

**Homework 14H**Collaborators: None

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**Q1.** For  $R$  to be a valid equivalence relation it must be reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

Since  $R$  is both symmetric and anti-symmetric,  $aRb$  implies  $a = b$ . If  $R$  is symmetric then  $aRb$  implies  $bRa$  exists, and since  $R$  is antisymmetric if both  $aRb$  and  $bRa$  then  $a = b$ .

Since  $R$  is reflexive this means that for all  $a \in A$   $aRa$  exists.

Therefore there exists an element in  $R$  for each element in  $A$  and no others since the elements must equal each other.

Therefore,  $|R| = |A|$ .

**Q2.** Let our sample space be the all strings of capital letters of any length.

Let  $I_i$  be a random variable that represent the number of letters until and including the  $i$ th appearance of  $I$ .

$I_i$  is a geometric random variable since each letter is an independent bernoulli trial with probability of success  $\frac{1}{26}$

After each success there is a probability of  $\frac{1}{26}$  that the next letter is a j.

Let  $X$  be a random variable that represents the number of letters until I and L.

Therefore the expected value of a geometric random variable is one over p so  $26^2$

**Q3.** (a) Bethany divides all of the pawns into two equal size groups. If the number of pawns is odd one group will have exactly one more pawn than the others. She does this each turn.

(b) Let Rajiv chose between  $X$  and  $Y$  randomly with probability one half of chosing either set.

Let  $X$  be a random variable representing the number of pawns that make it to row  $n$ .

Let  $X_i$  be an indicator random variable that equals one if the  $i$ th pawn makes it to row  $n$  and 0 otherwise.

Consider  $P(X_i = 1)$ . A pawn can only advance if it is chosen. If a pawn is chosen it has a  $\frac{1}{2}$  chance of advancing and a  $\frac{1}{2}$  chance of being removed since it is equally likely to be in each set. A pawn is selected at most  $n$  times since after  $n$  times it either makes it to row  $n$  or has to leave the board. Rajiv randomly selects each set indendent from the last so the  $P(X_i = 1) \leq \frac{1}{2^n}$

Since  $X_i$  is an indicator random variable,  $E(X_i) = P(X_i = 1)$

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^k X_i =$$

$$\text{By LOE, } E(X) \leq \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$E(X) \leq \frac{k}{2^n}$$

Since  $k < 2^n$ ,  $E(X) < 1$ .

Since the expected value of the number of pieces that make it to the other side is less than one, there must exist an scenario where 0 pieces make it to row  $n$  since there cannot be a negative number of pieces that make it. Therefore if  $k < 2^n$ , then there exists a winning strategy for Rajiv.

- Q4.** (a) The sample space can be represented by a string of length  $n$  with an  $A$  at position  $i$  if the  $i$ th TA is on team Goose or  $B$  otherwise.

$A$  is a binomial random variable since it represents a series of  $n$  bernouli trials for each of the  $n$  TAs with a probability of success( joining the team) of  $p$ .

Therefore the PMF of  $A$  is  $P(A = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n - k}$

- (b) Use the same sample space as part a. Since  $A$  is a binomially distributed,  $E(A) = np$
- (c) Use the same sample space as part a. Since  $A$  is binomially distributed,  $\text{Var}(A) = np(1 - p)$
- (d) Use the same sample space as part a.

Given the team choice of the first TA, we want the other  $n-1$  tas to chose the opposite team. Since each TA choses independetly of one another, this is the probability the TA choses the other team to the power  $n-1$ .

Using LOTP, the probability is equal to  $p(1 - p)^{n-1} + (1 - p)p^{n-1}$

- (e) Use the same sample space as part a.

This is the probability that there is a team with exactly one player is  $P(A = 1 \cup A = n - 1)$ , since these two events are clearly disjoint we can add the probabilities using the PMF from part a.

$$= \binom{n}{1} p(1 - p)^{n-1} + \binom{n}{n-1} p^{n-1}(1 - p)$$

- (f) We know  $A + B = n$

$$B = A - D$$

$$A + A - D = n$$

$$D = 2A - n$$

$$\text{By LOE, } E(D) = 2E(A) - E(n) = 2np - n$$

$$\text{Using LOE, } \text{Var}(D) = \text{Var}(2A - n) = E((2A - n)^2) - E(2A - n)^2$$

$$= E(4A^2 - 4An + n^2) - (4n^2p^2 - 4n^2p + n^2)$$

$$= 4E(A^2) - 4n^2p + n^2 - 4E(A)^2 + 4n^2p - n^2$$

$$= 4(E(A^2) - E(A)^2)$$

$$= 4\text{Var}(A)$$

$$= 4np(1 - p)$$

- Q5.** • Let  $X_i$  be an indicator random variable that equals 1 if question  $i$  was asked and 0 otherwise.  $(\frac{7}{8})^{i-1}$ , since a TA that is not Kristina must answer the question so there are 7 out of the 8 possible TAs, and each TA is independently chosen for each question. For the question to be asked each of the previous  $i-1$  questions must have been answered by the TA.

Since  $X_i$  is an indicator random variable,  $E(X_i) = P(X_i = 1)$

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

By LOE,  $E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^n (\frac{7}{8})^{i-1}$

This equal to the infinite geometric series with first term one and common ratio seven eighths, minus the infinite geometric series with first term seven eighths to the  $n-1$  and common ratio seven eighths.

Using the formula for an infinite geometric series we get

$$= \frac{1}{\frac{7}{8}} - \frac{(\frac{7}{8})^{n+1}}{\frac{1}{8}}$$

•  $\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - E(X)^2$

$$E(X^2) = \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 P(X = k)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 (\frac{7}{8})^{k-1} \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 (\frac{7}{8})^{k-1} \frac{1}{8} - (\frac{1}{\frac{7}{8}} - \frac{(\frac{7}{8})^{n+1}}{\frac{1}{8}})^2$$

**Q6.** Let  $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

Let  $Y = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

$$f = \{(1, 4), (2, 1), (3, 2), (4, 3)\}$$

$$g = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 4)\}$$

$g \circ f$  is a bijection since it maps all 4 elements in  $X$  to each of the four elements in  $X$  such that no two elements map to the same value.

$gf$  is not an identity function since one goes to 4 so it is not an identity function.

$f$  is not a surjection. No element in  $f$  maps to 5 which is in the codomain of  $f$ .

$g$  is not injective. Both 4 and 5 in  $g$  map to 4.

$Y$  has 5 elements.