

1. A power supply unit for a computer component is assumed to follow an exponential distribution with a mean life of 1,400 hours. What is the probability that the component will:
  - (a) fail in the first 700 hours?
  - (b) survive more than 1,750 hours?
  - (c) last between 1,050 hours and 1,750 hours?
2. Flaws occur in an LCD display at the rate of 0.5 per square mm. Calculate the probability that:
  - (i) exactly 2 flaws will occur in a square mm section,
  - (ii) exactly 3 flaws will occur in a 5 square mm section,
  - (iii) 5 or more flaws will occur in a 10 square mm section.
3. The average lifespan of a PC monitor is 6 years. You may assume that the lifespan of monitors follows an exponential probability distribution.
  - (i) What is the probability that the lifespan of the monitor will be at least 5 years?
  - (ii) What is the probability that the lifespan of the monitor will not exceed 4 years?
  - (iii) What is the probability of the lifespan being between 5 years and 7 years?
4. A machine is used to package bags of potato chips. Records of the packaging machine indicate that its fill weights are normally distributed with a mean of 455 grams per bag and a standard deviation of 10 grams.
  - (i) What proportion of bags filled by this machine will contain more than 470 grams in the long run?
  - (ii) What proportion of bags filled by this machine will contain less than 445 grams in the long run?
  - (iii) What proportion of bags filled by this machine will be between 465 grams and 475 grams in the long run?
5. Telephone calls arrive at a switchboard at a rate of 30 per hour. Assume that the switchboard operators take 2 minutes to deal with a customer query. Calculate the following:
  - (a) The probability of 2 or more calls arriving in any 4 minute period,
  - (b) The probability of no phone calls arriving in a 4 minute period,
  - (c) The probability of exactly three phone call arriving in a 10 minute period.
6. Under what circumstances is it appropriate to use the binomial distribution when calculating probabilities?
7. Flextronics supply PCB boards to Dell. You are a production manager with Dell. There is a constant probability of 0.01 that a board will be defective. You select 20 boards at random. What is the probability that:

- (a) 0 boards will be defective
  - (b) 1 or more boards will be defective
  - (c) 2 or less boards will be defective
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9. There is a constant probability of 0.05 that the power supply in a server network will fail. You are required to calculate the probability that the power supply will fail the 4th time it is switched on.