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1 Tutorial: Week 5

1. Prove that expectation is linear. What can you say about variance?
2. How will you explain for a layman that expectation of a constant is itself while its variance is zero?
3. Find the mean and standard deviation of X if $E(2X - 1) = 9$ and $E(2X - 1)^2 = 89$.
4. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be n random variables with $E(X_i) = \mu$ and $Var(X_i) = \sigma^2$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Find $E(\bar{X})$ and $Var(\bar{X})$. \bar{X} : arithmetic mean of these n random variables.
5. A medical store owner knows that, on an average, 40 people visit the shop per hour.
 - (i) Find the probability that no one visits the store when he wants a rest room break of 3 minutes at noon.
 - (ii) Find the probability that more than 3 people visit during this break.
6. The average number of defects in a 5 meter handloom yarn is estimated to be 12. Find the probability that fewer than 7 defects are found
 - (i) in a given meter.
 - (ii) on 7 of the next 10 meters inspected.
 - (iii) on 60 of the next 75 meters inspected.
7. Define Normal r.v and find it's mean and variance.
8. Prove that if X is normal with mean μ and variance σ^2 then $\frac{X-\mu}{\sigma}$ is standard normal.
9. If X is normal with mean 100 and standard deviation 5, find
 - (i) $P(95 < X < 110)$
 - (ii) $P(X < 50)$
 - (iii) k if $P(X > k) = 0.3192$
 - (iv) X_1, X_2 if $P(X_1 < X < X_2) = 0.4176$ and $P(Z < z) = 0.7088$
10. A pair of dice is rolled 420 times. What is the probability that a total of 8 occurs at least 50 times? Between 70 and 90 times inclusive? Exactly 100 times?

11. The life in years of a certain type of electrical switch has an exponential distribution with an average life $\beta = 2$. If 1000 of these switches are installed in different systems, what is the probability that atmost 300 fail during the first year?
12. If the standard deviation of the mean for the sampling distribution of a random sample of size 36 is 2 then should the sample size be increased or decreased for reducing the standard deviation by 0.8? By how much?
13. Verify whether the assignment $P(X = n) = 2^{-n}$, $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ is a probability mass function for random variable X . (Ans: It is a p.m.f.)
14. A box contains 8 items of which 2 are defective. A person draws 3 items from the box. Determine the expected number of defective items he has drawn. (Ans: 3/4)
15. A random variable has mean 2 and standard deviation 0.5. Find (i) $E(2X - 1)$ (ii) $Var(X + 2)$ (iii) $sd(\frac{3X-1}{-4})$. (Ans: (i) 3 (ii) $\frac{1}{4}$ (iii) $\frac{3}{8}$.)
16. The mean height of 500 students is 151 cm and the s.d. is 15cm. Assuming that heights are normally distributed, find how many students' height lie between 120 and 155. (Ans: 291)
17. Suppose that a pair of fair dice are to be tossed, and let the random variable X denote the sum of the points. (a) Obtain probability distribution for X . (b) Find the distribution function $F(x)$ for the random variable X and (c) Graph this distribution function.
18. A random variable X has the density function $f(x) = \frac{c}{(x^2+1)}$, where $-\infty < x < \infty$. (a) Find the value of the constant c . (b) Find the probability that X^2 lies between 1/3 and 1.
19. Find the expectation of the sum of points in tossing a pair of fair dice. (Ans: 7)
20. Find the probability of getting a total of 7 at least once in three tosses of a pair of fair dice. (Ans: $\frac{91}{216}$)
21. If the probability that an individual will suffer a bad reaction from injection of a given serum is 0.001, determine the probability that out of 2000 individuals, (a) exactly 3, (b) more than 2, individuals will suffer a bad reaction. (Ans: (a) 0.180, (b) 0.323)
22. Find the probability distribution for the number of jazz records when four records are selected at random from a collection consisting of five jazz records, two classical records and three polka records. Express your results by means of a formula. Also find the cumulative distribution of the random variable X representing the number of jazz records. Using $F(x)$, find $P(X = 1)$ and $P(0 < X \leq 2)$
23. Define: Binomial random variable, Binomial distribution.
24. The probability that a patient recovers from a certain disease is 0.4. If 15 people are known to have contracted this disease, what is the probability that (i) at least 10 survive; (ii) from 3 to 8 survive, (iii) Exactly 5 survive.

25. If the average number of claims handled daily by an insurance company is 5, What is the probability that there will be 4 claims in exactly 3 of the next 5 days? Assume that the number of claims on different days is independent. Ans:0.0367
26. The average number of oil tankers arriving each day at a certain city is 10. The facilities at a port can handle at most 15 tankers per day. What is the probability that on a given day tankers will have to be sent away?(Poisson's)
27. What is mean and Variance of Poisson's distribution?
28. A basketball player's batting average is 0.25. What is the probability that he gets exactly one hit in his next four times at bat?
29. A study examined national attitudes about antidepressants. Study says that approximately 70 percent believe "antidepressants do not really cure anything. They just cover up the real trouble." According to this study what is the probability that at least 3 of next 5 people selected at random will be of this opinion?
30. A secretary makes 2 errors per page on an average. What is the probability that on the next page he/she will make (a) 4 or more errors; (b) no errors? (Ans: (a) 0.1429, (b) 0.1353)
31. Given standard normal distribution, find the area under the curve (a) that lies to the right of $z = 1.84$ (b) between $z = -1.97$ and $z = 0.86$ (Ans:0.0329, 0.7807)
32. A research scientist reports that mice will live an average of 40 months when their diets are sharply restricted and they enriched with vitamins and proteins. Assuming that the lifetime of such mice are normally distributed with a standard deviation of 6.3 months. Find the probability that the given mice will live (a) more than 32 months (b) less than 28 months (c) more than 37 months and less than 49 months. (Ans: 0.8962; 0.0287; 0.608)
33. The number of customers arriving per hour at a certain automobile service facility is assumed to follow a Poisson distribution with average number of customers visiting per hour equal to $\lambda = 7$. Then the mean number of arrivals during a 2– hour period is
 - (a) 14
 - (b) 35
 - (c) 28
 - (d) 42
 ans a
34. 20 percent of diwali lamps manufactured by a factory are defective. Factory manager is concerned about it and hence randomly picks up a sample of 5 lamps from an assembly line. Let X be a random variable defined as number of defective lamps in the sample. Find the probability that sample contains at most 1 defective lamp.
 - (a) 0.7313
 - (b) 0.7373
 - (c) 0.3277

(d) 0.9600

ans: b

35. 20 percent of diwali lamps manufactured by a factory are defective. Factory manager is concerned about it and hence randomly picks up a sample of 5 lamps from an assembly line. Let X be a random variable defined as number of defective lamps in the sample. Find the probability that sample contains all non-defective lamps.

(a) 0.7313

(b) 0.7373

(c) 0.3277

(d) 0.9600

ans c

36. A lawyer commutes daily from his suburban home to his midtown office. The average time for a one way trip is 24 minutes, with a standard deviation of 3.8 minutes. Assuming the distribution of trip times to be normally distributed. (a) What is the probability that a trip will take at least 1/2 hour? (b) If the office opens at 9 am and he leaves his house at 8.45 am daily, What percentage of time is he late for work? (c) If he leaves house at 8.35 am and coffee is served at office from 8.50 am until 9.00 am, what is the probability that he misses coffee? (d) Find the length of time above which we find the slowest 15 percent of the trips? (e) Find the probability that 2 of the next 3 trips will take at least 1/2 hour. (Ans: 0.0571, 99.11 percent, 0.3974, 27.952, 0.009222)