

# Homework #4 solutions: MA 204

**3.34**  $\lambda = \text{mean} = \frac{0(18)+1(30)+\dots+7(2)}{104} = 1.98$

$$P(X = k) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!}$$

The number of expected seasons with 0 no-hit games is 14, while we observed 18. To get this number, we take  $P(X=0) = 0.138$  and multiply that probability times the total number of seasons (e.g.,  $104 \cdot 0.138 = 14$ ).

We expect 14, 28, 28, 19, 9, 3, 1, and 0 seasons with 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 no hitters, respectively

**3.36**  $P(\text{Redpill}, 3\text{colds}) = \frac{e^{-1}(1)^3}{6} = 0.063$  and  $P(\text{Bluepill}, 3\text{colds}) = \frac{e^{-4}(4)^3}{6} = 0.195$

Thus,  $P(\text{Bluepill}|3\text{colds}) = \frac{0.195}{0.195+0.0613} = 0.7611$

**3.37** This answer is in the back of the book. The answers are nearly identical using a Binomial distribution ( $n = 10,000$ ,  $p = 1/6000$ ) and a Poisson distribution ( $\lambda = 5/3$ ). The answer to both is 0.72

**4.8**  $P(0\text{aces}) = \frac{\binom{48}{5}}{\binom{52}{5}} = 0.659$

$$P(1\text{aces}) = \frac{\binom{4}{1} \binom{48}{4}}{\binom{52}{5}} = 0.300$$

$$P(2\text{aces}) = \frac{\binom{4}{2} \binom{48}{3}}{\binom{52}{5}} = 0.039$$

$$P(3\text{aces}) = \frac{\binom{4}{3} \binom{48}{2}}{\binom{52}{5}} = 0.002$$

$$P(4\text{aces}) = \frac{\binom{4}{4} \binom{48}{1}}{\binom{52}{5}} = 0.0000185$$

$$P(5\text{aces}) = 0$$

Thus,  $E[X] = 0(0.659) + 1(0.300) + 2(0.039) + 3(0.002) + 4(0.0000185) = 0.3844$