

# Practice Problems

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1. a. PMF of a dice

$$\begin{aligned} P(X=1) &= 1/6 & P(X=4) &= 1/6 \\ P(X=2) &= 1/6 & P(X=5) &= 1/6 \\ P(X=3) &= 1/6 & P(X=6) &= 1/6 \end{aligned}$$

b.  $E(X) = \sum X \cdot P(X)$

$$= 1 \cdot 1/6 + 2 \cdot 1/6 + 3 \cdot 1/6 + 4 \cdot 1/6 + 5 \cdot 1/6 + 6 \cdot 1/6$$

$$\boxed{E(X) = 3.5}$$

c.  $E(X^2) = \sum X^2 \cdot P(X)$

$$1 \cdot 1/6 + 4 \cdot 1/6 + 9 \cdot 1/6 + 16 \cdot 1/6 + 25 \cdot 1/6 + 36 \cdot 1/6$$

$$= 15.167$$

d.  $Var(X) = |E(X^2) - E(X)^2|$

$$= 15.167 - 3.5^2$$

$$= \boxed{2.9167}$$

## 2. Poisson Distribution

$$\lambda = 6 \quad k = 5$$

$$P(k) = \frac{\lambda^k \cdot e^{-\lambda}}{k!} = \frac{6^5 \cdot e^{-6}}{5!} = 0.161$$

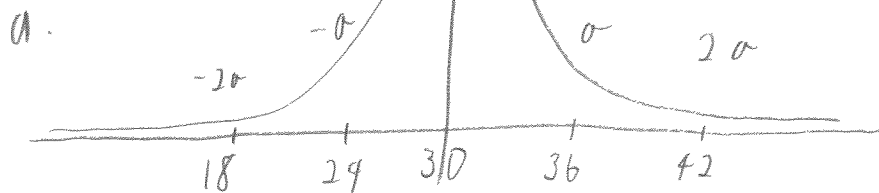
3. ~~NO~~ To ask <sup>exactly</sup> 48 people to get 42 successes, we need 41 successes in the first 47 people and a success in the 48<sup>th</sup> person

$$P(X=41) = \binom{47}{41} \cdot 0.9^{41} \cdot 0.1^6 \quad \leftarrow \text{binomial distribution}$$
$$= 0.143$$

$$P(48^{\text{th}} \text{ trial is success}) = 0.9$$

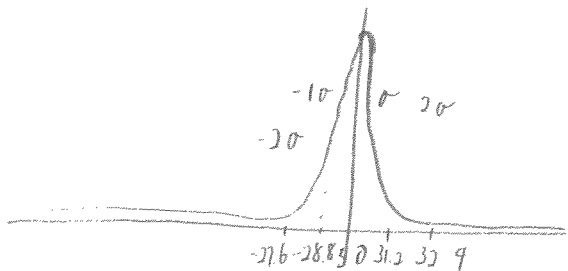
$$P(X=41) / P(48^{\text{th}} \text{ trial success}) = 0.143 \cdot 0.9 = \boxed{0.129}$$

4.  $\mu = 30$   
 $\sigma^2 = 36, \sigma = 6$



b. By CLT,  $\sigma_{\text{mean}}^2 = \frac{\sigma_{\text{sample}}^2}{n} = \frac{36}{25} = 1.44$

$\sigma_{\text{mean}} = 1.2$



Much narrower distribution  
 because the spread of  
 the mean of a sample  
 is less than the spread  
 for a single sample

5. TBD

6.  $t$ -distribution  
19 degrees of freedom

a. For  $\mu \neq 12.4$ ,  $t_{crit} = \pm 2.093$  ( $t_{\alpha/2}$ )

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{11.30 - 12.40}{2.48 / \sqrt{20}} = \frac{-1.1}{0.55} = -1.99$$

~~Since  $|t| > |t_{crit}|$ , there is sufficient evidence to reject  $H_0$~~   
Since  $|t| < |t_{crit}|$ , there is insufficient evidence to reject  $H_0$

b. For  $\mu < 12.4$   $t_{\alpha} = -1.73$

Since  $|t| > |t_{crit}|$ , there is enough evidence to reject  $\mu < 12.4$

7.  $\sigma \text{ or } \mu = n \cdot p = 40 \cdot 0.55 = 22$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{n \cdot p \cdot (1-p)} = 9.9$$

8.  $f(x) = \frac{d\Phi(x)}{dx}$ , where  $f(x)$  is the pdf  
and  $\Phi(x)$  is the CDF

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & a \leq x \leq b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

a.  $M = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot f(x) dx = \int_a^b \frac{x}{b-a} dx$

$$= \left. \frac{x^2}{2(b-a)} \right|_a^b = \frac{b^2 - a^2}{2(b-a)} = \frac{(b+a)(\cancel{b-a})}{2(\cancel{b-a})}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{b+a}{2}}$$

b.  $\frac{1}{2} = \int_{-\infty}^{\text{median}} f(x) dx$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \int_a^{\text{median}} \frac{1}{b-a} dx$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{\text{median} - a}{b-a}$$

$$b-a = 2 \cdot \text{median} - 2a$$

$$\boxed{\frac{b+a}{2} = \text{median}}$$

$$c. \text{ Variance} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \cdot f(x) dx - \mu^2 = \int_a^b x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} dx - \left(\frac{b+a}{2}\right)^2$$

$$= \int_a^b \frac{x^2}{b-a} dx - \left(\frac{b+a}{2}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{x^3}{3(b-a)} \Big|_a^b - \frac{(b+a)^2}{4}$$

$$= \frac{b^3 - a^3}{3b - 3a} - \frac{(b+a)^2}{4} = \frac{1}{12} (b-a)^2$$

9. Assume a binomial distribution; 50% heads, 50% tails.

However, because there is 100 samples, using CLT we can assume normal distribution by CLT.

$$\mu = 0.5 \cdot 100 = 50$$

$$\sigma^2 = p \cdot (1-p) \cdot n = 25$$

$$\sigma = 5$$

40-60 heads is  $\pm 2$  standard deviations

$$P(-2 \leq Z \leq 2) = \boxed{0.95}$$

13.

12.  $P(x) = \cancel{P(\text{first flag})}$

$$P = \frac{1}{12} \cdot \frac{11}{12} \cdot \frac{10}{12} \cdot \frac{9}{12}$$

$$P = 1 \cdot \underbrace{\frac{11}{12} \cdot \frac{10}{12} \cdot \frac{9}{12} \cdot \frac{8}{12}} = 0.382$$

first flag  
can be  
on any pole

~~less pos~~  
Subsequent flags cannot  
be on same pole  
as previous flags

No difference if poles flags ~~indistinguishable~~  
indistinguishable

14.  $P(t) = \frac{1}{1000} \cdot e^{-\frac{t}{1000}} \quad \text{if } t > 0$   
 $0 \quad \text{if } t \leq 0$

$$P(t \geq 2000) = \int_{2000}^{\infty} P(t) dt$$

$$= \int_{2000}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1000} e^{-\frac{t}{1000}} dt$$

$$= -e^{-\frac{t}{1000}} \Big|_{2000}^{\infty}$$

$$= 0.135$$

$$P(t \geq 2000) = 0.135$$

$$10. P(3 \text{ hearts} | 3 \text{ red}) = \frac{\binom{13}{3}}{\binom{26}{3}} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{choose 3 hearts} \\ \text{from 13} \end{array}$$

$$\leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{choose 3 red} \\ \text{from 26} \end{array}$$

$$P(2 \text{ clubs} | 2 \text{ black}) = \frac{\binom{13}{2}}{\binom{26}{2}}$$

$$P(3 \text{ hearts} \cap 3 \text{ clubs} | 3 \text{ red} \cap 3 \text{ black}) = \frac{\binom{13}{3}}{\binom{26}{3}} \cdot \frac{\binom{13}{3}}{\binom{26}{3}}$$

$$11. E(X) = \sum X \cdot P(X)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^k \cdot \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \infty$$

$$P(\text{first head on } (k+1)^{\text{th}} \text{ toss})$$

$$= P(\text{all tails up to } k \text{ tosses})$$

$$\cdot P(\text{head on } (k+1) \text{ toss})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^k} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$$

sorry wrong order)

$$13. Z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{760 - 588}{94} = \boxed{1.83}$$

$$\text{Percentile } (Z = 1.83) = \boxed{.9664}$$

(using table)