Introduction to Probability Homework 5

Problem 39

Given that blah blah...

a) Exactly two of the four components last longer than 1000 hours

$$p(2) = {4 \choose 2} (.2^2)(.8^2)$$
$$= .1536$$

b) The subsystem operates longer than 1000 hours

$$p(\text{longer than 1000 hours}) = 1 - p(\text{less than 1000 hours})$$

$$= 1 - p(3)$$

$$= 1 - \binom{4}{3}(.2^3)(.8)$$

$$= .9744$$

Problem 41

To get at least 10 questions right on the test we must have, p(y >= 10). This can be represented as

$$\sum_{x=10}^{15} = {15 \choose x} \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^x \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{15-x}$$
$$= .0001$$

Problem 61

80% of people donating blood have the Rhesus(Rh) factor present.

a) With five people selected, what is the probability that at least one does not have the Rh factor?

$$p(\text{at least one does not have Rh}) = 1 - p(\text{everyone has Rh})$$

= $1 - (.8)^5$
= $.6723$

b) With five people selected, what is the probability that at most four have the Rh factor?

$$p(\text{at most four have the Rh factor}) = 1 - p(\text{everyone has Rh})$$

= .6723

c) Using the equation:

$$\binom{n}{5}(.8)^5(.2)^{n-5} = p(y \ge 5)$$
$$= .90$$

Testing each value of n, the first case where $p(y \ge 5) > .90$ is when there are 8 people selected.

Problem 67

Finding a success on 5th try:

$$p(5) = (.7)^4(.3)$$
$$= .072$$

Problem 73

Probability of an error in the audit is .9

a) Error is found on the third company:

$$p(3) = (.1)^{2}(.9)$$
$$= .009$$

b) Error is found on or after the third audit:

$$p(y \ge 3) = 1 - p(y < 3)$$

$$= 1 - [p(1) + p(2)]$$

$$= 1 - [.9 + (.01)(.90)]$$

$$= 1 - .99$$

$$= .01$$