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Review 1

R1. You flip what you think is a fair coin ten times and get heads every time.

(a) (1pt) What is the probability of this result if the coin's true probability of landing heads $p = 0.5$

$$Pr(k; n, p) = Pr(10; 10, 0.5) = \binom{10}{10} 0.5^{10} (1 - (0.5))^{10-10} = 0.0009765625$$

(b) (1pt) What p would make this outcome (ten out of ten heads) have probability 0.01

$$Pr(k; n, p) = Pr(10; 10, P) = \binom{10}{10} p^{10} (1 - p)^{10-10} = p^{10} = 0.01$$

$$p^{10} = 0.01 \Rightarrow 10 * \ln(p) = \ln(0.01) \Rightarrow \ln(p) = \frac{\ln(0.01)}{10} \Rightarrow \ln(p) = -0.460517$$

$$\therefore p = 0.6309573$$

(c) (1pt) What is the mean of a binomial distribution with n trials and outcome probability p ? Simplify as much as possible.

$$\mu = \sum k \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k} = \sum k \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k} = \sum \frac{n! p^k (1-p)^{n-k}}{(k-1)!(n-k)!}$$