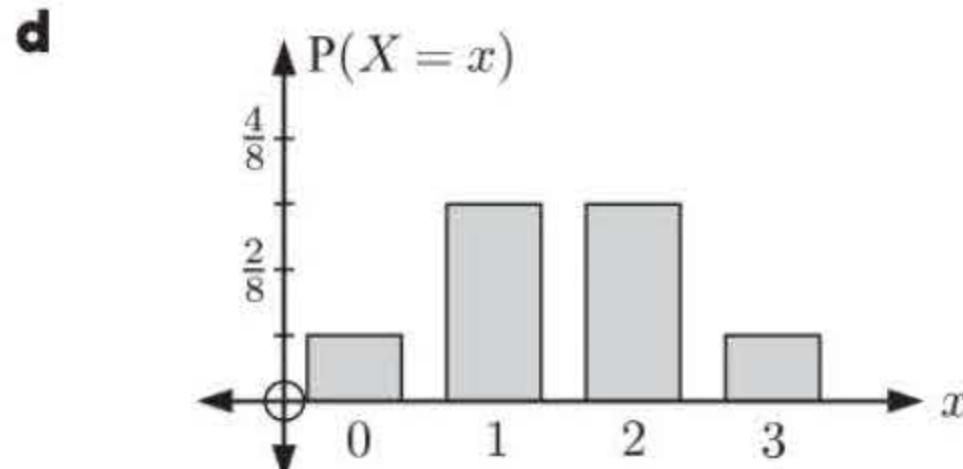


# Chapter 25

# DISCRETE RANDOM VARIABLES

## **EXERCISE 25A**



**EXERCISE 25B**

$$\text{1 a } \sum_{x=0}^2 P(X=x) = 1$$

$$\therefore 0.3 + k + 0.5 = 1$$

$$\therefore k = 0.$$

$$\text{b} \quad \sum_{x=0}^3 P(X=x) = 1$$

- 2 a**  $P(2) = 0.1088$  (from table)

**b** Since this is a probability distribution,  $\sum P(x_i) = 1$

$$\therefore a + 0.3333 + 0.1088 + 0.0084 + 0.0007 + 0.0000 = 1$$

$$\therefore a + 0.4512 = 1$$

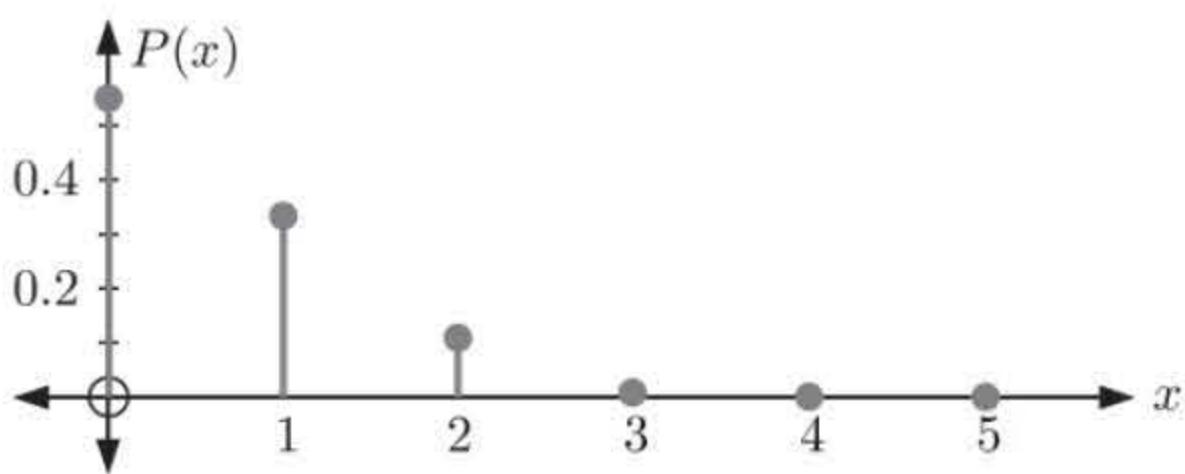
$$\therefore a = 0.5488$$

This is the probability that Jason does not hit a home run in a game.

**c**  $P(1) + P(2) + P(3) + P(4) + P(5) = 0.3333 + 0.1088 + 0.0084 + 0.0007 + 0.0000 = 0.4512$

This represents the probability that Jason hits at least one home run in a game.

**d**



- e** Jason is most likely to score 0 home runs, so this is the mode of the distribution.

$p_0 = 0.5488$  Since  $p_0 \geq 0.5$ , the median is 0 home runs.

- 3 a** Sum of probabilities  $\sum P(x_i) = 0.2 + 0.3 + 0.4 + 0.2 = 1.1$

Since this sum  $\neq 1$ , this is not a valid probability distribution.

- b**  $P(5) = -0.2$ , so not all of the probabilities lie in  $0 \leq P(x_i) \leq 1$ .

$\therefore$  this is not a valid probability distribution.

- 4 a** The random variable represents the number of hits that Sally has in each game.

$X = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ , or 5.

**b i**  $0.07 + 0.14 + k + 0.46 + 0.08 + 0.02 = 1$  {since  $\sum_{x=0}^5 P(X=x) = 1$ }  
 $\therefore k + 0.77 = 1$   
 $\therefore k = 0.23$

**ii**  $P(X \geq 2)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(X=2 \text{ or } X=3 \text{ or } X=4 \text{ or } X=5) \\ &= P(2) + P(3) + P(4) + P(5) \\ &= 0.23 + 0.46 + 0.08 + 0.02 \\ &= 0.79 \end{aligned}$$

**iii**  $P(1 \leq X \leq 3)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(1) + P(2) + P(3) \\ &= 0.14 + 0.23 + 0.46 \\ &= 0.83 \end{aligned}$$

- c** Sally is most likely to have 3 hits, so this is the mode of the distribution.

$$p = 0.07$$

$$p_0 + p_1 = 0.07 + 0.14 = 0.21$$

$$p_0 + p_1 + p_2 = 0.21 + 0.23 = 0.44$$

$$p_0 + p_1 + p_2 + p_3 = 0.44 + 0.46 = 0.90$$

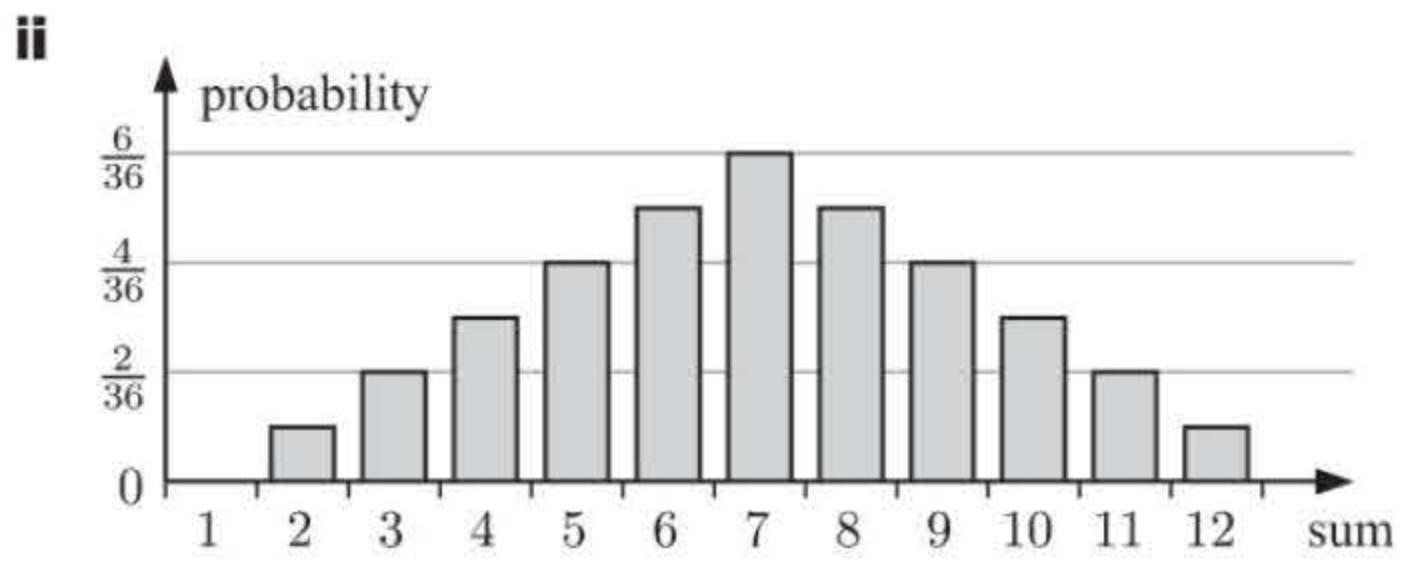
Since  $p_0 + p_1 + p_2 + p_3 \geq 0.5$ , the median is 3 hits.

- 5 a** When rolling a die twice, the sample space is:

6	(6, 1)	(6, 2)	(6, 3)	(6, 4)	(6, 5)	(6, 6)
5	(5, 1)	(5, 2)	(5, 3)	(5, 4)	(5, 5)	(5, 6)
roll 1 4	(4, 1)	(4, 2)	(4, 3)	(4, 4)	(4, 5)	(4, 6)
3	(3, 1)	(3, 2)	(3, 3)	(3, 4)	(3, 5)	(3, 6)
2	(2, 1)	(2, 2)	(2, 3)	(2, 4)	(2, 5)	(2, 6)
1	(1, 1)	(1, 2)	(1, 3)	(1, 4)	(1, 5)	(1, 6)
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	roll 2					

**b**

<b>i</b>	$P(0) = 0$	$P(1) = 0$
	$P(2) = \frac{1}{36}$	$P(3) = \frac{2}{36}$
	$P(4) = \frac{3}{36}$	$P(5) = \frac{4}{36}$
	$P(6) = \frac{5}{36}$	$P(7) = \frac{6}{36}$
	$P(8) = \frac{5}{36}$	$P(9) = \frac{4}{36}$
	$P(10) = \frac{3}{36}$	$P(11) = \frac{2}{36}$
	$P(12) = \frac{1}{36}$	



**iii** The sum of the results for the two rolls is most likely to be 7, so this is the mode.

$$\begin{aligned} p_2 &= \frac{1}{36} \\ p_2 + p_3 &= \frac{1}{36} + \frac{2}{36} = \frac{3}{36} \\ p_2 + p_3 + p_4 &= \frac{3}{36} + \frac{3}{36} = \frac{6}{36} \\ p_2 + p_3 + p_4 + p_5 &= \frac{6}{36} + \frac{4}{36} = \frac{10}{36} \\ p_2 + p_3 + p_4 + p_5 + p_6 &= \frac{10}{36} + \frac{5}{36} = \frac{15}{36} \\ p_2 + p_3 + p_4 + p_5 + p_6 + p_7 &= \frac{15}{36} + \frac{6}{36} = \frac{21}{36} \approx 0.583 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $p_2 + p_3 + p_4 + p_5 + p_6 + p_7 \approx 0.583 \geq 0.5$ , the median is 7.

**6** **a**  $P(x) = k(x+2)$ ,  $x = 1, 2, 3$

$$\therefore P(1) = 3k, P(2) = 4k, P(3) = 5k$$

$$\text{Since this is a probability distribution, } 3k + 4k + 5k = 1$$

$$\therefore 12k = 1$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{1}{12}$$

**b**  $P(x) = \frac{k}{x+1}$ ,  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3$

$$\text{Since } \sum P(x_i) = 1, k + \frac{k}{2} + \frac{k}{3} + \frac{k}{4} = 1$$

$$\therefore P(0) = k, P(1) = \frac{k}{2},$$

$$\therefore \frac{12k + 6k + 4k + 3k}{12} = 1$$

$$P(2) = \frac{k}{3}, P(3) = \frac{k}{4}$$

$$\therefore \frac{25k}{12} = 1$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{12}{25}$$

**7** **a**  $P(X = x) = k \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{4-x}$ ,  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$

$$P(X = 0) = k \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^0 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 = \frac{16k}{81} \approx 0.1975k \quad P(X = 1) = k \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^1 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 = \frac{8k}{81} \approx 0.0988k$$

$$P(X = 2) = k \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{4k}{81} \approx 0.0494k \quad P(X = 3) = k \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^1 = \frac{2k}{81} \approx 0.0247k$$

$$P(X = 4) = k \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^0 = \frac{k}{81} \approx 0.0123k$$

**b** Since  $\sum P(X = i) = 1$ ,

$$\therefore P(X \geq 2) = P(2) + P(3) + P(4)$$

$$\therefore \frac{16k}{81} + \frac{8k}{81} + \frac{4k}{81} + \frac{2k}{81} + \frac{k}{81} = 1$$

$$= \frac{4k}{81} + \frac{2k}{81} + \frac{k}{81}$$

$$\therefore \frac{31k}{81} = 1$$

$$= \frac{7k}{81}$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{81}{31}$$

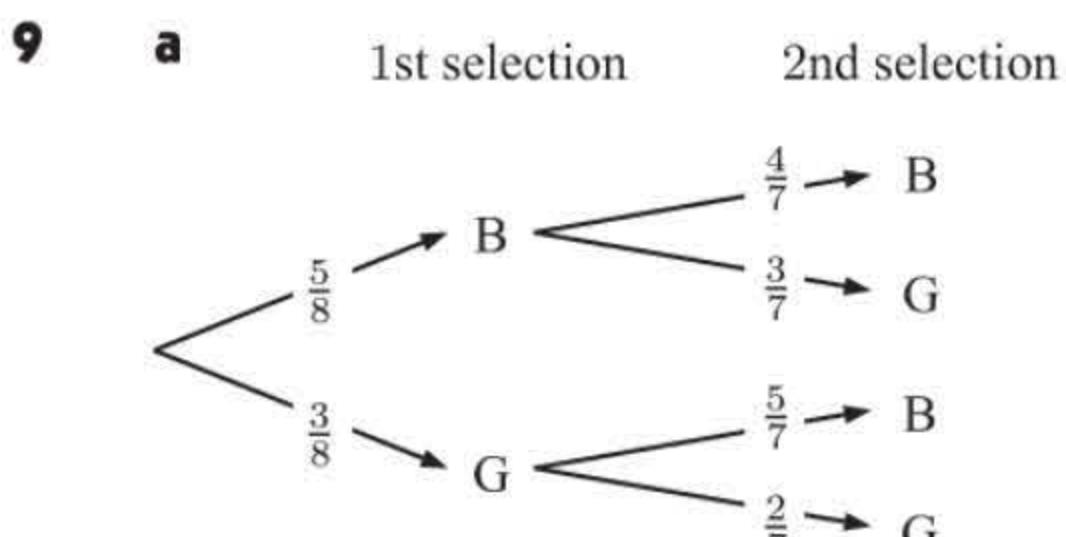
$$= \frac{7}{81} \times \frac{81}{31}$$

$$\therefore k \approx 2.61$$

$$= \frac{7}{31} (\approx 0.226)$$

**8 a**  $P(\text{no faulty component})$   
 $= P(X = 0)$   
 $= \binom{10}{0} (0.04)^0 (0.96)^{10-0}$   
 $= (0.96)^{10}$   
 $\approx 0.665$

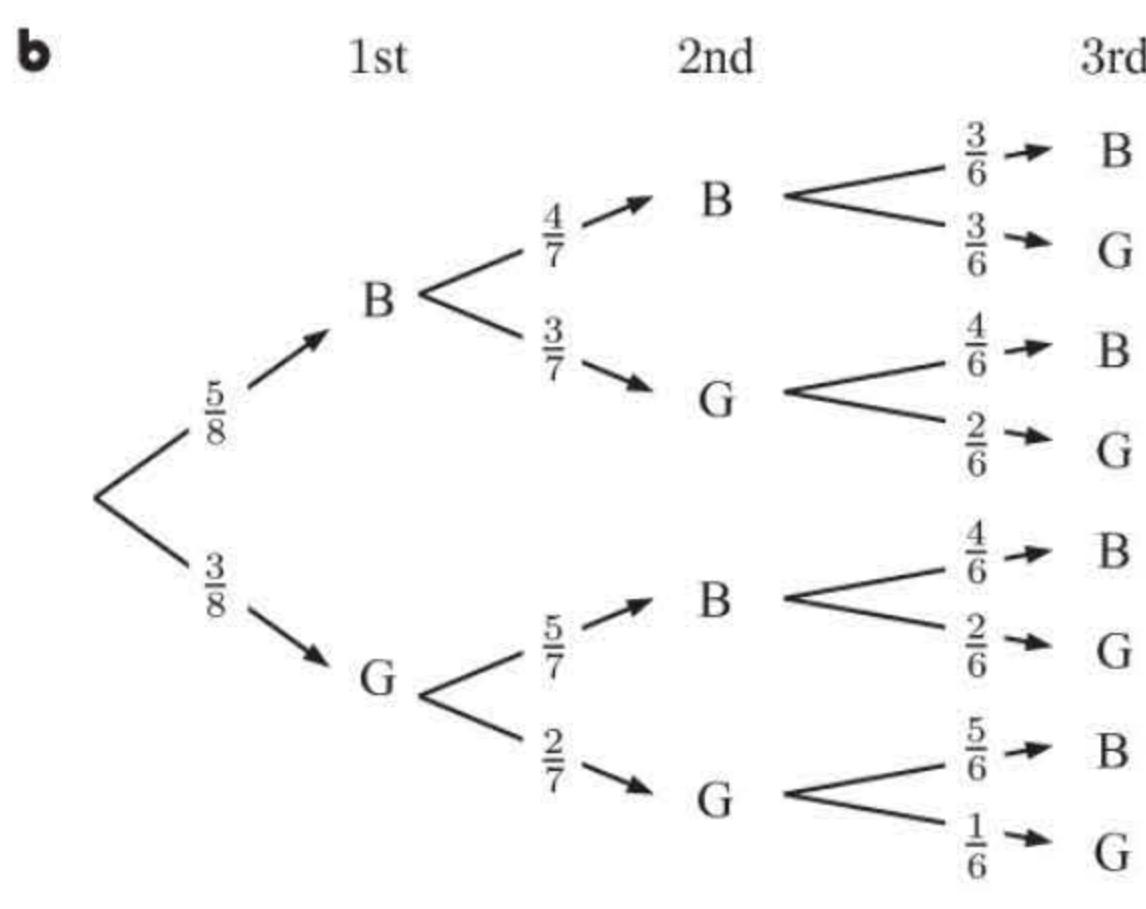
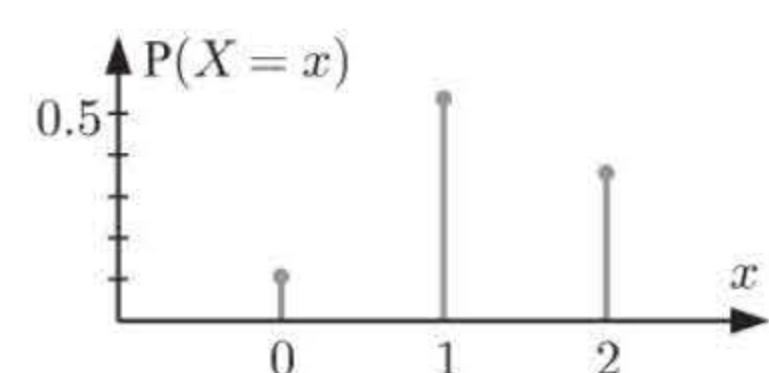
**b**  $P(\text{at least one faulty component})$   
 $= P(X \geq 1)$   
 $= 1 - P(\text{none are faulty})$   
 $\approx 1 - (0.96)^{10}$   
 $\approx 0.335$



Event  $X$  Probability

BB	2	$\frac{5}{8} \times \frac{4}{7} = \frac{20}{56}$
BG	1	$\frac{5}{8} \times \frac{3}{7} = \frac{15}{56}$
GB	1	$\frac{3}{8} \times \frac{5}{7} = \frac{15}{56}$
GG	0	$\frac{3}{8} \times \frac{2}{7} = \frac{6}{56}$

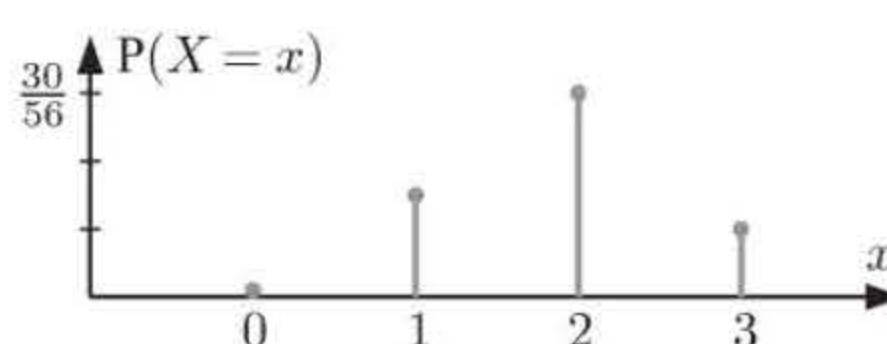
$x$	0	1	2
$P(X = x)$	$\frac{3}{28}$	$\frac{15}{28}$	$\frac{10}{28}$



Event  $X$  Probability

BBB	3	$\frac{5}{8} \times \frac{4}{7} \times \frac{3}{6} = \frac{10}{56}$
BBG	2	$\frac{5}{8} \times \frac{4}{7} \times \frac{3}{6} = \frac{10}{56}$
BGB	2	$\frac{5}{8} \times \frac{3}{7} \times \frac{4}{6} = \frac{10}{56}$
BGG	1	$\frac{5}{8} \times \frac{3}{7} \times \frac{2}{6} = \frac{5}{56}$
GBB	2	$\frac{3}{8} \times \frac{5}{7} \times \frac{4}{6} = \frac{10}{56}$
GBG	1	$\frac{3}{8} \times \frac{5}{7} \times \frac{2}{6} = \frac{5}{56}$
GGB	1	$\frac{3}{8} \times \frac{2}{7} \times \frac{5}{6} = \frac{5}{56}$
GGG	0	$\frac{3}{8} \times \frac{2}{7} \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{56}$

$x$	0	1	2	3
$P(X = x)$	$\frac{1}{56}$	$\frac{15}{56}$	$\frac{30}{56}$	$\frac{10}{56}$



**10 a**

Die 2						
	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
6	7	8	9	10	11	12

36 possible results

**b**  $P(D = 7) = \frac{6}{36} = \frac{1}{6}$

**c**

$d$	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
$P(D = d)$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{3}{36}$	$\frac{4}{36}$	$\frac{5}{36}$	$\frac{6}{36}$	$\frac{5}{36}$	$\frac{4}{36}$	$\frac{3}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$

**d**  $P(D \geq 8 | D \geq 6) = \frac{P(D \geq 8 \cap D \geq 6)}{P(D \geq 6)}$   
 $= \frac{P(D \geq 8)}{P(D \geq 6)}$   
 $= \frac{15}{36} \div \frac{26}{36}$   
 $= \frac{15}{26}$

**11 a**

Die 2						
	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	0	1	2	3	4	5
2	1	0	1	2	3	4
3	2	1	0	1	2	3
4	3	2	1	0	1	2
5	4	3	2	1	0	1
6	5	4	3	2	1	0

**b**

$N$	0	1	2	3	4	5
$P(N = n)$	$\frac{6}{36}$	$\frac{10}{36}$	$\frac{8}{36}$	$\frac{6}{36}$	$\frac{4}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \textbf{c} \quad \textbf{i} \quad \mathbb{P}(N = 3) &= \frac{6}{36} \\
 &= \frac{1}{6} \\
 \textbf{ii} \quad \mathbb{P}(N \geq 3 \mid N \geq 1) &= \frac{\mathbb{P}(N \geq 3 \cap N \geq 1)}{\mathbb{P}(N \geq 1)} \\
 &= \frac{\mathbb{P}(N \geq 3)}{\mathbb{P}(N \geq 1)} \\
 &= \frac{12}{36} \div \frac{30}{36} \\
 &= \frac{2}{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 12 \quad \text{a} \quad e^x &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \\
 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(0.2)^n e^{-0.2}}{n!} &= e^{-0.2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(0.2)^n}{n!} \\
 &= e^{-0.2} \times e^{0.2} \quad \{ \text{definition of } e^x \} \\
 &= e^0 \\
 &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

**b**      i       $0 \leq \frac{0.2^x e^{-0.2}}{x!} \leq 1$     for all    $x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} p_x = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{0.2^x e^{-0.2}}{x!} = 1 \quad \{\text{from a}\}$$

$$\text{ii) } P(X=0) = \frac{(0.2)^0 e^{-0.2}}{0!} = e^{-0.2} \approx 0.819$$

$$P(X=1) = \frac{(0.2)^1 e^{-0.2}}{1!} = 0.2e^{-0.2} \approx 0.164$$

$$P(X=2) = \frac{(0.2)^2 e^{-0.2}}{2!} = 0.02e^{-0.2} \approx 0.0164$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{iii} \quad P(\text{at least 3 cars will pass}) &= P(X \geq 3) \\
 &= 1 - P(X \leq 2) \\
 &= 1 - [P(X = 0) + P(X = 1) + P(X = 2)] \\
 &= 1 - (e^{-0.2} + 0.2e^{-0.2} + 0.02e^{-0.2}) \\
 &\approx 0.00115
 \end{aligned}$$

## **EXERCISE 25C**

**1**  $P(\text{rain}) = 0.28 \quad \therefore \text{we would expect rain on } 0.28 \times 365.25 \approx 102 \text{ days a year.}$

**2**    **a**    $P(HHH) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$                       **b**   For 200 tosses, we expect  $200 \times \frac{1}{8} = 25$  to be ‘3 heads’.

$$= \frac{1}{8}$$

$$3 \quad P(\text{double}) = P(1, 1 \text{ or } 2, 2 \text{ or } 3, 3 \text{ or } 4, 4 \text{ or } 5, 5 \text{ or } 6, 6)$$

$$= \frac{6}{36} \quad \{6 \text{ of the possible 36 outcomes}\}$$

∴ when rolling the dice 180 times, we expect  $180 \times \frac{1}{6} = 30$  doubles.

4	<i>result</i>	<i>win</i>
	H	\$2
	T	-\$1

### For playing once

we would expect to win  $\frac{1}{2} \times \$2 + \frac{1}{2} \times (-\$1) = \$0.50$

for 3 games we would expect to win \$1.50.

5 Udo could expect to see snow falling on  $\frac{3}{7} \times 5 \times 7 = 15$  days.

6 The goalkeeper would expect to save  $\frac{3}{10} \times 90 = 27$  goals.

7 a  $165 + 87 + 48 = 300$

<b>i</b>	$P(A)$	<b>ii</b>	$P(B)$
	$\approx \frac{165}{300} = 0.55$		$\approx \frac{87}{300} = 0.29$
			$\approx \frac{48}{300} = 0.16$

- b i We expect  $7500 \times 0.55 = 4125$  to vote for A.  
 ii We expect  $7500 \times 0.29 = 2175$  to vote for B.  
 iii We expect  $7500 \times 0.16 = 1200$  to vote for C.

8 a i  $P(\text{wins } \$10) = P(\text{rolls a 6}) = \frac{1}{6}$

<b>ii</b>	$P(\text{wins } \$4) = P(\text{rolls 4 or 5}) = \frac{2}{6} \text{ (or } \frac{1}{3}\text{)}$	<b>iii</b>	$P(\text{wins } \$1) = P(\text{rolls 1, 2, or 3}) = \frac{3}{6} \text{ (or } \frac{1}{2}\text{)}$
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b i Expectation  $= \frac{2}{6} \times \$4 \approx \$1.33$

<b>ii</b>	$\text{Expectation} = \frac{3}{6} \times \$1 = \$0.50$	<b>iii</b>	$\text{Expectation} = \frac{1}{6} \times \$10 + \frac{2}{6} \times \$4 + \frac{3}{6} \times \$1 = \frac{1}{6}(\$21) = \$3.50$
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- c It costs \$4 to play and the expected return is \$3.50.  
 $\therefore$  you expect to lose \$0.50 per game. (50 cents)
- d Over 100 games you expect to lose  $100 \times \$0.50 = \$50$ .

9 a Expect to win  $\frac{1}{6} \times €1 + \frac{1}{6} \times €2 + \frac{1}{6} \times €3 + \frac{1}{6} \times €4 + \frac{1}{6} \times €5 + \frac{1}{6} \times €6 = \frac{1}{6} \times €21 = €3.50$

- b The expected gain is  $€3.50 - €4 = -€0.50$   
 $\therefore$  the player should not play several games, as on each occasion he would expect to lose an average of €0.50.
- c i The game is fair when the expected gain is 0.  
 $\therefore 3.50 - k = 0$ , so  $k = 3.50$ .

result	win
HH	£10
HT or TH	£3
TT	-£5

- a Expectation  $= \frac{1}{4} \times £10 + \frac{2}{4} \times £3 + \frac{1}{4} \times (-£5) = £2.75$
- b Expected win per game (payout)  $= £2.75$   
 $\therefore$  the organiser would charge  $£2.75 + £1.00 = £3.75$  to play each game.

		Die 2					
		1	2	3	4	5	6
Die 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

36 possible results

x	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
P(x)	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{3}{36}$	$\frac{4}{36}$	$\frac{5}{36}$	$\frac{6}{36}$	$\frac{5}{36}$	$\frac{4}{36}$	$\frac{3}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$

So,  $P(X \leq 3) = \frac{1}{36} + \frac{2}{36} = \frac{1}{12}$   
 $P(4 \leq X \leq 6) = \frac{3}{36} + \frac{4}{36} + \frac{5}{36} = \frac{1}{3}$   
 $P(7 \leq X \leq 9) = \frac{6}{36} + \frac{5}{36} + \frac{4}{36} = \frac{5}{12}$   
 $P(X \geq 10) = \frac{3}{36} + \frac{2}{36} + \frac{1}{36} = \frac{1}{6}$

- b The expected gain is  $\left(\frac{1}{12} + \frac{5}{12}\right) \left(-\frac{a}{3}\right) + \frac{1}{3}(7) + \frac{1}{6}(21) - a$
- $$\begin{aligned} &= -\frac{a}{6} + \frac{7}{3} + \frac{21}{6} - a \\ &= -\frac{7a}{6} + \frac{35}{6} \\ &= \frac{1}{6}(35 - 7a) \text{ dollars, as required.} \end{aligned}$$
- c The game is fair when the expected gain is 0.  
 $\therefore \frac{1}{6}(35 - 7a) = 0$   
 $\therefore 35 - 7a = 0$   
 $\therefore a = 5$

- d** If  $a = 4$ , expected gain =  $\frac{1}{6}(35 - 7(4)) = \frac{7}{6}$  dollars
- e** If  $a = 6$ , expected gain =  $\frac{1}{6}(35 - 7(6)) = -\frac{7}{6}$  dollars

So, the people playing would expect to win about \$1.17 per game, which means the organisers expect to lose \$1.17 per game.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Expectation from 2406 games is } & -\frac{7}{6} \times 2406 \\ & = -2807 \\ \therefore \text{the organisers would expect to gain } & \$2807. \end{aligned}$$

## EXERCISE 25D

**1**

$x$	0	1	2	3	4	5	$> 5$
$P(X = x)$	0.54	0.26	0.15	$k$	0.01	0.01	0.00

**a**  $0.54 + 0.26 + 0.15 + k + 0.01 + 0.01 = 1$   
 $\therefore k + 0.97 = 1$   
 $\therefore k = 0.03$

**b**  $\mu = \sum x_i p_i$   
 $= 0 \times 0.54 + 1 \times 0.26 + 2 \times 0.15 + 3 \times 0.03 + 4 \times 0.01 + 5 \times 0.01$   
 $= 0.26 + 0.30 + 0.09 + 0.04 + 0.05$   
 $= 0.74 \quad \text{So, over a long period the mean number of deaths per dozen crayfish is } 0.74.$

**c**  $\sigma = \sqrt{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2 p_i}$   
 $= \sqrt{(0-0.74)^2 \times 0.54 + (1-0.74)^2 \times 0.26 + (2-0.74)^2 \times 0.15 + \dots + (5-0.74)^2 \times 0.01}$   
 $\approx 0.996$

**2**  $P(X = x) = \frac{x^2 + x}{20} \quad \text{for } x = 1, 2, 3$

$x$	1	2	3
$P(X = x)$	$\frac{2}{20} = 0.1$	$\frac{6}{20} = 0.3$	$\frac{12}{20} = 0.6$

**a** The most likely value of  $X$  is 3, so this is the mode of the distribution.

**b**  $p_1 = 0.1$   
 $p_1 + p_2 = 0.1 + 0.3 = 0.4$   
 $p_1 + p_2 + p_3 = 0.4 + 0.6 = 1.0$

Since  $p_1 + p_2 + p_3 \geq 0.5$ , the median is 3.

**c**  $\mu = \sum x_i p_i$   
 $= 1 \times 0.1 + 2 \times 0.3 + 3 \times 0.6$   
 $= 2.5$

**d**  $\sigma = \sqrt{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2 p_i}$   
 $= \sqrt{(1-2.5)^2 \times 0.1 + (2-2.5)^2 \times 0.3 + (3-2.5)^2 \times 0.6}$   
 $\approx 0.671$

**3** **a**  $P(x) = \binom{3}{x} (0.4)^x (0.6)^{3-x} \quad \text{for } x = 0, 1, 2, 3$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P(0) &= \binom{3}{0} (0.4)^0 (0.6)^3 \\ &= (0.6)^3 \\ &= 0.216 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} P(1) &= \binom{3}{1} (0.4)^1 (0.6)^2 \\ &= 3(0.4)(0.6)^2 \\ &= 0.432 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} P(2) &= \binom{3}{2} (0.4)^2 (0.6)^1 \\ &= 3(0.16)(0.6) \\ &= 0.288 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(3) &= \binom{3}{3} (0.4)^3 (0.6)^0 \\ &= 1(0.4)^3 \\ &= 0.064 \end{aligned}$$

$x_i$	0	1	2	3
$P(x_i)$	0.216	0.432	0.288	0.064

**b**  $\mu = \sum x_i p_i = 0(0.216) + 1(0.432) + 2(0.288) + 3(0.064) = 1.2$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &= \sqrt{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2 p_i} \\ &= \sqrt{(0-1.2)^2(0.216) + (1-1.2)^2(0.432) + (2-1.2)^2 \times 0.288 + (3-1.2)^2 \times 0.064} \\ &\approx 0.849 \end{aligned}$$

**4**  $\sigma = \sqrt{\sum(x_i - \mu)^2 p_i}$

$$\therefore \sigma^2 = \sum(x_i - \mu)^2 p_i$$

$$= (x_1 - \mu)^2 p_1 + (x_2 - \mu)^2 p_2 + \dots + (x_n - \mu)^2 p_n$$

$$= (x_1^2 - 2x_1\mu + \mu^2)p_1 + (x_2^2 - 2x_2\mu + \mu^2)p_2 + \dots + (x_n^2 - 2x_n\mu + \mu^2)p_n$$

$$= (x_1^2 p_1 + x_2^2 p_2 + x_3^2 p_3 + \dots + x_n^2 p_n) - 2\mu(x_1 p_1 + x_2 p_2 + \dots + x_n p_n)$$

$$+ \mu^2(p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_n)$$

Now  $p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_n = 1$

$$\therefore \sigma^2 = \sum x_i^2 p_i - 2\mu(\sum x_i p_i) + \mu^2(1)$$

$$= \sum x_i^2 p_i - 2\mu(\mu) + \mu^2 \quad \{ \text{since } \sum x_i p_i = \mu \}$$

$$= \sum x_i^2 p_i - \mu^2$$

**5** **a**

$x_i$	1	2	3	4	5
$P(x_i)$	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.1

**b**  $\mu = \sum x_i p_i$

$$= 1(0.1) + 2(0.2) + \dots + 5(0.1)$$

$$= 0.1 + 0.4 + 1.2 + 0.8 + 0.5$$

$$= 3$$

$\sigma = \sqrt{\sum(x_i - \mu)^2 p_i}$

$$= \sqrt{\sum x_i^2 p_i - \mu^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{1^2(0.1) + 2^2(0.2) + \dots + 5^2(0.1) - (3.0)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{0.1 + 0.8 + 3.6 + 3.2 + 2.5 - 9}$$

$$= \sqrt{1.2}$$

$$\approx 1.10$$

**c** **i**  $P(\mu - \sigma < X < \mu + \sigma)$

$$= P(3 - 1.095 < X < 3 + 1.095)$$

$$= P(1.905 < X < 4.095)$$

$$= P(X = 2, 3, 4)$$

$$= 0.2 + 0.4 + 0.2$$

$$= 0.8$$

**ii**  $P(\mu - 2\sigma < X < \mu + 2\sigma)$

$$= P(3 - 2.19 < X < 3 + 2.19)$$

$$= P(0.81 < X < 5.19)$$

$$= P(X = 1, 2, 3, 4 \text{ or } 5)$$

$$= 0.1 + 0.2 + 0.4 + 0.2 + 0.1$$

$$= 1$$

**6** Let  $X$  be the payout, so  $x = \$20\,000, \$8000, \text{ or } \$0$ .

$\therefore$  the probability distribution is

$x_i$	20 000	8000	0
$P(x_i) = p_i$	0.0025	0.03	0.9675

The expectation is  $\mu = \sum x_i p_i = 20\,000(0.0025) + 8000(0.03) + 0(0.9675)$   
 $= \$290$

The company expects to pay out \$290 on average in the long run.

$\therefore$  the company should charge  $\$290 + \$100 = \$390$ .

**7** **Die 2**

		1	2	3	4	5	6
Die 1	1	1	2	3	4	5	6
	2	2	2	3	4	5	6
	3	3	3	3	4	5	6
	4	4	4	4	4	5	6
	5	5	5	5	5	5	6
	6	6	6	6	6	6	6

**a**

$m_i$	1	2	3	4	5	6
$P(m_i)$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{3}{36}$	$\frac{5}{36}$	$\frac{7}{36}$	$\frac{9}{36}$	$\frac{11}{36}$

**b** **i** The most likely result is 6, so this is the mode.

**ii**

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 &= \frac{1}{36} & p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 &= \frac{9}{36} + \frac{7}{36} = \frac{16}{36} \\ p_1 + p_2 &= \frac{1}{36} + \frac{3}{36} = \frac{4}{36} & p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 + p_5 &= \frac{16}{36} + \frac{9}{36} = \frac{25}{36} \approx 0.694 \\ p_1 + p_2 + p_3 &= \frac{4}{36} + \frac{5}{36} = \frac{9}{36} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 + p_5 \approx 0.694 \geq 0.5$ , the median is 5.

**iii**

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= \sum m_i p_i \\ &= 1\left(\frac{1}{36}\right) + 2\left(\frac{3}{36}\right) + 3\left(\frac{5}{36}\right) + \dots + 6\left(\frac{11}{36}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{36} + \frac{6}{36} + \frac{15}{36} + \frac{28}{36} + \frac{45}{36} + \frac{66}{36} \\ &= \frac{161}{36} \\ &\approx 4.47 \end{aligned}$$

**iv**

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &= \sqrt{\sum m_i^2 p_i - \mu^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1^2\left(\frac{1}{36}\right) + 2^2\left(\frac{3}{36}\right) + \dots + 6^2\left(\frac{11}{36}\right) - \left(\frac{161}{36}\right)^2} \\ &\approx \sqrt{1.97145} \\ &\approx 1.40 \end{aligned}$$

### 8 Examples are:

- (1) Tossing one coin, where  $X$  is the number of ‘heads’ resulting.  $x = 0$  or  $1$

$x$	0	1
$P(x)$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$

- (2) Rolling one die, where  $X$  is the number on the uppermost face.  $x = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ , or  $6$

$x$	1	2	3	4	5	6
$P(x)$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$

## EXERCISE 25E

- 1 a** mean of  $X = E(X)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum x_i p_i \\ &= 2(0.3) + 3(0.3) + 4(0.2) + 5(0.1) + 6(0.1) \\ &= 3.4 \end{aligned}$$

**b**  $E(X^2) = \sum x_i^2 p_i = 4(0.3) + 9(0.3) + 16(0.2) + 25(0.1) + 36(0.1) = 13.2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \text{Var}(X) &= E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 \\ &= 13.2 - (3.4)^2 \\ &= 1.64 \end{aligned}$$

**c**  $\sigma = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)} \approx 1.28$

**2 a**  $\sum p_i = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore 0.2 + k + 0.4 + 0.1 &= 1 \\ \therefore k &= 0.3 \end{aligned}$$

**b**  $E(X) = \sum x_i p_i$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 5(0.2) + 6(0.3) + 7(0.4) + 8(0.1) \\ &= 6.4 \end{aligned}$$

**c**  $\text{Var}(X) = \sum x_i^2 p_i - (E(X))^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 25(0.2) + 36(0.3) + 49(0.4) + 64(0.1) - 6.4^2 \\ &= 0.84 \end{aligned}$$

- 3 a**  $E(X)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum x_i p_i \\ &= 1(0.4) + 2(0.3) + 3(0.2) + 4(0.1) \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

- b**  $E(X^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum x_i^2 p_i \\ &= 1(0.4) + 4(0.3) + 9(0.2) + 16(0.1) \\ &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

**c**  $\text{Var}(X) = \mathbb{E}(X^2) - (\mathbb{E}(X))^2 = 5 - 2^2 = 1$

**d**  $\sigma = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)} = \sqrt{1} = 1$

**e**  $\mathbb{E}(X + 1) = \mathbb{E}(X) + \mathbb{E}(1) = 2 + 1 = 3$

**f**  $\text{Var}(X + 1) = \mathbb{E}((X + 1)^2) - (\mathbb{E}(X + 1))^2 = \mathbb{E}(X^2 + 2X + 1) - 3^2 = \mathbb{E}(X^2) + 2\mathbb{E}(X) + \mathbb{E}(1) - 9 = 5 + 2(2) + 1 - 9 = 1$

**g**  $\mathbb{E}(2X^2 + 3X - 7) = 2\mathbb{E}(X^2) + 3\mathbb{E}(X) - \mathbb{E}(7) = 2(5) + 3(2) - 7 = 9$

**4 a**  $\mathbb{E}(X) = 2.8$   
 $\therefore 1(0.2) + 2a + 3(0.3) + 4b = 2.8$   
 $\therefore 0.2 + 2a + 0.9 + 4b = 2.8$   
 $\therefore 2a + 4b = 1.7 \quad \dots (1)$   
 Also,  $0.2 + a + 0.3 + b = 1$   
 $\therefore b = 0.5 - a \quad \dots (2)$

Substituting (2) into (1) gives  
 $2a + 4(0.5 - a) = 1.7$   
 $\therefore 2a + 2 - 4a = 1.7$   
 $\therefore -2a = -0.3$   
 $\therefore a = 0.15$   
 and  $b = 0.5 - 0.15 = 0.35$

**b**  $\mathbb{E}(X^2) = \sum x_i^2 p_i = 1(0.2) + 4(0.15) + 9(0.3) + 16(0.35) = 9.1$   
 $\therefore \text{Var}(X) = \mathbb{E}(X^2) - (\mathbb{E}(X))^2 = 9.1 - 2.8^2 = 1.26$

**5 a**  $P(X = 0) = a(0) = 0$   
 $P(X = 1) = a(-7) = -7a$   
 $P(X = 2) = a(-12) = -12a$   
 $P(X = 3) = a(-15) = -15a$   
 $P(X = 4) = a(-16) = -16a$   
 $P(X = 5) = a(-15) = -15a$   
 $P(X = 6) = a(-12) = -12a$   
 $P(X = 7) = a(-7) = -7a$   
 $P(X = 8) = a(0) = 0$

$\therefore 2(-7a - 12a - 15a) - 16a = 1$   
 $\therefore a(-84) = 1$   
 $\therefore a = -\frac{1}{84}$

**b**  $\mathbb{E}(X) = \sum x_i p_i = 1\left(\frac{7}{84}\right) + 2\left(\frac{12}{84}\right) + 3\left(\frac{15}{84}\right) + 4\left(\frac{16}{84}\right) + 5\left(\frac{15}{84}\right) + 6\left(\frac{12}{84}\right) + 7\left(\frac{7}{84}\right) = \frac{336}{84} = 4$

**c**  $\mathbb{E}(X^2) = \sum x_i^2 p_i = 1\left(\frac{7}{84}\right) + 4\left(\frac{12}{84}\right) + 9\left(\frac{15}{84}\right) + 16\left(\frac{16}{84}\right) + 25\left(\frac{15}{84}\right) + 36\left(\frac{12}{84}\right) + 49\left(\frac{7}{84}\right) = \frac{1596}{84} = 19$   
 $\therefore \text{Var}(X) = \mathbb{E}(X^2) - (\mathbb{E}(X))^2 = 19 - 4^2 = 3$   
 $\therefore \sigma = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)} = \sqrt{3}$

**6 a**  $\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right)^4 = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 + 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^1 + 6\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4$   
 $= \frac{1}{16} + \frac{4}{16} + \frac{6}{16} + \frac{4}{16} + \frac{1}{16}$

So, the probability distribution for  $X$ , the number of heads occurring, is:

$x$	0	1	2	3	4
$P(x)$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{4}{16}$	$\frac{6}{16}$	$\frac{4}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$

**b i**  $E(X) = \sum x_i p_i = 0\left(\frac{1}{16}\right) + 1\left(\frac{4}{16}\right) + 2\left(\frac{6}{16}\right) + 3\left(\frac{4}{16}\right) + 4\left(\frac{1}{16}\right) = 2$   
 $\therefore \text{mean} = 2$

**ii**  $E(X^2) = \sum x_i^2 p_i = 0\left(\frac{1}{16}\right) + 1\left(\frac{4}{16}\right) + 4\left(\frac{6}{16}\right) + 9\left(\frac{4}{16}\right) + 16\left(\frac{1}{16}\right) = 5$   
 $\therefore \sigma = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)} = \sqrt{E(X^2) - (E(X))^2} = \sqrt{5 - 2^2} = 1$

**7 a**  $P(0 \text{ bitter, } 3 \text{ not bitter}) = \frac{\binom{2}{0} \binom{8}{3}}{\binom{10}{3}} = \frac{42}{90} = \frac{7}{15}$

$$P(1 \text{ bitter, } 2 \text{ not bitter}) = \frac{\binom{2}{1} \binom{8}{2}}{\binom{10}{3}} = \frac{7}{15}$$

$x$	0	1	2
$P(x)$	$\frac{7}{15}$	$\frac{7}{15}$	$\frac{1}{15}$

$$P(2 \text{ bitter, } 1 \text{ not bitter}) = \frac{\binom{2}{2} \binom{8}{1}}{\binom{10}{3}} = \frac{6}{90} = \frac{1}{15}$$

**b i**  $E(X) = 0\left(\frac{7}{15}\right) + 1\left(\frac{7}{15}\right) + 2\left(\frac{1}{15}\right) = \frac{9}{15} = 0.6$   
 $\therefore \text{mean} = 0.6 \text{ bitter almonds}$

**ii**  $E(X^2) = 0^2\left(\frac{7}{15}\right) + 1^2\left(\frac{7}{15}\right) + 2^2\left(\frac{1}{15}\right) = \frac{11}{15}$   
 $\therefore \text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = \frac{11}{15} - \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{11}{15} - \frac{9}{25} \approx 0.3733$  and so  $\sigma \approx 0.611$

**8 a**  $E(Y) = 0.9$   
 $\therefore -1(0.1) + 0(a) + 1(0.3) + 2b = 0.9$   
 $\therefore 0.2 + 2b = 0.9$   
 $\therefore 2b = 0.7$   
 $\therefore b = 0.35$

Also,  $0.1 + a + 0.3 + b = 1$   
 $\therefore a = 1 - 0.1 - 0.3 - 0.35$   
 $\therefore a = 0.25$

**b**  $E(Y^2) = (-1)^2(0.1) + 0^2(0.25) + 1^2(0.3) + 2^2(0.35) = 1.8$   
 $\therefore \text{Var}(Y) = E(Y^2) - (E(Y))^2 = 1.8 - 0.9^2 = 0.99$

**9 a**  $\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{12} + a + \frac{1}{6} = 1$   
 $\therefore a = \frac{1}{4}$

**b i**  $E(X) = 1\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 3\left(\frac{1}{12}\right) + 4\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 5\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) = \frac{35}{12} = 2\frac{11}{12}$   
 $E(X^2) = 1^2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 2^2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 3^2\left(\frac{1}{12}\right) + 4^2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 5^2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) = \frac{125}{12}$   
 $\therefore \text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = \frac{125}{12} - \left(\frac{35}{12}\right)^2 = \frac{1500}{144} - \frac{1225}{144} = \frac{275}{144} \approx 1.91$

ii	$E(2X)$	$\text{Var}(2X)$	iii	$E(X - 1)$	$\text{Var}(X - 1)$
	$= 2E(X)$	$= 2^2 \text{Var}(X)$		$= E(X) - E(1)$	$= \text{Var}(X)$
	$= 2 \times \frac{35}{12}$	$= 4 \times \frac{275}{144}$		$= \frac{35}{12} - 1$	$= \frac{275}{144}$
	$= \frac{35}{6}$	$= \frac{275}{36}$		$= \frac{23}{12}$	$\approx 1.91$
	$= 5\frac{5}{6}$	$= 7\frac{23}{36}$		$= 1\frac{11}{12}$	
		$\approx 7.64$			

10  $X$  has mean 6 and standard deviation 2.

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y) &= E(2X + 5) \\ &= 2E(X) + E(5) \\ &= 2 \times 6 + 5 \\ &= 17 \end{aligned}$$

∴ mean of  $Y$  distribution is 17

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(Y) &= \text{Var}(2X + 5) \\ &= 2^2 \text{Var}(X) \\ &= 4 \times 2^2 \\ &= 16 \end{aligned}$$

∴ standard deviation of  $Y$  distribution is  $\sqrt{16} = 4$

11 a  $E(aX + b) = E(aX) + E(b)$   
 $= aE(X) + E(b)$   
 $= aE(X) + b$

{using  $E(A + B) = E(A) + E(B)$ }  
{using  $E(kX) = kE(X)$ }  
{using  $E(k) = k$ ,  $k$  a constant}

b i  $E(Y) = E(3X + 4)$   
 $= 3E(X) + 4$   
 $= 3(3) + 4$   
 $= 13$

ii  $E(Y) = E(-2X + 1)$   
 $= -2E(X) + 1$   
 $= -2(3) + 1$   
 $= -5$

iii  $E(Y) = E\left(\frac{4X - 2}{3}\right)$   
 $= E\left(\frac{4}{3}X - \frac{2}{3}\right)$   
 $= \frac{4}{3}E(X) - \frac{2}{3}$   
 $= \frac{4}{3}(3) - \frac{2}{3} = 3\frac{1}{3}$

12  $X$  has mean 5 and standard deviation 2.

a  $E(Y) = E(2X + 3) = 2E(X) + 3 = 2 \times 5 + 3 = 13$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \text{Var}(2X + 3) = 2^2 \text{Var}(X) = 4 \times 2^2 = 16$$

b  $E(Y) = E(-2X + 3) = -2E(X) + 3 = -2 \times 5 + 3 = -7$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \text{Var}(-2X + 3) = (-2)^2 \text{Var}(X) = 4 \times 2^2 = 16$$

c  $Y = \frac{X - 5}{2} = \frac{1}{2}X - \frac{5}{2}$

$$E(Y) = E\left(\frac{1}{2}X - \frac{5}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}E(X) - \frac{5}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \times 5 - \frac{5}{2} = 0$$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{2}X - \frac{5}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \text{Var}(X) = \frac{1}{4} \times 2^2 = 1$$

13  $Y = 2X + 3$

a  $E(Y) = E(2X + 3)$   
 $= 2E(X) + 3$

b  $E(Y^2) = E(4X^2 + 12X + 9)$   
 $= 4E(X^2) + 12E(X) + 9$

c  $\text{Var}(Y) = E(Y^2) - (E(Y))^2$   
 $= [4E(X^2) + 12E(X) + 9] - [2E(X) + 3]^2$   
 $= 4E(X^2) + 12E(X) + 9 - [4(E(X))^2 + 12E(X) + 9]$   
 $= 4E(X^2) - 4(E(X))^2$

14  $\text{Var}(aX + b) = E((aX + b)^2) - (E(aX + b))^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &= E(a^2X^2 + 2abX + b^2) - (aE(X) + b)^2 \\ &= a^2E(X^2) + 2abE(X) + b^2 - [a^2(E(X))^2 + 2abE(X) + b^2] \\ &= a^2E(X^2) + 2abE(X) + b^2 - a^2(E(X))^2 - 2abE(X) - b^2 \\ &= a^2(E(X^2) - (E(X))^2) \\ &= a^2 \text{Var}(X) \end{aligned}$$

**EXERCISE 25F.1**

- 1 a**  $(p+q)^4 = p^4 + 4p^3q + 6p^2q^2 + 4pq^3 + q^4$
- b**  $P(3 \text{ heads}) = 4p^3q$   
 $= 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$  {as  $p = q = \frac{1}{2}$ }  
 $= \frac{1}{4}$
- 2 a**  $(p+q)^5 = p^5 + 5p^4q + 10p^3q^2 + 10p^2q^3 + 5pq^4 + q^5$
- b i**  $P(4H \text{ and } 1T) = 5p^4q$   
 $= 5\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$   
 $= \frac{5}{32}$
- ii**  $P(2H \text{ and } 3T) = 10p^2q^3$   
 $= 10\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3$   
 $= \frac{10}{32}$   
 $= \frac{5}{16}$
- iii**  $P(HHHHT) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \times \frac{1}{2}$   
 $= \frac{1}{32}$
- 3 a**  $\left(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3}\right)^4 = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 + 4\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 6\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + 4\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4$
- b**  $P(S) = \frac{2}{3}, P(S') = \frac{1}{3}$   $S'$  represents an almond centre
- i**  $P(\text{all } S) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4$   
 $= \frac{16}{81}$
- ii**  $P(\text{two of each}) = 6\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2$   
 $= \frac{8}{27}$
- iii**  $P(\text{at least 2 strawberry creams}) = P(\text{all } S \text{ or } 3S, 1S' \text{ or } 2S, 2S')$   
 $= \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 + 4\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 6\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2$   
 $= \frac{16}{81} + \frac{32}{81} + \frac{24}{81}$   
 $= \frac{72}{81}$   
 $= \frac{8}{9}$
- 4 a**  $\left(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\right)^5 = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^5 + 5\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^4\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 10\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 + 10\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^3 + 5\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^5$
- b**  $P(\text{'normal' kiwi}) = \frac{3}{4}, P(\text{'flat back'}) = \frac{1}{4}$
- i**  $P(2 \text{ 'flat backs'}) = P(3F', 2F)$   
 $= 10 \times \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2$   
 $= \frac{135}{512}$
- ii**  $P(\text{at least 3 'flat backs'}) = P(2F', 3F \text{ or } 1F', 4F \text{ or } 5F)$   
 $= 10\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^3 + 5\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^5$   
 $= \frac{53}{512}$  on simplifying
- iii**  $P(\text{at most 3 'normal' kiwis}) = 1 - P(4 \text{ or } 5 \text{ normal kiwis})$   
 $= 1 - P(4F', 1F \text{ or } 5F')$   
 $= 1 - \left(5\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^4\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^5\right)$   
 $= \frac{47}{128}$
- 5** Let  $X$  be the number of Huy's hits.
- a** Using the binomial expansion,  
 $P(X = 2) = 6\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2 \approx 0.154$
- b**  $P(X \geq 2) = 1 - P(X \leq 1)$   
 $\approx 1 - \left(4\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^4\right)$   
 $\approx 0.973$

**EXERCISE 25F.2**

- 1 a** The binomial distribution applies, as tossing a coin has two possible outcomes (a head or a tail) and each toss is independent of every other toss.
- b** The binomial distribution applies, as this is equivalent to tossing one coin 100 times.

- c** The binomial distribution applies as we can draw out a red or a blue marble with the same chances each time.
- d** The binomial distribution does not apply as the result of each draw is dependent upon the results of previous draws.
- e** The binomial distribution does not apply, assuming that ten bolts are drawn without replacement, as we do not have a repetition of independent trials.
- 2** Let  $X$  be the number of defective light bulbs.
- a**  $P(X = 2) \approx 0.0305$  {using technology}      **b**  $P(X \geq 1) \approx 0.265$
- 3** If  $X$  is the number of questions Raj answers correctly, then  $X$  is binomial. There are  $n = 10$  independent trials with probability  $p = \frac{1}{5}$  of a correct answer for each.
- $$\begin{aligned} P(\text{Raj passes}) &= P(X \geq 7) \\ &\approx 0.000864 \quad \{\text{or about 9 in 10 000}\} \end{aligned}$$
- 4**  $X$  is the random variable for the number working night-shift.  
 $\therefore X = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$  and  $X \sim B(7, 0.35)$ .
- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <b>a</b> $P(X = 3)$<br>$= \binom{7}{3}(0.35)^3(0.65)^4$<br>$\approx 0.268$ | <b>b</b> $P(X < 4)$<br>$= P(X \leq 3)$<br>$\approx 0.800$ | <b>c</b> $P(\text{at least 4 work night-shift})$<br>$= P(X \geq 4)$<br>$\approx 0.200$ |
|--|---|--|
- 5**  $X$  is the number of faulty items.  
 $\therefore X = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 12$  and  $X \sim B(12, 0.06)$ .
- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>a</b> $P(X = 0) = \binom{12}{0}(0.06)^0(0.94)^{12}$<br>$\approx 0.476$     | <b>b</b> $P(\text{at most one is faulty}) = P(X \leq 1)$<br>$\approx 0.840$                     |
| <b>c</b> $P(\text{at least two are faulty}) = P(X \geq 2)$<br>$\approx 0.160$ | <b>d</b> $P(\text{less than four are faulty}) = P(X < 4)$<br>$= P(X \leq 3)$<br>$\approx 0.996$ |
- 6**  $X$  is the random variable for the number of apples with a blemish.  
 $\therefore X = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 25$  and  $X \sim B(25, 0.05)$ .
- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <b>a</b> $P(X = 2)$<br>$= \binom{25}{2}(0.05)^2(0.95)^{23}$<br>$\approx 0.231$ | <b>b</b> $P(X \geq 1)$<br>$\approx 0.723$ | <b>c</b> $E(X) = np$<br>$= 25 \times 0.05$<br>$= 1.25 \text{ apples}$ |
|--|---|---|
- 7**  $X$  is the random variable for the number of times in a week that the bus is on time.  
Since it is late 2 in every 5 days, and on time 3 in every 5 days,  
 $X = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, \text{ or } 7$  and  $X \sim B(7, 0.6)$ .
- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>a</b> $P(X = 7) = \binom{7}{7}(0.6)^7(0.4)^0$<br>$\approx 0.0280$ | <b>b</b> $P(\text{on time only on Monday}) = 0.6 \times (0.4)^6$<br>$\approx 0.00246$ |
| <b>c</b> $P(X = 6) = \binom{7}{6}(0.6)^6(0.4)$<br>$\approx 0.131$    | <b>d</b> $P(X \geq 4) \approx 0.710$  |
- 8**  $X$  is the random variable for the number of students with the flu.  
 $\therefore X = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 25$  and  $X \sim B(25, 0.3)$ .
- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>a</b> <b>i</b> $P(X \geq 2) \approx 0.998$  | <b>ii</b> $P(\text{test cancelled}) = P(X \geq 6)$ {20% of 25 = 5}<br>$\approx 0.807$ |
| <b>b</b> Expected absentees from 350 students = $0.3 \times 350$<br>$= 105 \text{ students}$ |   |

- 9**  $X$  is the random variable for the number of successful shots from the free throw line.  
 $\therefore X = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 20$  and  $X \sim B(20, 0.94)$ .

**a** **i**  $P(X = 20) = \binom{20}{20} (0.94)^{20} (0.06)^0$  **ii**  $P(X \geq 18) \approx 0.885$   
 $\approx 0.290$

**b**  $E(X) = np = 20 \times 0.94$   
 $= 18.8$  successful throws

- 10**  $P(M \text{ wins a game against J}) = \frac{2}{3}$   $\therefore P(M \text{ wins}) = \frac{2}{3}$   $P(J \text{ wins}) = \frac{1}{3}$   
 $P(J \text{ wins a set 6 games to 4}) = P(\underbrace{J \text{ wins 5 of the first 9 games}}_{\text{this is binomial with } n=9 \text{ trials of probability } p=\frac{1}{3}} \text{ and } J \text{ wins the 10th game})$   
 $\approx 0.1024 \times \frac{1}{3}$   
 $\approx 0.0341$

- 11** If there are  $n$  dice thrown,  $P(\text{no sixes}) = \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^n$   
 $\therefore P(\text{at least 1 six}) = 1 - \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^n$   
 $\therefore$  need to find the smallest integer  $n$  such that  $1 - \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^n > 0.5$   
 $\therefore \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^n < 0.5$   
 $\therefore n \log\left(\frac{5}{6}\right) < \log(0.5)$   
 $\therefore n > \frac{\log(0.5)}{\log\left(\frac{5}{6}\right)} \quad \{\log\left(\frac{5}{6}\right) < 0\}$   
 $\therefore n > 3.80$

$\therefore$  at least 4 dice are needed.

- 12** If a fair coin is tossed 200 times, then  $n = 200$  and  $p = \frac{1}{2}$ .

**a**  $P(90 \leq X \leq 110)$  **b**  $P(95 < X < 105)$   
 $\approx 0.863$   $= P(96 \leq X \leq 104)$   
 $\approx 0.475$

- 13**  $n = 38$ ,  $p = 0.75$   
 $P(24 \leq X \leq 31) \approx 0.837$

- 14** **a**  $P(x) = \binom{n}{x} p^{n-x} (1-p)^x = \left( \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!} \right) p^{n-x} (1-p)^x$   
 $\therefore P(x+1) = \binom{n}{x+1} p^{n-(x+1)} (1-p)^{x+1}$   
 $= \frac{n!}{(x+1)![n-(x+1)]!} p^{n-x-1} (1-p)^{x+1}$   
 $= \frac{n!}{(x+1)x!(n-x-1)!} \left( \frac{p^{n-x}}{p} \right) (1-p)^x \times (1-p)$   
 $= \frac{n!(n-x)}{(x+1)x!(n-x)!} p^{n-x} (1-p)^x \left( \frac{1-p}{p} \right)$   
 $= \left( \frac{n-x}{x+1} \right) \left( \frac{1-p}{p} \right) \left( \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!} \right) p^{n-x} (1-p)^x$   
 $= \left( \frac{n-x}{x+1} \right) \left( \frac{1-p}{p} \right) P(x), \text{ where } P(0) = \binom{n}{0} p^{n-0} (1-p)^0 = p^n$

**b**  $P(0) = p^n = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^5 = \frac{1}{32}$

$$\begin{aligned} P(1) &= \left(\frac{n-x}{x+1}\right) \left(\frac{1-p}{p}\right) P(0) \\ &= \left(\frac{5-0}{0+1}\right) (1)\left(\frac{1}{32}\right) \quad \{p = \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } 1-p = \frac{1}{2} \quad \therefore \quad \frac{1-p}{p} = 1\} \\ &= \frac{5}{32} \end{aligned}$$

$$P(2) = \left(\frac{5-1}{1+1}\right) (1)\left(\frac{5}{32}\right) = \frac{10}{32}$$

$$P(3) = \left(\frac{5-2}{2+1}\right) (1)\left(\frac{10}{32}\right) = \frac{10}{32}$$

$$P(4) = \left(\frac{5-3}{3+1}\right) (1)\left(\frac{10}{32}\right) = \frac{5}{32}$$

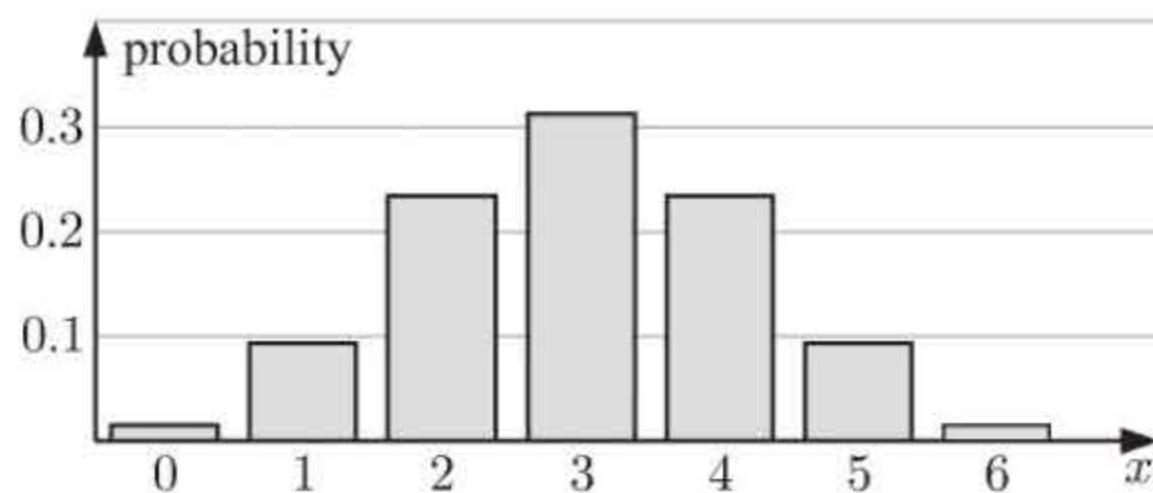
$$P(5) = \left(\frac{5-4}{4+1}\right) (1)\left(\frac{5}{32}\right) = \frac{1}{32}$$

### EXERCISE 25F.3

**1 a i**  $\mu = np$   $\sigma = \sqrt{np(1-p)}$   
 $= 6 \times 0.5$   $= \sqrt{6 \times 0.5 \times 0.5}$   
 $= 3$   $\approx 1.22$

**ii**

$x$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$P(x)$	0.0156	0.0938	0.2344	0.3125	0.2344	0.0938	0.0156

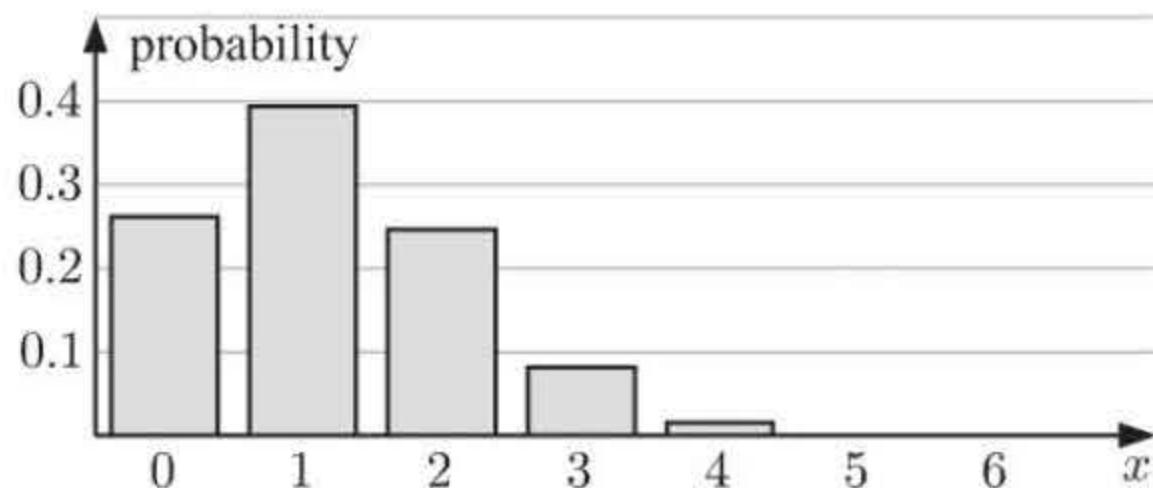


**iii** The distribution is bell-shaped.

**b i**  $\mu = np$   $\sigma = \sqrt{np(1-p)}$   
 $= 6 \times 0.2$   $= \sqrt{6 \times 0.2 \times 0.8}$   
 $= 1.2$   $\approx 0.980$

**ii**

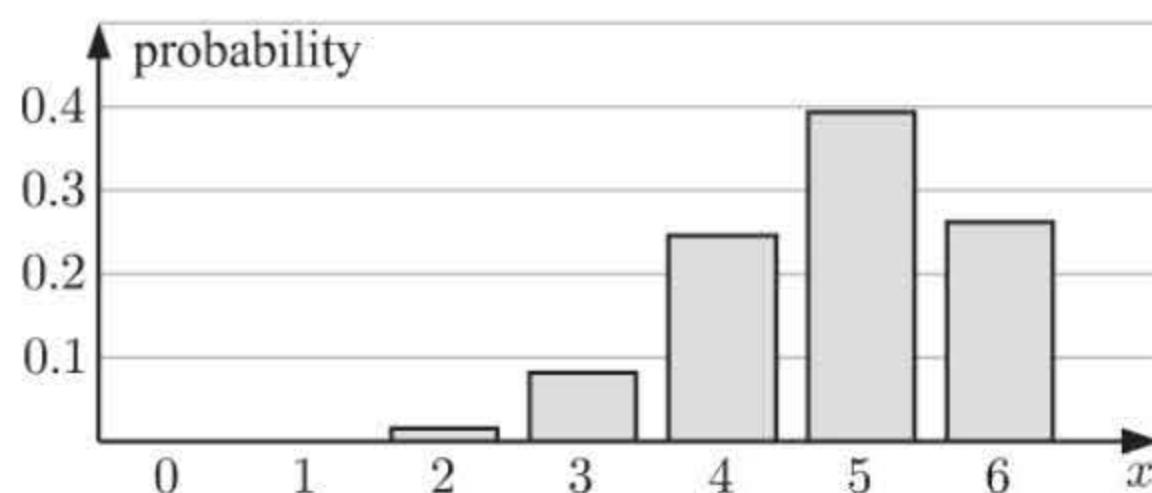
$x$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$P(x)$	0.2621	0.3932	0.2458	0.0819	0.0154	0.0015	0.0001



**iii** The distribution is positively skewed.

**c i**  $\mu = np$   $\sigma = \sqrt{np(1-p)}$   
 $= 6 \times 0.8$   $= \sqrt{6 \times 0.8 \times 0.2}$   
 $= 4.8$   $\approx 0.980$

ii	<table border="1"> <tr> <td><math>x</math></td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr> <td><math>P(x)</math></td><td>0.0001</td><td>0.0015</td><td>0.0154</td><td>0.0819</td><td>0.2458</td><td>0.3932</td><td>0.2621</td></tr> </table>	$x$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	$P(x)$	0.0001	0.0015	0.0154	0.0819	0.2458	0.3932	0.2621
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$P(x)$	0.0001	0.0015	0.0154	0.0819	0.2458	0.3932	0.2621										



iii The distribution is negatively skewed, and is the exact reflection of the distribution in b.

$$\begin{aligned} \textbf{2} \quad n = 10, \quad p = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \text{mean } \mu &= np \\ &= 10 \times \frac{1}{2} \\ &= 5 \end{aligned} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{variance } \sigma^2 = np(1-p) \\ &= 10 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \\ &= 2.5$$

**3 a**  $X \sim B(3, p)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X=0) &= \binom{3}{0} p^0 (1-p)^3 \\ &= (1-p)^3 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} P(X=1) &= \binom{3}{1} p^1 (1-p)^2 \\ &= 3p(1-p)^2 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} P(X=2) &= \binom{3}{2} p^2 (1-p)^1 \\ &= 3p^2(1-p) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X=3) &= \binom{3}{3} p^3 (1-p)^0 \\ &= p^3 \end{aligned}$$

$x_i$	0	1	2	3
$P(x_i)$	$(1-p)^3$	$3p(1-p)^2$	$3p^2(1-p)$	$p^3$

$$\begin{aligned} \textbf{b} \quad \mu &= \sum x_i p_i \\ &= 0(1-p)^3 + 1 \times 3p(1-p)^2 + 2 \times 3p^2(1-p) + 3p^3 \\ &= 3p(1-p)^2 + 6p^2(1-p) + 3p^3 \\ &= 3p(1-2p+p^2) + 6p^2 - 6p^3 + 3p^3 \\ &= 3p - 6p^2 + 3p^3 + 6p^2 - 6p^3 + 3p^3 \\ &= 3p \quad \text{as required} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textbf{c} \quad \sigma^2 &= \sum x_i^2 p_i - \mu^2 \\ &= 0^2 \times (1-p)^3 + 1^2 \times 3p(1-p)^2 + 2^2 \times 3p^2(1-p) + 3^2 p^3 - (3p)^2 \\ &= 3p(1-p)^2 + 12p^2(1-p) + 9p^2(p-1) \\ &= (1-p)[3p(1-p) + 12p^2 - 9p^2] \\ &= (1-p)[3p - 3p^2 + 3p^2] \\ &= 3p(1-p) \\ \therefore \sigma &= \sqrt{3p(1-p)} \quad \text{as required} \end{aligned}$$

**4 a**  $n = 30, \quad p = 0.04$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= np \\ &= 30 \times 0.04 \\ &= 1.2 \\ \sigma &= \sqrt{np(1-p)} \\ &= \sqrt{30 \times 0.04 \times 0.96} \\ &\approx 1.07 \end{aligned}$$

**b**  $n = 30, \quad p = 0.96$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= np \\ &= 30 \times 0.96 \\ &= 28.8 \\ \sigma &= \sqrt{np(1-p)} \\ &= \sqrt{30 \times 0.96 \times 0.04} \\ &\approx 1.07 \end{aligned}$$

**5**  $n = 30, \quad p = 0.13$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{mean } \mu &= np \\ &= 30 \times 0.13 \\ &= 3.9 \end{aligned} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{standard deviation } \sigma = \sqrt{np(1-p)} \\ &= \sqrt{30 \times 0.13 \times 0.87} \\ &\approx 1.84 \end{math>$$

**EXERCISE 25G**

**1 a** mean =  $\frac{\sum f_i x_i}{\sum f_i} = \frac{0 + 18 + 24 + 18 + 12 + 0 + 6}{52} = \frac{78}{52} = 1.5$

**b** Using  $m = 1.5$ , we find  $p_x = \frac{(1.5)^x e^{-1.5}}{x!}$ ,  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

So, we can obtain:  $p_0 = \frac{(1.5)^0 e^{-1.5}}{0!} \approx 0.2231 \quad \therefore 52p_0 \approx 11.6$

$$p_1 = \frac{(1.5)^1 e^{-1.5}}{1!} \approx 0.3347 \quad \therefore 52p_1 \approx 17.4$$

$$p_2 = \frac{(1.5)^2 e^{-1.5}}{2!} \approx 0.2510 \quad \therefore 52p_2 \approx 13.1$$

$$p_3 = \frac{(1.5)^3 e^{-1.5}}{3!} \approx 0.1255 \quad \therefore 52p_3 \approx 6.5$$

$$p_4 = \frac{(1.5)^4 e^{-1.5}}{4!} \approx 0.0471 \quad \therefore 52p_4 \approx 2.4$$

$$p_5 = \frac{(1.5)^5 e^{-1.5}}{5!} \approx 0.0141 \quad \therefore 52p_5 \approx 0.7$$

$$p_6 = \frac{(1.5)^6 e^{-1.5}}{6!} \approx 0.0035 \quad \therefore 52p_6 \approx 0.2$$

Comparison:

$x$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$f$	12	18	12	6	3	0	1
$52p_x$	11.6	17.4	13.1	6.5	2.4	0.7	0.2

The fit is excellent.

**2** Standard deviation = 2.67

**a** mean =  $\sigma^2$   
 $= 2.67^2$   
 $= 7.1289$   
 $\approx 7.13$

**b**  $m = 7.1289$   
 $\therefore p_x \approx \frac{(7.1289)^x e^{-7.1289}}{x!}$  where  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots$

**c i**  $P(X = 2) = \frac{(7.1289)^2 e^{-7.1289}}{2!} \approx 0.0204$

**ii**  $P(X \leq 3) \approx 0.0753$

**iii**  $P(X \geq 5) = 1 - P(X \leq 4) \approx 1 - 0.162 \approx 0.838$

**iv**  $P(X \geq 3 | X \geq 1) = \frac{P(X \geq 3 \cap X \geq 1)}{P(X \geq 1)} = \frac{P(X \geq 3)}{P(X \geq 1)} = \frac{1 - P(X \leq 2)}{1 - P(X = 0)} \approx \frac{1 - 0.0269}{1 - 0.0008} \approx 0.974$

**3 a**  $\mu = \frac{1 \times 156 + 2 \times 132 + 3 \times 75 + 4 \times 33 + 5 \times 9 + 6 \times 3 + 7 \times 1}{91 + 156 + 132 + 75 + 33 + 9 + 3 + 1} = \frac{847}{500} = 1.694$

- b** Using  $m = 1.694$ , we find  $p_x = \frac{(1.694)^x e^{-1.694}}{x!}$  where  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$

$$\text{So, we can obtain: } 500p_0 = 500 \times 1.694^0 \times e^{-1.694} \times \frac{1}{0!} \approx 91.9$$

$$500p_1 = 500 \times 1.694^1 \times e^{-1.694} \times \frac{1}{1!} \approx 155.7$$

$$500p_2 = 500 \times 1.694^2 \times e^{-1.694} \times \frac{1}{2!} \approx 131.8$$

$$500p_3 = 500 \times 1.694^3 \times e^{-1.694} \times \frac{1}{3!} \approx 74.4$$

$$500p_4 = 500 \times 1.694^4 \times e^{-1.694} \times \frac{1}{4!} \approx 31.5$$

$$500p_5 = 500 \times 1.694^5 \times e^{-1.694} \times \frac{1}{5!} \approx 10.7$$

$$500p_6 = 500 \times 1.694^6 \times e^{-1.694} \times \frac{1}{6!} \approx 3.0$$

$$500p_7 = 500 \times 1.694^7 \times e^{-1.694} \times \frac{1}{7!} \approx 0.7$$

Comparison:

$x$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$f$	91	156	132	75	33	9	3	1
$500p_x$	92	156	132	74	32	11	3	1

The fit is excellent.

**c**  $\text{Var}(X)$

$$= E(X^2) - (E(X))^2$$

$$= \sum x_i^2 p_i - (1.694)^2$$

$$= 1 \times \frac{156}{500} + 4 \times \frac{132}{500} + 9 \times \frac{75}{500} + 16 \times \frac{33}{500} + 25 \times \frac{9}{500} + 36 \times \frac{3}{500} + 49 \times \frac{1}{500} - (1.694)^2$$

$$\approx 1.6683$$

$$\therefore \sigma \approx 1.29 \text{ and } \sqrt{m} = \sqrt{1.694} \approx 1.30$$

$\therefore \sigma$  is very close to the square root of the mean.

- 4**  $p_x = \frac{3^x e^{-3}}{x!}$  where  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots$

**a**  $P(X = 0)$

$$= \frac{3^0 e^{-3}}{0!}$$

$$\approx 0.0498$$

**b**  $P(X \geq 3)$

$$= 1 - P(X \leq 2)$$

$$\approx 1 - 0.423$$

$$\approx 0.577$$

**c**  $P(\text{some requests are refused})$

$$= P(X \geq 5)$$

$$= 1 - P(X \leq 4)$$

$$\approx 1 - 0.815$$

$$\approx 0.185$$

**d**  $P(X \geq 4 \mid X \geq 2)$

$$= \frac{P(X \geq 4 \cap X \geq 2)}{P(X \geq 2)}$$

$$= \frac{P(X \geq 4)}{P(X \geq 2)}$$

$$= \frac{1 - P(X \leq 3)}{1 - P(X \leq 1)}$$

$$\approx \frac{1 - 0.64723}{1 - 0.19914}$$

$$\approx 0.440$$

**5**  $P(X = x) = \frac{m^x e^{-m}}{x!}$  where  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$

a If  $P(X = 1) + P(X = 2) = P(X = 3)$ ,

$$\text{then } \frac{me^{-m}}{1!} + \frac{m^2 e^{-m}}{2!} = \frac{m^3 e^{-m}}{3!}$$

$$\therefore m + \frac{m^2}{2} = \frac{m^3}{6} \quad \{\div e^{-m}\}$$

$$\therefore 6m + 3m^2 = m^3$$

$$\therefore m(m^2 - 3m - 6) = 0 \quad \text{where } m \neq 0$$

$$\therefore m^2 - 3m - 6 = 0$$

$$\therefore m = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 4(1)(-6)}}{2} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{33}}{2}$$

$$\text{But } m > 0, \text{ so } m = \frac{3 + \sqrt{33}}{2}$$

b i  $P(X \geq 3)$

$$= 1 - P(X \leq 2)$$

$$\approx 1 - 0.494$$

$$\approx 0.506$$

ii  $P(X \leq 4 \mid X \geq 2)$

$$= \frac{P(X \leq 4 \cap X \geq 2)}{P(X \geq 2)}$$

$$= \frac{P(X = 2, 3 \text{ or } 4)}{P(X \geq 2)}$$

$$= \frac{P(X \leq 4) - P(X \leq 1)}{1 - P(X \leq 1)}$$

$$\approx \frac{0.8629 - 0.24866}{1 - 0.24866}$$

$$\approx 0.818$$

**6** Let  $X$  be the number of aerofoils which disintegrate from a sample of 100.

Each aerofoil has a 2% chance of disintegrating, so  $m = E(X) = 0.02 \times 100 = 2$

$$\therefore P(X = x) = \frac{2^x e^{-2}}{x!} \quad \text{where } x = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

a  $P(X = 1) = \frac{2^1 e^{-2}}{1!} = \frac{2}{e^2} \approx 0.271$

b  $P(X = 2) = \frac{2^2 e^{-2}}{2!} = \frac{4}{2e^2} \approx 0.271$

c  $P(X \leq 2) = P(X = 0) + P(X = 1) + P(X = 2)$

$$= \frac{2^0 e^{-2}}{0!} + \frac{2^1 e^{-2}}{1!} + \frac{2^2 e^{-2}}{2!}$$

$$= \frac{1}{e^2} + \frac{2}{e^2} + \frac{2}{e^2}$$

$$= \frac{5}{e^2} \approx 0.677$$

**7** a A person who drives 10 times per week will drive  $10 \times 52 = 520$  times in one year.

Let  $X$  be the number of fatalities from driving 520 times.

$$m = E(X) = 0.0002 \times 520 = 0.104$$

$$\therefore P(X = x) = \frac{0.104^x e^{-0.104}}{x!}$$

$$\therefore P(X = 0) = \frac{0.104^0 e^{-0.104}}{0!} \approx 0.901 \quad \therefore \text{the probability of surviving is } 0.901.$$

**b**  $P(\text{driving for } n \text{ years and surviving}) = (0.901)^n$

$\therefore$  we need to find  $n$  such that  $(0.901)^n = 0.5$

$$\therefore n \log 0.901 = \log 0.5$$

$$\therefore n = \frac{\log 0.5}{\log 0.901} \approx 6.66$$

$\therefore$  you can drive for 6 years and still have a better than even chance of surviving.

- 8** Let  $X$  be the number of flaws in 1 metre of material.

$$m = 1.7 \quad \therefore P(X = x) = \frac{1.7^x e^{-1.7}}{x!}, \quad x = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

**a**  $P(X = 3) = \frac{1.7^3 e^{-1.7}}{3!} \approx 0.150$

**c**  $P(X = 0) \approx 0.183$

$P(X = 1) \approx 0.311$

$P(X = 2) \approx 0.264$

$P(X = 3) \approx 0.150$

$P(X = 4) \approx 0.064$

**b**  $P(\text{at least one flaw in 2 metres})$   
 $= 1 - P(\text{no flaws in 2 metres})$   
 $= 1 - (P(X = 0))^2$   
 $\approx 1 - (0.1827)^2$   
 $\approx 0.967$

Finding the highest of the probabilities,  
the mode is 1 flaw per metre.

**9** **a**  $P(Y = y) = \frac{m^y e^{-m}}{y!}, \quad y = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$P(Y = 3) = P(Y = 1) + 2P(Y = 2)$$

$$\therefore \frac{m^3 e^{-m}}{3!} = \frac{m^1 e^{-m}}{1!} + 2 \frac{m^2 e^{-m}}{2!}$$

$$\therefore \frac{m^3}{6} = m + m^2 \quad \{ \times e^m \}$$

$$\therefore m^3 = 6m + 6m^2$$

$$\therefore m(m^2 - 6m - 6) = 0 \text{ where } m \neq 0$$

$$\therefore m^2 - 6m - 6 = 0$$

$$\therefore m = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 4(1)(-6)}}{2}$$

$$= 3 \pm \sqrt{15}$$

But  $m > 0$ , so  $m = 3 + \sqrt{15}$

$$\approx 6.8730$$

**10**  $P(U = u) = \frac{x^u e^{-x}}{u!} \text{ where } u = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

**a**  $y = P(U = 0, 1 \text{ or } 2)$

$$= P(U = 0) + P(U = 1) + P(U = 2)$$

$$= \frac{x^0 e^{-x}}{0!} + \frac{x^1 e^{-x}}{1!} + \frac{x^2 e^{-x}}{2!}$$

$$= e^{-x} + x e^{-x} + \frac{1}{2} x^2 e^{-x}$$

$$\therefore y = e^{-x}(1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2)$$

**b** **i**  $P(1 < Y < 5)$

$$= P(Y \leq 4) - P(Y \leq 1)$$

$$\approx 0.177$$

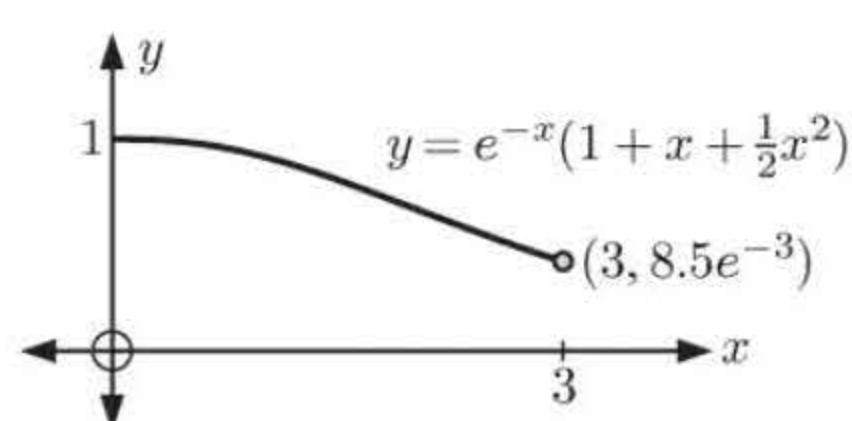
**ii**  $P(2 \leq Y \leq 6 \mid Y \geq 4)$

$$= \frac{P(2 \leq Y \leq 6 \cap Y \geq 4)}{P(Y \geq 4)}$$

$$= \frac{P(4 \leq Y \leq 6)}{P(Y \geq 4)}$$

$$= \frac{P(Y \leq 6) - P(Y \leq 3)}{1 - P(Y \leq 3)}$$

$$\approx 0.417$$



c  $y = e^{-x}(1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2)$   
 $\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -e^{-x}(1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2) + e^{-x}(1 + x)$   
 $= -e^{-x} - xe^{-x} - \frac{1}{2}x^2e^{-x} + e^{-x} + xe^{-x}$   
 $= -\frac{1}{2}x^2e^{-x}$

Since  $x^2e^{-x} > 0$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} < 0$  for all  $x > 0$ .

$\therefore$  as the mean  $x$  increases,  $y = P(U \leq 2)$  decreases.

## REVIEW SET 25A

1 a  $P(X = x) = \frac{a}{x^2 + 1}$  for  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3$

$x$	0	1	2	3
$P(X = x)$	$a$	$\frac{a}{2}$	$\frac{a}{5}$	$\frac{a}{10}$

Now  $a + \frac{a}{2} + \frac{a}{5} + \frac{a}{10} = 1$  {as  $\sum_{x=0}^3 P(X = x) = 1$ }

$\therefore 10a + 5a + 2a + a = 10$

$\therefore 18a = 10$

$\therefore a = \frac{5}{9}$

b  $P(X \geq 1) = P(X = 1, 2, \text{ or } 3)$  or  $P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X < 1)$   
 $= P(X = 1) + P(X = 2) + P(X = 3)$   
 $= \frac{5}{18} + \frac{1}{9} + \frac{5}{90}$   
 $= \frac{4}{9}$   
 $= 1 - P(X = 0)$   
 $= 1 - \frac{5}{9}$   
 $= \frac{4}{9}$

2 Let  $X$  be the number of defective toothbrushes.

$\therefore X \sim B(120, 0.04)$   $\mu = np$   
 $= 120 \times 0.04$   
 $= 4.8$  defectives

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= \sqrt{np(1-p)} \\ &= \sqrt{120 \times 0.04 \times 0.96} \\ &\approx 2.15\end{aligned}$$

3

$x$	0	1	2	3	4
$P(X = x)$	0.10	0.30	0.45	0.10	$k$

a If this is a probability distribution then  $\sum P(x_i) = 1$   
 $\therefore 0.1 + 0.3 + 0.45 + 0.1 + k = 1$   
 $\therefore 0.95 + k = 1$   
 $\therefore k = 0.05$

b  $P(X \geq 3)$   
 $= P(X = 3) + P(X = 4)$   
 $= 0.10 + 0.05$   
 $= 0.15$

c  $E(X) = \sum x_i p_i$   
 $= 0(0.10) + 1(0.30) + 2(0.45) + 3(0.10) + 4(0.05)$   
 $= 0 + 0.3 + 0.9 + 0.3 + 0.2$   
 $= 1.7$

d  $E(X^2) = \sum x_i^2 p_i$   
 $= 0(0.10) + 1(0.30) + 4(0.45) + 9(0.10) + 16(0.05)$   
 $= 3.8$

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)} = \sqrt{E(X^2) - (E(X))^2} \\ &= \sqrt{3.8 - 1.7^2} \\ &\approx 0.954\end{aligned}$$

**4 a**  $\left(\frac{3}{5} + \frac{2}{5}\right)^4 = \underbrace{\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^4}_{4B} + \underbrace{4\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^3\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)}_{3B} + \underbrace{6\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^2}_{2B} + \underbrace{4\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^3}_{1B} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^4}_{4B'} \quad P(B) = \frac{12}{20} = \frac{3}{5}$   
 $\therefore P(B') = \frac{2}{5}$

**b i**  $P(2 \text{ Blue inks}) = P(2B \text{ and } 2B') = 6\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{6 \times 9 \times 4}{5^4} = \frac{216}{625}$

**ii**  $P(\text{at most } 2 \text{ Blue inks}) = P(2B \text{ and } 2B' \text{ or } 1B \text{ and } 3B' \text{ or } 4B') = 6\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^2 + 4\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^4 = \frac{6 \times 9 \times 4 + 4 \times 3 \times 8 + 16}{625} = \frac{328}{625}$

**5**

1st draw	2nd draw	Event	X	Probability	<b>a</b>	<b>b</b>	<b>c</b>						
		GG	2	$\frac{3}{5} \times \frac{2}{4} = \frac{3}{10}$	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;"><math>x</math></td> <td style="padding: 2px;">0</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">1</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">2</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;"><math>P(X = x)</math></td> <td style="padding: 2px;"><math>\frac{1}{10}</math></td> <td style="padding: 2px;"><math>\frac{3}{5}</math></td> <td style="padding: 2px;"><math>\frac{3}{10}</math></td> </tr> </table>	$x$	0	1	2	$P(X = x)$	$\frac{1}{10}$	$\frac{3}{5}$	$\frac{3}{10}$
		$x$	0	1		2							
$P(X = x)$	$\frac{1}{10}$	$\frac{3}{5}$	$\frac{3}{10}$										
GY	1	$\frac{3}{5} \times \frac{2}{4} = \frac{3}{10}$											
		YG	1	$\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{10}$									
		YY	0	$\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{10}$									

**d**  $E(X) = 0 \times \frac{1}{10} + 1 \times \frac{3}{5} + 2 \times \frac{3}{10} = \frac{6}{5} (= 1\frac{1}{5})$

**6 a**

Result	Pays
1	£2
2	£4
3	£6
4	£8
5	£10
6	£12

Expectation  
 $= \frac{1}{6} \times £2 + \frac{1}{6} \times £4 + \frac{1}{6} \times £6 + \frac{1}{6} \times £8 + \frac{1}{6} \times £10 + \frac{1}{6} \times £12$   
 $= \frac{1}{6} \times £42$   
 $= £7$

**b** Expected gain is  $£7 - £8 = -£1$ .  
 $\therefore$  advise Lakshmi against playing several games, as £1 is expected to be lost per game in the long run.

**7 a**  $n = 7$  and  $r = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 7\}$   
 $= x$

$\therefore k = \binom{7}{x}$

**b**  $n = 7, p = \frac{1}{3}$

$\therefore \mu = np$  and  $\sigma^2 = np(1-p)$   
 $= 7 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{3}$   
 $= \frac{14}{9} (\approx 1.56)$

**8 a**  $\left(\frac{4}{5} + \frac{1}{5}\right)^5 = \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^5 + 5\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^4\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^1 + 10\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^3\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2 + 10\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^3 + 5\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^1\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^5$

**b** Let  $X$  = the number of goals scored

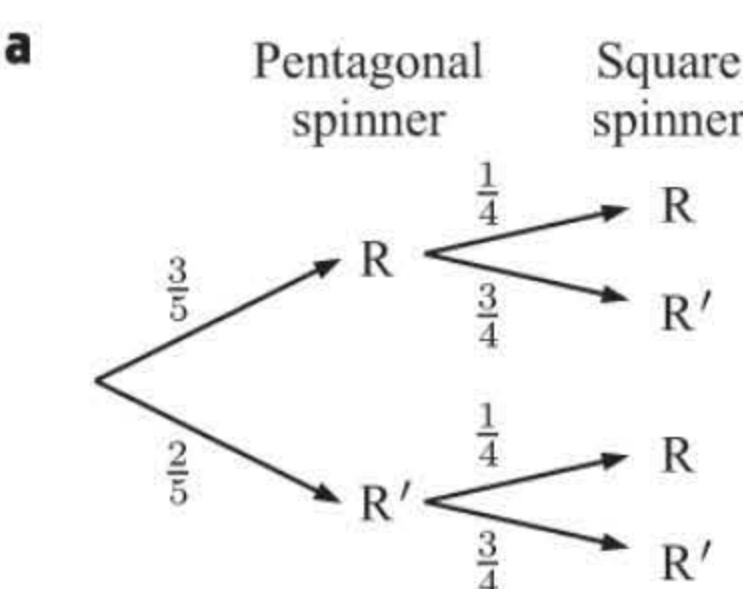
**i**  $P(3 \text{ goals then } 2 \text{ misses}) = P(GGGG'G')$   
 $= \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^3 \times \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2$   
 $= \frac{64}{3125}$   
 $\approx 0.0205$

**ii**  $P(3 \text{ goals and } 2 \text{ misses}) = P(X = 3) = 10\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^3\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2$   
 $= \frac{128}{625}$   
 $\approx 0.205$

Result	Pays
1, 3, 5	\$2
2	\$3
4	\$6
6	\$9

**a** Expected return =  $\frac{3}{6} \times \$2 + \frac{1}{6} \times \$3 + \frac{1}{6} \times \$6 + \frac{1}{6} \times \$9$   
 $= \frac{1}{6}(\$24)$   
 $= \$4$

**b** For a \$5 amount to play the game, the club expects a \$1 return per game  
 $\therefore$  for 75 people, the return expected is \$75.

**10**


**b**  $P(\text{exactly one red}) = P(RR') + P(R'R)$   
 $= \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{1}{4}$   
 $= \frac{9}{20} + \frac{1}{10}$   
 $= \frac{11}{20}$

**c** **i**  $n = 10, p = \frac{11}{20}$   
 $P(X = 1) = \binom{10}{1} \left(\frac{11}{20}\right)^1 \left(\frac{9}{20}\right)^9$   
 $P(X = 9) = \binom{10}{9} \left(\frac{11}{20}\right)^9 \left(\frac{9}{20}\right)^1$

**ii**  $\binom{10}{1} = \binom{10}{9} = 10$  so we need only consider the parts  $\left(\frac{11}{20}\right)^1 \left(\frac{9}{20}\right)^9$  and  $\left(\frac{11}{20}\right)^9 \left(\frac{9}{20}\right)^1$ . Now,  $11 \times 9^9 < 11^9 \times 9$ , and the denominators are the same in each case.  
 $\therefore$  it is more likely that exactly one red will occur 9 times.

**11**

**a**  $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{4} + y = 1$   
 $\therefore y = \frac{1}{4}$

$\therefore$  the probability of obtaining the number 24 is  $y = \frac{1}{4}$ .

**b**  $E(X) = 6\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 12\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + x\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 24\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = 14$   
 $\therefore 2 + 2 + \frac{x}{4} + 6 = 14$   
 $\therefore \frac{x}{4} = 4$   
 $\therefore x = 16$

So, the fourth number is 16.

**c**  $p_1 = \frac{1}{3}$   
 $p_1 + p_2 = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$

Since  $p_1 + p_2 = 0.5$ , the median is  $\frac{12+16}{2} = 14$ .

The most likely result is 6, so this is the mode.

**12**  $X$  has mean  $\mu$  and standard deviation  $\sigma$ .

$$\therefore E(X) = \mu \text{ and } \sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2$$

$$\text{Now } Y = aX + b \quad \therefore \text{mean of } Y = E(Y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= E(aX + b) \\ &= E(aX) + E(b) \\ &= aE(X) + b \\ &= a\mu + b \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also, } \text{Var}(aX + b) &= E((aX + b)^2) - (E(aX + b))^2 \\ &= E(a^2X^2 + 2abX + b^2) - (aE(X) + b)^2 \\ &= a^2E(X^2) + 2abE(X) + b^2 - [a^2(E(X))^2 + 2abE(X) + b^2] \\ &= a^2E(X^2) + 2abE(X) + b^2 - a^2(E(X))^2 - 2abE(X) - b^2 \\ &= a^2(E(X^2) - (E(X))^2) \\ &= a^2\sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \text{standard deviation of } Y &= \sqrt{a^2\sigma^2} \\ &= \sqrt{a^2}\sigma \quad \{\text{since } \sigma > 0\} \\ &= |a|\sigma\end{aligned}$$

**REVIEW SET 25B**

**1 a**  $P(x) = k \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^x \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{3-x}$  for  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3$

$$P(0) = k \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^0 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^3 = \frac{k}{64}$$

$$P(1) = k \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^1 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{3k}{64}$$

$x$	0	1	2	3
$P(x)$	$\frac{k}{64}$	$\frac{3k}{64}$	$\frac{9k}{64}$	$\frac{27k}{64}$

$$P(2) = k \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^1 = \frac{9k}{64}$$

$$P(3) = k \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^0 = \frac{27k}{64}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Now } \frac{k}{64} + \frac{3k}{64} + \frac{9k}{64} + \frac{27k}{64} &= 1 \quad \{\text{as } \sum P(x_i) = 1\} \\ \therefore \frac{40k}{64} &= 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{8}{5} \quad (= 1.6)$$

**b**  $P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0)$

$$\begin{aligned}&= 1 - \frac{k}{64} \\ &= 1 - \frac{1.6}{64} \\ &= 0.975\end{aligned}$$

**c**  $E(X) = \sum x_i p_i$

$$\begin{aligned}&= 0 \times \frac{1.6}{64} + 1 \times \frac{3 \times 1.6}{64} + 2 \times \frac{9 \times 1.6}{64} + 3 \times \frac{27 \times 1.6}{64} \\ &= 2.55\end{aligned}$$

**d**  $\sigma = \sqrt{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2 p_i}$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \sqrt{(0 - 2.55)^2 \times \frac{1.6}{64} + (1 - 2.55)^2 \times \frac{3 \times 1.6}{64} + (2 - 2.55)^2 \times \frac{9 \times 1.6}{64} + (3 - 2.55)^2 \times \frac{27 \times 1.6}{64}} \\ &\approx 0.740\end{aligned}$$

**2**  $X$  is the number of defectives. Then  $X \sim B(10, 0.18)$ .  $X = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 10$ .

<b>a</b> $P(X = 1)$	<b>b</b> $P(X = 2)$	<b>c</b> $P(X \geq 2)$
$= \binom{10}{1}(0.18)^1(0.82)^9$	$= \binom{10}{2}(0.18)^2(0.82)^8$	$\approx 0.561$
$\approx 0.302$	$\approx 0.298$	

**3** Expected number of major knee surgeries  $= np$

$$\begin{aligned}&= 487 \times 0.0132 \\ &\approx 6.43\end{aligned}$$

**4**  $X$  is the number of visitors who make a voluntary donation upon entry.

Then  $X = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 175$  and  $X \sim B(175, 0.24)$ .

<b>a</b> $E(X) = np$	<b>b</b> $P(X < 40) = P(X \leq 39)$
$= 175 \times 0.24$	$\approx 0.334$
$= 42$	

**5** If  $X$  is the number of X-rays which show the fracture, then  $X = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$  and  $X \sim B(4, 0.96)$ .

<b>a</b> $P(X = 4) = \binom{4}{4}(0.96)^4(0.04)^0$	<b>b</b> $P(X = 0) = \binom{4}{0}(0.96)^0(0.04)^4$
$\approx 0.849$	$\approx 2.56 \times 10^{-6}$
<b>c</b> $P(X \geq 3) \approx 0.991$	<b>d</b> $P(X = 1) = \binom{4}{1}(0.96)^1(0.04)^3$
	$\approx 0.000246$

- 6  $X$  is the number of players who turn up to a game.  
Then  $X = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 8$  and  $X \sim B(8, 0.75)$ .

**a**

<b>i</b> $P(X = 8) = \binom{8}{8} (0.75)^8 (0.25)^0$ $\approx 0.100$	<b>ii</b> $P(\text{team has to forfeit}) = P(X \leq 4)$ $\approx 0.114$
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**b** Expected number of games forfeited in 30 =  $np$   
 $\approx 30 \times 0.1138$  {from **a ii**}  
 $\approx 3.41$

- 7**    a) If the mean is 30 then  $np = 30$  .... (1)  
             If the variance is 22.5 then  $np(1 - p) = 22.5$  .... (2)  
             Substituting (1) into (2), we get  $30(1 - p) = 22.5$

$$\therefore 1 - p = \frac{22.5}{30}$$

$$\therefore p = 0.25$$

and so  $n \times 0.25 = 30$

$$\therefore n = 120$$

So,  $n = 120$  and  $p = 0.25$  (or  $\frac{1}{4}$ ).

<b>b</b>	<b>i</b>	$P(X = 25)$ $\approx 0.0501$	<b>ii</b>	$P(X \geq 25)$ $\approx 0.878$	<b>iii</b>	$P(15 \leq X \leq 25)$ $\approx 0.172$
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- $$8 \quad P(X = 0) + P(X = 1) + P(X = 2) + \dots = 1$$

$$\therefore a \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^0 + a \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^1 + a \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^2 + \dots = 1$$

$$\therefore \underbrace{a \left( 1 + \frac{5}{6} + \left( \frac{5}{6} \right)^2 + \dots \right)}_{\text{Geometric Series}} = 1$$

infinite geometric series with  $u_1 = 1$ ,  $r = \frac{5}{6}$

$$\therefore a \left( \frac{1}{1 - \frac{5}{6}} \right) = 1$$

$$\therefore a(6) = 1$$

$$\therefore a = \frac{1}{6}$$

- 9**    a     $P(X \text{ wins}) = \frac{3}{5} = 0.6$      $P(Y \text{ wins}) = \frac{2}{5} = 0.4$

Probability generator is  $(0.6 + 0.4)^6$

$$=(0.6)^6 + 6(0.6)^5(0.4) + 15(0.6)^4(0.4)^2 + 20(0.6)^3(0.4)^3 + 15(0.6)^2(0.4)^4 + 6(0.6)(0.4)^5 + (0.4)^6$$

↑                      ↑                      ↑                      ↑                      ↑                      ↑                      ↑  
 X wins 6    X wins 5    X wins 4    X wins 3    X wins 2    X wins 1    X wins 0  
 Y wins 1    Y wins 2    Y wins 3    Y wins 4    Y wins 5    Y wins 6

<b>b</b>	<b>i</b> $P(Y \text{ wins } 3)$ $= 20(0.6)^3(0.4)^3$ $\approx 0.276$	<b>ii</b> $P(Y \text{ wins at least } 5)$ $= 6(0.6)^1(0.4)^5 + (0.$ $\approx 0.0410$
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- 10** Let  $X$  be the number of objects broken by the first glass blower.

$\therefore X$  has mean  $m = 20 \times \frac{1}{200} = 0.1$

$$\therefore X \sim \text{Po}(0.1)$$

Let  $Y$  be the number of objects broken by the second glass blower.

$\therefore Y$  has mean  $m = 40 \times \frac{3}{200} = 0.6$

$$\therefore Y \sim \text{Po}(0.6)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \therefore P(\text{glass blowers break 2 or more objects between them}) \\
 & = 1 - P(\text{glass blowers break 0 or 1 objects between them}) \\
 & = 1 - P(X = 0, Y = 0 \text{ or } X = 1, Y = 0 \text{ or } X = 0, Y = 1) \\
 & = 1 - \left[ \frac{0.1^0 e^{-0.1}}{0!} \times \frac{0.6^0 e^{-0.6}}{0!} + \frac{0.1^1 e^{-0.1}}{1!} \times \frac{0.6^0 e^{-0.6}}{0!} + \frac{0.1^0 e^{-0.1}}{0!} \times \frac{0.6^1 e^{-0.6}}{1!} \right] \\
 & \approx 0.156
 \end{aligned}$$

**11 a**  $P(X = 3) = 0.22689$       **b**  $P(X \leq 4) \approx 0.850$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \therefore \binom{7}{3} p^3 (1-p)^{7-3} = 0.22689 \\
 & \therefore 35p^3(1-p)^4 = 0.22689 \\
 & \therefore p \approx 0.300 \text{ or } 0.564 \quad \{\text{using technology}\} \\
 & \therefore p \approx 0.300 \quad \{\text{smallest } p\}
 \end{aligned}$$

**12**  $P(X = x) = k \left( x + \frac{1}{x} \right)$

**a**  $P(X = 1) = k(1 + \frac{1}{1}) = 2k$       Now  $\sum P(x_i) = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X = 2) &= k(2 + \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{5}{2}k & \therefore 2k + \frac{5}{2}k + \frac{10}{3}k + \frac{17}{4}k = 1 \\
 P(X = 3) &= k(3 + \frac{1}{3}) = \frac{10}{3}k & \therefore \frac{145}{12}k = 1 \\
 P(X = 4) &= k(4 + \frac{1}{4}) = \frac{17}{4}k & \therefore k = \frac{12}{145}
 \end{aligned}$$

**b** Using  $k = \frac{12}{145}$  we obtain:

$x$	1	2	3	4
$P(x)$	$\frac{24}{145}$	$\frac{30}{145}$	$\frac{40}{145}$	$\frac{51}{145}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \therefore E(X) = 1 \left( \frac{24}{145} \right) + 2 \left( \frac{30}{145} \right) + 3 \left( \frac{40}{145} \right) + 4 \left( \frac{51}{145} \right) = \frac{408}{145} \approx 2.81 \\
 & E(X^2) = 1^2 \left( \frac{24}{145} \right) + 2^2 \left( \frac{30}{145} \right) + 3^2 \left( \frac{40}{145} \right) + 4^2 \left( \frac{51}{145} \right) = \frac{264}{29} \\
 & \therefore \text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 \\
 & = \frac{264}{29} - \left( \frac{408}{145} \right)^2 \\
 & \approx 1.19
 \end{aligned}$$

**c**  $p_1 = \frac{24}{145}$   
 $p_1 + p_2 = \frac{24}{145} + \frac{30}{145} = \frac{54}{145}$   
 $p_1 + p_2 + p_3 = \frac{54}{145} + \frac{40}{145} = \frac{94}{145} \approx 0.648$   
Since  $p_1 + p_2 + p_3 \geq 0.5$ , the median is 3.

The most likely value of  $X$  is 4, so this is the mode.

**13**  $P(Y > 3) \approx 0.03376897$   
 $\therefore P(Y \leq 3) \approx 1 - 0.03376897$   
 $\therefore P(Y = 0, 1, 2, \text{ or } 3) \approx 0.96623103$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \therefore \frac{m^0 e^{-m}}{0!} + \frac{m^1 e^{-m}}{1!} + \frac{m^2 e^{-m}}{2!} + \frac{m^3 e^{-m}}{3!} \approx 0.96623103 \\
 & \therefore e^{-m} \left( 1 + m + \frac{m^2}{2} + \frac{m^3}{6} \right) \approx 0.96623103
 \end{aligned}$$

Using technology on the domain  $m > 0$ , we find  $m = 1.2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \therefore P(Y < 3) = P(Y \leq 2) \\
 & \approx 0.879
 \end{aligned}$$

**REVIEW SET 25C**

**1 a**  $\sum P(X = x_i) = 1$   
 $\therefore \frac{k}{2 \times 1} + \frac{k}{2 \times 2} + \frac{k}{2 \times 3} = 1$   
 $\therefore \frac{k}{2} + \frac{k}{4} + \frac{k}{6} = 1$   
 $\therefore 6k + 3k + 2k = 12$   
 $\therefore 11k = 12$   
 $\therefore k = \frac{12}{11}$

**b**  $\sum P(x_i) = 1$   
 $\therefore \frac{k}{2} + 0.2 + k^2 + 0.3 = 1$   
 $\therefore 2k^2 + k + 1 = 2$   
 $\therefore 2k^2 + k - 1 = 0$   
 $\therefore (2k - 1)(k + 1) = 0$   
 $\therefore k = -1, \frac{1}{2}$

If  $k = -1$ , then  $P(0) = \frac{-1}{2} < 0$ , so  $P(x)$  would not be a valid probability distribution function.

$$\therefore k = \frac{1}{2}$$

**2 a**  $P(X = x) = \binom{4}{x} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{4-x}$   
 $\therefore P(X = 0) = \binom{4}{0} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 = 0.0625$   
 $P(X = 1) = \binom{4}{1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^1 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 = 0.25$

**b**  $P(X = 2) = \binom{4}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = 0.375$   
 $P(X = 3) = \binom{4}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^1 = 0.25$   
 $P(X = 4) = \binom{4}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^0 = 0.0625$

$x$	0	1	2	3	4
$P(X = x)$	0.0625	0.25	0.375	0.25	0.0625

**b**  $\mu = \sum x_i P(X = x_i)$   
 $= 0 \times 0.0625 + 1 \times 0.25 + 2 \times 0.375 + 3 \times 0.25 + 4 \times 0.0625$   
 $= 2$

**c**  $n = 4, p = \frac{1}{2} \quad \therefore \sigma = \sqrt{np(1-p)} = \sqrt{4 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}}$   
 $= \sqrt{1}$   
 $= 1$

**3**  $X \sim B(1200, 0.4)$

So, mean of  $X = np$  and standard deviation of  $X = \sqrt{np(1-p)}$   
 $= 1200 \times 0.4$   
 $\therefore \mu = 480$   $= \sqrt{1200 \times 0.4 \times 0.6}$   
 $\therefore \sigma \approx 17.0$

**4**  $X$  is the number of trees that survive the first year.

$$\therefore X = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \text{ and } X \sim B(5, 0.4)$$

**a**  $P(X = 1) = \binom{5}{1}(0.4)^1(0.6)^4 \approx 0.259$       **b**  $P(X \leq 1) \approx 0.337$       **c**  $P(X \geq 1) \approx 0.922$

**5 a i** In the numbers 1 to 20, there are 10 even numbers.

However, ‘4’ and ‘16’ are square numbers, so 8 of the numbers in the bag win \$3.

$$\therefore P(\text{player wins \$3}) = \frac{8}{20} = \frac{2}{5}$$

**ii** 1, 4, 9, and 16 are the only square numbers in the bag.

But ‘4’ and ‘16’ are even, so 2 of the numbers in the bag win \$6.

$$\therefore P(\text{player wins \$6}) = \frac{2}{20} = \frac{1}{10}$$

**iii** 2 numbers are both even and square (4 and 16).

$$\therefore P(\text{player wins \$9}) = \frac{2}{20} = \frac{1}{10}$$

**b** Expected winnings  $= \frac{2}{5} \times \$3 + \frac{1}{10} \times \$6 + \frac{1}{10} \times \$9$   
 $= \$2.70$

$\therefore$  for the game to be fair, players should be charged \$2.70 per game.

- 6** Suppose  $X$  is the event that a 6 is rolled.  $\therefore n = 360, p = \frac{1}{6}$

a  $P(X < 50) = P(X \leq 49)$   
 $\approx 0.0660$

b  $P(55 \leq X \leq 65) \approx 0.563$

- 7** With  $n$  tosses,  $P(\text{getting at least 2 heads}) = 1 - P(\text{getting at most 1 head})$

We need to find  $n$  such that  $P(\text{getting at least 2 heads}) > 0.99$

So,  $1 - \left( \binom{n}{0} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n + \binom{n}{1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \right) > 0.99$

Using technology,  $n \geq 11 \quad \{n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

$\therefore n = 11$  is the smallest value of  $n$ .

- 8** a  $P(\text{hot water unit fails within one year}) = P(\text{all 20 components fail})$

$$= (0.85)^{20}$$

$$\approx 0.0388$$

b  $P(\text{hot water unit with } n \text{ components fails within one year}) = 0.85^n$

$$\therefore P(\text{hot water unit with } n \text{ components is operating after one year}) = 1 - 0.85^n$$

$\therefore$  we need to find the smallest integer  $n$  such that  $1 - 0.85^n \geq 0.98$

$$\therefore 0.85^n \leq 0.02$$

$$\therefore n \log 0.85 \leq \log 0.02$$

$$\therefore n \geq \frac{\log 0.02}{\log 0.85} \quad \{ \log 0.85 < 0 \}$$

$$\therefore n \geq 24.1$$

$\therefore$  at least 25 solar components are needed.

- 9** a  $P(\text{hit}) = \frac{1}{3}, P(\text{miss}) = \frac{2}{3}$

Probability generator is

$$\left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3}\right)^5 = \underset{X=5}{\uparrow} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^5 + 5 \underset{X=4}{\uparrow} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + 10 \underset{X=3}{\uparrow} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + 10 \underset{X=2}{\uparrow} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 + 5 \underset{X=1}{\uparrow} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 + \underset{X=0}{\uparrow} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^5$$

b  $P(X \text{ odd} \mid X \geq 2) = \frac{P(X \text{ odd} \cap X \geq 2)}{P(X \geq 2)}$

$$= \frac{P(X = 3 \text{ or } 5)}{1 - P(X \leq 1)}$$

$$= \frac{10 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^5}{1 - \left(5 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^5\right)}$$

$$\approx 0.313$$

- 10** a  $P(X = x) = \frac{m^x e^{-m}}{x!}, x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Now  $P(X = 1) = P(2 \leq x \leq 4)$

$$\therefore P(X = 1) = P(X = 2) + P(X = 3) + P(X = 4)$$

$$\therefore \frac{me^{-m}}{1!} = \frac{m^2 e^{-m}}{2!} + \frac{m^3 e^{-m}}{3!} + \frac{m^4 e^{-m}}{4!}$$

$$\therefore m = \frac{m^2}{2} + \frac{m^3}{6} + \frac{m^4}{24} \quad \{ \times e^m \}$$

$$\therefore 24m = 12m^2 + 4m^3 + m^4$$

$$\therefore m(m^3 + 4m^2 + 12m - 24) = 0 \quad \text{where } m \neq 0$$

$$\therefore m \approx 1.28 \quad \{ \text{using technology} \}$$

**i** mean of  $X = m \approx 1.28$   
 standard deviation =  $\sqrt{m} \approx 1.13$

**ii** 
$$Y = \frac{X+1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}X + \frac{1}{2}$$

Now,  $\text{Var}(X) \approx 1.28$

$\therefore \text{mean of } Y = E(Y)$

and  $\text{Var}(Y) = \text{Var}(\frac{1}{2}X)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= E\left(\frac{1}{2}X + \frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}E(X) + E\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &\approx 1.14 \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad \approx (\frac{1}{2})^2 \times 1.28 \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad \approx 0.320 \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad \therefore \sigma_Y \approx \sqrt{0.320} \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad \approx 0.566 \end{aligned}$$

**b**  $P(X \geq 2) = 1 - P(X \leq 1)$   
 $\approx 1 - 0.634$   
 $\approx 0.366$

**11 a** For a Poisson random variable  $X$ ,  
 $E(X) = \text{Var}(X) = m$   
 $\therefore 5m = 2m^2 - 12$   
 $\therefore 2m^2 - 5m - 12 = 0$   
 $\therefore (2m+3)(m-4) = 0$   
 $\therefore m = 4 \quad \{\text{as } m > 0\}$   
 $\therefore \text{the mean of } X \text{ is } 4.$

**b**  $P(X = x) = \frac{4^x e^{-4}}{x!}, \quad x = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$\therefore P(X < 3) = \frac{4^0 e^{-4}}{0!} + \frac{4^1 e^{-4}}{1!} + \frac{4^2 e^{-4}}{2!}$   
 $= e^{-4}(1 + 4 + 8)$   
 $= \frac{13}{e^4} \approx 0.238$

**12**  $P(X > 2) \approx 0.070198$   
 $\therefore P(X \leq 2) \approx 1 - 0.070198$   
 $\therefore P(X = 0, 1 \text{ or } 2) \approx 0.929802$   
 $\therefore \binom{10}{0} p^0 (1-p)^{10} + \binom{10}{1} p^1 (1-p)^9 + \binom{10}{2} p^2 (1-p)^8 \approx 0.929802$   
 $\therefore (1-p)^{10} + 10p(1-p)^9 + 45p^2(1-p)^8 \approx 0.929802$

Using technology and the domain  $0 \leq p \leq 1$ , we find  $p \approx 0.100$

$$\therefore P(X < 2) = P(X \leq 1) \approx 0.736$$

**13 a** Let  $X$  be the number of customers arriving at the shop in a 15 minute period.

$$X \sim \text{Po}(20) \quad \therefore P(X = x) = \frac{20^x e^{-20}}{x!}, \quad \text{where } x = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$P(X = 15) = \frac{20^{15} e^{-20}}{15!} \approx 0.0516$$

**b** Let  $Y$  be the number of customers arriving at the shop in a 10 minute period.

$$\therefore Y \text{ has mean } m = \frac{10}{15} \times 20 = \frac{40}{3}$$

$$\therefore Y \sim \text{Po}\left(\frac{40}{3}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y > 10) &= 1 - P(Y \leq 10) \\ &\approx 1 - 0.224 \\ &\approx 0.776 < 0.8 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  the probability that more than 10 customers will arrive at the shop in a 10 minute period is *not* greater than 80%.

$\therefore$  the manager will not hire an extra shop assistant.