

- (1) We take two cards (without replacement) from a well-shuffled standard deck of 52 cards. Let X denote the number of these two cards that are aces and let Y denote the number that are hearts.
 - (a) Tabulate the joint PMF for X and Y .
 - (b) Compute the PMF for Y both directly and as a marginal of the above (this provides a check on your computations).
 - (c) What is the covariance of X and Y ?
- (2) Suppose X_1 and X_2 are independent and Geometric(p) distributed. What is the probability that $X_1 \geq X_2$?
- (3) Consider events A_i for each natural number $1 \leq i \leq n$ and let X_i denote the associated indicator random variable.
 - (a) Show that

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{none of } A_i \text{ occur}) = \mathbb{E}\left\{\prod_{i=1}^n [1 - X_i]\right\} = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \sum_{\#S=k} \mathbb{E}\left\{\prod_{i \in S} X_i\right\}$$

where the S sum is over all k -element subsets of $\{1, \dots, n\}$.

- (b) What is the probability that a randomly chosen permutation of $\{1, \dots, n\}$ has no fixed points?
 - (c) Show that this probability converges to $\exp(-1)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
- (4) Each cereal box comes with a toy and we are encouraged to “collect all n .” How many boxes will we need to buy? We assume the toys have equal frequency and appear independently. Let Y_r denote the (random) number of boxes purchased when we first have r distinct toys. Let $X_r = Y_r - Y_{r-1}$ with $Y_0 = 0$.
 - (a) What is the PMF for X_r ?
 - (b) What is $\mathbb{E}(X_r)$ for each $1 \leq r \leq n$?
 - (c) What is $\mathbb{E}(Y_r)$ for each $1 \leq r \leq n$?
- (5) Show that the CDF $F_X(x)$ of any random variable has the following properties:
 - (a) F_X is non-decreasing: $x \leq y \implies F_X(x) \leq F_X(y)$.
 - (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F_X(x) = 0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F_X(x) = 1$.
 - (c) For any $x \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\lim_{y \uparrow x} F_X(y) = \mathbb{P}(X < x) \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{y \downarrow x} F_X(y) = F_X(x)$$

I.e. F_X is càdlàg — continuous from the right and limits from the left exist.