

## Probability

• Measure of chance

• likelihood of an event occurring

•  $P(A)$ , prob. of event A "P<sub>of A</sub>"

• prob found:  $\frac{f}{n}$  ( $\frac{\text{# of desired}}{\text{# of total results}}$ )

• fraction, decimal, %,  $0 \leq P \leq 1$

• certain: 100% chance

• impossible: 0% chance

• need a # and word, depends on context

- 80% "highly likely"

but things like making olive thru the clay wouldn't be high

- 15% "highly unlikely"

$\hookrightarrow$  anything but a # ~  
100% - percent chance of a # ~  
'complement'

$$\cdot E(X) = n \cdot p$$

## Probability vs Statistics

• Stats: Sample is known,

draw conclusions based on results

• prob: population is known, you know the entire population

• Stats: Sample  $\rightarrow$  population conclusion

• prob: population  $\rightarrow$  sample conclusion

eg: Marbles (3 striped, 2 white, 1 black)

$$\cdot P(\text{striped}) = \frac{\# f}{n} = \frac{3}{6} = 50\%, \text{"moderately likely"}$$

$$\cdot P(\text{marble}) = \frac{6}{6} = 100\%, \text{"certain"}$$

$$\cdot P(\text{pizza}) = \frac{0}{6} = 0\%, \text{"impossible"}$$

## Complement

•  $P(\text{not the event})$ , anything but

$$- P(\text{not } A), P(A), P(A^c)$$

$$\cdot P(A) + P(A^c) = 1$$

$$\hookrightarrow P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$$

## Odds

• favor to unfavorable (not total)

(- (fav; fav', or fav/fav'))

• odds of tails on a coin = 1:1

• odds of 6 on a die = 1:5

• u can tell probability by getting total from adding F+F'=T  
then F/T

eg 100:1 is  $\frac{100}{101}$  odd

## Law of Large Numbers

• fallacy of the short run, can't really judge based on just a few trials

• real life approximates theoretical probability in the long run

## Sample Space

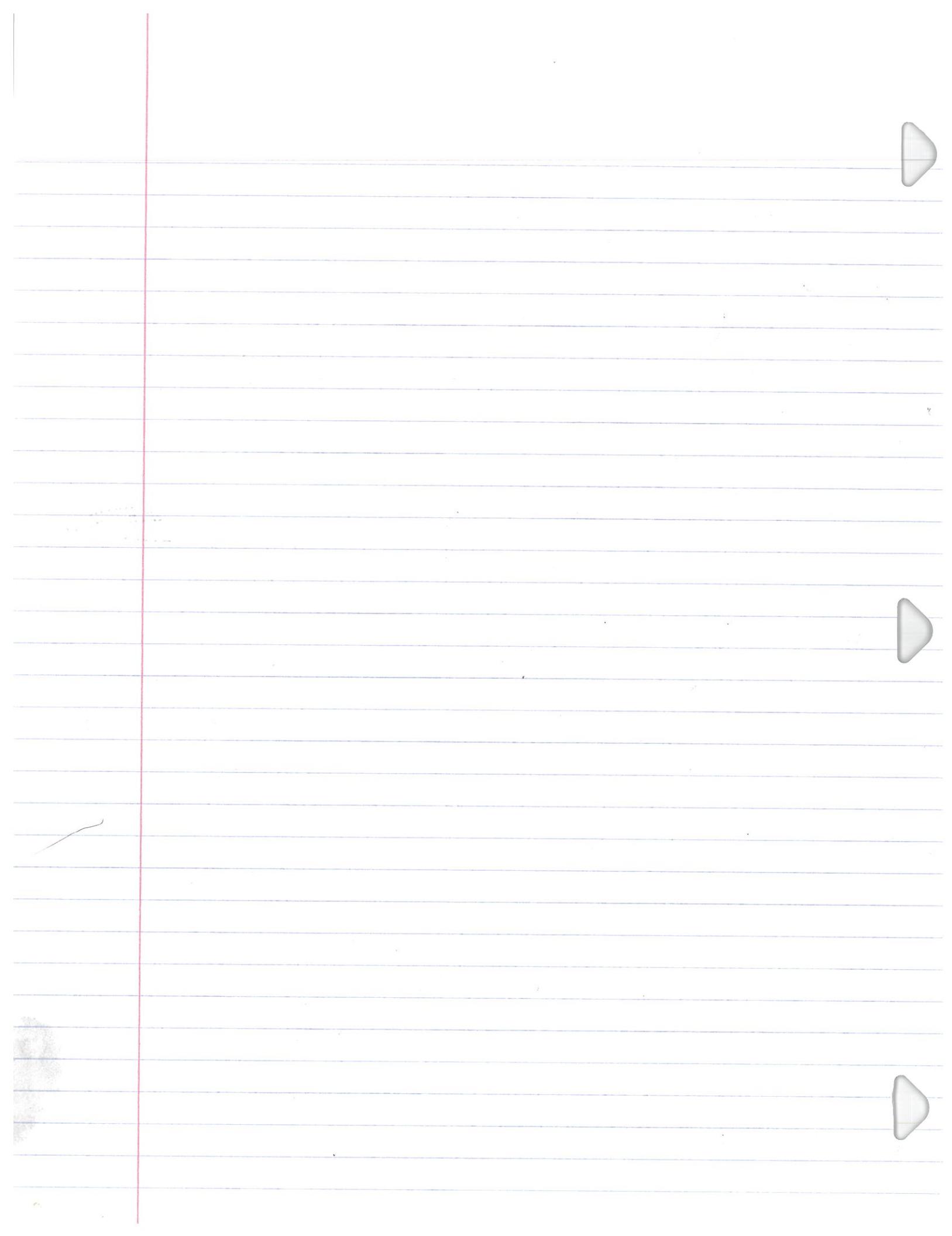
•  $S = \{ \text{the set of all possible outcomes} \}$

• coin toss,  $S = \{ \text{heads, tails} \}$

- 2 coins,  $S = \{ \begin{matrix} \text{heads+heads} \\ \text{heads+tails} \\ \text{tails+heads} \end{matrix} \}$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $P \geq 1T = 3/4$

• die roll,  $S = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 \}$

• 3 baby =  $S = \{ \begin{matrix} 999 \\ 998 \\ 997 \\ 996 \\ 995 \end{matrix} \}$



## Compound Events - 4.2



$$P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A) \cdot P(B) \quad (\text{independent})$$

• prob of 2 things happening at the same time

• Eg Dice -  $P(5,5) = P(5) \cdot P(5)$

$$\frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{36} \quad P(5,5)$$

0.0278  
"highly unlikely"

### Replace or Not

• Ace & Ace - Replacing!

$$\frac{4}{52} \times \frac{4}{52} = \frac{16}{2704} \rightarrow 0.00592$$

"highly unlikely"

• Ace & Ace - Don't Replace (has dependency!)

$$\frac{4}{52} \times \frac{3}{51} = \frac{12}{2652} \rightarrow 0.00452$$

"highly unlikely"

↳ presuming you got ace on 1st try

Independence vs Dependence

$$P(A, B) = P(A) \cdot P(B|A) \quad (\text{dependent})$$

↳ dependence A must happen, conditions must be met

2 events are independent if  $P(A) = P(A|B)$

4 Seasons      door<sup>1</sup>      door<sup>2</sup>

$$P(\text{U61Y}) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{6} \quad 16.67\%$$

"regularly unlikely"

3 keys, 2 doors, which key assuming success on door 1

$$P(\$\$\$) = \frac{5}{25} \cdot \frac{4}{24} \cdot \frac{3}{23} \cdot \frac{2}{22} \cdot \frac{1}{21} = 1.88 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$P(A \text{ or } B) / P(A \cup B)$$

↳ either/or! as long as it happens, doesn't matter how.

$$= P(A) + P(B) * \text{adding!}$$

Eg:  $P(\text{King} \cup \text{Ace}) = P(\text{K}) + P(\text{A})$

$$\frac{4}{52} + \frac{4}{52} = \frac{8}{52}$$

$$\frac{4}{28} \quad \frac{2}{13} \quad \text{"pretty unlikely!"}$$

$$P(\text{K} \cup \text{A}) = P(\text{K}) + P(\text{A})$$

$$\frac{4}{52} + \frac{13}{52} = \frac{17}{52}$$

$$\frac{17}{52} - \frac{52}{2704} = w+u$$

Non mutually exclusive /

non disjoint

- ① add all  
② take away overlap on the end, so...

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$$

Summary \*

$P(A \text{ and } B) =$  And  
 $P(A) \cdot P(B|A)$

$P(A \text{ or } B) =$  Or  
 $P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$  if independent

$P(A \text{ or } B) =$  If disjoint

$P(A) + P(B)$  if disjoint

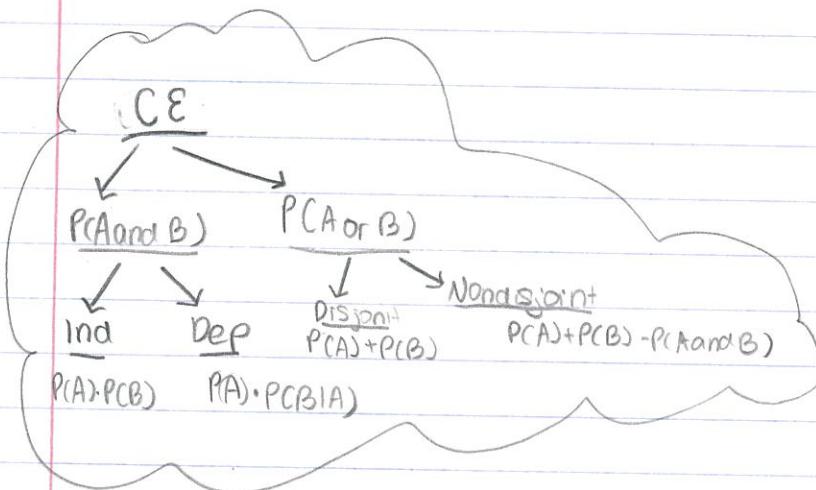
• Two-way Contingency tables, used for conditionals (rows first then columns 3 by 2 15/17/2011)

- used for example,  $P(\text{positive test} \mid \text{condition present})$

look @ column for condition present first and then + test.

the fraction is  $\frac{\text{pos test}}{\text{con present}}$ . First thing goes on numerator, second thing denominator

- if and (eg  $P(\text{positive test} \cdot \text{condition present})$ ) would go out of total number (for all) and the one that satisfied both conditions  $\frac{\text{pos test and cond'n}}{\text{total}}$



## 4.3

### Combinations:

- order doesn't matter
- $\frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$

- outcomes consist of nonordered

Subgroups of  $r$  items  
out of group of  $n$  items

### Permutations: $(P_{n,r})$

- order matters

$$\frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

- always bigger  
(unless  $r=0$  or 1,  
combination will be  
the same)

- ordered Subgroups of  $r$  items  
from group of  $n$  items

## Tree Diagrams

- visual display of all the outcomes & shows individual outcomes
- multiplication rule of counting :  $n_1 \times n_2 \times n_m \dots$ 
  - $n_1$  is # of possible outcomes for event  $E_1$ ,  $n_2$  is # of possible outcomes of event  $E_2$ ,  $n_m$  is # of possible outcomes for event  $E_m$ .
  - gives total number of outcomes
    - eg 2 psych class, 2 physiology, 3 spanish:  $2 \times 2 \times 3 = 12$  outcomes

## Factorial

- # of order arrangements possible of the  $n$  items

$$\text{eg } 8! = 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$$

$$- 0! = 1$$

$$- n! = n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdots 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(+ \text{ test}) &= P(+ \text{ test} | \text{ man}) + P(+ \text{ test} | \text{ not man}) \\ &= (.95)(.02) + (.98)(.12) \\ &= 0.1366 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(+ \text{ man} | + \text{ test})$$

## 4.3 Study Guide

② When the outcomes are equally likely, how do we find  $P(A)$ ?  
 $\frac{\# \text{ of outcomes favorable to event } A}{\# \text{ of outcomes in the sample space}} = P(A)$

③ Identify the limitation to the approach in #2

- need to list sample space + number, but often gets too complex + large

④ A visual display of outcomes made of a series of activities is:  
 - tree diagram

⑤ Complications in tree diagram of course options?

- Some have jobs, which conflicts time wise, pre-req conflict, sleep conflict

⑥ Tennis match tree diagram vs its sample Space

- tree diagrams are a visual display of the sample Space

⑦ Calculate eleven factorial

$$11! = 11 \cdot 10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 39916800$$

⑧ When does  $0!=1$ ?

$$0!=1! \rightarrow 0!=1$$

⑨ The order of items is not important in combinations

- True

⑩ Combinations:  $\frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$  } exception:  
 Permutations:  $\frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$  } they are the same if  
 $r=0$ , or  $1 (=1)$       permutations  
 will be bigger  
 always.

⑪ In ex 13, why do they compute # of combinations?

nonordered, can be 4 books in any order

⑫ What is meaning of  $C_{n,r}$ ?

$n = \text{trials}$ ,  $r = \# \text{ of successes}$

⑬ Calculate  $C_{10,4}$

"# of combinations of 4 successes out of 10 trials" =  $\frac{10!}{4!(6!)} = 210$

Calculate  $P_{10,4}$

$$\frac{10!}{(10!)^4} = 5040 \text{ much larger}$$

⑭ What does  $P_{5,5}$  mean? = 120

What does  $C_{5,5}$  mean? = 1

⑮ math  $\rightarrow$  prob  $\rightarrow$  nPR, nCr



# Pig

1) Probability of throwing one  $1/6 + 1/6 = 2/6$   $\boxed{1/3}$

2) Probability of snake eyes:  $1/6 \cdot 1/6 = \boxed{1/36}$

3) What is a lucky streak? Do you know one when you have it?

Quantitative assessment of luck:

$$\frac{10}{36} + \frac{1}{36} = \boxed{\frac{11}{36}} = \frac{1}{R}$$

times you'd see one  
how many rolls would it take  
to see a one

$$\Rightarrow R = 3.27$$

every 3.27 rolls, you should see a one

7 rolls is beyond that, so 7+ is lucky



## 5.1 - Random Variables (X)

**Discrete** RV: quantitative, countable, integers, no fractions

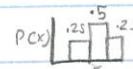
(vs) - eg: # of students who voted in an election (can't be decimal)

**Continuous** RV: quantitative, countless, infinite, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, and fractions / decimals / partial values in between

- eg: temp in room, time the lesson takes (can be decimals)

### Probability Distributions:

- assigns probabilities to each random variable
- usually a histogram (w/ discrete data)
- random variable on x-axis
- probability ( $p(x)$ ) on y-axis
- all area adds up to 1 (bc no gaps/overlaps)



### Center & Spread

↳ expected value (mean)

$$M = \sum (x \cdot p(x))$$



↳ Standard deviation

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sum (x - M)^2 \cdot p(x)}$$

} Discrete

On calc ↑ insert in list L1(x) + L2(p(x))

1var stats L1, Freq(L1+ L2)





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# 5.2

## Binomials

- Jacob Bernoulli: 17th century Swiss mathematician, esp binomials
- The sort of problems which have exactly 2 possible outcomes ( $S = \{Y, N\}$ )  
is called binomial (success + fail)
- Describe the central problem of a binomial experiment: Probability of  $r$  successes out of  $n$  trials ( $\frac{r}{n}$ )
- Binomials only work with independent situations (cannot be dependent) A major assumption
- Each faculty member is asked about recommending which car model should purchase. 500 members.
  - # of trials,  $n = 500$
  - # of outcomes possible = unclear, however many car models exist.
  - Is this binomial experiment? No

### Discrete RV

- integers, whole #'s, add to 1, no  $\mu, \theta$ , and more histograms
- binomial is part of it
  - 1) Success / Fail only options, which are mutually exclusive
  - 2) Independent
  - 3) Predetermined number of trials ( $n$ )
  - 4) Probability stays the same for each trial ( $p + q = 1$ , thus  $q = 1-p$ ) determined by goals + research
  - 5) Ctrl goal: prob  $r/n$  ( $r$  successes out of  $n$  trials!)

Example: At hospital, the staff is large to set a goal: 80% of the time a nurse will respond to a room call within 3 minutes. There were 72 room calls yesterday. We wish to find the probability nurses responded to 63 of them (7 out of every 8, within the 3 minute goal).

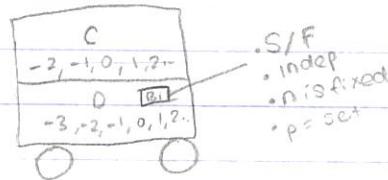
- Trial = a room call
- Independent? Yes
- $S =$  a nurse got to the room in under 3 min
- $F =$  a nurse got to the room in over 3 min
- $P = .80$  (80%)
- $Q = .20$  (20%)
- $n = 72$
- $r = 63$

Formula for binomial probability distribution

$$P(r) = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} p^r q^{n-r}$$

$$P(r) = C_{n,r} p^r q^{n-r}$$

notation:  $(Pr=5) = 0.01202$



\* expected value:  $n \cdot p$  (only for binomials, usually  $\sum x \cdot p(x)$ )

\* Standard deviations:  $\theta = \sqrt{np(1-p)}$   

$$\left( \frac{\sqrt{np}}{\sqrt{npq}} \right)^2$$

## 5.4 Geometric Distribution

Hurricane example: 4th ts becomes h.

$$\begin{array}{l} 9 \text{ TS} \rightarrow H \\ 2 \text{ TS} \rightarrow F \end{array}$$

P that 4th ts will be 1st hurricane?

$$H = \text{the # of TS it takes}$$

to get the first hurricane

Independent

$$\begin{array}{l} P = .41 \\ q = .59 \end{array}$$

$$P(H=4) = (1-0.41)(1-0.41)(1-0.41)(0.41)$$

$$= 0.0842$$

$$\text{basically } P(H=4) = q \cdot q \cdot q \cdot p$$

2 possible outcomes

Independent

Each trial has same prob

Does not have a fixed

number of trials (non)

$$P(X=n) = (1-p)^{n-1} p \quad \text{for } n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$P(X=n) = q^{n-1} \cdot p$$

Mean Number:  $\mu_x = \frac{1}{p}$

Standard deviation:  $\sigma_x = \sqrt{\frac{q}{p}}$

$$P(X \geq n) = q^n$$

Ex: 20% of animals have 4+ pups.

a) P of waiting for 5th litter is

baby to have 4+?

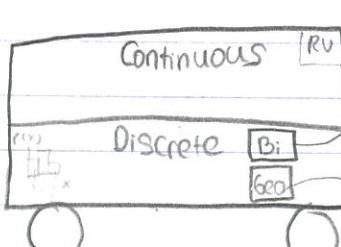
$$P(X=4+) = (.8)^4 \times (.2) = 0.0812$$

b) How many litters should

expect to be born until there

is a large family?

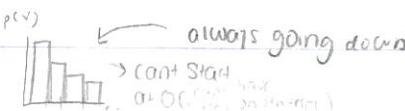
$$\mu = \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{.2} = 5 \text{ litters}$$



all are histograms

$P(r)$   
 $\rightarrow r = \text{# of successes}$   
 $\rightarrow n = 50\%$   
 $\rightarrow S \text{ or } F$   
 $\rightarrow \text{Independent}$

until 1st  
success  
 $\rightarrow r = 1$   
 $\rightarrow S \text{ or } F$



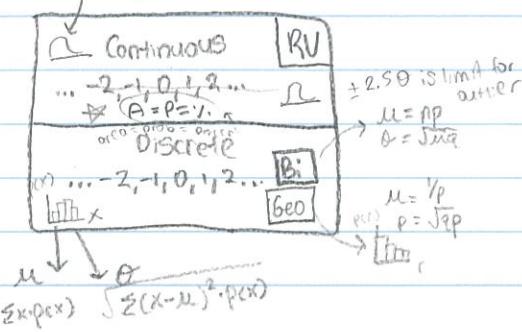
# Stats Review

dice	$X$	$P(X)$	$X \cdot P(X)$
1	\$8	1/6	8/6
2	-\$2	1/6	-2/6
3	-\$2	1/6	-2/6
4	-\$2	1/6	-2/6
5	-\$2	1/6	-2/6
6	-\$2	1/6	-2/6

$$\mu = \sum x \cdot P(x) = -2/6 = -\frac{1}{3}$$

negative  
expected  
earnings 😞

density curves (most common is bell curve)



\* 4 things for credit:

- 1) Notation
- 2) Answer
- 3)  $\exists X \text{ a } \dots \% \text{ chance that} \dots$
- 4) Graph / Sketch

$$\text{eg: } P(X > 6) = .21$$

$\exists X \text{ a } 21\% \text{ chance that the business fails after 6 yrs}$

Insurance

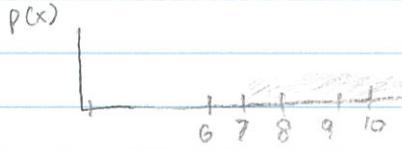
Loss or no loss

NL: \$625

$$L: \$-200,000 + 650 \cdot 25 = -199,375$$

$X$	$P(X)$	$X \cdot P(X)$
\$625	.998	623.75
-\$199,375	.002	-398.75

$$\mu = \sum x \cdot P(x) = \$225$$



$$P(X=6) = 0.998$$

