

DEF: X HAS POISSON DISTRIBUTION WITH MEAN λ (OR BRIEFLY: $X \sim \text{POI}(\lambda)$)

$$\text{IF } \boxed{P(X = k) = e^{-\lambda} \cdot \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}} \quad \boxed{E(X) = \lambda}$$

$k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

FACT: IF $X \sim \text{BIN}(n, p)$, WHERE n IS "BIG", BUT $n \cdot p$ IS "NOT BIG" THEN WE CAN "PRETEND" THAT $\boxed{X \sim \text{POI}(\lambda)}$

WHERE $\boxed{\lambda = n \cdot p}$

(POISSON APPROXIMATION OF BINOMIAL)

WHY? E.G. IF $X \sim \text{BIN}(200, 0.01)$

THEN

$$P(X = 3) = \binom{200}{3} \cdot (0.01)^3 \cdot (1 - 0.01)^{197} =$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{200 \cdot 199 \cdot 198}{3!} \cdot \frac{1}{100} \cdot \frac{1}{100} \cdot \frac{1}{100}}_{\approx \frac{2^3}{3!}} \cdot \underbrace{\left(1 - \frac{1}{100}\right)^{197}}_{\approx e^{-2}}$$

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5.1

X = NUMBER OF LEFT-HANDED PEOPLE IN OUR SAMPLE

$$X \sim \text{BIN} \left(\underbrace{200}_n, \underbrace{\frac{1}{100}}_p \right)$$

n BIG

$n \cdot p = 2$

NOT BIG

THUS POI APPROX: $X \sim \text{POI}(2)$

$$P(X \geq 4) = 1 - P(X \leq 3)$$

$$= 1 - e^{-2} - e^{-2} \cdot 2 - e^{-2} \cdot \frac{2^2}{2!} - e^{-2} \cdot \frac{2^3}{3!}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{19}{3} \cdot e^{-2} \approx 0.143$$

FACT: (THINNING OF POISSON)

IF I HAVE $\text{POI}(\lambda)$ PARTICLES AND EVERY PARTICLE IS KEPT WITH PROBABILITY p (INDEPENDENTLY OF EACH OTHER) THEN THE NUMBER OF KEPT PARTICLES WAS

$\text{POI}(p \cdot \lambda)$ DISTRIBUTION.

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X = NUMBER OF OBSTACLES KNOCKED DOWN IN ONE LAP

$X \sim \text{POI}(\lambda)$ BY POI. APPROX OF BINOM.,
BUT WHAT IS λ ?

$$0.1 = P(X=0) = e^{-\lambda}, \text{ THUS } \lambda = \ln(10) \approx 2.3$$

(THE EXPECTED NUMBER OF OBSTACLES KNOCKED DOWN IN ONE LAP IS ≈ 2.3)

$$\begin{aligned} a) P(X \geq 4) &= 1 - P(X \leq 3) = \\ &= 1 - e^{-\lambda} - e^{-\lambda} \cdot \lambda - e^{-\lambda} \cdot \frac{\lambda^2}{2!} - e^{-\lambda} \cdot \frac{\lambda^3}{3!} \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{10} \cdot \left(1 + \ln(10) + \frac{\ln(10)^2}{2!} + \frac{\ln(10)^3}{3!} \right) \\ &\approx 0.201 \end{aligned}$$

b) Y = NUMBER OF INJURIES IN ONE LAP

THINNING: $Y \sim \text{POI}\left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln(10)\right)$

$$P(Y=0) = e^{-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln(10)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \approx 0.316$$

5.6 X = NUMBER OF TICKS IN ONE RUNNER

THEN $X \sim \text{POI}(\lambda)$ (SINCE MANY TICKS TRY TO ATTACK THE RUNNER INDEPENDENTLY OF EACH OTHER AND EACH TICK SUCCEEDS WITH SMALL PROBABILITY)

IF THERE ARE K RUNNERS ALTOGETHER THEN:

EXPECTED NUMBER OF RUNNERS WITH k TICKS IN THEM: $K \cdot P(X = k)$

"LAW OF LARGE NUMBERS":

$$K \cdot P(X = 1) \approx 300$$

$$K \cdot P(X = 2) \approx 75$$

$$K \cdot e^{-\lambda} \cdot \lambda = 300$$

$$K \cdot e^{-\lambda} \cdot \frac{\lambda^2}{2} = 75$$

TWO EQUATIONS, TWO UNKNOWNNS.

DIVIDE THE TWO EQUATIONS:

$$\frac{75}{300} = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$\text{THUS } \lambda = \frac{1}{2} \text{ THUS}$$

$$K \cdot e^{-1/2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 300 \Rightarrow K = 600 \cdot e^{1/2} \approx 989$$

$$E(a \cdot X + b \cdot Y) = a \cdot E(X) + b \cdot E(Y), \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

LINEARITY OF EXPECTATION

$$D^2(X) = \text{Var}(X) := E((X - m)^2) = E(X^2) - m^2$$

(WHERE $m = E(X)$)

STEINER'S THM.

FACT: $\text{Var}(a \cdot X + b) = a^2 \cdot \text{Var}(X)$

5.3 $X \sim \text{UNI} \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$

$$E(X) = \sum_{k=1}^6 \frac{1}{6} \cdot k = 3.5 \quad (\text{CENTER OF MASS})$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \sum_{k=1}^6 \frac{1}{6} \cdot (k - 3.5)^2 = \frac{1}{3} \cdot (0.5)^2 + \frac{1}{3} \cdot (1.5)^2 + \frac{1}{3} \cdot (2.5)^2 \approx 2.91$$

$E((X - m)^2)$ (ROTATIONAL INERTIA)

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - E(X)^2$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^6 \frac{1}{6} \cdot k^2 - (3.5)^2 \approx 2.91$$

5.8

a) X_1 = NUMBER OF ROLLS UNTIL 1ST 5

X_2 = NUMBER OF ADDITIONAL ROLLS
UNTIL 2ND 5

$Y = X_1 + X_2$ = NUMBER OF ROLLS UNTIL 2ND 5

$X_1 \sim \text{GEO}(\frac{1}{6})$, $X_2 \sim \text{GEO}(\frac{1}{6})$

$$E(Y) \stackrel{\text{LIN.}}{=} E(X_1) + E(X_2) = \frac{1}{1/6} + \frac{1}{1/6} = 12$$

$$b) P(Y > 12) = (?)$$

LET X' := NUMBER OF FIVES IN
FIRST TWELVE ROLLS

$$(?) = P(X' \leq 1) = P(X' = 0) + P(X' = 1) = (j)$$

$X' \sim \text{BIN}(12, \frac{1}{6})$

$$(j) = \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{12} + 12 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{11} \approx 0.381$$

5.9 [20 BLUE] [50 NOT BLUE]

X = NUMBER OF BLUE BALLS OUT OF 7

$$P(X = k) = \frac{\binom{20}{k} \cdot \binom{50}{7-k}}{\binom{70}{7}}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 7$$

(HYPERGEOMETRIC DISTRIBUTION)

$$E(X) = ?$$

LET $X_i := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{IF } i\text{'TH SELECTED BALL IS BLUE} \\ 0 & \text{OTHERWISE} \end{cases}$

$$X = X_1 + \dots + X_7$$

$$E(X) \stackrel{\text{LIN.}}{=} E(X_1) + \dots + E(X_7) = 7 \cdot E(X_1)$$

$$E(X_1) = P(\text{FIRST SELECTED BALL IS BLUE}) \\ = \frac{20}{70} = \frac{2}{7}$$

$$\text{THUS } E(X) = 7 \cdot \frac{2}{7} = 2$$

$$\boxed{5.11} \quad E(X^2) = E(X)^2 + \text{Var}(X) = 1^2 + 5 = 6$$

$$a) \quad E((2+X)^2) = E(4 + 4X + X^2) \stackrel{\text{L.W.}}{=} 4 + 4 \cdot E(X) + E(X^2) = 4 + 4 \cdot 1 + 6 = 16$$

$$b) \quad (E(2+X))^2 = (2 + E(X))^2 = (2+1)^2 = 9$$

$$c) \quad \text{Var}(4 + 3 \cdot X) = 3^2 \cdot \text{Var}(X) = 9 \cdot 5 = 45$$

$$\boxed{5.17} \quad P(\text{RAINY} \mid 17 \text{ ACCIDENTS}) =$$

$$= \frac{P(\text{RAINY AND 17 ACC.})}{P(17 \text{ ACC.})} \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{LAW OF TOTAL} \\ \text{PROB. IN} \\ \text{DENOMINATOR} \end{array}$$

$$= \frac{P(\text{RAINY}) \cdot P(17 \text{ ACC.} \mid \text{RAINY})}{P(\text{RAIN}) \cdot P(17 \text{ ACC.} \mid \text{RAIN}) + P(\text{SUNNY}) \cdot P(17 \mid \text{SUNNY})}$$

$$= \frac{(0.6) \cdot e^{-20} \cdot \frac{(20)^{17}}{17!}}{(0.6) \cdot e^{-20} \cdot \frac{(20)^{17}}{17!} + (0.4) \cdot e^{-10} \cdot \frac{(10)^{17}}{17!}} \approx 0.9$$