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49.

$$\begin{aligned}
 p &= \text{the prob. that the company will refund for a package} \\
 &= 1 - \underbrace{0.99^{20}}_{0 \text{ defective}} - \underbrace{C_1^{20} \cdot 0.99^{19} \cdot 0.01}_{1 \text{ defective}} = 0.01686
 \end{aligned}$$

Let X : the number of refunded packages among 100 packages.

$$\because X \sim B(100, p)$$

\therefore The company should expect to refund

$$25 \cdot E(X) = 25 \cdot 100 \cdot p = 42.1483 \text{ dollars.}$$

59.

$$\begin{aligned}
 p &= \text{the prob. that a person has the same first and} \\
 &\quad \text{last names as you} \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{26}\right)^2 = 0.001479
 \end{aligned}$$

Let X : the number of people whose first and last names are the same as you among n people.

Method 1 $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda = np)$

$$\because P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X=0) = 1 - e^{-np} \geq \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\therefore n \geq \frac{\log 4}{p} = 937.135 \Rightarrow 938 \text{ people are needed}$$

Method 2 $X \sim B(n, p)$

$$\because P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X=0) = 1 - (1-p)^n \geq \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\therefore n \geq \frac{-\log 4}{\log(1-p)} = 936.4417 \Rightarrow 937 \text{ people are needed}$$

63.

Let X : the number of times that a person contracts a cold in a given year.

$\therefore X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$, where $\lambda = \begin{cases} 3, & \text{with prob.} = 0.75 \\ 5, & p = 0.25 \end{cases}$ (drug is beneficial)

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P(\lambda=3|X=2) &= \frac{P(X=2|\lambda=3) \cdot P(\lambda=3)}{P(X=2|\lambda=3) \cdot P(\lambda=3) + P(X=2|\lambda=5) \cdot P(\lambda=5)} \\ &= \left(\frac{3^2 \cdot e^{-3}}{2!} \cdot 0.75 \right) / \left(\frac{3^2 \cdot e^{-3}}{2!} \cdot 0.75 + \frac{5^2 \cdot e^{-5}}{2!} \cdot 0.25 \right) \\ &= 0.88864 \end{aligned}$$

77.

Let X : the number of people that agree to be interviewed if the interviewer is given a list of n people.

Then $X \sim B(n, \frac{2}{3})$.

(a) When $n=5$, $P(X \geq 5) = P(X=5) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^5 = 0.13169$

(b) When $n=8$, $P(X \geq 5) = P(X=5) + P(X=6) + P(X=7) + P(X=8)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= C_5^8 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^5 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 + C_6^8 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^6 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + C_7^8 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^7 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^8 \\ &= 0.74135 \end{aligned}$$

(c) $P(\text{the interviewer will speak to exactly 6 people})$

$$= \underbrace{C_4^5 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)}_{\substack{\text{4 of the first 5 people agree to be interviewed} \\ \text{the 6th person agree to be interviewed}}} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = 0.21948$$

(d) $P(\text{the interviewer will speak to exactly 7 people})$

$$= \underbrace{C_4^6 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2}_{\substack{\text{4 of the first 6 people agree to be interviewed} \\ \text{the 7th person agree to be interviewed}}} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = 0.21948$$

81.

p = the prob. to get exactly 2 red balls in a selection

$$= \frac{C_2^4 C_4^8}{C_6^{12}} = 0.4545$$

Let X : the number of selections until getting exactly 2 red balls.

Then $X \sim \text{geometric}(p)$ with $P(X=n) = (1-p)^{n-1} p \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

$$= 0.5455^{n-1} \cdot 0.4545$$

4.20

$$X \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda) \Rightarrow P(X=k) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} \text{ for } k=0,1,\dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[X^n] &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x^n P(X=x) \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} \quad \left(\frac{x^n}{x!} = \frac{x^{n-1}}{(x-1)!} \text{ 對消一個 } x \right) \\ &= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x^{n-1} e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^x}{(x-1)!} \quad \text{Let } y=x-1 \\ &= \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} (1+y)^{n-1} e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^{y+1}}{y!} \\ &= \lambda \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} (1+y)^{n-1} e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^y}{y!} \\ &= \lambda E[(1+X)^{n-1}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow E[X^3] &= \lambda E[(1+X)^2] \\ &= \lambda (E[X^2] + 2E[X] + 1) \\ &= \lambda (\lambda E[1+X] + 2E[X] + 1) \\ &= \lambda (\lambda(1+\lambda) + 2\lambda + 1) \\ &= \lambda^3 + 3\lambda^2 + \lambda \end{aligned}$$

4.21

<Method 1> Let S be the number of coins are head when all n coins are tossed.

$\Rightarrow S \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p) \rightarrow \text{Poisson}(\lambda=np)$ when n is large and p is small

We can observe X only when $S > 0$ (the experiment ends)

$$\text{Then } P(X=1) = P(S=1 | S > 0) = \frac{P(S=1)}{1 - P(S=0)} = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^1}{1!}}{1 - e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^0}{0!}} = \frac{\lambda e^{-\lambda}}{1 - e^{-\lambda}}$$

The experiment ends.

<Method 2> Let T be the number of trials until the experiment ends

$\Rightarrow T \sim \text{Geometric}(P(S > 0)) = \text{Geometric}(1 - P(S=0)) = \text{Geometric}(1 - e^{-\lambda})$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } P(X=1) &= \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} P(X=1, T=t) \\ &= \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \frac{[1 - (1 - e^{-\lambda})]^{t-1} e^{-\lambda} \lambda^1}{1!} \\ &\quad \text{前 } t-1 \text{ 次失敗 第 } t \text{ 次實驗獲得 } S=1 \\ &= \lambda e^{-\lambda} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - [1 - (1 - e^{-\lambda})]} = \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} [1 - (1 - e^{-\lambda})]^{t-1} \\ &= \frac{\lambda e^{-\lambda}}{1 - e^{-\lambda}} \end{aligned}$$

So (b) is correct.

4.26

Let X be the number of events are counted

Y be the number of events that occur in a specified time

$\Rightarrow Y \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ and $X|Y=y \sim \text{Binomial}(y, p)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } P(X=m) &= \sum_{y=m}^{\infty} P(X=m|Y=y) \cdot P(Y=y) \quad (\text{Note that } y \geq m) \\ &= \sum_{y=m}^{\infty} \binom{y}{m} p^m (1-p)^{y-m} \cdot e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^y}{y!} \\ &= e^{-\lambda p} \frac{(\lambda p)^m}{m!} \sum_{y=m}^{\infty} \frac{[\lambda(1-p)]^{y-m}}{(y-m)!} e^{-\lambda(1-p)} \quad \text{Let } t=y-m \\ &= e^{-\lambda p} \frac{(\lambda p)^m}{m!} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\lambda(1-p)]^t}{t!} e^{-\lambda(1-p)} \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda(1-p)) \\ &= e^{-\lambda p} \frac{(\lambda p)^m}{m!} \quad \text{for } m=0,1,\dots \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda p)$

Intuitive argument: In Poisson(λ) distribution, λ can be approximated by np for n is large and p is small.

If each trial will be success with probability p ,

then the number of trials counted is $np \approx \lambda p$

Under $\lambda=10$ and $p=\frac{1}{50} \Rightarrow P(X=m) = e^{-\lambda p} \frac{(\lambda p)^m}{m!} = e^{-0.2} \frac{0.2^m}{m!}$ for $m=0,1,\dots$

$$(a) P(X=1) = e^{-0.2} \frac{0.2^1}{1!} = 0.2e^{-0.2}$$

$$(b) P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X=0) = 1 - e^{-0.2} \frac{0.2^0}{0!} = 1 - e^{-0.2}$$

$$(c) P(X \leq 1) = 1 - P(X \geq 1) + P(X=1) = 1 - (1 - e^{-0.2}) + 0.2e^{-0.2} = 1.2e^{-0.2}$$

4.28

$$X \sim \text{Geo}(p) \Rightarrow P(X=k) = P(1-p)^{k-1} \text{ for } k=1,2,\dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X=n+k | X>n) &= \frac{P(X=n+k)}{P(X>n)} \\ &= \frac{\cancel{(1-p)}^{n+k-1}}{\cancel{(1-p)}^{n-1}} \\ &= \frac{(1-p)^{n+k-1}}{\cancel{(1-p)}^n \cdot 1} \\ &= \frac{(1-p)^{n+k-1}}{1 - (1-p)} \\ &= P(1-p)^{k-1} \\ &= P(X=k) \end{aligned}$$

Verbal argument: 幾何分佈代表的是重覆實驗直到成功所需的次數
 而且每次實驗皆為同樣的獨立事件
 (不斷執行 independent Bernoulli trials with some probability p)
 因此若前 n 次實驗失敗, 第 $n+1$ 次實驗可視為新實驗的開始
 且原始實驗與新實驗皆為不斷執行
 independent Bernoulli trials with some probability p 的過程
 \Rightarrow 原始實驗進行 $n+k$ 次, 代表新實驗進行 k 次

4.36

$$(a) P(X=1) = \frac{1}{2} = (1 - \frac{1}{2})$$

$$P(X=2) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = (\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3})$$

$$P(X=3) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = (\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4})$$

$$\vdots$$

$$P(X=\lambda) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdots \frac{1}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda+1} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda+1} = (\frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda+1})$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X > \lambda) = 1 - P(X \leq \lambda)$$

$$= 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{\lambda} P(X=k)$$

$$= 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{\lambda} (\frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+1})$$

$$= 1 - (1 - \frac{1}{\lambda+1})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\lambda+1}$$

Note: $X > \lambda$ 代表前 $\lambda = \lambda$ 抽球都抽到紅球的事件

$$\Rightarrow \text{Another method is } P(X > \lambda) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdots \frac{1}{\lambda+1} = \frac{1}{\lambda+1}$$

$$(b) P(X < \infty) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X \leq n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 - P(X > n)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \frac{1}{n+1}) = 1$$

$$(c) E[X] = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x P(X=x)$$

$$= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x (\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x+1})$$

$$= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x+1}$$

$$= \infty$$

Another method: $\because X$ is a nonnegative integer-valued random variable

\therefore We may apply $E[X] = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} P(X \geq x)$ in theoretical exercise 4.5

$$\Rightarrow E[X] = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} P(X \geq x)$$

$$= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} P(X > x-1)$$

$$= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x}$$

$$= \infty$$