

**Math 5710**  
**Continuous Random Variables**

1. Let  $f(x) = cx^2$  for  $0 < x < 2$ .

- a) Find the value of  $c$  that makes  $f(x)$  a density function for a random variable  $X$ .
- b) Find the cumulative distribution function for  $X$ .
- c) Find  $P(X^2 < 2)$

2. When a certain component of a manufacturing process breaks down, the time that it takes to fix it (in hours) is a random variable with the density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} ce^{-3x} & \text{if } 0 \leq x < \infty \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- a) Calculate the value of  $c$ .
- b) Find the probability that, when this component breaks down, it takes at most 2 hours to fix it.