

**Problem Set 4**  
**(Lecture 7 & Lecture 8)**  
**Due: 9/25**

***\*\*Question numbers and pages based on 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, please make sure you check and do the proper questions if using a different version\*\****

1. For each of the following, decide whether the random variable of interest is indeed a Binomial Random Variable. If it is, properly label the distribution as we have in class. If not, identify why not (hint: remember that when we choose a sample of subjects from a population, we can assume independence if the sample is random and the population size is at least 20 times larger than the sample).
  - a. A die is rolled 4 times with the RV  $X$  reflecting the number of "3's"
  - b. The random variable  $X$  represents the number of tosses until we get 7 "Heads"
  - c. A student who has no clue uses an independent random guess to answer each question on a test consisting of 25 multiple choice questions (each with 5 options) and 4 T/F. The random variable  $X$  represents the number of questions correct.
  - d. A student who has no clue uses an independent random guess to answer each question on a test consisting of 29 multiple choice questions (each with 5 options). The random variable  $X$  represents the number of questions correct.
  - e. Suppose that among 20 donors in a blood drive, 8 have blood type A. Three of the 20 donors are chosen at random. Let  $X$  be the number of donors with blood type A that are chosen (out of 3).
2. Austin decided to give Taylor Swift another chance. So, he listened through all her songs from 2009. There were 8 in total. Let the random variable  $X$  be the number of songs in which she complained about some boy. The probability of complaining about a boy is 56%.
  - a. Does  $X$  follow a distribution that we covered in class? If so, how do we know? Properly label the distribution.
  - b. How would your answer to part (a) change if Taylor Swift only put out 1 song in 2009 instead of 8?
  - c. Verify that the probability that Taylor Swift complains about a boy in at least 2 songs equals the probability that Taylor Swift complains about a boy in more than 1 song.
  - d. What is the expected number of songs that Taylor Swift will complain about a boy in?
  - e. How much are we "off" by when we use the expectation to estimate the number of songs Taylor Swift will complain about a boy in?
  - f. What is the probability that the number of songs Taylor Swift complains about a boy in is within 1 standard deviation of the mean (identify the interval we are interested in and then calculate the probability)? Since 3 is almost in the interval, include this in your probability calculation. What does this imply about the shape of the distribution (hint: think Empirical Rule)?

3. Textbook Exercise 3.55
4. Textbook Exercise 3.71
5. Textbook Exercise 3.76
6. Textbook Exercise 3.97