

TUTORIAL 06

- (1) The following table uses 1992 data concerning the percentages of male and female full-time workers whose annual salaries fall into different ranges: Sup-

| Earnings range | Percentage of females | Percentage of males |
|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| ≤ 9999 | 8.6 | 4.4 |
| 10,000-19,000 | 38.0 | 21.1 |
| 20,000-24,999 | 19.4 | 15.8 |
| 25,000 - 49,999 | 29.2 | 41.5 |
| $\geq 50,000$ | 4.8 | 17.2 |

pose that random samples of 200 male and 200 female full-time workers are chosen. Approximate the probability that

- (a) at least 70 of the women earn \$25,000 or more;
 - (b) at most 60 percent of the men earn \$25,000 or more;
 - (c) at least three-fourths of the men and at least half the women earn \$20,000 or more.
- (2) The ideal size of a first-year class at a particular college is 150 students. The college, knowing from past experience that, on the average, only 30 percent of those accepted for admission will actually attend, uses a policy of approving the applications of 450 students. Compute the probability that more than 150 first-year students attend this college.
- (3) To determine the effectiveness of a certain diet in reducing the amount of cholesterol in the bloodstream, 100 people are put on the diet. After they have been on the diet for a sufficient length of time, their cholesterol count will be taken. The nutritionist running this experiment has decided to endorse the diet if at least 65 percent of the people have a lower cholesterol count after going on the diet. What is the probability that the nutritionist endorses the new diet if, in fact, it has no effect on the cholesterol level?
- (4) A roulette wheel has 38 slots, numbered 0, 00, and 1 through 36. If you bet 1 on a specified number then you either win 35 if the roulette ball lands on that number or lose 1 if it does not. If you continually make such bets, approximate the probability that
- (a) you are winning after 34 bets;
 - (b) you are winning after 1000 bets;
 - (c) you are winning after 100,000 bets.

Assume that each roll of the roulette ball is equally likely to land on any of the 38 numbers.

- (5) Let X be an exponential random variable with parameter λ . Calculate (a) $E[X]$ and (b) $Var(X)$.
- (6) At a certain bank, the amount of time that a customer spends being served by a teller is an exponential random variable with mean 5 minutes. If there is a customer in service when you enter the bank, what is the probability that he or she will still be with the teller after an additional 4 minutes?
- (7) Let X be a continuous nonnegative random variable with density function f , and let X^n . Find f_Y , the probability density function of Y .