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Problem 18.20

(a) $P[\min(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \leq m]$.

\mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} are independent so the P of $\mathbf{X} \wedge \mathbf{Y}$ is equal to $\mathbf{X} * \mathbf{Y}$.

Calculate $P[\min(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \geq m]$ and the answer is $1 - P[\min(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \geq m]$

PDF of \mathbf{X} is $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8} \dots$

Sum them all together: $P[\mathbf{X} > m] = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \frac{1}{2^i} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{m-1}}$

So $P[\mathbf{X} \wedge \mathbf{Y}] = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{m-1}}\right)^2$

Thus $1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{m-1}}\right)^2 = P[\min(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \leq m]$

Answer: $1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{m-1}}\right)^2$

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Problem 18.33

- (l) Draw 10 cards from a shuffled deck and count the number of aces.
Drawing affects the probability

Answer: Not Binomial

- (m) You have 10 shuffled decks. Draw one card from each deck and count the number of aces.
Drawing 1 card from each deck does not affect the next draw

Answer: Binomial

- (o) Toss 20 fair coins and re-toss (just once) all coins which flipped H. Count the number of:
(i) Coins showing heads at the end.
Number of tosses depends on the first toss so not fixed

Answer: Not binomial

- (ii) Heads tossed in the experiment.
Not binary so not binomial. Can get 0 heads, 1 heads, or 2 heads.

Answer: Not binomial

- (p) Your total winnings in n fair coin flips when you win \$2 per H and lose \$1 per T.
You can count the number of successes k binomially but the answer is keeping track of winnings which goes between H and T.

Answer: Not binomial

- (q) A box has 50 bulbs in a random order, with 5 being defective. Of the first 5 bulbs, count the number defective.
Trials depend on each other. Not like choosing questions on a test.

Answer: Not binomial

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Problem 19.11

A game costs \$ x to play. You toss 4 fair coins. If you get more heads than tails, you win \$10 + x for a profit of \$10. Otherwise, you lose and get nothing back, so your loss is \$ x . What is your expected profit?

Use Law of Total Expectation:

Let X = "profit"

$$E[X] = E[X|more\ H] * P[more\ H] + E[X|less\ H] * P[less\ H]$$

$$= 10 * \frac{5}{16} + \frac{(-x)11}{16}$$

$$= \frac{50 - 11x}{16}$$

Answer: $\frac{50-11x}{16}$

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Problem 19.35

A box has 1024 fair and 1 two-headed coin. You pick a coin randomly, make 10 flips and get all H.

- (a) You flip the same coin you picked 100 times. What is the expected number of H?
Construct Law of Total Expectation expression

$$E[H] = E[H | \text{fair}] * P[\text{fair}] + E[H | \text{not fair}] * P[\text{not fair}]$$

$P[\text{fair}]$ is influenced by given information

$$P[\text{fair} | 10H] = \frac{P[\text{fair} \cap 10H]}{P[10H]} = \frac{P[10H | \text{fair}] * P[\text{fair}]}{P[10H]}$$

$$P[10H] = P[10H | \text{fair}] * P[\text{fair}] + P[10H | \text{not fair}] * P[\text{not fair}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{10}} * \frac{1024}{1025} + 1 * \frac{1}{1025} = \frac{2}{1025}$$

$$P[\text{fair} | 10H] = \frac{P[10H | \text{fair}] * P[\text{fair}]}{P[10H]} = \frac{\frac{1}{2^{10}} * \frac{1024}{1025}}{\frac{2}{1025}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$E[H] = 50 * \frac{1}{2} + 100 * \frac{1}{2} = 75$$

Answer: 75

- (b) You flip the same coin you picked until you get H. What is the expected number of flips you make?

$$E[\text{toss}] = E[\text{toss} | \text{fair}] * P[\text{fair}] + E[\text{toss} | \text{not fair}] * P[\text{not fair}]$$

$$= 2 * \frac{1}{2} + 1 * \frac{1}{2} = 1 \frac{1}{2}$$

Answer: $1 \frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{3}{2}$

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Problem 19.54

A Martian couple has children until they have 2 males (sexes of children are independent). Compute the expected number of children the couple will have if, on Mars, males are:

(a) Half as likely as females.

Geometric distribution. In this case the chance for male is $\frac{1}{3}$

Expected value is $\frac{1}{p}$ and events are independent

$$E[\text{kids for two boys}] = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p} = 3 + 3 = 6$$

Answer: 6

(b) Just as likely as females.

Geometric distribution. In this case the chance for male is $\frac{1}{2}$

Expected value is $\frac{1}{p}$ and independent

$$E[\text{kids for two boys}] = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p} = 2 + 2 = 4$$

Answer: 4

(c) Twice as likely as females.

Geometric distribution. In this case the chance for male is $\frac{2}{3}$

Expected value is $\frac{1}{p}$ and independent

$$E[\text{kids for two boys}] = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p} = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{2} = 3$$

Answer: 3

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Problem 20.11

Ten sailors have a night out on shore. They return drunk and sleep in random bunks. Compute:

- (a) The probability that all sailors sleep in their own bunks.

Permutation of 10 sailors and only 1 is correct so

$$\frac{1}{10!}$$

Answer: $\frac{1}{10!}$

- (b) The probability that 1 sailor sleeps in the wrong bunk.

This is clearly 0. If one sailor has the wrong bunk that means another one will have to have the wrong bunk.

Answer: 0

- (c) The probability that 2 sailors sleep in the wrong bunk.

Same as calculating probability that 8 sailors get the correct bed.

From 10 sailors pick 8 : $\binom{10}{8}$

Then multiply by probability of all being correct : $\frac{1}{10!} * \binom{10}{8} = \frac{45}{10!}$

Answer: $\frac{45}{10!}$

- (d) The expected number of sailors that sleep in their own bunk.

Each sailor has a $\frac{1}{10}$ chance to get their own bed.

$$\text{So } E[X_i] = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$\text{For all 10 sailors } E[X] = \frac{1}{10} * 10 = 1$$

Answer: 1 sailor