

Problem 2

HW - D -
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Six-sided die. X is the number of times 6 occurs over n throws of the die.

Single die.

$$Y = \begin{cases} P(Y=1) = \frac{1}{6} \\ P(Y=0) = \frac{5}{6} \end{cases}$$

$$E(X) = n E(Y) = n \frac{1}{6}$$

$$VAR(X) = n VAR(Y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} VAR(Y) &= p(1-p)^2 + (1-p)(0-p)^2 \\ &= p(1-p)^2 + p^2(1-p) \\ &= p(1-p)(1-p+p) \\ &= p(1-p) \end{aligned}$$

(i.e. the variance of a binomial variable)

$$VAR(X) = np(1-p)$$

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Problem 2 (continued)

Markov Inequality: where $a = n/4$

$$P(X \geq a) \leq \frac{E[X]}{a} = \frac{n/6}{n/4} = \boxed{\frac{2}{3}}$$

Chebyshev Inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} P(|X - \mu| \geq a) &\leq \frac{\text{var}(X)}{a^2} = \frac{np(1-p)}{(n/4)^2} = \frac{16p(1-p)}{n} \\ &= \frac{16(.17)(.83)}{n} = \boxed{\frac{2.22}{n}} \end{aligned}$$

Chernoff Bounds:

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \geq a) &\leq e^{-ta} M(t) \\ M = E[X] &= \sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i] = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i = (\text{as above}) = \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3

What is expected number of times 'proof' appears in 1000 000 letters randomly chosen from $\{a, \dots, z\}$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Typing proof is} &= p("p") \cdot p("r") \cdot p("o") \dots p("f") \\ &= \frac{1}{26} \cdot \frac{1}{26} \dots \frac{1}{26} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{26}\right)^5\end{aligned}$$

$$X_\lambda = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if the character is the start of the sequence} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$E(X) = \sum_{\lambda=1}^{1000000-4} \left(\frac{1}{26}\right)^5 \cdot 1$$

$$= (10^6 - 4) \left(\frac{1}{26}\right)^5$$

$$\boxed{= 8.4}$$

if we had 100 monkeys, we would see 8.4 occurrences

Problem 4

Single DIE

$$E[X_1] = \sum_{i=1}^6 \frac{1}{6} i = \frac{1}{6} \frac{6(6+1)}{2} = \frac{7}{2} = \boxed{3.5}$$

by $\sum_{i=1}^n x = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

$$E[X_1^2] = \sum_{i=1}^6 \frac{1}{6} i^2 = \frac{1}{6} \frac{(2 \cdot 6 + 1) 6(6+1)}{6}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} (13)(7) = \frac{91}{6} = \boxed{15.2}$$

by $\sum_{i=1}^n x^2 = \frac{(2n+1)n(n+1)}{6}$

$$VAR[X_1] = E[X_1^2] - E[X_1]^2 = \frac{91}{6} - \left(\frac{7}{2}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{182}{12} - \frac{147}{12} = \boxed{\frac{35}{12}}$$

100 Rolls

$$Y = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{100}$$

$$E[Y] = 100 E[X_1] = 100 \cdot 3.5 = 350 \quad \text{by Linearity}$$

$$VAR[Y] = 100 VAR[X_1] = 100 \cdot \frac{35}{12} = \frac{3500}{12} = \boxed{292}$$

Applying Chebyshev

$$P(|X - \mu| \geq k) \leq \frac{VAR(X)}{k^2}$$

where $k = 50$

$$P(|X - 350| \geq 50) \leq \frac{292}{50^2} = .12 = \boxed{12\%}$$