

- **Time and Places of Exam:** The exam will be in class, on Thursday, Feb 13 2003.

- **Exam Materials:** The exam is closed book. A few pages of formulas and tables will be appended to the exam.

You can also prepare your own formula sheet: a single one-sided 8x11 sheet on which you can write whatever you like. You should bring a calculator.

- **Exam Coverage:** Questions for the exam will be based on material in the following sections of your textbook:

Chapter 2 : Entire chapter.

Chapter 3 : Sections 2-8.

Chapter 4 : Sections 1-10.

Chapter 5 : Sections 1-9.

## **Descriptive Statistics, Chap 2**

- Types of data: qualitative and quantitative
- population and sample, parameter and statistics
- mean, variance and standard deviation of a sample
- median, lower (upper) quartile and 100pth percentile
- z-score, IQR and outliers
- Boxplot, histogram and bar plot

## Boxplot

- Calculate the median  $m$ , lower and upper quartile,  $Q_l$  and  $Q_u$ , and the interquartile range, IQR.
- draw a box with ends at  $Q_l$  and  $Q_u$  and draw a vertical line inside the box to locate the median  $m$ .
- Draw whiskers out to  $Q_u + 1.5\text{IQR}$  and  $Q_l - 1.5\text{IQR}$ , **but** trim them back to the most extreme data point in those ranges.
- Draw dots for each individual data point outside the box and whiskers.

Example: Ex 2.54

## Probability, Chap 3

- Sample space, events, Compound events (union, intersection and complement)
- Probability, conditional probability and probability rule for compound events
- Independence and mutually exclusive
- Bayes theorem
- Counting rules

**Example:** In the week following final exams, 10% of Duke students go to the beach (it always seems like more); 50% go home; and 40% start a job. Of the beach-goers, 90% (claim to) have fun; 22% of the home-goers have fun; and a disappointing 25% of the workers have fun.

- a. What is the probability that a randomly-selected Duke student will go to the beach and not have fun?
- b. What is the probability that a randomly-selected Duke student will have fun (anywhere)?
- c. What is the probability that a randomly-selected Duke student who **IS** having fun can see the ocean?
- d. Don't you wish you had a job working at home and that you lived at the beach?

**Example:** A communications satellite is launched into orbit on an three-stage rocket. The first stage of the rocket fails with probability 0.10 and the second and third stage are more reliable, each failing with probability 0.01. The satellite itself has a rocket, which places it into geosynchronous orbit, failing with probability 0.001. Assuming that all stages of the rocket, and the satellite itself, fail (and succeed) independently:

- a. What is the probability that the satellite is successfully placed into the desired orbit? (0.8812)
- b. Given that the first stage works successfully, what is this success probability? (0.9791)
- c. Given that the first stage does not fail, what is the probability that the second stage does not fail? (0.99)
- d. You are told that the satellite did not make it into orbit, but nothing more. What is the probability that the first stage failed? (0.8418)

## Counting Rule

- Basic rule: Multiplicative rule
- Important setting:
  - With replacement or Without
  - Order matters or not
- Other rules:
  - Permutations  $n!$
  - Combinations (choose  $k$  out of  $n$ )  $\frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$
  - Partitions  $\frac{n!}{n_1! \dots n_k!}$

**Ex 3.44:** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has a 16-member committee working on evaluating the traffic control systems of four facilities relying on computer-based equipment. How many possible ways the FAA can form the task force to do the evaluation,

- a. if the FAA wants to assign one member to each facility and assume that each member can be assigned to more than one facilities?
- b. if the FAA wants to assign one member to each facility and assume that each member can NOT be assigned to more than one facilities?
- c. if the FAA wants to form a 4-member task force for all the four facilities?
- d. if the FAA wants to assign 4-member task force to each facilities?

- a.  $16^4$
- b.  $P_4^{16} = (16)(15)(14)(13)$
- c.  $\binom{16}{4} = \frac{(16)(15)(14)(13)}{(4)(3)(2)(1)}$
- d.  $\frac{16!}{4!4!4!4!}$

## Random Variables, Chap 4-5

- Discrete or continuous
- Probability distribution: probability mass function (discrete), probability density (continuous)
- Cumulative distribution function and its use in calculating probabilities for continuous random variables
- Expectation of functions of random variables: mean, variance (standard deviation)

## Important Distributions

### Discrete

- Bernoulli( $p$ ),  $x = 0, 1$
- Binomial( $n, p$ ),  $x = 0, 1, \dots, n$
- Geometric( $p$ ),  $x = 0, 1, \dots, n, \dots$
- Poisson( $\lambda$ ),  $x = 0, 1, \dots, n, \dots$
- Discrete uniform

### Continuous

- Uniform( $a, b$ ),  $x \in [a, b]$
- Normal( $\mu, \sigma^2$ ),  $x \in \mathbb{R}$
- Exponential( $\beta$ ),  $x \geq 0$

## Distributions and Stories

**Semiconductor Wafer :** A semiconductor wafer contains a contamination particle with probability  $p = 0.01$ .

- Whether a new produced wafer is contaminated or not – Bernoulli( $p$ )
- How many are contaminated among 1000 wafers? – Binomial( $n, p$ )
- How many wafers will we look at before we find a contaminated one? – Geometric( $p$ )
- How many wafers will we look at before we find the  $k$ th contaminated wafer? – Negative Binomial
- Suppose today's production is 1000 wafers and among them 10 are contaminated. Now randomly draw a sample of 100 wafers from today's production, how many are contaminated? – Hypergeometric

**Fishing Example :** You go to a spot in Duke Forest to try to catch some fish. From past experience you know that the average number of fish you catch per hour is  $\lambda = 6$ .

- How many fish you catch in one hour of fishing? – Poisson( $\lambda$ )
- How many fish you catch in 20 minutes? – Poisson( $\lambda/3$ )
- How long you have to wait to catch your first fish? – Exponential( $\beta$ ) with  $\beta = 1/\lambda$ .
- How long you have to wait to catch your  $\alpha$ th fish? – Gamma( $\alpha, \beta$ ) with  $\beta = 1/\lambda$ .

## Normal Distribution

- Two parameter: mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$  (standard deviation  $\sigma$ )
- If  $x \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  then  $(x - \mu)/\sigma$  is distributed as the standard normal  $N(0, 1)$
- Calculation of normal probabilities using the standard normal random variable and the table in Appendix

**Example:** The number of cracks in a section of *I-85* which need to be repaired is assumed to be a Poisson random variable with parameter  $\lambda = 1$  crack per mile.

- a. What's the probability that no cracks require repair in 5 miles of highway? (0.0067)
- b. What's the probability that more than one crack requires repair in 5 miles of highway? (0.9596)
- c. The highway is inspected and repaired in one mile section. What's the probability that no cracks are found until mile 5? (0.0116)
- d. What's the probability that 1 of the first 5 sections inspected has cracks, but the other 4 do not? (0.0579)

**Example:** The life of a semiconductor laser is normally distributed with a mean of 7000 hours and a standard deviation of 600 hours

- a. What's the probability that a laser lasts less than 6000 hours? (0.0475)
- b. What's the probability that a laser lasts more than 8000 hours? (0.0475)
- c. What's the lifetime in hours exceeded by 99% of all lasers? (5602)
- d. Seven lasers are required in an industrial system. What's the probability that all seven function for at least 6000 hours?  $((1 - 0.0475)^7)$