Introduction to Probability Homework 6

Problem 103

A warehouse contains ten printing machines, four of which are defective. A company selects five of the machines at random, thinking all are in working condition. What is the probability that all five of the machines are non defective.

Answer.

$$\frac{\binom{6}{5}}{\binom{10}{5}} = \frac{6}{252} = \frac{1}{42}$$

Problem 107

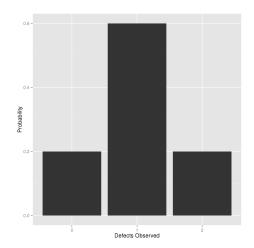
A group of six software packages available to solve a linear programming problem has been ranked from 1 to 6 (best to worst). An engineering firm, unaware of the rankings, randomly selected and then purchased two of the packages. Let Y denote the number of packages purchased by the firm that are ranked 3, 4, 5, or 6. Give the probability distribution for Y.

Answer. We have a hypergeometric distribution with parameters N=6, n=2, and r=4.

$$y = 0: \frac{\binom{2}{2}}{\binom{6}{2}} = \frac{1}{15} \qquad \qquad y = 1: \frac{\binom{2}{1}\binom{4}{1}}{\binom{6}{2}} = \frac{8}{15} \qquad \qquad y = 2: \frac{\binom{4}{2}}{\binom{6}{2}} = \frac{6}{15}$$

Problem 115

Suppose that a radio contains six transistors, two of which are defective. Three transistors are selected at random, removed from the radio, and inspected. Let Y equal the number of defectives observed, where Y = 0, 1, or 2. Find the probability distribution of Y. Express your results graphically as a probability histogram.



Problem 119

Cards are dealt at random and without replacement from a standard 52 card deck. What is the probability that the second king is dealt on the fifth card.

Answer. Let A be the even that the first four cards contain one king and three non-kings. Let B be the even that the fifth card is the second king. The probability of A is a straight hypergeometric probability of drawing one of the four kings and three of the remaining non-kings.

$$P(A) = \frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{48}{3}}{\binom{52}{4}}$$

Now given that the first four cards have been drawn and the one is a king and the other three are non-kings, the porbability tat the fifth card is a king is given below:

$$P(B|A) = \frac{3}{48}$$

since there are three kings left in the eck of 48 cards. Now we have:

$$P(B) = P(B|A)P(A) = \frac{3}{48} \frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{48}{3}}{\binom{52}{4}} = 0.0159719$$