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TEST 2

Introduction to Statistical Methods
(Analytical Chemistry)

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Instructions:

- You have 75 minutes to complete the test
- No books, cell phones or other communication devices are permitted
- You must show all of your work in order to be credited with full marks
- Anyone suspected of cheating will be asked to leave
- This test is marked out of **35 marks**

[QUESTION 1] (5 MARKS)

A randomly selected sample of 40 Dawson students are asked to estimate the number of hours they spend doing homework in a week. The answers are given as follows:

1	0	5	10	20	11	7	8	2	3
0	1	1	5	5	10	11	12	13	7
7	7	8	10	12	15	16	14	22	15
11	13	15	17	9	8	7	5	6	2

(a) Compute the sample mean \bar{x} for the above data

$$\bar{x} = 8.775 \text{ hrs}$$

(b) Compute the sample standard deviation S for the above data

$$S = 5.51 \text{ hrs}$$

(c) If we selected one of the 40 surveyed Dawson students at random, what is the probability that he/she estimated doing less homework than the sample mean \bar{x} ?

$$P(x < 8.775) = \frac{21}{40}$$

(COUNT THE # of STUDENTS WHO ESTIMATED 8 hrs or less)

[QUESTION 2] (5 MARKS)

A small pond contains a total of 12 goldfish. Of these 12 goldfish, 5 have been tagged by a team of marine biologists in order to track their movement. The team randomly catches 3 goldfish (at once) from the pond for a study.

We define the discrete random variable X to be the # of tagged fish among the 3 fish caught by the team.

(a) Give the probability distribution for the discrete random variable X

$X = x$	$P(X = x)$
0	$\frac{{}^5C_0 \cdot {}^7C_3}{{}^{12}C_3} = \frac{35}{220}$
1	$\frac{{}^5C_1 \cdot {}^7C_2}{{}^{12}C_3} = \frac{105}{220}$
2	$\frac{{}^5C_2 \cdot {}^7C_1}{{}^{12}C_3} = \frac{70}{220}$
3	$\frac{{}^5C_3 \cdot {}^7C_0}{{}^{12}C_3} = \frac{10}{220}$

(b) Which two conditions do your distribution in (a) satisfy in order to be a **probability** distribution?

- all values of $P(x)$ are ≥ 0
- $\sum P(x) = 1$ $\left(\frac{35}{220} + \frac{105}{220} + \frac{70}{220} + \frac{10}{220} = \frac{220}{220} = 1 \right)$

(c) Compute the expected value μ for the probability distribution in (a).

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= \sum_{x=0}^3 x P(x) = 0 \cdot \frac{35}{220} + 1 \cdot \frac{105}{220} + 2 \cdot \frac{70}{220} + 3 \cdot \frac{10}{220} \\ &= \frac{275}{220} = 1.25 \end{aligned}$$

(d) Compute the probability that the research team catches more tagged fish than expected?

$$P(X > 1.25) = P(2) + P(3) = \frac{70}{220} + \frac{10}{220} = \frac{80}{220} = \frac{4}{11} \quad (0.364)$$

[QUESTION 3] (5 MARKS)

A coach claims that his team has a 65% chance of winning each of its upcoming games. Given that the coach is correct,

(a) What is the probability that his team will win at least 2 of its next 7 games?

BINOMIAL WITH $n=7$ $p=0.65$ $q=0.35$
 $X = \#$ of wins AMONG NEXT 7 GAMES

WE WANT: $P(X \geq 2)$

$$P(X=1) = {}^7C_1 (0.65)^1 \cdot (0.35)^6 \\ = 0.0466$$

$$P(X=0) = {}^7C_0 (0.65)^0 (0.35)^7 = 0.000643$$

$$P(X \geq 2) = 1 - [P(0) + P(1)] = 1 - [0.000643 + 0.0466] \\ = 0.952757$$

THE PROBABILITY IS 0.9528 THAT THE TEAM WINS AT LEAST 2 of the next 7 games

(b) What is the probability that the team must play 10 games before getting its next 3 wins and that the 3rd win occurs on the 10th game?

WE NEED TWO EVENTS TO HAPPEN

A: WINNING 2 GAMES IN 9 GAMES

B: WINNING THE 3rd GAME ON THE 10th GAME

A is a BINOMIAL WITH $n=9$ $p=0.65$

$$\text{WE HAVE } P(A) = P(X=2) = {}^9C_2 (0.65)^2 (0.35)^7 \\ = 0.009786$$

$$P(\text{3rd win on 10th game}) = P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B) \\ = (0.009786) \cdot (0.65) \\ = 0.00636$$

THE PROB. OF WINNING 3rd WIN ON 10th GAME IS 0.00636.

[QUESTION 4] (5 MARKS)

Consider the following set of sample data given as a frequency table:

Value	Frequency
4	1
2	7
0	5
-1	12

For the data set, using your calculator, compute:

a) $\sum(x_i) = 6$

b) $\sum(x_i)^2 = 56$

c) the sample mean $\bar{x} = 0.24$

d) the sample standard deviation $S_x = 1.5078$

e) the total variation $SS(X) = 54.56$
 ~~88.66~~

[QUESTION 5] (5 MARKS)

Six cards are selected at random from a standard 52-card deck of playing cards. Compute the probability of having selected the following type of 6-card hands:

(a) A hand with only 2 red cards

$$\frac{{}_{26}C_2 \cdot {}_{26}C_4}{{}_{52}C_6} (= 0.2387)$$

(b) A hand with at most 1 spade

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - P &= P(0 \text{ spades}) + P(1 \text{ spade}) \\ &= \frac{{}_{39}C_6}{{}_{52}C_6} + \frac{{}_{13}C_1 \cdot {}_{39}C_5}{{}_{52}C_6} \quad (= 0.3677) \\ &\quad \text{5279} \end{aligned}$$

(c) A hand with all diamonds

$$\frac{{}_{13}C_6}{{}_{52}C_6} (= 0.0000843)$$

(d) A hand with no even faces

(WHAT I MEANT HERE
IS NO 2, 4, 6, 8, 10)

$$\frac{{}_{32}C_6}{{}_{52}C_6} (= 0.0445)$$

[QUESTION 6] (5 MARKS)

A special coin is created in such a way that when the coin is flipped it lands on "tails" 75% of the time. A random experiment consists of flipping this special coin 4 times. We define the random variable X to be the number of tails observed in the random experiment.

(a) Give the probability distribution for X

$X = x$	$P(X = x)$
0	${}_4C_0 \cdot (0.75)^0 (0.25)^4 = \frac{1}{256}$
1	${}_4C_1 \cdot (0.75)^1 (0.25)^3 = \frac{12}{256}$
2	${}_4C_2 \cdot (0.75)^2 (0.25)^2 = \frac{54}{256}$
3	${}_4C_3 \cdot (0.75)^3 (0.25)^1 = \frac{108}{256}$
4	${}_4C_4 \cdot (0.75)^4 (0.25)^0 = \frac{81}{256}$

Binomial $n=4$
 $p=0.75$ $q=0.25$

(b) What type of probability distribution is illustrated in this problem? Explain.

THIS IS A BINOMIAL EXPERIMENT:

- n repeated, identical, independent trials
- Two possible outcomes: success (tails) & failure (heads)
- Probability of success $p = 1 - q$ where q = probability of failure

(c) Compute μ and σ for the probability distribution in (a)

FOR A BINOMIAL DISTRIBUTION

$$\mu = np = 4 \cdot 0.75 = 3$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{n \cdot p \cdot q} = \sqrt{4 \cdot (0.75) \cdot (0.25)} = 0.866$$

[QUESTION 7] (5 MARKS)

Explain the difference between \bar{x} and μ and the difference between S and σ .

\bar{x} & μ represent means of a sample & population respectively. They are computed in the same way: the sum of data points divided by the number of data points.

S & σ represent the standard deviation of a sample & of a population, these are computed differently:

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{\text{TOTAL VARIATION of sample}}{\text{sample size} - 1}}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\text{TOTAL VARIATION of pop.}}{\text{population size}}}$$