

**Discussion 5D:**



(a)  $E[X_i] = ?$

$X_i$  = number of balls  
throw into bin  $i$

Indicator RVs:-

$B_1, B_2, \dots, B_k$

$B_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if the first ball} \\ & \text{lands in bin } i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$$E[X_i] = E[B_1 + \dots + B_k]$$

$$= k E[B_1]$$

$$= k \left( \frac{1}{n} \right) = \boxed{\frac{k}{n}}$$

$$E[B_1] = 1 \left( \frac{1}{n} \right) + 0 \left( \frac{n-1}{n} \right) = \frac{1}{n}$$

(b)  $E[\text{empty bins}] = ?$

indicator RVs:  $B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n$  ↙ n bins

$B_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if bin } i \text{ is empty} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$   $E[B_i] = \left( \frac{n-1}{n} \right)^k (1)$

$$E[\text{empty bins}] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n B_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^n E[B_i] = \boxed{n \left( \frac{n-1}{n} \right)^k}$$

$$(c) \mathbb{E}[\text{collisions}] = ?$$

Key Insight:  $\binom{\text{number of occupied bins}}{\text{bins}} + \binom{\text{number of collisions}}{\text{collisions}} = \text{number of balls}$

$$O + C = k$$

$$\mathbb{E}[O + C] = \mathbb{E}[k]$$

$$? \rightarrow \mathbb{E}[O] + \mathbb{E}[C] = k$$

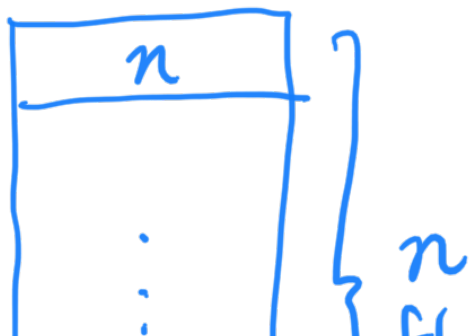
$$\textcircled{n} - \binom{\text{exp. number of empty bins}}{\text{empty bins}} + \mathbb{E}[C] = k$$

$$n - n \left( \frac{n-1}{n} \right)^k + \mathbb{E}[C] = k$$

$$\boxed{\mathbb{E}[C] = k - n + n \left( \frac{n-1}{n} \right)^k}$$

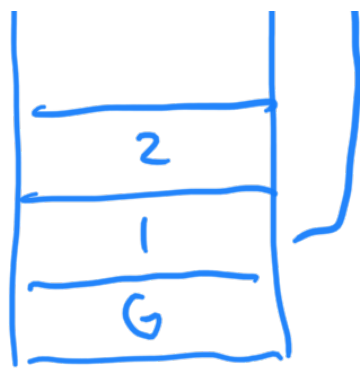
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(a)



= balls into bins problem

where the balls are ppl,



and the bins are floors

$$n \text{ floors} = \underline{n \text{ bins}}$$

$$m \text{ ppl} = \underline{m \text{ balls}}$$

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m people

$$\mathbb{E}[\text{floors we stop at}] = \mathbb{E}[\text{occupied bins}] = n - \mathbb{E}[\text{empty bins}]$$

$$1(b): \mathbb{E}[\text{empty bins}] = n \left( \frac{n-1}{n} \right)^k = \boxed{n - n \left( \frac{n-1}{n} \right)^m}$$

k balls  
n bins

$$(b) \text{Var}(X) = \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2] = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - (\mathbb{E}[X])^2$$

$$\text{Var}(X+Y) = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y) \quad \underline{\text{ONLY IF } X, Y \text{ are independent}}$$

$$\text{Var}(\underbrace{\text{number of floors the elevator doesn't stop at}}_X) \quad \text{Var}(X) = ?$$

Define indicator RVs  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ , where  $X = X_1 + \dots + X_n$

$$X_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if don't stop @ floor } i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

① Step 1: Calculate  $\mathbb{E}[X^2]$ :

$$\mathbb{E}[X^2] = \mathbb{E}[(X_1 + \dots + X_n)^2] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2\right] + \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i \neq j} X_i X_j\right]$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2\right] = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i^2] = \sum_{i=1}^n 1^2 \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^m = n \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^m$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X_i X_j] = 1 \cdot \underbrace{P(X_i=1 \cap X_j=1)} = \left(\frac{n-2}{n}\right)^m$$

| $X_i$ | $X_j$ | $X_i X_j$ |
|-------|-------|-----------|
| 0     | 0     | 0         |
| 0     | 1     | 0         |
| 1     | 0     | 0         |
| 1     | 1     | 1         |

Thus,

$$\mathbb{E}[X^2] = n \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^m + n(n-1) \left(\frac{n-2}{n}\right)^m$$

② Step 2: Calculate  $(\mathbb{E}[X])^2$ :

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \mathbb{E}[X_1 + \dots + X_n] = n \mathbb{E}[X_1] = n \left[1 \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^m\right]$$

$$(\mathbb{E}[X])^2 = n^2 \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^{2m}$$

③ Step 3: Calculate  $\text{Var}(X)$ :

$$\text{Var}(X) = \left[ n \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^m + n(n-1) \left(\frac{n-2}{n}\right)^m - n^2 \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^{2m} \right]$$

[3]

5 red  
5 blue

$X_1$  = indicator RV if first  
ball is red

$X_2$  = if 2<sup>nd</sup> ball is red



$$\text{cov}(X_1, X_2) = E[X_1 X_2] - E[X_1]E[X_2]$$

$$E[X_1] = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(1)}_{\text{red}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(0)}_{\text{blue}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$E[X_2] = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(1)}_{\text{red}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(0)}_{\text{blue}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$E[X_1 X_2] = 1 \left( \underbrace{P(X_1=1 \cap X_2=1)}_{\text{prob. that 1st and 2nd draw are red!}} \right) = \frac{5}{10} \left( \frac{4}{9} \right) = \frac{2}{9}$$

| $X_1$ | $X_2$ | $X_1 X_2$ |
|-------|-------|-----------|
| 0     | 0     | 0         |
| 0     | 1     | 0         |
| 1     | 0     | 0         |
| 1     | 1     | 1         |

prob. that  
1st and 2nd  
draw are  
red!

$$\text{cov}(X_1, X_2) = \frac{2}{9} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \boxed{-\frac{1}{36}}$$

$$P(2^{\text{nd}} \text{ draw is red}) = P(1^{\text{st}} \text{ draw is red}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(2^{\text{nd}} \text{ draw is R} \mid 1^{\text{st}} \text{ draw is R}) = \frac{4}{9}$$