Matt Fletcher MA385 Homework 3

1. The probability he gets a hit at any at bat is 0.342. We need to find the probability that his 9th at bat is his 5th hit. This is a negative binomial distribution.

The probability it takes k trials to get r successes, with the probability of success on any one trial being p, is:

$$P(x = k) = {k-1 \choose r-1} (p)^r (1-p)^{k-r}$$

$$P(x = 9) = {9-1 \choose 5-1} (0.342)^5 (1-0.342)^{9-5}$$

$$P(x = 9) = \boxed{0.0613948}$$

2.

a) Find EV and Var of the sum of 2 dice:

2 dice rolled together can have any value from 2 to 12. In the following table, roll is the value of a roll, and roll count is the number of ways that roll can be achieved.

The expected value is Σ rollvalue $\cdot \frac{\text{rollcount}}{36}$

This results in an EV of 7

The variance is represented by $E[x^2] - E[x]^2 = 54.833 - 49 = 5.8333$

b) Find EV and Var of the min roll of 2 dice.

There are 11 ways that the minimum value is a 1:

Die 1 has a 1, Die 2 has 2,3,4,5, or 6. (5 ways)

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Both die show a 1. (1 way)

There are 9 ways that the minimum value is a 2:

Die 1 has a 2, Die 2 has 3,4,5, or 6. (4 ways)

Die 2 has a 2, Die 1 has 3,4,5, or 6. (4 ways)

Both die show a 2. (1 way)

It is apparent there is a pattern: 11, 9, 7, 5, 3, 1. The sum of these is 36, which checks out.

Roll_count = 13-2x, where x is the minimum value.

Min Value 1 3 11 Roll Count 9 7

As in part A, we find the sum of the values multiplied by their probabilities.

$$(1 \times 11 + 2 \times 9 + 3 \times 7 + 4 \times 5 + 5 \times 3 + 6 \times 1) \times \frac{1}{36} = \frac{91}{36} = \boxed{2.5277}$$

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 To find variance, find the Expected value of the square of the results: $E[x^2] = (1^2 \times 11 + 2^2 \times 9 + 3^2 \times 7 + 4^2 \times 5 + 5^2 \times 3 + 6^2 \times 1) \times \frac{1}{36} = 8.3611$ $E[x]^2 = 6.3896$.

Var = 8.36111 - 6.3896 = 1.9714

3. a) The probability that all 12 customers order the regular chicken sandwich is $(0.75)^{12} = \boxed{0.031676}$

b) The probability that no more than 3 customers order the spicy chicken sandwich can be found more easily by finding 1 minus the probability that 0, 1, 2, or 3 customers order the spicy chicken sandwich.

This is a cumulative binomial random variable.

According to the binomial function in my TI84, with function arguments trials = 12, p = 0.25, and x = 3, the result is 0.64877

Now, we can use the Poisson equation:

^{4.} To find the probability that at least 1 double is rolled, it is easier to find the compliment of the probability that no doubles are rolled. Let n=24, for the number of trials. Let $p=\frac{6}{36}=\frac{1}{6}$, for the probability that neither die lands on the same value as the other. Then, $\lambda = np = 24 \times \frac{5}{6} = 4$.

$$P(x=k) = \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda} \tag{1}$$

Let k = 0.

$$P(x=0) = \frac{4^0}{0!}e^{-4}$$

This results in 0.01831, and the compliment is 1 - 0.01831 = 98.16%

The exact value is given by the following logic: The probability at least one double is rolled is the compliment of the probability that no doubles are rolled. The probability of no doubles being rolled is $\frac{5}{6}$. This must happen 24 times in a row. Therefore, the probability of no doubles being rolled is $\frac{5}{6}^{24} = 0.012579$, and the probability of at least one double being rolled is $1 - 0.012579 = \boxed{98.742\%}$.

Calculating μ for the known values, with a and b standing for f(5) and f(6) respectively:

$$0 \times 0.1 + 1 \times 0.15 + 2 \times 0.2 + 3 \times 0.25 + 4 \times 0.2 + 5 \times a + 6 \times b = 2.64 \text{ (this value is given)}$$

 $0 \times 0.1 + 1 \times 0.15 + 2 \times 0.2 + 3 \times 0.25 + 4 \times 0.2 = 2.1$

Therefore, 5a + 6b = 2.64 - 2.1 = 0.54

Also, from above, a + b = 0.1.

This is just simultaneous equations:

f(5) = 0.06

f(6) = 0.04

^{5.} The sum of the probabilities in the bottom row must equal 1. Therefore, I know that f(5) and f(6) sum to 0.1.