Stat 134: Section 5

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Conceptual Review

Please discuss these short questions with those around you in section. These problems are intended to highlight concepts from lecture that will be relevant for today's problems.

- a. When do we want to use the Poisson distribution? What is the formula?
- b. When do we want to use the Hypergeometric distribution? What is the formula?

Problem 1

A cereal company advertises a prize in every box of its cereal. In fact, only about 95% of their boxes have prizes in them. If a family buys one box of this cereal every week for a year, estimate the chance that they will collect more than 45 prizes. What assumptions are you making?

Ex 2.4.9 in Pitman's Probability

Problem 2

A deck of cards is shuffled and dealt to four players, with each receiving 13 cards.

- a. The probability that the first player holds all the aces
- b. Find the probability that the first player holds all the aces given that she holds at least one.

Ex 2.5.3 in Pitman's Probability

Problem 3

Eight cards are drawn from a well-shuffled deck of 52 cards. What is the probability the 8 cards contain:

- a. two sets of four of a kind (e.g. 4 jacks and 4 kings);
- b. exactly 1 set of four of a kind.

Adapted from 2.rev.16 in Pitman's Probability