

Mathematical Statistics

Week 2 exercises

1. Often some type of water quality monitoring is desired, for example to test for faecal contamination.

For frequent monitoring, a relatively cheap test is required. A cheap test for testing faecal contamination is hydrogen sulphide test. In case of serious contamination (the presence of E.coli bacteria colony forming units >1000 CFU/100ml) the hydrogen sulphide test has specificity 0.94 and sensitivity 0.97 (http://www-eawag.emp-eaw.ch/fileadmin/Domain1/Abteilungen/sandec/publikationen/WST/usefulness_hydrogen.pdf).

Let's assume just 0.1% of the samples tested to be contaminated. What is the probability of contamination given the hydrogen sulphide test yielded a positive test result?

2. A random variable X assumes the values a and b ($a < b$) with the same probability. Find the distribution function of X and draw its graph.
3. Suppose a random variable X can take the values -1, 0, 1 with corresponding probabilities such as $1/4, 1/2, 1/4$. Create the distribution table for rv X . Compute
 - a) $P\{X \leq -1\}$,
 - b) $P\{X < 0\}$,
 - c) $F_X(0)$,
 - d) $F_X(0.5)$,
 - e) EX .
4. An insurance company sells a life insurance policy with a face value of \$1000 and a yearly premium of \$20. If 0.1% of the policyholders can be expected to die in the course of a year, what would be the company's expected earnings per policyholder in any year?
5. You buy a Euro Jackpot lottery ticket. In this lottery the goal is to match 5 correct numbers out of 50, plus another 2 supplementary numbers out of another 10. The "jackpot" is 18 million Euros and the ticket costs 2€. What are your winnings on average?
6. Five coin tosses is our random trial. Let X be the number of "tails" from the tosses. Find the distribution table. Find EX and DX .
7. Probability that after 4 independent random trials event A will occur at least once is 0.4. Find the probability of event A happening after a single trial.

8. Baker made 1000 muffins with 3000 raisins in the dough. Find the probability that in a randomly selected muffin:
 - a) there are no raisins;
 - b) there are exactly 3 raisins;
 - c) there are more than 3 raisins.
9. Let $X \sim Po(\lambda)$. Show that $EX = DX = \lambda$.
10. Let $X \sim Po(3)$ and $Y = 9X - 4$. Find EY and DY .
11. The St. Petersburg paradox - a paradox where theoretical reasoning clashes hard with practical reasoning and decision making. [A short video](#) & [Wikipedia page](#).

1) to calculate the answer

hydrogen sulphide (HS)

$$\text{specificity (HS)} = \frac{TN}{TN + FP} = 0,94$$

$$\text{sensitivity (HS)} = \frac{TP}{TP + FN} = 0,97$$

	Disorder	No Disorder
Positive test	TP	FP
Negative test	FN	TN

C - contaminated

$T^+, T^- = \{\text{Test positive / negative}\}$

$$P(C) = 0,001$$

$$P(T^+|C) = 0,97$$

$$P(T^-|\bar{C}) = 0,94 \rightarrow P(T^+|\bar{C}) = 0,06$$

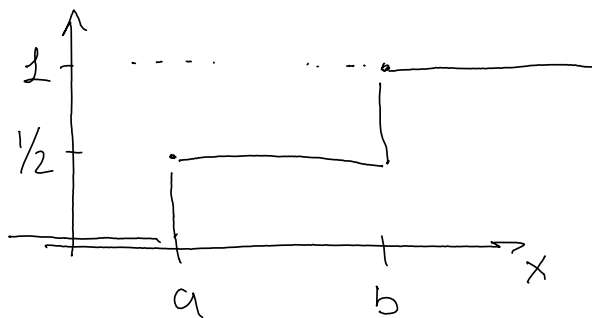
By Baye's theorem

$$P(C|T^+) = \frac{P(C, T^+)}{P(T^+)} = \frac{P(C)P(T^+/C)}{P(C)P(T^+/C) + P(\bar{C})P(T^+/\bar{C})}$$

2] RV ^{Done} assumes values a and b
($a < b$) with the same prob

Find distr function of X F_X -?

$$F_X(x) = P_X(X \leq x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < a \\ 1/2 & \text{if } a \leq x < b \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq b \end{cases}$$



4 DONE

$A =$ "Policy holder expected to die in course of a year"

$$P(A) = 0,001$$

$X =$ Random variable represent amount of money insurance company gain per policy holder

$$P_X(x) = \begin{cases} P(A) & \text{if } x = -980 \\ 1 - P(A) & \text{if } x = 20 \end{cases}$$

$$E[X] = -980 \cdot 0,001 + 20 \cdot 0,999 = 19$$

[6] Done

X - number of tails from the tosses

Find distribution table

$$P_X(x) \sim \text{Bin}(n, p) = \text{Bin}(5, \frac{1}{2})$$

$$= \binom{5}{x} p^x (1-p)^{5-x} = \binom{5}{x} p^5 \quad \leftarrow p = \frac{1}{2}$$

x_i	0	1	2	3	4	5
$P_X(x_i)$	0,03125	0,15625	0,3125	0,3125	0,15625	0,03125

$$E[X] = 2,5$$

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

$$= \sqrt{(0,15625 + 4 \cdot 0,3125 + 9 \cdot 0,3125 + 16 \cdot 0,15625 + 25 \cdot 0,03125) - (2,5)^2} =$$

$$= \sqrt{7,5 - 6,25} = \sqrt{1,25} = 1,118$$

7 ^{done} $X \sim$ event A happens after once after n independent trials

$P_X(x) \sim$ geometric prob. distr function

$$(1-p)^k \cdot p$$

$$P(\{\text{Event A happens}\} \atleast \text{once in } 4 \text{ indep. trials}) = 0,4$$

$$P(\{\text{Event A happens}\} \text{ never in } 4 \text{ indep trials}) = 1 - 0,4 = (1-p)^4$$

$$P(A) = p$$

^{requires}
calculations

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X = num of vasins in machine

$$X \sim Po = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}$$

$$EX = \frac{3000}{1000} = 3 \Rightarrow \lambda = 3$$

$$P_X(X=0) = e^{-3} \frac{3^0}{0!} = e^{-3} \approx 0,05$$

$$P_X(X=3) = e^{-3} \frac{3^3}{3!} = \frac{e^{-3} 27}{6} \approx 0,224$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_X(X > 3) &= 1 - P(0) - P(1) - P(2) - P(3) \\ &= 1 - e^{-3} \left(\frac{3^0}{0!} + \frac{3^1}{1!} + \frac{3^2}{2!} + \frac{3^3}{3!} \right) = \\ &= 1 - e^{-3} \left(1 + 3 + \frac{9}{2} + \frac{27}{6} \right) = \\ &= 1 - e^{-3} \left(\frac{6 + 18 + 27 + 27}{6} \right) \approx 0,353 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(\{\text{left handed}\}) = 0,1$$

$$P(2) = \binom{5}{2} \cdot P(L)^2 P(L^c)^4 \approx 0,328$$

$$P(0) = P(L)^0 P(L^c)^5 \approx 0,59$$