

# Problem 1

You work at a factory that manufactures light bulbs. You have determined that 5% of light bulbs that are produced are defective. For each of the scenarios below:

1. Define an appropriate random variable and distribution.
2. State the values that the random variable can take on.
3. State any assumptions that you need to make.
4. Find the probability that the random variable you defined takes on the value  $X = 4$ .

## Part a)

Out of 30 lightbulbs,  $k$  are defective.

$$p = 0.05$$

$$n = 30$$

Using the Binomial Theorem we can write:  $p(X = k) = \binom{n}{k}(p^k)((1 - p)^{n-k})$

$$\binom{30}{4}(0.05^4)((1 - 0.05)^{30-4}) = 0.045$$

## Part b)

You test each lightbulb as it comes off the line. The  $k^{th}$  light bulb is the first defective light bulb you find.

If the  $k$ th lightbulb is defective, that means that the  $k-1$  was not defective and it's the last one before we get to a defective one. We don't want an defective light bulbs so this takes on the form:

$$P(X = k) = \binom{k-1}{0}(0.05^0)((1 - 0.05)^{k-1})(0.05)$$

$$P(4 = k) = \binom{4-1}{0}(0.05^0)((1 - 0.05)^{4-1})(0.05) = 0.04286$$

## Part c)

You find your second defective light bulb after observing  $k$  light bulbs in all.

It is the same assumptions as above and a similar equation as above, except we have already found one bulb, and we are looking for the bulb after  $k$ :

$$P(X = k) = \binom{k}{1}(0.05^1)((1 - 0.05)^{k-1})(0.05)$$

$$P(4 = k) = \binom{4}{1}(0.05^1)((1 - 0.05)^{4-1})(0.05) = 0.00857$$

## Problem 2

Consider a loaded six-sided die that is twice as likely to roll an even number as an odd number. Let  $X$  be random variable for value that is rolled from the die.

### Part a)

What is the Probability Mass Function for  $X$ . Write this out as a table.

$$p(\text{even}) = x$$

$$p(\text{odd}) = 2x$$

$$\sum P(x) = 1 \rightarrow x + x + x + 2x + 2x + 2x = 1$$

$$x = 1/9$$

x	1	2	3	4	5	6
p(x)	1/9	2/9	1/9	2/9	1/9	2/9

### Part b)

What is the Cumulative Distribution Function for  $X$ ?

CMF

$$F_X(x) = \sum P_X(x_k)$$

x	1	2	3	4	5	6
p(x)	1/9	2/9	1/9	2/9	1/9	2/9
F(x)	1/9	1/9 + 2/9 = 3/9	3/9 + 1/9 = 4/9	4/9 + 2/9 = 6/9	6/9 + 1/9 = 7/9	7/9 + 2/9 = 1

### Part c)

What is  $E[X]$ ?

$$E(X) = \sum xP(x)$$

$$\frac{1}{9} + 2\frac{2}{9} + 3\frac{1}{9} + 4\frac{2}{9} + 5\frac{1}{9} + 6\frac{2}{9} = 3.67$$

## Problem 3

How would we simulate variables from these distributions in R? It'll turn out that the method is fairly similar across all these distributions so, for simplicity, let's just say we want to simulate  $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$ . Take a look at the official documentation for this function [here](#). Not extremely clear, is it? Let's go through it one step at a time.

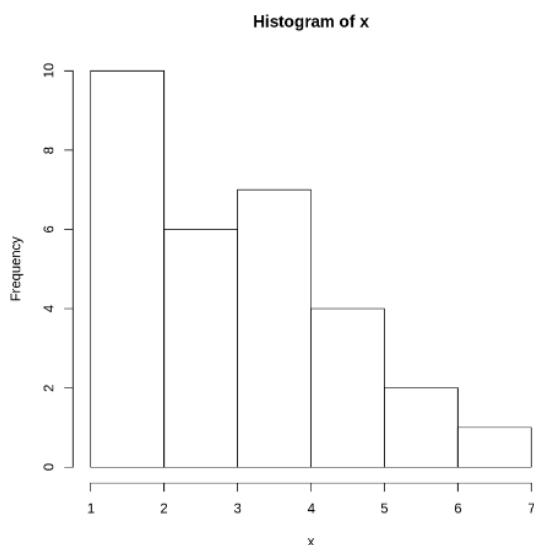
### Part a)

What if we want a random variable from this distribution? That is, we know some underlying distribution and we want to simulate many results from that distribution. Then we would use the "random generation" function `rbinom()`.

Play around with this function, with different `size` and `prob` parameters to get a feel for how it works. Finally, generate 30 results from a  $\text{Bin}(10, 0.3)$  distribution and plot a histogram of the results.

```
x = rbinom(30,10,0.3)
x
hist(x)
```

4 4 5 1 2 2 2 2 3 2 5 3 3 3 5 4 4 6 3 2 4 7 1 6 4 3 5 1 4 1



### Part b)

What if we have some value  $k$  and we want to know what's probability of generating  $k$ ? That is, we're solving the Probability Mass Function  $P(X = k)$ . Then we would use the "density" function `dbinom()`.

Let  $X \sim \text{Bin}(15, 0.4)$ . By hand, solve  $P(X = 4)$ . Then use the `dbinom()` function to confirm your result.

YOUR ANSWER HERE

```
dbinom(4,15,0.4)
0.12677580324864
```

### Part c)

What if we wanted to solve for some value of the Cumulative Density Function? That is, we know  $k$  and want to find  $P(X \leq k) = p$ . Then we would use the "distribution function" `pnbinom()`.

Let  $X \sim \text{Bin}(15, 0.4)$ . By hand, solve  $P(X \leq 4)$ . Then use the `pnbinom()` function to confirm your result.

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```
pnbinom(0.12677580324864, 15, 0.4)
4
```

### Part d)

Finally, we have the "quantile" function `qbinom()`. This function is the reverse of the `pnbinom()` function, in that it takes a probability  $p$  as an argument and returns the value  $k$  of the CDF that results in that much probability.

Use the `qbinom()` function to confirm your results from **Part c**. That is, plug in the probability you got from **Part c** and see if you get the same  $k$ .

```
qbinom(0.12677580324864, 15, 0.4)
4
```