

Midterm 1 Solution

1.
 - a. 3.3375
 - b. 1.950778
 - c.
- 2.

$$\frac{\binom{6}{2} \binom{4}{2}}{\binom{10}{4}} = 3/7 = 0.4286$$

3.
 - a. $(.40)(1-.95)=.02$
 - b. $(.40)(.95) + (.40)(.97) + (.20)(.90)=.948$
 - c. $.02/(1-.948)=0.02/0.052=.3846$
- 4.

a. Let X_{2A} be the number of breakdowns of A in two weeks. X_{2A} has a Poisson distribution with $\lambda = 2 \times 1 = 2$.

$$P(X_{2A} = 0) = .135 \text{ Table A.2}$$

b. Let X_B be the number of breakdowns of B in one week. X_B follows a Poisson distribution with $\lambda = 2$.

$$P(X_B \geq 4) = 1 - P(X \leq 3) = 1 - F(3; 2) = 1 - .857 = .143$$

c. Let X_A be the number of breakdowns of A in one week. $X_A \sim \text{Poisson}(1)$.

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_A + X_B = 3) &= P(X_A = 0, X_B = 3) + P(X_A = 1, X_B = 2) + P(X_A = 2, X_B = 1) + P(X_A = 3, X_B = 0) \\ &= P(X_A = 0)P(X_B = 3) + P(X_A = 1)P(X_B = 2) + P(X_A = 2)P(X_B = 1) + P(X_A = 3)P(X_B = 0) \\ &= .224 \end{aligned}$$

Another approach:

Let X_{A+B} be the total number of breakdowns in the office in a week. Claim that X_{A+B} follows Poisson distribution with parameter $\lambda = 1 + 2 = 3$ (why?).

$$P(X_{A+B} = 3) = F(3; 3) - F(2; 3) = .224$$

- d. Since A and B are independent, $E(X_A)=1$.
- 5.

a. $\int_{-1}^1 f(x)dx = \int_{-1}^0 1/4dx + \int_0^1 (1/4 + kx)dx = 1, k = 1.$

b.

$$E(X) = \int_{-1}^0 x/4dx + \int_0^1 (1/4 + x)xdx = 1/3$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_{-1}^0 x^2/4dx + \int_0^1 x^2(1/4 + x)dx = 5/12$$

mean is $1/3$, and variance is $E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = 11/36$

C.

$$P(X \geq 1/2 | X > 0) = \frac{P(X \geq 1/2)}{P(X > 0)}$$

$$P(X \geq 1/2) = \int_{1/2}^1 (1/4 + x)dx = 1/2$$

$$P(X > 0) = 1 - P(X \leq 0) = 1 - 1/4 = 3/4$$

Hence $P(X \geq 1/2 | X > 0) = \frac{1/2}{3/4} = 2/3.$

6.

$X \sim N(6, 0.06)$

a.

$$\begin{aligned} P(5.902 < X < 6.098) &= P\left(\frac{5.902 - 6}{0.06} < Z < \frac{6.098 - 6}{0.06}\right) \\ &= P(-1.633 < Z < 1.6333) = 0.9484 - 0.0516 = 0.8968 \end{aligned}$$

b. Let Y be the number of rods that are not acceptable. Y is a binomial random variable with $n = 25$ and $p = 1 - 0.8968 \approx 0.10$

$$P(Y \geq 3) = 1 - B(2; 25, 0.10) = 1 - .537 = .463$$

c. Now we need to calculate new σ .

$$P(5.902 < X < 6.098) = P\left(\frac{5.902 - 6}{\sigma} < Z < \frac{6.098 - 6}{\sigma}\right) = 0.99$$

Hence $\frac{-0.098}{\sigma}$ is the .5th percentile, that is -2.575 .

$$\frac{-0.098}{\sigma} = -2.575$$

So, $\sigma = 0.098/2.575 = 0.038$.