

Math 4610, Review for Exam 2, Solutions

1. Sampling without replacement!

a) There are $\binom{52}{13}$ total possible hands, all equally likely. There are $\binom{4}{2}$ ways to choose 2 aces out of 4, and $\binom{48}{11}$ ways to choose 11 non-aces out of 48. Thus,

$$P(\text{two aces}) = \frac{\binom{4}{2} \binom{48}{11}}{\binom{52}{13}}.$$

b) There are $\binom{4}{2}$ ways to choose 2 aces, $\binom{4}{3}$ ways to choose 3 kings, and $\binom{44}{8}$ ways to choose 8 other cards. Thus, $P(\text{two aces, three kings}) = \frac{\binom{4}{2} \binom{4}{3} \binom{44}{8}}{\binom{52}{13}}.$

2. Each roll is an independent trial with 6 possible outcomes $(1, 2, \dots, 6)$, each of which has probability $P_i = \frac{1}{6}$ ($i=1, \dots, 6$). Let $N_1 = \#$ of ones, $N_2 = \#$ of twos, ..., $N_6 = \#$ of sixes.

Then $(N_1, \dots, N_6) \sim \text{multinomial}(12; \frac{1}{6}, \dots, \frac{1}{6})$, and the required probability is

$$P(N_1=2, N_2=2, \dots, N_6=2) = \frac{12!}{2!2!\dots 2!} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2 \dots \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2 = \frac{12!}{2^6} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^{12}.$$

3. $E(XY) = E(X)E(Y) = \mu^2$, and $E[(XY)^2] = E[X^2Y^2] = E(X^2)E(Y^2) = \{Var(X) + (E(X))^2\} \cdot \{Var(Y) + (E(Y))^2\} = (\sigma^2 + \mu^2)^2$, so $Var(XY) = E[(XY)^2] - [E(XY)]^2 = (\sigma^2 + \mu^2)^2 - (\mu^2)^2 = (\sigma^4 + 2\sigma^2\mu^2 + \mu^4) - \mu^4 = \sigma^4 + 2\sigma^2\mu^2 = \sigma^2(\sigma^2 + 2\mu^2).$

4. a)

$X_2 \backslash X_1$	1	2	3	4
1	1/16	1/16	1/16	1/16
2	1/16	1/16	1/16	1/16
3	1/16	1/16	1/16	1/16
4	1/16	1/16	1/16	1/16

b)

$Y_2 \backslash Y_1$	1	2	3	4
1	1/16	0	0	0
2	1/8	1/16	0	0
3	1/8	1/8	1/16	0
4	1/8	1/8	1/8	1/16

[e.g. $P(Y_1=1, Y_2=2) = P(X_1=1, X_2=2) + P(X_1=2, X_2=1) = \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16} = \frac{1}{8}$, etc.]

c) Range of D : $\{0, 1, 2, 3\}$.

d) $P(D=0) = P(Y_2 - Y_1 = 0) = P(Y_1=1, Y_2=1) + P(Y_1=2, Y_2=2) + P(Y_1=3, Y_2=3) + P(Y_1=4, Y_2=4) = \frac{4}{16} = \frac{1}{4}.$

$P(D=1) = P(Y_2 - Y_1 = 1) = P(Y_1=1, Y_2=2) + P(Y_1=2, Y_2=3) + P(Y_1=3, Y_2=4) = \frac{3}{8}.$

$P(D=2) = P(Y_2 - Y_1 = 2) = P(Y_1=1, Y_2=3) + P(Y_1=2, Y_2=4) = \frac{2}{8} = \frac{1}{4}.$

$P(D=3) = P(Y_2 - Y_1 = 3) = P(Y_1=1, Y_2=4) = \frac{1}{8}.$

e) $E(D) = 0 \cdot P(D=0) + 1 \cdot P(D=1) + 2 \cdot P(D=2) + 3 \cdot P(D=3)$

$= 0 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 1 \cdot \frac{3}{8} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{8} = \frac{5}{4}.$

5. a) Let X be the income of a randomly chosen family. By Markov's inequality,

$P(X > 100,000) \leq \frac{E(X)}{100,000} = \frac{60,000}{100,000} = 0.6$, or 60% of families.

b) By Chebyshev's inequality,

$P(X > 100,000) \leq P(X < 20,000 \text{ or } X > 100,000) = P(|X - E(X)| \geq 40,000)$

$= P(|X - E(X)| \geq 4SD(X)) \leq \frac{1}{4^2} = \frac{1}{16}$, or 6.25% of families.

6. a) The draws are independent trials, but with different success probabilities. Hence, X does not have a binomial distribution.

b) Let $A_i = \{\text{ball from } i^{\text{th}} \text{ urn is red}\}$, $i=1,2,3$. Then $X = I_{A_1} + I_{A_2} + I_{A_3}$, so
$$E(X) = E(I_{A_1}) + E(I_{A_2}) + E(I_{A_3}) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) + P(A_3) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{19}{12}.$$

7. Let X be the number of working devices in a box chosen at random. Then $X \sim \text{binomial}(n, p)$ with $n=50$ and $p=0.9$. Let $\mu = np = 45$, and $\sigma = \sqrt{npq} \doteq 2.12$. We want the largest k so that $P(X \geq k) \geq 0.9$. Using the normal approximation,

$$P(X \geq k) \approx 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{k - \frac{1}{2} - \mu}{\sigma}\right) = 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{k - 45.5}{2.12}\right) = \Phi\left(\frac{45.5 - k}{2.12}\right)$$

From the normal table, this last expression is ≥ 0.9 if and only if

$$\frac{45.5 - k}{2.12} \geq 1.29 \Leftrightarrow 45.5 - k \geq 2.73 \Leftrightarrow k \leq 42.76$$

So the largest integer k that satisfies the inequality is $\boxed{k=42}$.

8. Let $p = P(\text{a given seed does not germinate}) = 0.01$. Let $N = \#$ of seeds that don't germinate. Then $N \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$ where $n=50$, $p=0.01$ so $\mu = np = 0.5$. Thus,
$$P(\geq 3 \text{ seeds don't germinate}) = P(N \geq 3) = 1 - P(N \leq 2) \approx 1 - e^{-\mu} \left(1 + \mu + \frac{\mu^2}{2}\right) = 0.0144.$$