

Answers Exercise 2 Stochastic Models of Manufacturing Systems 4T400, 21 April

1. You toss an *unfair* coin twice; the probability of Head is 0.3. Compute the conditional probability that the outcome of the second toss is Head, given that the outcome of both tosses is different.

Answer: $\frac{1}{2}$

2. Each member of a family of 4 persons writes his name on a piece of paper, and these pieces of papers are randomly divided among the family members. What is the probability that each person gets a piece of paper with the name of someone else?

Answer: $\frac{9}{24}$

3. The radius of a circle is random between 0 and 6 meter. Compute the expected area of the circle.

Answer: 12π

4. A batch consists of exactly 10 products, but the mix of products is random. With probability 0.1 a product is of type *A*, otherwise it is of type *B*. Compute the probability that the batch contains exactly two type *A* products?

Answer: $\binom{10}{2}0.1^20.9^8 = 0.1937$

5. Consider the batch from the previous question. The expected processing time of a type *A* product is 2 minutes, and this is 10 minutes for a type *B* product. What is the expected processing time of a complete batch?

Answer: 92 minutes

6. The lifetime of two light bulbs are independent and exponentially distributed. The mean lifetime of bulb *A* is 20 hours, and it is 40 hours for bulb *B*. At $t = 0$ both bulbs are working. What is the probability that both bulbs are still working after 20 hours?

Answer: $e^{-\frac{3}{2}} = 0.223$

7. Consider the two light bulbs from the previous question. Calculate the expected time till one of the two bulbs breaks down.

Answer: $\frac{40}{3} = 13\frac{1}{3}$ hours

8. A magician asks you to guess the card that he is holding, which he has blindly drawn from a deck of 52 cards. But before you make a guess, you may ask one question. Which question maximizes the probability of success?

- A. Is the card you are holding black?
- B. Is the card you are holding two of diamonds?
- C. It doesn't matter whether you ask question A or B.

Answer: C

- (a) Calculate the constant c .

$$\int_0^{\infty} cxe^{-\frac{1}{2}x} dx = 4c = 1,$$

so $c = \frac{1}{4}$

(b) What is the probability that the pick-and-place machine has no failures within 4 hours?

$$P(X > 4) = \int_4^{\infty} \frac{1}{4} x e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} dx = 3e^{-2} = 0.406$$

(c) Calculate the expected time to failure.

$$E(X) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{4} x^2 e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} dx = 4 \text{ uur}$$