

**Homework 6; Due 11.30 a.m. Fri Nov 13.**

4.1.10,  $\mathcal{X} = \{1, 2, 1000\}$ ;

$$E(X) = 1 \times P(X = 1) + 2 \times P(X = 2) + 1000 \times P(X = 1000) = 0.25 + 1.0 + 250 = 251.25$$

(This is a trivial question, but makes an important point.)

4.1.11, (a)  $f_X(x) = \lambda \exp(-\lambda x)$  on  $x > 0$ .  $E(X) = \int_0^\infty \lambda x \exp(-\lambda x) dx = 1/\lambda$

$$P(X > 1/\lambda) = \int_{1/\lambda}^\infty f_X(x) dx = [-\exp(-\lambda x)]_{1/\lambda}^\infty = \exp(-1) = 0.3679.$$

(b)  $P(X > b) = [-\exp(-\lambda x)]_b^\infty = \exp(-\lambda b)$ .

So we need  $\exp(-\lambda m) = 1/2$  or  $\exp(\lambda m) = 2$  or  $m = \log_e(2)/\lambda = 0.693/\lambda < 1/\lambda = E(X)$ .

4.2.1,  $f_X(x) = 3x^2/8$  on  $0 < x < 2$ ; note this does integrate to 1!

$$(a) E(X) = \int_0^2 3x^3/8 dx = (3/8) \times [x^4/4]_0^2 = (3/8) \times (16/4) = 3/2.$$

$$(b) E(X^2) = \int_0^2 3x^4/8 dx = (3/8) \times [x^5/5]_0^2 = (3/8) \times (32/5) = 12/5.$$

$$(c) E(X^k) = \int_0^2 3x^{k+2}/8 dx = (3/8) \times [x^{k+3}/(k+3)]_0^2 = (3/8) \times (2^{k+3}/(k+3)) = 3 \times 2^k/(k+3).$$

4.2.9,  $p_X(k) = P(X = k) = (1-p)^k \cdot p$  for  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$

$$(a) E(X(X-1)) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty k(k-1)(1-p)^k \cdot p = (1-p)^2 \cdot p \cdot \sum_{k=0}^\infty k(k-1)(1-p)^{k-2}$$

$$\text{But } \sum_{k=0}^\infty k(k-1)y^{k-2} = \frac{d^2}{dy^2} \sum_{k=0}^\infty y^k = \frac{d^2}{dy^2} (1-y)^{-1} = \frac{d}{dy} (1-y)^{-2} = 2(1-y)^{-3}.$$

$$\text{So } E(X(X-1)) = 2p^{-3} \cdot (1-p)^2 \cdot p = 2(1-p)^2/p^2.$$

$$(b) E(X^2) = E(X(X-1) + X) = E(X(X-1)) + E(X) = 2(1-p)^2/p^2 + (1-p)/p = (1-p) \cdot (2-p)/p^2.$$

$$(c) E((X - (1-p)/p)^2) = E((X - E(X))^2) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 \\ = (2 - 3p + p^2)/p^2 - (1 - 2p + p^2)/p^2 = (1-p)/p^2.$$

4.3.3,  $f_X(x) = \lambda^2 x \exp(-\lambda x)$  on  $x > 0$ .

$$E(X) = \int_0^\infty \lambda^2 x^2 \exp(-\lambda x) dx = \int_0^\infty y^2 \exp(-y) dy / \lambda = 2!/\lambda = 2/\lambda.$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_0^\infty \lambda^2 x^3 \exp(-\lambda x) dx = \int_0^\infty y^3 \exp(-y) dy / \lambda^2 = 3!/\lambda^2 = 6/\lambda^2.$$

$$\text{var}(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = (6 - 2^2)/\lambda^2 = 2/\lambda^2.$$

1.4.2 These are Bernoulli trials with  $p = 0.85$ .

(a) Number of Successes in 10 trials in  $Bin(10, 0.85)$  and we want

$$P(X = 8) + P(X = 9) + P(X = 10) = \binom{10}{2} 0.85^8 0.15^2 + \binom{10}{1} 0.85^9 0.15 + 0.85^{10} = 0.2759 + 0.3474 + 0.1969 = 0.8202.$$

(b) First success not within three trials is Prob of 3 failures or  $0.15^3 = 0.0034$ .

(c) Between 3rd and 4th. success, is just as waiting time to first success.

The probability of at least two failures is  $0.15^2 = 0.0225$ .

(d) Exactly 6 successes in ten attempts, but first two are failures, is probability of 2 failures, then 6 successes

in next 8 ( $Bin(8, 0.85)$ ) so we have  $0.15^2 \cdot \binom{8}{2} 0.85^6 0.15^2 = 0.00535$ .