

1. (a) State the conditions under which the Poisson distribution may be used as an approximation to the binomial distribution.

(1)

A farmer supplies a bakery with eggs. The manager of the bakery claims that the proportion of eggs having a double yolk is 0.009

The farmer claims that the proportion of his eggs having a double yolk is more than 0.009

- (b) State suitable hypotheses for testing these claims.

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In a batch of 500 eggs the baker records 9 eggs with a double yolk.

- (c) Using a suitable approximation, test at the 5% level of significance whether or not this supports the farmer's claim.

(5)

a)  $x \sim Po(\lambda)$  from  $x \sim B(n, p)$  when  $n$  is large and  $p$  is small,  $np \leq 10$

$$\begin{aligned} b) \quad H_0: \lambda = 0.009 & \quad x \sim Po(0.009) \\ H_1: \lambda > 0.009 & \quad x = \# \text{ eggs with a double yolk.} \end{aligned}$$

$$c) \quad x \sim B(500, 0.009) \approx x \sim Po(4.5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(x > 9) &= 1 - P(x \leq 8) = 1 - e^{-4.5} \sum_{n=0}^8 \frac{4.5^n}{n!} \\ P(x > 8) &= 0.0403 \end{aligned}$$

< 5%  $\therefore$  result is significant  
 $\therefore$  enough evidence to reject null  
 $\therefore$  evidence to support farmer's claim  
 that proportion is higher.

2. The amount of flour used by a factory in a week is  $Y$  thousand kg where  $Y$  has probability density function

$$f(y) = \begin{cases} k(4-y^2) & 0 \leq y \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Show that the value of  $k$  is  $\frac{3}{16}$

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Use algebraic integration to find

- (b) the mean number of kilograms of flour used by the factory in a week,

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- (c) the standard deviation of the number of kilograms of flour used by the factory in a week,

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- (d) the probability that more than 1500 kg of flour will be used by the factory next week.

(3)

$$\text{a) } \int f(y) dy = 1 \Rightarrow k \int_0^2 4-y^2 dy = 1$$

$$k [4y - \frac{1}{3}y^3]_0^2 = 1 \Rightarrow k [8 - \frac{8}{3}] = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k \times \frac{16}{3} = 1 \therefore k = \frac{3}{16} \#$$

$$\text{b) } E(y) = \int y f(y) dy = \int_0^2 \frac{3}{16}y(4-y^2) dy = \frac{3}{16} \int_0^2 4y - y^3 dy$$

$$= \frac{3}{16} [2y^2 - \frac{1}{4}y^4]_0^2 = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\text{c) } E(y^2) = \int_0^2 y^2 f(y) dy = \frac{3}{16} \int_0^2 4y^2 - y^4 dy = \frac{3}{16} [\frac{4}{3}y^3 - \frac{1}{5}y^5]_0^2$$

$$E(y^2) = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$V(y) = E(y^2) - E(y)^2 = \frac{4}{5} - (\frac{3}{4})^2 = \frac{11}{80}$$

$$\therefore SdY = \sqrt{\frac{11}{80}} = 0.487$$

$$\text{d) } P(Y > 1.5) = 1 - F(1.5) = 1 - \int_0^{1.5} \frac{3}{16}(4-y^2) dy$$

$$= 1 - \frac{3}{16} [4y - \frac{1}{3}y^3]_0^{1.5} = 0.0859$$

3. The continuous random variable  $T$  is uniformly distributed on the interval  $[a, \beta]$  where  $\beta > a$

Given that  $E(T) = 2$  and  $\text{Var}(T) = \frac{16}{3}$ , find

(a) the value of  $a$  and the value of  $\beta$ ,

(5)

(b)  $P(T < 3.4)$

(2)

$$E(T) = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{a+b}{2} = 2 \Rightarrow a+b = 4 \Rightarrow a = 4-b$$

$$\text{Var}(T) = \frac{16}{3} = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12} = \frac{16}{3} \Rightarrow (2b-4)^2 = 64 \\ \Rightarrow 2b-4 = 8$$

$$a = -2, b = 6$$

$$\therefore b = \frac{6}{2} \quad a = \frac{-2}{2}$$

b)  $P(T < 3.4) = \frac{3.4+2}{8} = \frac{5.4}{8} = \frac{0.675}{2}$

4. Pieces of ribbon are cut to length  $L$  cm where  $L \sim N(\mu, 0.5^2)$

- (a) Given that 30% of the pieces of ribbon have length more than 100 cm, find the value of  $\mu$  to the nearest 0.1 cm.

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John selects 12 pieces of ribbon at random.

- (b) Find the probability that fewer than 3 of these pieces of ribbon have length more than 100 cm.

(3)

Aditi selects 400 pieces of ribbon at random.

- (c) Using a suitable approximation, find the probability that more than 127 of these pieces of ribbon will have length more than 100 cm.

(6)

$$a) P(L > 100) = 0.30 \Rightarrow P\left(Z > \frac{100-\mu}{\frac{1}{2}}\right) = 0.30$$

$$\therefore \text{points} \Rightarrow \frac{100-\mu}{\frac{1}{2}} = 0.5244 \quad \therefore \mu = 99.7$$

b)  $X = \# \text{ pieces of ribbon which are } > 100 \text{ cm}$

$$X \sim B(12, 0.3)$$

$$P(X < 3) = P(X \leq 2)$$

$$= 0.2528$$

$$c) \mu = np = 120$$

$$\sigma^2 = np(1-p) = 84$$

$$X \sim B(400, 0.3)$$

$$\Rightarrow X \sim N(120, 84)$$

$$P(X > 127) \approx P(X > 127.5) = P\left(Z > \frac{127.5 - 120}{\sqrt{84}}\right)$$

$$\approx P(Z > 0.8183 \dots) \approx 0.207$$

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5. A company claims that 35% of its peas germinate. In order to test this claim Ann decides to plant 15 of these peas and record the number which germinate.

(a) (i) State suitable hypotheses for a two-tailed test of this claim.

(ii) Using a 5% level of significance, find an appropriate critical region for this test.  
The probability in each of the tails should be as close to 2.5% as possible.

(4)

(b) Ann found that 8 of the 15 peas germinated. State whether or not the company's claim is supported. Give a reason for your answer.

(2)

(c) State the actual significance level of this test.

(1)

a)  $X = \# \text{ peas that germinate}$   
 $X \sim B(15, 0.35)$

$$H_0 : p = 0.35$$

$$H_1 : p \neq 0.35$$

ii)  $P(X \leq L) \approx 0.025$   
 $P(X \leq 1) = 0.042^*$   
 $P(X \leq 2) = 0.0617$

$$\therefore L = 1$$

$$P(X \geq U) \approx 0.025$$
  
 $P(X \geq U-1) = 1 - P(X \leq U-1) \approx 0.025$   
 $\therefore P(X \leq U-1) \approx 0.975$   
 $P(X \leq 8) = 0.9578$   
 $P(X \leq 9) = 0.9876^* \therefore \frac{U-1}{U} = 0.975$

$$\therefore CR \{X \leq 1\} \cup \{X \geq 10\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \{0 \leq X \leq 1\} \cup \{10 \leq X \leq 15\}$$

b) 8 does not fall into the CR  $\therefore$  the result is not significant  $\therefore$  not enough evidence to reject null  $\therefore$  claim is supported.

c) ASL =  $\frac{0.0142}{0.0124}^+ = 0.0266 \quad 2.66\%$

6. A continuous random variable  $X$  has cumulative distribution function  $F(x)$  given by

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ \frac{x^2}{20}(9 - 2x) & 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 1 & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

(a) Verify that the median of  $X$  lies between 1.23 and 1.24

(3)

(b) Specify fully the probability density function  $f(x)$ .

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(c) Find the mode of  $X$ .

(2)

(d) Describe the skewness of this distribution. Justify your answer.

(2)

a)  $F(1.23) = 0.495 < 0.5$  Since  $F(Q_2) = 0.5$   
 $F(1.24) = 0.501 > 0.5$   $1.23 < Q_2 < 1.24$

b)  $f(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{9x^2}{20} - \frac{x^3}{10} \right) = \frac{9}{10}x - \frac{3x^2}{10}$

$\therefore f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{10}(3x - x^2) & 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

c)  $f'(\text{mode}) = 0 \Rightarrow 3 - 2x = 0 \therefore \text{mode} = 1.5$

d) Median < mode  $\therefore$  negative skew

7. Flaws occur at random in a particular type of material at a mean rate of 2 per 50 m.
- (a) Find the probability that in a randomly chosen 50 m length of this material there will be exactly 5 flaws. (2)

This material is sold in rolls of length 200 m. Susie buys 4 rolls of this material.

- (b) Find the probability that only one of these rolls will have fewer than 7 flaws. (6)

A piece of this material of length  $x$  m is produced.

Using a normal approximation, the probability that this piece of material contains fewer than 26 flaws is 0.5398

- (c) Find the value of  $x$ . (8)

$$a) x = \text{# flaws per } 50\text{m} \quad x \sim P(2)$$

$$P(x=5) = \frac{e^{-2} \times 2^5}{5!} = 0.0361$$

$$b) y = \text{# flaws per } 200\text{m} \quad y \sim P(8)$$

$$P(y < 7) = P(y \leq 6) = 0.3134$$

$f = \text{# rolls with } < 7 \text{ flaws}$

$$f \sim B(4, 0.3134) \quad P(f=1) = {}^4C_1 \cdot 0.3134^1 \cdot 0.6866^3 \\ = 0.4058$$

$M = \# \text{ flaws per } 0\text{cm}$

$$M \sim P_0(\lambda^2)$$

$$\lambda^2 = \frac{x}{2S}$$

$$\approx M \sim N(\lambda^2, \lambda^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(M < 2S) &\approx P(M < 2S \cdot S) \\ P(M < 2S) &\end{aligned}$$

$$\approx P\left(Z < \frac{2S \cdot S - \lambda^2}{\lambda}\right) = 0.5398 \quad \Phi(0.1) = 0.5398$$

$$\therefore \frac{2S \cdot S - \lambda^2}{\lambda} = 0.1 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 + 0.1\lambda - 2S \cdot S = 0$$

$$(10\lambda^2 + \lambda - 2SS = 0)$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 4(10)(2SS)}}{20}$$

$$(10\lambda + 51)(\lambda - S)$$

$$\therefore \lambda = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 2S = \frac{\lambda}{2S}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{62S}{2}$$