2. (Fish)

(a) Solution: This is a problem similar to the Coupon Collector's Problem covered in lecture. Let X_i denote the number of fish caught while we already have i-1 different fish caught. Then the total number of fish caught in order to get all kinds is $X = \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$ where X_i follows a geometric distribution, i.e, $X_i \sim Geom(p_i)$, and $p_i = 1 - \frac{i-1}{n}$.

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}(X_i) &= \frac{1}{p_i} = \frac{n}{n-i+1} \\ \mathbb{E}(X) &= \mathbb{E}\Big[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\Big] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n}{n-i+1} \\ &= n \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \\ &= nH(n) \approx n(\ln n + \Theta(1)) = n \ln n + \Theta(n) \end{split}$$

(b) Solution: Let X_i be an indicator random variable denoting whether the fish kind i is not caught when 2n fish have been caught. Let X denote the number of kinds of fish not caught when 2n fish have been caught.

$$\mathbb{E}(X_i) = Pr[X_i = 1]$$

$$= \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{2n}$$

$$\mathbb{E}(X) = \mathbb{E}(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(X_i)$$

$$= n\left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{2n}$$

(c) Solution: Let Y_i be an indicator random variable denoting whether the fish kind i has only been caught exactly once after 3n fish being caught.

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}(Y_i) &= \Pr[Y_i = 1] \\ &= \binom{3n}{1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{3n-1} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \\ \mathbb{E}(Y) &= \mathbb{E}(\sum_{i=1}^{n} Y_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbb{E}(Y_i) \\ &= n \binom{3n}{1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{3n-1} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = 3n \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^{3n-1} \end{split}$$

(d) Solution: We can use similar method in (a). Let X_i denote the number of fish caught while we already have i-1 different fish caught. Then the total number of fish we need to get n/2 kinds of fish is $X = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} X_i$ where $X_i \sim Geom(1 - \frac{i-1}{n})$.

$$\mathbb{E}(X) = \mathbb{E}(\sum_{i=1}^{n/2} X_i)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} \frac{n}{n - i + 1}$$

$$= n \sum_{i=n/2+1}^{n} \frac{1}{i}$$

$$= n(H(n) - H(n/2)) \approx n(\ln n - \ln n/2) + \Theta(n) = n \ln 2 + \Theta(n)$$

(e) Solution: Let F_i be the total number of fish for generation i and F be the number of fish in all generations.

$$\mathbb{E}(F_1) = 1p_1 + 2p_2$$

$$\mathbb{E}(F_2) = \mathbb{E}(F_1)p_1 + 2\mathbb{E}(F_1)p_2 = \mathbb{E}(F_1)(p_1 + 2p_2) = (p_1 + 2p_2)^2$$

$$\mathbb{E}(F_3) = \mathbb{E}(F_2)p_1 + 2\mathbb{E}(F_2)p_2 = \mathbb{E}(F_2)(p_1 + 2p_2) = (p_1 + 2p_2)^3$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\mathbb{E}(F_i) = (p_1 + 2p_2)^i$$

Thus, the expected number of fish in the talk will be

$$\mathbb{E}(F) = \mathbb{E}(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (p_1 + 2p_2)^i = \frac{1}{1 - (p_1 + 2p_2)}, \text{ given } p_1 + 2p_2 < 1$$

The above sum is bounded only when $p_1 + 2p_2 < 1$.