

Problem 1: Suppose that the life time in years of a part, X , has distribution function

$$F(x) = 1 - e^{-x^3}, \quad \text{for } x > 0.$$

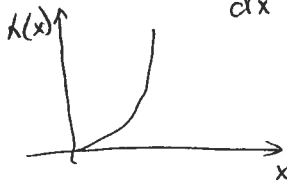
[5] (a) Is the part wearing out, getting stronger or not changing with time? Why?

[8] (b) What is the median life time for the part (in years)?

[12] (c) Calculate the probability that the part will survive 6 extra months after serving for 1.5 years.

a) Finding failure rate given the CDF

$$\lambda(x) = -\frac{d}{dx} \ln(1 - F_X(x)) = -\frac{d}{dx} \ln(1 - (1 - e^{-x^3}))$$

$$= -\frac{d}{dx} (-x^3) = 3x^2$$


$\lambda(x)$ is an increasing function of x (lifetime)
 $\Rightarrow$ the part is wearing out

b) $F_X(m) = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = 1 - e^{-m^3} \Rightarrow -m^3 = \ln \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow m = (\ln 2)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

c) Let x = lifetime of the part

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \geq 1.5 + 0.5 \mid X \geq 1.5) &= \frac{P(X \geq 2 \cap X \geq 1.5)}{P(X \geq 1.5)} \\ &= \frac{P(X \geq 2)}{P(X \geq 1.5)} \\ &= \frac{1 - F_X(2)}{1 - F_X(1.5)} = \frac{e^{-2^3}}{e^{-1.5^3}} = e^{1.5^3 - 2^3} \end{aligned}$$

[20] **Problem 2:** The controlled temperature of a room has normal distribution with mean μ and standard deviation $\sigma = 0.1^\circ$ Celsius. The mean μ must be set by the user. What is the smallest value of μ such that the temperature in the room is above 15° Celsius 95% of the time?

Hint: Let $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ and set $\Phi(z) = P(Z < z)$. The values of $\Phi(z)$ for several values of z are given below:

z	$\Phi(z)$
1.282	0.900
1.440	0.925
1.645	0.950
1.960	0.975
2.326	0.990

Let $x =$ temperature of a room

$$X \sim N(\mu, \overset{\text{variance}}{0.1^2})$$

$$P(X > 15) = 0.95 \quad \mu = ?$$

$$P(X > 15) = 1 - P(X \leq 15)$$

$$= 1 - P\left(\frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \leq \frac{15 - \mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

$$\left| Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \right|$$

$$= 1 - P\left(Z \leq \frac{15 - \mu}{\sigma}\right) = 0.95$$

$$= 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{15 - \mu}{\sigma}\right) = 0.95$$

Recall $\Phi(-a) = 1 - \Phi(a)$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi\left(-\frac{15 - \mu}{\sigma}\right) = 0.95$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{15 - \mu}{\sigma} = 1.645$$

$$-(15 - \mu) = 1.645\sigma$$

$$\mu = 15 + 1.645\sigma = 15.1645^\circ$$

Problem 3: Suppose that X_1 and X_2 are two independent Binomial(n, p) random variables with common mean 6 and variance 4.

[7](a) What are the values of n and p ?

[6](b) What is the distribution of $S = X_1 + X_2$? Why?

[12](c) Calculate $P(X_1 = 6 | S = 10)$

a) $X_1 \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$ $E(X_1) = 6$ $n, p = ?$
 $\text{Var}(X_1) = 4$

Since $X_1 \sim \text{Bin}(n, p) \Rightarrow E(X_1) = np$, $\text{Var}(X_1) = np(1-p)$

$$\begin{cases} np = 6 \\ np(1-p) = 4 \end{cases} \Rightarrow 1-p = \frac{4}{np} = \frac{4}{6} \Rightarrow \boxed{p = \frac{1}{3}}$$

$$n \cdot \frac{1}{3} = 6 \Rightarrow \boxed{n = 3 \cdot 6 = 18}$$

b) $S = X_1 + X_2$ $X_1 = \# \text{ of successes in } n \text{ indep trials with individual prob } p$
 $X_2 = \# \text{ of successes in } n \text{ indep trials w/ prob } p$

$\Rightarrow$ in case of S there are $2n$ indep trials and individual prob of success is p

$\Rightarrow S \sim \text{Bin}(2n, p)$

Another option $X_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i$ where $Y_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$

$X_2 = \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j$ where $Y_j \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$

$\Rightarrow X_1 + X_2 = \sum_{i=1}^{2n} Y_i \sim \text{Bin}(2n, p)$

c) $P(X_1 = 6 | S = 10) = \frac{P(X_1 = 6 \cap S = 10)}{P(S = 10)} = \frac{P(S = 10 | X_1 = 6) \cdot P(X_1 = 6)}{P(S = 10)}$

$$= \frac{P(X_1 + X_2 = 10 | X_1 = 6) \cdot P(X_1 = 6)}{P(S = 10)} = \frac{P(X_2 = 4) \cdot P(X_1 = 6)}{P(S = 10)}$$

$$= \frac{\binom{18}{4} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4 \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{18-4} \cdot \binom{18}{6} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^6 \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{12}}{\binom{36}{10} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{10} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{26}}$$

$$= \frac{\binom{18}{4} \binom{18}{6}}{\binom{36}{10}}$$

Problem 4: (a) A coin with probability p of "head" is independently tossed 3 times. Let Y be the position of the first head in the sequence. If no head appears in the three tosses then Y is set equal to 4.

[7] (i) Calculate the probability mass function $f_Y(y)$ and the distribution function $F_Y(y)$.

[6] (ii) Calculate the mean of Y *as an expression of p . You are not required to simplify the expression*

[8] (iii) Five independent replications of this experiment produced the sequence 3, 3, 4, 2, 3. What is your estimate for p ? **Hint:** say what equation the estimate $\hat{p}$ must solve. No need to solve this equation.

(b) [9] The experiment described in Part (a) is independently repeated twice, yielding the sequence Y_1, Y_2 . Let

$$X = \max\{Y_1, Y_2\}$$

Complete the following table

x	$F_X(x)$	$f_X(x)$
1		
2		
3		
4		

a) i) Y is the position of 1st Head in a sequence of 3
 $P(Y=4) = P(\text{no head in 3 tosses}) = P(\text{Tail} \cap \text{Tail} \cap \text{Tail}) = (1-p)^3$

$$P(Y=3) = P(\text{Tail} \cap \text{Tail} \cap \text{Head}) = (1-p)^2 \cdot p$$

$$P(Y=2) = P(\text{Tail} \cap \text{Head} \cap \text{Tail}) + P(\text{Tail} \cap \text{Head} \cap \text{Head}) = (1-p)^2 \cdot p + p^2(1-p) = p - 2p^2 + p^3 + p^2 - p^3 = p(1-p)$$

$$P(Y=1) = 1 - [P(Y=2) + P(Y=3) + P(Y=4)]$$

$$= 1 - [(1-p)^3 + 2(1-p)^2 \cdot p + p^2(1-p)]$$

$$= 1 - (1-p) [(1-p)^2 + 2p(1-p) + p^2]$$

$$= 1 - (1-p) [1 - 2p + p^2 + 2p - 2p^2 + p^2]$$

$$= 1 - (1-p) = p$$

(makes sense, $P(Y=1) = P(\text{get Heads on 1st try})$)

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y_i	$P(Y=y_i)$
1	p
2	$p(1-p)$
3	$p(1-p)^2$
4	$(1-p)^3$

cdf
 $F_Y(y_i) = P(Y \leq y_i)$

y_i	P
1	$p(1-p) + p = p(2-p)$
2	$p(2-p) + p(1-p)^2 = p(p^2 - 2p + 1 + 2 - p) = p(p^2 - 3p + 3)$
3	$p(p^2 - 3p + 3) + (1-p)^3 = 1$
4	

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ii) $E(y) = ?$

$E(y) = \sum_{i=1}^4 y_i \cdot P(y=y_i) = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 3 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + 4 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3$
 $p + 2p(1-p) + 3p(1-p)^2 + 4(1-p)^3$

iii) $E(y)$ / without subbing in p value

$E(y) = p + 2p(1-p) + 3p(1-p)^2 + 4(1-p)^3$

$\bar{y} = \frac{3+3+4+2+3}{5} = \frac{15}{5} = 3$

$\Rightarrow$ to get $\hat{p}$ solve $\hat{p} + 2\hat{p}(1-\hat{p}) + 3\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})^2 + 4(1-\hat{p})^3 = 3$
 for $\hat{p}$

/* this is method of moments estimate

b) $y = \max\{y_1, y_2\}$

Way 1 (Mathy) / But elegant!

$F_y(y) = P(y \leq y) = P(\max(y_1, y_2) \leq y)$
 $= P(y_1 \leq y \cap y_2 \leq y)$
 $= P(y_1 \leq y) \cdot P(y_2 \leq y)$ because y_1 and y_2 are independent
 $= F_{y_1}(y) \cdot F_{y_2}(y)$

Way 2 (Logical) / But equally as mathy!

$P(y=1) = P(y_1=1 \cap y_2=1) = P(y_1=1) \cdot P(y_2=1) = p^2$

$P(y=2) = P(y_1=2 \cap y_2=1) + P(y_1=1 \cap y_2=2) = P(y_1=2) \cdot P(y_2=1) + P(y_1=1) \cdot P(y_2=2)$
 $+ 2 \cdot P(y_1=2) \cdot P(y_2=2)$
 $= 2p^2(1-p) + 2p^2(1-p)^2$

$P(y=3) = P(y_1=3 \cap y_2=1) + P(y_1=3 \cap y_2=2) + P(y_1=2 \cap y_2=3) + P(y_1=1 \cap y_2=3)$
 $+ P(y_1=3 \cap y_2=3)$
 $= 2 \cdot p^2(1-p)^2 + 2 \cdot p^2(1-p)^3 + p^2(1-p)^4$

$P(y=4) = P(y_1=4 \cup y_2=4) = P(y_1=4) + P(y_2=4) - P(y_1=4 \cap y_2=4)$
 $= 2 \cdot (1-p)^3 - (1-p)^6$

or $P(y=4) = 1 - [P(y=1) + P(y=2) + P(y=3)]$

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cdf

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y_i	$P(y = y_i)$
1	p^2
2	$2p^2(1-p) + p^2(1-p)^2$
3	$2p^2(1-p)^2 + 2p^2(1-p)^3 + p^2(1-p)^4$
4	$2(1-p)^3 - (1-p)^6$

y_i	$F_Y(y_i) = P(Y \leq y_i)$
1	p^2
2	$p^2 + 2p^2(1-p) + p^2(1-p)^2$
3	$p^2 + 2p^2(1-p) + 2p^2(1-p)^2 + 2p^2(1-p)^3$
4	1

Alternatively, as for many approach, can just square the CDF of y_1 or y_2