

# STAT1301 Advanced Analysis of Scientific Data

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### Assignment 2

If  $X$  is a random variable of the sample space  $\Omega$ , an abbreviation of set notation is as follows:

$$\text{Abbreviate } \{d : \forall d \in \Omega \text{ and } X(d) = x\} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{As } \{X = x\} \quad (2)$$

Additionally, when thinking in terms of sets becomes obsolete,

$$\text{Abbreviate } P(\{d : \forall d \in \Omega \text{ and } X(d) = x\}) \quad (3)$$

$$\text{As } P(X = x) \quad (4)$$

This abbreviation will be used with inequalities as well

#### 1. Question 1

To begin, let's define the sample space

$$\Omega = \{(a, b) \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}\}$$

$$|\Omega| = 36$$

Notice this is uniform, and hence that  $a$  and  $b$  are independent

$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{|A|}{36} \quad (5)$$

a)

Let  $X$  be a random variable representing the payout of a given dice roll  $(a, b) \in \Omega$ :

$$X((a, b) \in \Omega) = a \cdot b$$

Let  $f_X$  be the PMF of  $X$ . By cases, the probability distribution of  $X$  can be deduced:

$$f_X(1) = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$f_X(2) = \frac{2}{36}$$

$$f_X(3) = \frac{2}{36}$$

$$f_X(4) = \frac{3}{36}$$

$$f_X(5) = \frac{2}{36}$$

$$f_X(6) = \frac{4}{36}$$

$$f_X(8) = \frac{2}{36}$$

$$f_X(9) = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$f_X(10) = \frac{2}{36}$$

$$f_X(12) = \frac{4}{36}$$

$$f_X(15) = \frac{2}{36}$$

$$f_X(16) = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$f_X(18) = \frac{2}{36}$$

$$f_X(20) = \frac{2}{36}$$

$$f_X(24) = \frac{2}{36}$$

$$f_X(25) = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$f_X(30) = \frac{2}{36}$$

$$f_X(36) = \frac{1}{36}$$

For all other values  $x$ ,  $f_X(x) = 0$

b)

$$E(X) = \sum_{d \in \Omega} X(d)P(d) \quad (6)$$

$$= \sum_{x \in \text{Domain}[X]} xP(\{X = x\}) \quad (7)$$

$$= 1 \cdot f_X(1) + 2 \cdot f_X(2) + \cdots 30 \cdot f_X(30) + 36 \cdot f_X(36) \quad (8)$$

$$= \frac{1}{36} + \frac{4}{36} + \cdots \frac{60}{36} + \frac{36}{36} \quad (9)$$

$$= \frac{441}{36} = \frac{49}{4} = 12.25 \quad (10)$$

2. A laboratory is studying the growth of algae in a controlled environment. The growth of algae is measured by the amount of biomass produced (in grams), which can be modelled by a random variable  $X$  with probability density function (pdf)

$$f_X(x) = c(x^2 - 60x + 800) \quad \text{for } 0 < x < 20,$$

where  $c$  is a constant.

- (a) Find the value of  $c$ . [2 marks]
  - (b) Find the cumulative distribution function (cdf) of  $X$ . [3 marks]
  - (c) Find the expected value of  $(X)$ . [2 marks]
  - (d) The laboratory equipment can only detect biomass that exceeds 2 grams (the minimum detectable amount). What is the probability that the biomass exceeds 10 grams, given that it is detectable? [3 marks]
3. Each day, a quality control officer inspects a random sample of 25 products from the production line of a factory. The probability of a product passing inspection (being defect-free) is 0.25. If the product passes, the factory saves \$3 in repair costs. If the product fails, the factory incurs an additional \$1 cost for re-inspection after repair. Let  $X$  be the number of products that passes inspection on a given day, and  $Y$  be the net savings for the factory on that day.

$\sigma$

- (a) State the distribution of  $X$ , including all its parameters. [2 marks]
- (b) What is the minimum sample size needed so that the probability of finding at least one defect-free product exceeds 99%? [3 marks]
- (c) Calculate the expected value and variance of the factory's net savings. [3 marks]
- (d) What is the probability that the factory will save at least \$27 on a given day? [2 marks]

4. A storeroom in a warehouse maintains strict temperature control to ensure that sensitive materials are stored at optimal conditions. The temperature of the storeroom follows a normal distribution with mean  $\mu$  and standard deviation  $\sigma$  degrees Celsius ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ). The storeroom has a temperature threshold of  $8^{\circ}\text{C}$  to avoid damaging the materials.

You may use statistical tables to answer this question, then use R to verify your results.

- (a) Suppose the storeroom temperature is adjusted so that  $\mu = 7.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $\sigma = 0.3^{\circ}\text{C}$ . What is the probability that the temperature of the storeroom will be between  $7.2^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $8^{\circ}\text{C}$ ? [3 marks]
- (b) Assume that  $\sigma = 0.3^{\circ}\text{C}$ . What should  $\mu$  be set to so that the storeroom temperature exceeds  $8^{\circ}\text{C}$  only 1% of the time? [3 marks]
- (c) What is the largest standard deviation  $\sigma$  that will keep the temperature within  $1^{\circ}\text{C}$  of the mean with 95% probability? [4 marks]