

# HW 4

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## 1 Problem

- $P(X = 4) = \frac{\binom{7}{4}\binom{12-7}{6-4}}{\binom{12}{6}} = 0.378788$   $P(X \leq 4) = P(X = 0) + P(X = 1) + P(X = 2) + P(X = 3) + P(X = 4) = \sum_{n=0}^4 \frac{\binom{7}{n}\binom{12-7}{6-n}}{\binom{12}{6}} = .878788$

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$$P(X \leq 4) = \mathbf{0.878788}$$

- The mean can be represented by  $E(X) = n(\frac{M}{N}) = (6)(\frac{7}{12}) = 3.5$ . And the standard deviation as follows  $\sigma = \sqrt{V(X)} = \sqrt{n \frac{K}{N} \frac{N-K}{N} \frac{N-n}{N-1}} = \sqrt{6 \frac{7}{12} \cdot \frac{12-7}{12} \cdot (1 - \frac{12-6}{12-1})} = 0.891883$

Which means  $\mu + \sigma = 3.5 + 0.891883 = 4.39188$  Therefore any  $X > 4.39188$  will exceed the mean by more than 1 standard deviation. So  $P(X > 4.39188) = P(X \geq 5) = P(X = 5) + P(X = 6) = \frac{\binom{7}{5}\binom{12-7}{6-5}}{\binom{12}{6}} + \frac{\binom{7}{6}\binom{12-7}{6-6}}{\binom{12}{6}} = 0.121212$  There is a **12.12%** chance that X exceeds its mean value by more than 1 standard deviation.

- Analyzing this problem we can see that the sample size of 15 is less than 5% of the total population, and because this problem can be precisely solved using a hypergeometric distribution, we can approximate, due to the sample size, to a binomial distribution.

Let  $p$  be the probability of a success, then  $p = \frac{M}{N} = \frac{40}{400} = 0.1$ . So I can model  $P(X \leq 5) = \sum_{n=0}^5 \binom{15}{n} 0.1^n 0.9^{15-n} = 99.775$  There is approximately **99.775%** chance that, given a sample of 15 randomly selected refrigerators, five or less will have a defective compressor.

## 2 Problem

$p = 0.2$  Geometric - purchase until you receive an item

- $nb(x; 2, .2) = \binom{2+x-1}{x} 0.8^2 0.2^x$
- The probability you will purchase 4 boxes means that you will purchase 2 boxes without the prize, hence  $P(X = 2) = \binom{2+2-1}{2} 0.2^2 0.8^2 = \mathbf{0.0768}$
- Likewise, the probability you will purchase at most 4 boxes can be restated to the probability you will purchase at most 2 boxes without the prize, and the probability is:  $P(X \leq 2) = P(X = 0) + P(X = 1) + P(X = 2) = \binom{2+0-1}{0} 0.2^0 0.8^0 + \binom{2+1-1}{1} 0.2^1 0.8^1 + \binom{2+2-1}{2} 0.2^2 0.8^2 = \mathbf{0.1808}$

- The mean of a negative binomial distribution is  $\mu = \frac{pr}{1-p} = \frac{0.8 \cdot 2}{1-0.8} = 8$  You should expect to get **8** boxes without the prize and expect to get  $\mu + r = \mathbf{10}$  boxes total.

### 3 Problem

- $P(X = 3) = (1 - 0.409)^3 0.409 = \mathbf{0.143}$   
 $P(X \leq 3) = \sum_{k=0}^3 (1 - 0.409)^k 0.409 = \mathbf{0.878003}$
- This can be written as  $P(X > \mu + \sigma)$  First I will find  $\mu = \frac{1-p}{p} = 1.44499$ . And now  $\sigma = \sqrt{V} = \sqrt{\frac{1-p}{p^2}} = 1.87962$   
 So our probability becomes  $P(X > 1.44499 + 1.87962) = P(X > 3.32461) = P(X > 3) = 1 - P(X \leq 3)$ . Now using the answer from the previous question.  $P(X > 3) = 1 - 0.878003 = \mathbf{0.121997}$

The only caveat here is that I am assuming the range is  $\{0,1,2,3,\dots\}$  as opposed to  $\{1,2,3,\dots\}$

### 4 Problem

average rate = 1 Poisson

- $P(X \leq 5)$  Can be solved using Appendix Table A.2. I will choose the column with the value 1.0, and the row with the value 5 to get:  
 $\sum_{y=0}^5 \frac{e^{-1} \cdot 1^y}{y!} = \mathbf{0.999}$
- $P(X = 2)$  Can be solved using the formula  $\frac{e^{-1} 1^2}{2!} = 0.18394$   
 Using Appendix Table A.2 I can also solve it with:  $P(X = 2) = P(X \leq 2) - P(X \leq 1)$   
 I can solve this by calculating  $(1.0, 2) - (1.0, 1)$  where given,  $(c, r)$   $c$  represents the column value, and  $r$  represents the row.  
 $P(X = 2) = .920 - .736 = \mathbf{0.184}$
- $P(2 \geq X \leq 4)$  Can be calculated by subtracting  $(1.0, 1)$  from  $(1.0, 4)$ .  
 $P(2 \geq X \leq 4) = 0.996 - 0.736 = \mathbf{0.26}$
- $\sigma = \sqrt{\mu} = \sqrt{1} = 1$   
 $P(X > \mu + \sigma) = P(X > 2) = \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-1} \cdot 1^n}{n!} = \mathbf{0.080301}$

### 5 Problem

average rate = 1 Poisson In both cases there are only two values possible for the random variable  $X$  where  $X$  denotes the number of tests. In the first case  $X$  can either be 1 (no one tested positive) or +3 (in addition to the group test 3 individual tests are performed). Likewise when  $n = 5$  the possible values for  $X$  include 1, 6. Now all I have to do is calculate the distribution, or probability of each value occurring. For  $n = 3$   $P(X = 1) = (1 - p)^3$ . Therefore  $P(X = 4) = 1 - P(X = 1)$  Likewise when  $n = 5$   $P(X = 1) = (1 - p)^5$ , and  $P(X = 6) = 1 - P(X = 1)$ . Now the expected value is  $1 \cdot P(X = 1) + 4 \cdot P(X = 4)$  for the case when  $n = 3$  and  $1 \cdot P(X = 1) + 6 \cdot P(X = 6)$  for the case when  $n = 5$ .

- $n = 3, p = .1$

$$E(X) = 1 \cdot (1 - .1)^3 + 4 \cdot (1 - (1 - .1)^3) = \mathbf{1.813}$$

- $n = 5, p = .1$

$$E(X) = 1 \cdot (1 - .1)^5 + 6 \cdot (1 - (1 - .1)^5) = \mathbf{3.04755}$$