

Section 6.2: (Second round)

17--28 all (even and odd), 29, 31, 33, 35, 37, 39, 43, 45, 49

Remark: In #43(c), the condition $np(1-p) \geq 10$ of p. 308 is not quite satisfied.

But nevertheless let's still assume that the distribution is fairly bell-shaped and apply the Empirical Rule.

$$\#17 \quad P(3) = {}_{10}C_3 (0.4)^3 (1-0.4)^{10-3} = \frac{(10)(9)(8)}{(1)(2)(3)} \cdot (0.4)^3 (0.6)^7 = 0.214990848 \approx 0.2150$$

You may also look up Table II to get the same result.

#18 You may find it useful to recall that ${}_{15}C_{12} = {}_{15}C_3$. So

$$P(12) = {}_{15}C_{12} (0.85)^{12} (1-0.85)^{15-12} = {}_{15}C_3 \cdot (0.85)^{12} (0.15)^3 = \frac{(15)(14)(13)}{(1)(2)(3)} \cdot (0.85)^{12} (0.15)^3$$

$$\cong 0.218429998 \approx 0.2184$$

Table II gives the same result.

#19 Since $p = 0.99$ doesn't appear across the top of Table II, we can't use that table.

You may find it useful to recall that ${}_{40}C_{38} = {}_{40}C_2$. So

$$P(38) = {}_{40}C_{38} (0.99)^{38} (1-0.99)^{40-38} = {}_{40}C_2 (0.99)^{38} (0.01)^2 = \frac{(40)(39)}{(1)(2)} \cdot (0.99)^{38} (0.01)^2$$

$$\cong 0.03523926 \approx 0.0352$$

#20 Since $p = 0.02$ doesn't appear across the top of Table II, we can't use that table.

$$P(3) = {}_{50}C_3 (0.02)^3 (1-0.02)^{50-3} = \frac{(50)(49)(48)}{(1)(2)(3)} \cdot (0.02)^3 (0.98)^{47} \cong 0.06066967 \approx 0.0607$$

$$\#21 \quad P(3) = {}_8C_3 (0.35)^3 (1-0.35)^{8-3} = \frac{(8)(7)(6)}{(1)(2)(3)} \cdot (0.35)^3 (0.65)^5 \cong 0.27858578 \approx 0.2786$$

Table II gives the same result.

#22 Since $n = 17$ doesn't appear in Table II, we can't use that table.

You may find it useful to recall that ${}_{20}C_{17} = {}_{20}C_3$. So

$$P(17) = {}_{20}C_{17} (0.6)^{17} (1-0.6)^{20-17} = {}_{20}C_3 (0.6)^{17} (0.4)^3 = \frac{(20)(19)(18)}{(1)(2)(3)} \cdot (0.6)^{17} (0.4)^3$$

$$\cong 0.01234969 \approx 0.0123$$

#23 $P(X \leq 3)$ can be found in Table III (not Table II !!!) to be 0.9144. Or, if we compute in directly,

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

$$= {}_9C_0 (0.2)^0 (1-0.2)^{9-0} + {}_9C_1 (0.2)^1 (1-0.2)^{9-1} + {}_9C_2 (0.2)^2 (1-0.2)^{9-2} + {}_9C_3 (0.2)^3 (1-0.2)^{9-3}$$

$$= 1 \cdot 1 \cdot (0.8)^9 + 9 \cdot (0.2)^1 (0.8)^8 + \frac{(9)(8)}{(1)(2)} (0.2)^2 (0.8)^7 + \frac{(9)(8)(7)}{(1)(2)(3)} (0.2)^3 (0.8)^6$$

$$= 0.13421773 + 0.30198989 + 0.30198989 + 0.17616077$$

$$\approx 0.9144$$

#24 Note that $P(X < 5) = P(0) + P(1) + P(2) + P(3) + P(4) = P(X \leq 4)$. Use Table III, with $n = 10$, $p = 0.65$, $x = 4$, to find $P(X \leq 4)$ to be 0.0949.

#25 Note that $P(X > 3) = 1 - P(X \leq 3)$. Use Table III with $n = 7$, $p = 0.5$, $x = 3$ to find $P(X \leq 3)$ to be 0.5000. Thus $P(X > 3) = 1 - P(X \leq 3) = 1 - 0.5000 = 0.5000$.

Remark: This is not surprising. For example, having 3 successes is the same as having 4 failures. But since $p = 0.5$, the probability for 4 failures equals the

probability for 4 successes, thus we see that $P(3) = P(4)$. Likewise, $P(2) = P(5)$, $P(1) = P(6)$, and $P(0) = P(7)$. It follows that $P(0) + P(1) + P(2) + P(3) = P(7) + P(6) + P(5) + P(4)$. But we know $P(0) + P(1) + P(2) + P(3) + P(4) + P(5) + P(6) + P(7) = 1$. It thus follows that both $P(0) + P(1) + P(2) + P(3)$ and $P(7) + P(6) + P(5) + P(4)$ are equal to 0.5. I.e. both $P(X \leq 3)$ and $P(X > 3)$ are equal to 0.5 for the case $n = 7$, $p = 0.5$.

#26 Note that $P(X \geq 12) = 1 - P(X < 12) = 1 - P(X \leq 11)$.

Use Table III with $n = 20$, $p = 0.7$, $x = 12$ to find $P(X \leq 11) = 0.1133$.

So $P(X \geq 12) = 1 - P(X \leq 11) = 1 - 0.1133 = 0.8867$

#27 Use Table III with $n = 12$, $p = 0.35$, $x = 4$ to find $P(X \leq 4) = 0.5833$.

#28 Note that $P(X \geq 8) = 1 - P(X < 8) = 1 - P(X \leq 7)$.

Use Table III with $n = 11$, $p = 0.75$, $x = 7$ to find $P(X \leq 7) = 0.2867$.

So $P(X \geq 8) = 1 - P(X \leq 7) = 1 - 0.2867 = 0.7133$

#29 (a) $n = 6$, $p = 0.3$. You may look up Table II to get the probability distribution table, shown to the right.

(b) The computation for μ_x and σ_x is shown in the table below.

x	$P(x)$	$x \cdot P(x)$	μ_x	$x - \mu_x$	$(x - \mu_x)^2 \cdot P(x)$
0	0.1176	0.0000	1.7995	-1.7995	0.38081235
1	0.3025	0.3025	1.7995	-0.7995	0.19335808
2	0.3241	0.6482	1.7995	0.2005	0.01302890
3	0.1852	0.5556	1.7995	1.2005	0.26691029
4	0.0595	0.2380	1.7995	2.2005	0.28811091
5	0.0102	0.0510	1.7995	3.2005	0.10448064
6	0.0007	0.0042	1.7995	4.2005	0.01235094
	0.9998	1.7995			1.25905211

x	$P(x)$
0	0.1176
1	0.3025
2	0.3241
3	0.1852
4	0.0595
5	0.0102
6	0.0007

Thus $\mu_x \cong 1.7995 \approx 1.8$ (Note that $\sum P(x)$ is not exactly equal to 1, because the data from Table II have been rounded. If we had used very accurate data, $\sum P(x)$ would have been exactly 1 and μ_x would have been exactly 1.8!!)

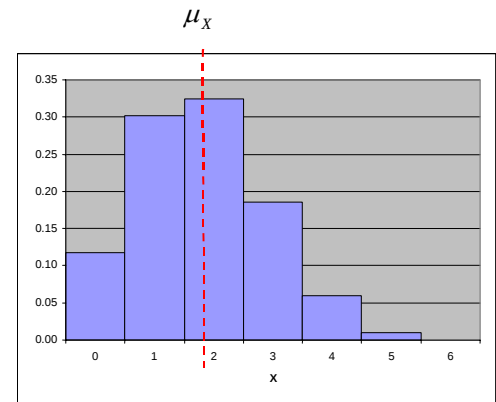
And $\sigma_x = \sqrt{1.7995} \cong 1.1221 \approx 1.1$

(c) $\mu_x = np = (6)(0.3) = 1.8$ (exactly!)

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{np(1-p)} = \sqrt{(6)(0.3)(0.7)}$$

$$\cong 1.12249722 \approx 1.1$$

(d) See the accompanying histogram. This is skewed to the right.



#31 (a) $n = 9$, $p = 0.75$. You may look up Table II to get the probability distribution table, shown to the right.

(b) The computation for μ_x and σ_x is shown in the table below.

x	$P(x)$	$x \cdot P(x)$	μ_x	$x - \mu_x$	$(x - \mu_x)^2 \cdot P(x)$
0	0.0000	0.0000	6.7502	-6.7502	0.00000000
1	0.0001	0.0001	6.7502	-5.7502	0.00330648
2	0.0012	0.0024	6.7502	-4.7502	0.02707728
3	0.0087	0.0261	6.7502	-3.7502	0.12235680
4	0.0389	0.1556	6.7502	-2.7502	0.29422404
5	0.1168	0.5840	6.7502	-1.7502	0.35778176
6	0.2336	1.4016	6.7502	-0.7502	0.13147009
7	0.3003	2.1021	6.7502	0.2498	0.01873873
8	0.2253	1.8024	6.7502	1.2498	0.35191861
9	0.0751	0.6759	6.7502	2.2498	0.38012616
	1.0000	6.7502			1.68699996

x	$P(x)$
0	0.0000
1	0.0001
2	0.0012
3	0.0087
4	0.0389
5	0.1168
6	0.2336
7	0.3003
8	0.2253
9	0.0751

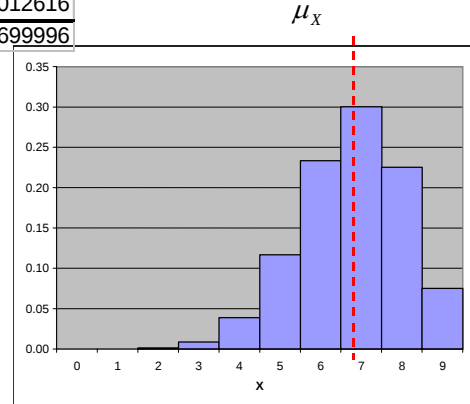
Thus $\mu_x \cong 6.7502 \approx 6.75$

and $\sigma_x = \sqrt{1.68699996} \cong 1.29884563 \approx 1.3$

(c) $\mu_x = np = (9)(0.75) = 6.75$ (exactly!)

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{np(1-p)} = \sqrt{(9)(0.75)(0.25)} \\ \cong 1.29903811 \approx 1.3$$

(d) See the accompanying histogram. This is skewed to the left.



#33 (a) $n = 10$, $p = 0.5$. You may look up Table II to get the probability distribution table, shown to the right.

(b) The computation for μ_x and σ_x is shown in the table below.

x	$P(x)$	$x \cdot P(x)$	μ_x	$x - \mu_x$	$(x - \mu_x)^2 \cdot P(x)$
0	0.0010	0.0000	5.0005	-5.0005	0.02500500
1	0.0098	0.0098	5.0005	-4.0005	0.15683920
2	0.0439	0.0878	5.0005	-3.0005	0.39523171
3	0.1172	0.3516	5.0005	-2.0005	0.46903443
4	0.2051	0.8204	5.0005	-1.0005	0.20530515
5	0.2461	1.2305	5.0005	-0.0005	0.00000006
6	0.2051	1.2306	5.0005	0.9995	0.20489495
7	0.1172	0.8204	5.0005	1.9995	0.46856563
8	0.0439	0.3512	5.0005	2.9995	0.39496831
9	0.0098	0.0882	5.0005	3.9995	0.15676080
10	0.0010	0.0100	5.0005	4.9995	0.02499500
	1.0001	5.0005			2.50160025

x	$P(x)$
0	0.0010
1	0.0098
2	0.0439
3	0.1172
4	0.2051
5	0.2461
6	0.2051
7	0.1172
8	0.0439
9	0.0098
10	0.0010

Thus $\mu_x \cong 5.0005 \approx 5.0$

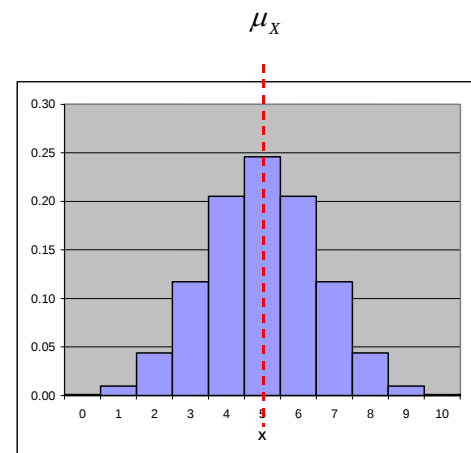
and $\sigma_x = \sqrt{2.50160025} \cong 1.58164479 \approx 1.6$

The data taken from Table II are rounded values. If precise values had been used, μ_x would have been exactly 5.

(c) $\mu_x = np = (10)(0.5) = 5$ (exactly!)

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{np(1-p)} = \sqrt{(10)(0.5)(0.5)} \\ = \sqrt{2.5} \cong 1.58113883 \approx 1.6$$

(d) See the accompanying histogram. This is symmetric.



#35 (a) Check the criteria:

- The experiment is performed a fixed number of times. ($n = 15$)
- The trials are independent. (To be precise, this is a case of selection without replacement. But assuming that the pool of flights from which the 15 flights are selected is huge, the trials are approximately independent.)
- The outcome of each trial is dichotomous. (Either on time or not on time.)
- The probability of success is the same for each trial. ($p = 0.90$)

We have $n = 15$, X = the number of on-time flights among the 15, and $p = 0.90$.

(b) $P(14) = {}_{15}C_{14} (0.90)^{14} (0.10)^1 = 15 \cdot (0.90)^{14} (0.10)^1 = 0.34315189 \approx 0.3432$

(Or use Table II.)

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \geq 14) &= P(14) + P(15) = {}_{15}C_{14} (0.90)^{14} (0.10)^1 + {}_{15}C_{15} (0.90)^{15} (0.10)^0 \\ &= 15 \cdot (0.90)^{14} (0.10)^1 + 1 \cdot (0.90)^{15} \cdot 1 \\ &= 0.34315189 + 0.20589113 \\ &= 0.54904302 \approx 0.5490 \end{aligned}$$

(Or you may choose to use Table II to find $P(14)$ and $P(15)$, and then add them together. Alternatively, use Table III to get $P(X \leq 13) = 0.4510$, and so

$$P(X \geq 14) = 1 - P(X \leq 13) = 1 - 0.4510 = 0.5490.)$$

(d) $P(X < 14) = 1 - P(X \geq 14) = 1 - 0.54904302 = 0.45095698 \approx 0.4510$, where we have used the result of (c).

Alternatively, $P(X < 14) = P(X \leq 13) = 0.4510$, using Table III.

(e) $P(12) + P(13) + P(14) = 0.1285 + 0.2669 + 0.3432 = 0.7386$

(Here Table II was consulted to find the three numbers, which we sum together.

Alternatively,

$$P(12) + P(13) + P(14) = P(X \leq 14) - P(X \leq 11) = 0.7941 - 0.0556 = 0.7385.$$

Of course, you may also choose to use the binomial probability formula for each of the three probabilities and then sum them up.)

#37 $n = 20$, X = the number of households with high-speed Internet, and $p = 0.20$.

(a) $P(5) = {}_{20}C_5 (0.20)^5 (0.80)^{15} = 0.17455952 \approx 0.1746$, or use Table II.

(b) $P(X \geq 10) = 1 - P(X < 10) = 1 - P(X \leq 9) = 1 - 0.9974 = 0.0026$, where Table III was used to find $P(X \leq 9)$. Since $0.0026 < 0.05$, so yes, it would be unusual.

(c) $P(X < 4) = P(X \leq 3) = 0.4114$, where Table III has been used.

(d)

$$P(2) + P(3) + P(4) + P(5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= {}_{20}C_2 (0.20)^2 (0.80)^{18} + {}_{20}C_3 (0.20)^3 (0.80)^{17} + {}_{20}C_4 (0.20)^4 (0.80)^{16} + {}_{20}C_5 (0.20)^5 (0.80)^{15} \\ &= \frac{(20)(19)}{(1)(2)} \cdot (0.20)^2 (0.80)^{18} + \frac{(20)(19)(18)}{(1)(2)(3)} (0.20)^3 (0.80)^{17} \\ &\quad + \frac{(20)(19)(18)(17)}{(1)(2)(3)(4)} (0.20)^4 (0.80)^{16} + \frac{(20)(19)(18)(17)(16)}{(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)} (0.20)^5 (0.80)^{15} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 0.735032495 \approx 0.7350$$

Or, if we use Table II, we have

$$P(2) + P(3) + P(4) + P(5) = 0.1369 + 0.2054 + 0.2182 + 0.1746 = 0.7351, \text{ very close.}$$

Or,

$$P(2) + P(3) + P(4) + P(5) = P(X \leq 5) - P(X \leq 1) = 0.8042 - 0.0692 = 0.7350$$

#39 $n = 25$, X = the number of murders committed with a firearm, and $p = 0.669$.

(a) It is useful to recall ${}_{25}C_{22} = {}_{25}C_3$

$$\begin{aligned} P(22) &= {}_{25}C_{22} (0.669)^{22} (0.331)^3 = {}_{25}C_3 (0.669)^{22} (0.331)^3 \\ &= \frac{(25)(24)(23)}{(1)(2)(3)} \cdot (0.669)^{22} (0.331)^3 = 0.012038889 \approx 0.0120 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Well, to be fair, this one is more suitable for those who do have a calculator that has built-in binomial probability functionality.

$$\begin{aligned} &P(14) + P(15) + P(16) \\ &= {}_{25}C_{14} (0.669)^{14} (0.331)^{11} + {}_{25}C_{15} (0.669)^{15} (0.331)^{10} + {}_{25}C_{16} (0.669)^{16} (0.331)^9 \\ &= 0.08378286 + 0.12418088 + 0.15686747 \\ &= 0.36483121 \approx 0.3648 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \geq 22) &= P(22) + P(23) + P(24) + P(25) \\ &= {}_{25}C_{22} (0.669)^{22} (0.331)^3 + {}_{25}C_{23} (0.669)^{23} (0.331)^2 \\ &\quad + {}_{25}C_{24} (0.669)^{24} (0.331)^1 + {}_{25}C_{25} (0.669)^{25} (0.331)^0 \\ &= \frac{(25)(24)(23)}{(1)(2)(3)} (0.669)^{22} (0.331)^3 + \frac{(25)(24)}{(1)(2)} (0.669)^{23} (0.331)^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{(25)}{(1)} (0.669)^{24} (0.331)^1 + 1 \cdot (0.669)^{25} \cdot 1 \\ &= 0.0158 \end{aligned}$$

which is less than 5%. So, yes, it is unusual to have 22 or more murders that were committed using a firearm.

#43 $n = 100$, X = the number of on-time flights among the 100, and $p = 0.90$.

(a) $\mu_X = np = (100)(0.90) = 90$,

$$\sigma_X = \sqrt{np(1-p)} = \sqrt{(100)(0.90)(0.10)} = 3$$

(b) If we randomly select 100 flights, then there tends to be 90 that are on time.

(c) $np(1-p) = (100)(0.90)(0.10) = 9$. So the criterion in page 308, $np(1-p) \geq 10$ is not really satisfied. However, we agreed to pretend that it did, and thus proceed to assume that the histogram resembles a bell-shaped curve.

$$\mu_X - 2\sigma_X = 90 - 2(3) = 84 \text{ and } \mu_X + 2\sigma_X = 90 + 2(3) = 96.$$

Thus 80 is outside of the range from 84 to 96. I.e. 80 is more than two standard deviations from the mean. Yes, it is unusual to observe 80 on-time flights in a random sample of 100 flights. (The reason given at the end of the book, namely " $P(80) < 0.05$ ", is inappropriate. Please ignore it.)

#45 $n = 100$,

X = the number of households with high-speed connection among 100

$p = 0.20$

$$(a) \mu_X = np = (100)(0.20) = 20, \quad \sigma_X = \sqrt{np(1-p)} = \sqrt{(100)(0.20)(0.80)} = 4$$

(b) If we randomly select 100 households, then there tends to be 20 that have high-speed Internet connection.

(c) $np(1-p) = (100)(0.20)(0.80) = 16$, so the criterion in page 308, $np(1-p) \geq 10$ is satisfied. The histogram thus is fairly bell-shaped.

$\mu_X - 2\sigma_X = 20 - 2(4) = 12$, $\mu_X + 2\sigma_X = 20 + 2(4) = 28$. Since $X = 18$ falls in the range from 12 to 28, it follows that it is not unusual to observe 18 households having a high-speed Internet connection in 100 households.

#49 $n = 400$ and $p = 0.184$.

$\mu_X = np = (400)(0.184) = 73.6$, $\sigma_X = \sqrt{np(1-p)} = \sqrt{(400)(0.184)(0.816)} \approx 7.75$

$np(1-p) = (400)(0.184)(0.816) \approx 60.1$, so the criterion in page 308, $np(1-p) \geq 10$ is satisfied. The histogram thus is fairly bell-shaped.

$\mu_X - 2\sigma_X = 73.6 - 2(7.75) = 58.1$, $\mu_X + 2\sigma_X = 73.6 + 2(7.75) = 89.1$.

Since $X = 86$ falls in the range from 58.1 to 89.1, i.e. $X = 86$ is within two standard deviations of the mean, it follows that it is not unusual to observe 86 patients who experience headaches in a random sample of 400 patients.