

## EE3331 Assignment 2

1.  $N$  number of shots are required to reach no less than 90% probability of hitting the target at least once. If the probability of hitting the target is exactly 90%. Then, the probability of missing the target will be  $1 - 0.9 = 0.1 = 10\%$ . Probability of hitting the target in a shot is  $P(H) = 0.9$ . Probability of missing the target in a shot is  $P(M) = 1 - P(H) = 1 - 0.9 = 0.1$ . Therefore, the probability of missing the target in  $n$  number of shots is  $(P(M))^n = 0.1^n$ . Since,  $(0.1^n) \leq 0.1 \implies 0.1^{10} = 0.1073741824$  and  $n$  must be an integer. Therefore,  $n \geq 11$ .
2. Now, we have mean  $\mu = 72$  and when  $P(x \geq 96) = 2.5\%$ . Therefore,  
 $p = 1 - 0.025 = 0.975$ , by the Z-score table, we can know when  $p = 0.975 \implies z = 1.96$ .  
 By  $z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$ ,  $\sigma = 12.2$ . To find  $P(60 \leq x \leq 84)$ , we can find their corresponding z-score and do subtraction on their p-value. First, z-score of 60 is  $z = \frac{60 - 72}{12.2} = -0.984$ , then  $p(60) = 0.16354$ . Secondly, z-score of 84 is  $z = \frac{84 - 72}{12.2} = 0.984$ , then  $p(84) = 0.83646$ . Therefore,  
 $P(60 \leq x \leq 84) = p(84) - p(60) = 0.83646 - 0.16354 = 0.67292$ .
3. If  $y^2 + Xy + 1 = 0$  has real roots, which means its discriminant  $\Delta$  is equal or greater than 0.  $X^2 - 4(1)(1) \geq 0 \implies X \geq \pm 2$ . Since the range of  $X \in (1, 6)$ , therefore we only need to find the probability of  $P(X \geq 2)$ . Therefore,  $P(X \geq 2) = \frac{\int_2^6 dx}{5} = \frac{4}{5}$ .
4. Letting  $X$  denote the random variables that is defined as the absolute difference of two fair dice,

$$P\{X = 0\} = P\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5), (6, 6)\} = \frac{6}{36}$$

$$P\{X = 1\} = P\{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 5), (5, 6), (2, 1), (3, 2), (4, 3), (5, 4), (6, 5)\} = \frac{10}{36}$$

$$P\{X = 2\} = P\{(1, 3), (2, 4), (3, 5), (4, 6), (3, 1), (4, 2), (5, 3), (6, 4)\} = \frac{8}{36}$$

$$P\{X = 3\} = P\{(1, 4), (2, 5), (3, 6), (4, 1), (5, 2), (6, 3)\} = \frac{6}{36}$$

$$P\{X = 4\} = P\{(1, 5), (2, 6), (5, 1), (6, 2)\} = \frac{4}{36}$$

$$P\{X = 5\} = P\{(1, 6), (6, 1)\} = \frac{2}{36}$$

Therefore, the probability that the absolute difference is odd number is

$$P(X = 1) + P(X = 3) + P(X = 5) = \frac{10}{36} + \frac{6}{36} + \frac{2}{36} = 0.5$$

5. Letting  $X$  equal to the number of head ("successes") that appear, then  $X$  is a binomial random variable with parameters ( $n = 100$ ,  $p = 0.1$ ). Hence,  
 $P\{X = 10\} = \binom{100}{10} 0.1^{10} (1 - 0.1)^{100-10} = 0.132$ . Let  $\lambda = np = 100 \times 0.1 = 10$ ,  
 $P\{X = 10\} = e^{-10} \frac{10^{10}}{10!} = 0.12511$ . Poisson distribution is more suitable because when  $n$  is large and  $p$  is small, it can be derived as a limiting case to the binomial distribution by the law of rare events, so it is a good approximation of the binomial distribution.
6. (a)

$$\text{By } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p(x_i) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\alpha^x} &= 1 \\ \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{\alpha^3} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\alpha^{\infty}} &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{\alpha} \times \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{\alpha}} &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{\alpha} \times \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - 1} &= \frac{1}{2} \\ a &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 1 \\ \frac{5}{6}, & \text{if } 1 \leq x < 2 \\ 1, & \text{if } 2 \leq x \end{cases}$$

7. (a)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\{X\} &= -2 \times \frac{1}{4} + -1 \times \frac{1}{4} + 0 \times \frac{1}{4} + 1 \times \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{1}{2} \\ \mathbb{E}\{X^2\} &= (-2)^2 \times \frac{1}{4} + (-1)^2 \times \frac{1}{4} + 0^2 \times \frac{1}{4} + 1^2 \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{2} \\ \text{var}(X) &= \frac{3}{2} - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{5}{4} \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\text{By } \text{var}(X) = \mathbb{E}\{X^2\} - (\mathbb{E}\{X\})^2 \text{ and } \mathbb{E}\{aX + b\} = a\mathbb{E}\{X\} + b$$

$$\mathbb{E}\{Y\} = \mathbb{E}\{2X + (-4)\} = 2\mathbb{E}\{X\} - 4 = 2 \times -\frac{1}{2} - 4 = -5$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(Y) &= \mathbb{E}\{Y^2\} - (\mathbb{E}\{Y\})^2 \\ \text{var}(aX + b) &= \mathbb{E}\{(aX + b)^2\} - (\mathbb{E}\{aX + b\})^2 \\ &= \mathbb{E}\{a^2X^2 + 2abX + b^2\} - (a\mathbb{E}\{X\} + b)^2 \\ &= a^2\mathbb{E}\{X^2\} + 2ab\mathbb{E}\{X\} + b^2 - a^2\mathbb{E}\{X\}^2 - 2ab\mathbb{E}\{X\} - b^2 \\ &= a^2(\mathbb{E}\{X^2\} - (\mathbb{E}\{X\})^2) \\ &= a^2\text{var}(X) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{var}\{(2X + (-4))\} = 2^2 \times \frac{5}{4} = 5$$

8. Letting  $X$  denote the random variable that is defined as the sum of two fair dice,

$$P\{X = 10\} = P\{(4, 6), (5, 5), (6, 4)\} = \frac{3}{36}$$

Therefore, apply the probability mass function (pmf) of binomial random variable, with parameters  $(n = 5, p = \frac{3}{36})$ .  $P\{0\}$  is the event did not occurs within 5 trials.

$$1 - P\{0\} = 1 - \binom{5}{0} \left(\frac{3}{36}\right)^0 \left(1 - \frac{3}{36}\right)^{5-0} = 0.353$$

9. (a)

$$\text{By } \frac{d}{da} F(a) = f(a)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}, & \text{for } -2 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 0, & \text{for otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(b)

$$\text{By } \mathbb{E}[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)f(x) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\{X^4\} &= \int_{-2}^2 \frac{1}{4} \times x^4 dx \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \frac{x^5}{5} \Big|_{-2}^2 \\ &= \frac{16}{5} \end{aligned}$$

10. (a)

It can be considered as the probability mass function of a binomial random variable, which  $X$  is the number of wins,  $m$  is the total trials of games and  $p$  is 0.6 for winning probability. Therefore, its pmf is,

$$p(X) = \binom{m}{X} 0.6^X (1 - 0.6)^{m-X}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\{X\} &= \sum_{i=0}^n ip(i) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n i \binom{n}{i} p^i (1-p)^{n-i} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{in!}{(n-i)!i!} p^i (1-p)^{n-i} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n!}{(n-i)!(i-1)!} p^i (1-p)^{n-i} \\ &= np \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-i)!(i-1)!} p^{i-1} (1-p)^{n-i} \\ &= np \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-1-k} \\ &= np[p + (1-p)]^{n-1} \\ &= np \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbb{E}\{X\} = 0.6m$$

11. (a)

It is a binomial random variable  $\kappa$  with parameters of  $(n = 3, p)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}P(\kappa = -6000) &= (1 - p)^3 \\P(\kappa = -4000 + 1000) &= P(\kappa = -3000) = 3(1 - p)^2 p \\P(\kappa = -2000 + 2000) &= P(\kappa = 0) = 3p^2(1 - p) \\P(\kappa = 3000) &= p^3\end{aligned}$$

(b)

The  $\mathbb{E}\{k\} = \mathbb{E}(1000X - 2000(3 - X))$  for  $X$  heads, then we can profit  $1000X$  and lose  $2000(3 - X)$

$$\mathbb{E}\{k\} = 3000\mathbb{E}\{X\} - 6000 \text{ and by } \mathbb{E}\{X\} = np = 3p \implies \mathbb{E}\{k\} = 9000p - 6000$$

To find the minimum value of  $p$  that the gambler will lose any money

$$\begin{aligned}9000p - 6000 &\geq 0 \\p &\geq \frac{2}{3}\end{aligned}$$

12. (a)

It is a binomial distribution with parameters of  $n = 5$  and  $p = 0.5$  for winning and losing both.

Since at least won three games to end the series, therefore the minimum  $n$  will be 3 and for both team can end the series, to multiple the probability by 2, because they are disjoint event.

$$\begin{aligned}P(N = 3) &= \binom{3}{3} 0.5^3 \times 0.5^0 \times 2 = \frac{1}{4} \\P(N = 4) &= \binom{4}{3} 0.5^3 \times 0.5 \times 2 = \frac{1}{2} \\P(N = 5) &= \binom{5}{3} 0.5^3 \times 0.5^2 \times 2 = \frac{5}{8}\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}P(W = 0) &= \binom{3}{0} 0.5^0 \times 0.5^3 = \frac{1}{8} \\P(W = 1) &= \binom{4}{1} 0.5^1 \times 0.5^3 = \frac{1}{4} \\P(W = 2) &= \binom{5}{2} 0.5^2 \times 0.5^3 = \frac{5}{16} \\P(W = 3) &= \binom{5}{3} 0.5^3 \times 0.5^2 = \frac{5}{16}\end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
P(L=0) &= \binom{3}{3} 0.5^3 \times 0.5^0 = \frac{1}{8} \\
P(L=1) &= \binom{4}{3} 0.5^3 \times 0.5^1 = \frac{1}{4} \\
P(L=2) &= \binom{5}{3} 0.5^3 \times 0.5^2 = \frac{5}{16} \\
P(L=3) &= \binom{5}{2} 0.5^2 \times 0.5^3 = \frac{5}{16}
\end{aligned}$$

13. We have  $\mathbb{E}\{X\} = 7$  and  $\text{var}(X) = 3$ . By,

$$\begin{aligned}
E[X] &= \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \frac{x}{\beta - \alpha} dx \\
&= \frac{\beta^2 - \alpha^2}{2(\beta - \alpha)} \\
&= \frac{\beta + \alpha}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbb{E}\{X\} = \beta + \alpha = 14$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{By } \text{var}(X) &= \frac{(\beta - \alpha)^2}{12} \\
\frac{(\beta - \alpha)^2}{12} &= 3 \\
\beta - \alpha &= \pm 6
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{When } \beta - \alpha = -6 \implies \alpha = \beta + 6$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Then } \beta + \beta + 6 &= 14 \\
\beta &= 4 \\
\alpha &= 4 + 6 = 10
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{When } \beta - \alpha = +6 \implies \beta = \alpha + 6$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Then } \alpha + \alpha + 6 &= 14 \\
\alpha &= 4 \\
\beta &= 10
\end{aligned}$$

We only consider the case that  $\alpha \leq \beta$ , therefore we use the case of  $\alpha = 4, \beta = 10$ .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6}, & 4 < x < 10 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$