

Group SBS, Sheet 01, Exercise 02

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By definition, we know that the cdf of Geometric distribution is given as follows,

$$\sum_{i=1}^x p(1-p)^{i-1} = 1 - \sum_{x+1}^{\infty} p(1-p)^{i-1} \text{taking the complement} \quad (1)$$

$$= 1 - (p(1-p)^x + p(1-p)^{x+1} + \dots) \quad (2)$$

$$= 1 - p(1-p)^x [1 + (1-p) + (1-p)^2 \dots] \quad (3)$$

Since $1 + r + r^2 + r^3 + \dots = \frac{1}{1-r}$, $|r| < 1$, (Geometric series)

$$= 1 - \frac{p(1-p)^x}{1 - (1-p)} \quad (4)$$

$$= 1 - (1-p)^x \quad (5)$$

Hence, proved.

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