## 1 Chapter 3

- 1. Since  $P(A_1 \cap A_2) = 0.64 = (0.8)(0.8) = P(A_1)P(A_2)$ , we can conclude that  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are independent; hence, the answer is (c).
- 2. (a)  $P(A \cap B) = P(B \cap A) = P(B|A) = (0.95)(0.05) = 0.0475$ .
  - (b)  $P(B) = P(B \cap A) + P(B \cap A^c) = 0.0475 + (.03)(1 0.05) = 0.076.$
  - (c)  $P(A|B) = P(A \cap B)/P(B) = 0.0475/0.076 = 0.625$ .
- 3. Let A be the event that an adult gets the flu and let B be the event that an adult gets the flu shot.
  - (a)  $P(A \cap B) = P(A|B) P(B) = (0.1)(0.42) = 0.042$ .
  - (b)  $P(A) = P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap B^c) = 0.042 + (0.7)(1 0.42) = 0.448.$
- 4. Let X denote the number of people who have asthma. Then  $X \sim Binomial$  (n = 50, p = 0.2). (Think about why!)
  - (a)  $P(X = 19) = \binom{50}{19}(0.2)^{19}(0.8)^{50-19} = \approx 0.001579.$
  - (b) The standard deviation is  $\sigma = \sqrt{np(1-p)} = \sqrt{(50)(0.2)(0.8)} = 2.828427$  and the mean/expected value is  $\mu = np = (50)(0.2) = 10$ . Hence, the z-score is  $(19-10)/2.828427 \approx 3.181981$  which implies that 19 is a little over three standard deviations above the mean.
  - (c) Using the empirical rule, we have that  $P\left(X\geq19\right)\approx P\left(X\geq\mu+3\sigma\right)\approx\left(1-0.997\right)/2=0.003/2=0.0015.$  (Draw a picture!). The exact answer is

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1 - pbinom(18, size = 50, prob = 0.2)
## [1] 0.002511203
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- 5.  $E[X] = \sum_{r=1}^{3} rP(X=r) = (1)(1/3) + (2)(1/3) + (3)(1/3) = 2$  envelopes.
- 6. (a)  $E[X] = \mu = \sum_{r=0}^{4} rP(X=r) = (0)(0.2) + (1)(0.3) + (2)(0.3) + (3)(0.1) + (4)(0.1) = 1.6$  egg masses.
  - (b)  $Var\left[X\right] = \sum_{r=0}^{4} \left(r \mu\right)^2 P\left(X = r\right) = \left(0 1.6\right)^2 \left(0.2\right) + \left(1 1.6\right)^2 \left(0.3\right) + \left(2 1.6\right)^2 \left(0.3\right) + \left(3 1.6\right)^2 \left(0.1\right) + \left(4 1.6\right)^2 \left(0.1\right) = 1.44$ . Hence, the standard deviation is  $\sqrt{1.44} = 1.2$  egg masses.
- 7. Let A be the event that a subject is taking the drug (then  $A^c$  is the event that the subject is taking the placebo) and let B be the event that a subject improves.
  - (a)  $P(B \cap A) = P(B|A)P(A) = (0.6)(0.5) = 0.3$ .
  - (b)  $P(B) = P(B \cap A) + P(B \cap A^c) = 0.3 + (0.35)(0.5) = 0.475.$

- 8. Let Y be a random variable denoting the number of chickens out of 20 with the bird flu. It then follows that  $Y \sim Binomial (n = 20, p = 0.1)$ .
  - (a)  $P(Y=5) = {20 \choose 5} (0.1)^5 (0.9)^1 = (15504) (10^{-5}) (0.2058911) \approx 0.031921.$
  - (b) E[Y] = np = (20)(0.1) = 2 chickens.
  - (c)  $\sqrt{Var[Y]} = \sqrt{np(1-p)} = \sqrt{(20)(0.1)(0.9)} \approx 1.3416$  chickens.
- 9. Let X be a random variable denoting the number of frog eggs that hatch out of 100. Then,  $X \sim Binomial$  (n = 100, p = 0.87). (Since the frog eggs hatch independently of each other!)
  - (a)  $P(X=80)=\binom{100}{80}(0.87)^{80}(0.13)^{20}\approx 0.01477606$ . You should be able to do this with a calculator, but in R we would just use

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dbinom(80, size = 100, prob = 0.87)
## [1] 0.01477606
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- (b) For a binomial random variable, E[X] = np = (100)(0.87) = 87 eggs.
- (c) To use the empirical rule, we must first calculate the standard deviation of X. The stahndard deviation of a binomial random variable is given by  $\sqrt{Var\left[X\right]} = \sqrt{np(1-p)} = \sqrt{3.31} = 3.363034$ . Computing the z-score yields

$$Z = \frac{77 - 87}{3.363034} = -2.973505 \approx -3.$$

In other words, 77 eggs is about three standard deviations below the mean. So,  $P(X \le 77) \approx$  the probability of being three or more standard deviations below the mean  $\approx 0.003/2 = 0.0015$ .

## 2 Chapter 4

- 1. No (it looks bimodal).
- 2. The best answer is (d); bimodal.
- 3. The population might consist of both males and females, and each of these subpopulations probably has its own mean.
- 4. The best answer is (a); 31.
- 5. The best answer is (c); 0.22.
- 6. The best answer is (e); 0.94.
- 7. It will remain the same. Go back to the properties about correlation and linear transformations!

- 8. The best answer is (d); 0.27.
- 9. The best answer is (d); 0.58.
- 10. Use the fact that  $X \sim N (\mu = 5.28, \sigma = 0.4)$ .

(a)

$$\begin{split} P\left(X > 5.4\right) &= 1 - P\left(X \le 5.4\right) \\ &= 1 - P\left(\frac{X - 5.28}{0.4} < \frac{5.4 - 5.28}{0.4}\right) \\ &= 1 - P\left(Z < \frac{5.4 - 5.28}{0.4}\right) \\ &= 1 - P\left(Z < 0.3\right) \\ &= 1 - \Phi\left(0.3\right) \end{split}$$

In R, we get

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1 - pnorm(0.3)
## [1] 0.3820886
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(b)

$$\begin{split} P\left(5 < X < 6\right) &= P\left(X < 6\right) - P\left(X < 5\right) \\ &= P\left(\frac{X - 5.28}{0.4} < \frac{6 - 5.28}{0.4}\right) - P\left(\frac{X - 5.28}{0.4} < \frac{5 - 5.28}{0.4}\right) \\ &= P\left(Z < \frac{6 - 5.28}{0.4}\right) - P\left(Z < \frac{5 - 5.28}{0.4}\right) \\ &= P\left(Z < 1.8\right) - P\left(Z < -0.7\right) \\ &= \Phi\left(1.8\right) - \Phi\left(-0.7\right) \end{split}$$

In R, we get

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pnorm(1.8) - pnorm(-0.7)
## [1] 0.722106
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(c) The general formula for the p-th percentile, denoted  $x_p$ , of a normal distribution with mean  $\mu$  and standard deviation  $\sigma$  is

$$x_p = \mu + \sigma z_p$$

where  $z_p$  is the p-th percentile of a standard normal distribution (which we can obtain using qnorm(p) in R). Hence, the 95-th percentile is  $x_{0.95} = 5.28 + 0.4 z_{0.95}$ . Using qnorm(0.95) in R, we obtain  $x_{0.95} = 5.28 + 0.4 (1.644854) = 5.937941$ .

(d) Since the data are a random sample from a normal distribution, we know that the sample mean also has a normal distribution; in particular,  $\bar{X} \sim N \left(\mu = 5.28, \sigma = 0.4/\sqrt{50}\right)$ . Hence,

$$\begin{split} P\left(\bar{X} > 5.4\right) &= 1 - P\left(\bar{X} \le 5.4\right) \\ &= 1 - P\left(\frac{\bar{X} - 5.28}{0.4/\sqrt{50}} < \frac{5.4 - 5.28}{0.4/\sqrt{50}}\right) \\ &= 1 - P\left(Z < \frac{5.4 - 5.28}{0.4/\sqrt{50}}\right) \\ &= 1 - P\left(Z < 2.12132\right) \\ &= 1 - \Phi\left(2.12132\right) \end{split}$$

In R, we get

11. Use the fact that  $X \sim N (\mu = 170, \sigma = 20)$ .

(a)

$$\begin{split} P\left(X > 200\right) &= 1 - P\left(X \le 200\right) \\ &= 1 - P\left(\frac{X - 170}{20} < \frac{200 - 170}{20}\right) \\ &= 1 - P\left(Z < \frac{200 - 170}{20}\right) \\ &= 1 - P\left(Z < 1.5\right) \\ &= 1 - \Phi\left(1.5\right) \end{split}$$

In R, we get

(b) Using the fact that  $\bar{X} \sim N \left( \mu = 170, \sigma = 20/\sqrt{20} \right)$ , we get

$$\begin{split} P\left(\bar{X} > 200\right) &= 1 - P\left(\bar{X} \le 200\right) \\ &= 1 - P\left(\frac{\bar{X} - 170}{20/\sqrt{20}} < \frac{200 - 170}{20/\sqrt{20}}\right) \\ &= 1 - P\left(Z < \frac{200 - 170}{20/\sqrt{20}}\right) \\ &= 1 - P\left(Z < 6.708204\right) \\ &= 1 - \Phi\left(6.708204\right) \end{split}$$

## In R, we get

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1 - pnorm(6.708204)
## [1] 9.851675e-12
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(c)  $x_{0.95} = \mu + \sigma z_{0.95} = 170 + 20 (1.644854) = 202.8971 \text{ (mg/dL)}.$