

CEE110**Homework #4 Solution**

1. a. The experiment is binomial with $n = 200$ and $p = 1/88$, so

$$\mu = np = 2.27 \text{ and } \sigma = \sqrt{npq} = \sqrt{2.247} = 1.50.$$

The experiment is Poisson with $n = 200$ and $p = 1/88$,

$$\lambda = np = 2.27 \text{ and } \sigma = \sqrt{\lambda} = \sqrt{2.247} = 1.50.$$

- b. X has approximately a Poisson distribution with $\mu = 2.27$,

$$P(X \geq 2) = 1 - P(X = 0, 1)$$

$$\approx 1 - \left[\frac{e^{-2.27} 2.27^0}{0!} + \frac{e^{-2.27} 2.27^1}{1!} \right] = 1 - 0.3378 = 0.6622$$

(The exact binomial answer is 0.6645.)

- c. Now $\mu = 352 \left(\frac{1}{88} \right) = 4$,

$$P(X < 5) = P(X \leq 4) \approx F(4; 4) = 0.629.$$

2.

- a. Let X be the number of servers that fail. Then X is the number of successes in $n = 1000$ Bernoulli trials, each of which has success probability $p = 0.003$. The mean of X is $np = (1000)(0.003) = 3$. Since n is large and p is small, $X \sim \text{Poisson}(3)$ to a very close approximation.

$$P(X = 2) = e^{-3} \frac{3^2}{2!} = 0.2240$$

- b. The event that fewer than 998 servers fail is the same as the event that more than 2 servers function, or equivalently, that $Y > 2$.

The Y has the probability of 0.997

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y > 2) &= 1 - P(Y \leq 2) = 1 - P(0) - P(1) - P(2) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1000!}{0! 1000!} 0.997^0 0.003^{1000} - \frac{1000!}{1! 999!} 0.997^1 0.003^{999} - \frac{1000!}{2! 998!} 0.997^2 0.003^{998} \\ &\approx 1 \end{aligned}$$

- c. $\mu_X = 3$

$$\sigma_X = \sqrt{3} = 1.732$$

3. a. The expected number of bacteria in 1 m^3 of water is 10, so $X \sim \text{Poisson}(10)$.
 $P(X \geq 8) = 1 - P(X \leq 7) = 1 - F(7; 10) = 1 - 0.220 = 0.780$.
 (From cumulative table)
- b. The expected number of bacteria in 1.5 m^3 of water is $10(1.5) = 15$, so $X \sim \text{Poisson}(15)$.
 Since X is Poisson, $\sigma = \sqrt{\mu} = \sqrt{15} = 3.87$.
- c. $P(X > \mu + \sigma) = P(X > 15 + 3.87) = P(X > 18.87) = 1 - P(X \leq 18.87)$
 $= 1 - P(X \leq 18) = 1 - F(18; 15) = 1 - 0.8195 = 0.1805$.
 (From cumulative table)

4.

- a. Find c .

$$1 = \int_0^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} c e^{-4x} dx = -\frac{c}{4} [-e^{-4x}]_0^{\infty} = \frac{c}{4}.$$

Thus, $c=4$

- b. To find the CDF of X , we use $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(x) dx$, so for $x < 0$, we obtain $F(x) = 0$.
 for $x \geq 0$, we have

$$F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x 4e^{-4x} dx = -[e^{-4x}]_0^x = 1 - e^{-4x}.$$

Thus,

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-4x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- c. We can find $P(2 < X < 5)$ using either the cdf or the pdf.

$$P(2 < X < 5) = F(5) - F(2) = [1 - e^{-20}] - [1 - e^{-8}] = e^{-8} - e^{-20}$$

Equivalently, we can use the PDF. We have

$$P(2 < X < 5) = \int_2^5 f(x) dx = \int_2^5 4e^{-4x} dx = e^{-8} - e^{-20}$$

- d. $E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_0^{\infty} x 4e^{-4x} dx \\ &= -[x e^{-4x}]_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-4x} dx \\ &= 0 + \left[-\frac{1}{4} e^{-4x} \right]_0^{\infty} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

5.

a. $P(X < 0) = F(0) = 1/2$

b. As shown in (a), median = 0

c. $f(x) = F'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{32} \left(4x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right) \right) = 0 + \frac{3}{32} \left(4 - \frac{3x^2}{3} \right) = 0.09375(4 - x^2)$

6.

a. As it is uniformly distributed $E(X) = \frac{7.5+20}{2} = 13.75$

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

$$E(X^2) = \int_{7.5}^{20} X^2 \frac{1}{20-7.5} dx = \frac{1}{3 * 12.5} X^3 \Big|_{7.5}^{20} = \frac{20^3 - 7.5^3}{37.5} = 202.0833$$

$$V(X) = 202.0833 - 13.75^2 = 13.02$$

b.

$$F(x) = \int_{7.5}^x \frac{1}{20-7.5} dy = \frac{1}{12.5} y \Big|_{7.5}^x = \frac{x-7.5}{12.5}, \quad 7.5 < x < 20$$

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 7.5 \\ \frac{x-7.5}{12.5} & 7.5 < x < 20 \\ 1 & 20 \leq x \end{cases}$$

c. $P(10 \leq X \leq 15) = F(15) - F(10) = \frac{15-7.5}{12.5} - \frac{10-7.5}{12.5} = \frac{5}{12.5} = 0.4$

d. $\sigma = \sqrt{13.02} = 3.61$, so $\mu \pm \sigma = (10.14, 17.36)$.

$$\text{Thus, } P(\mu - \sigma \leq X \leq \mu + \sigma) = P(10.14 \leq X \leq 17.36) = F(17.36) - F(10.14) = .5776$$

(From cumulative table)