

### Homework 4 – Book Problems

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(3 pt)

Let  $X = \#$  of 6's

$X \sim \text{Binomial}(10, 1/6)$

$$\text{a) } P(X = 0) = \binom{10}{0} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^0 \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{10} = .161506$$

$$\text{b) } P(X \geq 2) = 1 - P(X < 2) = 1 - P(X = 0) - P(X = 1) = 1 - .161506 - \binom{10}{1} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^1 \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^9 = .51483$$

$$\text{c) } P(X \leq 3) = P(X=0) + P(X=1) + P(X=2) + P(X=3) = .930272$$

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(7 pt)

Let  $X = \#$  of Correct Answers by Guessing

For part a and b:  $X \sim \text{Binomial}(6, 1/4)$

$$\text{a) } P(\text{Pass by Guessing}) = P(X=4) + P(X=5) + P(X=6) = .037598$$

$$\text{b) } P(\text{Know 1}^{\text{st}} \text{ three, Guess on the Rest}) = P(X=1) + P(X=2) + P(X=3) = 37/64 = .578125$$

c) and d) In the back of the book

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e) } & \text{(a) } E(X) = 6(1/4) = 1.5 & \text{Var}(X) = 6(1/4)(3/4) = 1.125 \\ & \text{(b) } E(X) = 3 + 3(1/4) = 3.75 & \text{Var}(X) = 0 + 3(1/4)(3/4) = 9/16 = .5625 \\ & \text{(c) } E(X) = 6(5/8) = 3.75 & \text{Var}(X) = 6(5/8)(3/8) = 1.40625 \end{aligned}$$

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(2 pt)

## Solutions to Additional Homework #4 Problems

1. Note that we have a Hypergeometric

(1 pt)

Let  $X$  = Number of defectives in sample

$$P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0)$$

$$P(X = 0) = \frac{\binom{5}{0} \binom{95}{10}}{\binom{100}{10}} = .583752$$

$$P(X \geq 1) = 1 - .583752 = .416248$$

2. Here we have a Poisson ( $\lambda=18$ )

(1 pt)

$$P(X \leq 3) = P(X = 0) + P(X = 1) + P(X = 2) + P(X = 3) = .000018$$

3.

a) Given the identity and using the following representation of the Negative Binomial: (2 pt)

$$p(x) = \binom{x-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^{x-r}, x = r, r+1, \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_x(t) &= \sum_{x=r}^{\infty} e^{tx} \binom{x-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^{x-r} \\ &= p^r \sum_{x=r}^{\infty} \binom{x-1}{r-1} [(1-p)e^t]^x [(1-p)e^t]^{-r} e^{tr} \\ &= (pe^t)^r \sum_{x=r}^{\infty} \binom{x-1}{r-1} [(1-p)e^t]^{x-r} \\ &= (pe^t)^r (1 - (1-p)e^t)^{-r} \\ &= \left( \frac{pe^t}{1 - (1-p)e^t} \right)^r \end{aligned}$$

**NOTE:** If you use  $p(x) = \binom{r+x-1}{x} p^r (1-p)^x, x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  then  $M_x(t) = \left( \frac{p}{1 - (1-p)e^t} \right)^r$ . The difference here is the use of the transformation  $Y = X + r$ .

b)

(2 pt)

$$E(X) = M'_X(0) = \left[ \frac{re^{tr} \left( \frac{p}{1-(1-p)e^t} \right)^r}{1-(1-p)e^t} \right]_{t=0} = \frac{r}{p}$$

$$E(X^2) = M''_X(0) = \frac{r(r-p+1)}{p^2}$$

$$Var(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 = \frac{r(r-p+1)}{p^2} - \frac{r^2}{p^2} = \frac{r(1-p)}{p^2}$$

c) Outline of derivation:

(Extra Credit 2 pt)

Consider the function  $h(w) = (1-w)^{-r}$ , the binomial  $(1-w)$  with negative exponent  $-r$

$$(1-w)^{-r} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{h^{(k)}(0)}{k!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{r+k-1}{r-1} w^k$$

Let  $x = k + r$  in the summation, then  $k = x - r$  and

$$(1-w)^{-r} = \sum_{x=r}^{\infty} \binom{r+x-k-1}{r-1} w^{x-r} = \sum_{x=r}^{\infty} \binom{x-1}{r-1} w^{x-r}, \text{ as desired}$$

4.  $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$

$$\text{a) } M_X(t) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{tx} \lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!} = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda e^t)^x e^{-\lambda e^t}}{x!} \cdot e^{-\lambda(1-e^t)}, \text{ [we have defined a new Poisson } (\lambda e^t)\text{]} \quad (2 \text{ pt})$$

$$= e^{-\lambda(1-e^t)} = e^{\lambda(e^t-1)}$$

$$\text{b) } E(X) = M'_X(0) = [e^{\lambda(e^t-1)} \cdot \lambda e^t]_{t=0} = \lambda \quad (2 \text{ pt})$$

$$E(X^2) = M''_X(0) = [\lambda e^{t+\lambda(e^t-1)} (1 + \lambda e^t)]_{t=0} = \lambda + \lambda^2$$

$$Var(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 = \lambda + \lambda^2 - \lambda^2 = \lambda$$

5. Think in terms of a geometric distribution

$$\text{a) Then the pmf of } X \text{ is given by } p_X(x) = p(1-p)^{x-1} + (1-p)p^{x-1} \quad (1 \text{ pt})$$

b)  $M_X(t) = E(e^{tx}) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} e^{tx} [p(1-p)^{x-1} + (1-p)p^{x-1}]$  **(2 pt)**

$$= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} e^{tx} p(1-p)^{x-1} + \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} e^{tx} (1-p)p^{x-1}$$

$$= \frac{pe^t}{1-(1-p)e^t} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} (1-p)^{x-1} + \frac{(1-p)e^t}{1-pe^t} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} p^{x-1}$$

$$= \frac{pe^t}{1-(1-p)e^t} + \frac{(1-p)e^t}{1-pe^t}$$

Note that this is the sum of two geometric MGF's and we know that  $E(Y) = \frac{1}{p}$  for the regular geometric distribution. Therefore, the expected value is:

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{1-p} \{ \text{This result can also be obtained by finding } M'_X(0) \}$$