Semester 1

Tutorial Week 6

You need copies of **binomial** and **normal** tables to do this tutorial. These tables are available on the course web.

If
$$X \sim B(n, p)$$
 then $E(X) = np$ and $Var(X) = np(1-p)$ (A)

If
$$X \sim B(n, p)$$
 and $Y \sim B(n, 1-p)$ then $P(X = k) = P(Y = n-k)$ (B)

If $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ then $Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$ is standard normal or $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ (C)

Tutorial discussion: Q4, Q7, Q8 and Q9 marked with *

- **1.** Let $X \sim B(10, 0.3)$ be a binomial random variable. Find E(X), Var(X) and SD(X). Hint: use (A).
- **2.** Suppose that $X \sim B(15, 0.6)$. Find P(X = 13) and P(X = 5). Without using the calculator, deduce the values of P(Y = 2) and P(Y = 10) when $Y \sim B(15, 0.4)$. **Hint: use (B).**

3. (Multiple choice) Let $X \sim N(2, 3^2)$. This tells us that the distribution of X is:

- (a) Binomial with mean 2 and variance 9
- (b) Binomial with n = 2 and p = 9
 (d) Normal with mean 2 and variance 9
- (c) Normal with mean 2 and variance 3(e) Normal with mean 0 and variance 9
- 4. * Let $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ be a standard normal distributed r.v. Find
 - (a) P(Z < 1.2) (b) P(Z > -1.2) (c) P(Z < -1.2)(d) P(-1.2 < Z < 1.2) (e) P(-0.81 < Z < 2.32) (f) a such that P(Z < a) = 0.67(g) b such that P(-b < Z < b) = 0.8
- 5. Write down the standardised version, Z of the random variable X in Q3. Hint: use (C).
- **6.** Let X be the random variable in Q3. Complete the following: $P(X > 8) = P(Z > \underline{\qquad}) = \underline{\qquad}$.
- 7. * If $X \sim N(10, 16)$, find (a) P(X > 12) (b) k such that $P(X \le k) = 0.90$
- 8. * The number of hours per week spent watching TV by a young child is approximately normal with mean, $\mu = 15$ hours and standard deviation, $\sigma = 2$ hours. Find the probability that a child (chosen at random) watch TV in a week (i) between 15 and 19 hours (ii) at least 16 hours (iii) at most 14 hours. Compare your answers with table 3 of the book.

Use R to answer Q7, Q8 and Q9. See instructions below.

9. * The hospital data of discharged patients contains the following columns:

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Column
       Label
        ID no.
1
2
        Duration of hospital stay
3
        Age
4
        Sex 1=male 2=female
5
        First temperature following admission
6
        First WBC(x1000) following admission
7
        Received antibiotic 1=yes 2=no
        Received bacterial culture 1=yes 2=no
8
9
        Service 1=med 2=surg.
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Read the data using

dat=read.table(file=url("http://www.maths.usyd.edu.au/math1015/r/hospital.txt"),skip=1)

Set stay=dat[,2] and age=dat[,3] to be vectors of duration of hospital stay and age respectively.

- (a) Plot histograms of stay and age using 10 breaks. Explain why the distribution of age can be better approximated by a normal distribution. Hint: use hist(stay,breaks=10) for stay.
- (b) Find the sample mean and sample s.d. of age.
- (c) Assuming that the distribution of **age** is normal and using results of (b) to estimate the mean and s.d., find the probability that a randomly chosen discharged patient is older than 60 years of age.

For binomial calculations: Use dbinom(x,n,p) and pbinom(x,n,p) to find respectively, the individual probability P(X = x) and cumulative probability $P(X \le x)$ if $X \sim B(n,p)$.

For normal calculations: Use pnorm(x,m,s) and qnorm(p,m,s) to find respectively, the cumulative probability P(X < x) and quantile a such that P(X < a) = p if $X \sim N(m, s^2)$.

1. Let $Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$.

(a) Find

(i) P(-1.72 < Z < 0.52) (ii) P(|Z| > 1.96).

(b) Find the values of a, b, and c such that

(i) $P(Z \le a) = 0.7291$ (ii) P(Z > b) = 0.10 (iii) P(|Z| < c) = 0.90.

- 2. Suppose that X, the breaking strength of rope in pounds, has distribution $\mathcal{N}(100, 16)$. Each 30 metre coil of rope brings a profit of \$25 provided X > 95. If $X \leq 95$ then the rope is used for a different purpose and a profit of only \$10 per coil is made. Find the average profit per coil.
- **3.** Glaucoma is a disease of the eye that is manifested by high intraocular pressure. The distribution of intraocular pressure in unaffected adults is approximately normal with mean 16 mm Hg and standard deviation 4 mm Hg.
 - (a) If the normal range for intraocular pressure (in mm Hg) is considered to be 12 20, what percentage of unaffected adults would fall within this range?
 - (b) An adult is considered to have *abnormally high* intraocular pressure if the pressure reading is in the top percentile for unaffected adults. Use tables to state pressures considered to be abnormally high.
- 4. Check the answers in Q1 to Q3 above using R.