

Probability and Statistics – Quiz 2(Solution)

1.

$n = 8$ and $p = 0.60$;

$$P(X = 6) = \binom{8}{6}(0.6)^6(0.4)^2 = 0.2090.$$

2.

(a)

Using the Poisson distribution with $x = 5$ and $\mu = 3$, we find from Table A.2 that

$$p(5; 3) = \sum_{x=0}^5 p(x; 3) - \sum_{x=0}^4 p(x; 3) = 0.1008.$$

(b)

$$P(X < 3) = P(X \leq 2) = 0.4232.$$

3.

(a)

- i. The mode, which is the point on the horizontal axis where the curve is a maximum, occurs at $x = \mu$.
- ii. The curve is symmetric about a vertical axis through the mean μ .
- iii. The curve has its points of inflection at $x = \mu \pm \sigma$ is concave downward if $\mu - \sigma < x < \mu + \sigma$, and is concave upward otherwise.
- iv. The normal curve approached the horizontal axis asymptotically as we proceed in either direction away from the mean.
- v. The total area under the curve and above the horizontal axis is equal to 1.

(b)

$$z_1 = (171.25 - 174.5)/6.9 = -0.47, z_2 = (182.25 - 174.5)/6.9 = 1.12.$$

$$P(171.25 < X < 182.25) = P(-0.47 < Z < 1.12) = 0.8686 - 0.3192 = 0.5494.$$

Therefore, $(1000)(0.5494) = 549$ students.

4.

$$\mu = np = (100)(0.1) = 10 \text{ and } \sigma = \sqrt{(100)(0.1)(0.9)} = 3.$$

$$z = (13.5 - 10)/3 = 1.17; P(X > 13.5) = P(Z > 1.17) = 0.1210.$$