estimators of mean and standard deviation of the flow time. R:  $\mu = 20 \min, \sigma = 3.37 \min$