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In a nut and bolt manufacturing company, a quality engineer inspects pairs of nuts and bolts. In a sample of 200 pairs, eight are defective. The quality engineer randomly selects ten pairs. What is the probability that exactly three pairs out of the ten randomly selected pairs are defective?

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So, if we look at this as number of possibilities where our condition is being satisfied divided by the total number of possibilities. We can look at it this way the denominator which is the total number of possibilities will be ${}^{200}C_{10}$. So, you are picking 10 pairs out of 200 randomly and the number of ways you can do it is ${}^{200}C_{10}$ these are the total number of possibilities.

And now for these exactly three pairs to be defective those three should come from these 8, so that would be 8C_3 multiplied by the remaining 7 should come from the remaining 192 pairs. So, that would be ${}^{192}C_7$. So, this should be our answer, if you calculate it, it is going to come to about 0.00426. So, that is quite small, anyway this is the probability.