

1. (6.2, p. 116)

$X$  is a binomial random variable because it possesses the following characteristics:

- There are  $n = 5102$  total number of fixed independent trials.
  - The probability of success  $p = 0.1$  remains constant between trials (ie, each trial has same probability of success), where we define a success as developing breast cancer.
  - $X$  counts the number of successes (or women developing breast cancer) out of  $n$  total trials.
2. (6.4, p. 122) We have  $n = 2$  trials. Defining success as being a carrier of Tay-Sachs disease, we have probability of success  $p = \frac{1}{28} \approx 0.0357 \Rightarrow q = 0.9643$ , so that the # of successes  $X \sim b(2, \frac{1}{28})$ . Therefore,

$$\Pr(\text{neither}) = \Pr(X = 0) = {}_n C_x p^x q^{n-x} = {}_2 C_0 p^0 q^2 = \left(\frac{2!}{0!2!}\right) (1) \left(\frac{27}{28}\right)^2 = 0.9298469$$

$$\Pr(\text{both}) = \Pr(X = 2) = {}_n C_x p^x q^{n-x} = {}_2 C_2 p^2 q^0 = \left(\frac{2!}{2!0!}\right) \left(\frac{1}{28}\right)^2 (1) = 0.0012755$$

3. (6.6, p. 123) We have  $n = 8$  trials. Defining success as reaching a live person, we have probability of success  $p = 0.15 \Rightarrow q = 0.85$ , so that the # of successes  $X \sim b(8, 0.15)$ . Therefore,

$$\Pr(X = 0) = {}_8 C_0 p^0 q^8 = (1)(1)(0.85)^8 = \left(\frac{8!}{0!8!}\right) (1)(0.85)^8 = 0.2724905$$

$$\Pr(X = 1) = {}_8 C_1 p^1 q^7 = \left(\frac{8!}{1!7!}\right) (0.15)^1 (0.85)^7 = (8)(0.15)(0.85)^7 = 0.3846925$$

$$\Pr(X = 2) = {}_8 C_2 p^2 q^6 = \left(\frac{8!}{2!6!}\right) (0.15)^2 (0.85)^6 = (28)(0.15)^2 (0.85)^6 = 0.23760419$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \Pr(X \leq 2) &= \Pr(X = 0) + \Pr(X = 1) + \Pr(X = 2) \\ &= 0.2725 + 0.3847 + 0.2376 \\ &= 0.8948 \end{aligned}$$

4. (6.8, p. 124)

- (a) From 6.6 we know that  $n = 15$  and  $p = 0.15$  so

$$E(X) = \mu = np = 8(0.15) = 1.2$$

$$V(X) = \sigma^2 = npq = 8(0.15)(0.85) = 1.02$$

- (b) Now we have  $n = 50$  so

$$E(X) = \mu = np = 50(0.15) = 7.5$$

$$V(X) = \sigma^2 = npq = 50(0.15)(0.85) = 6.375$$

5. (6.10, p. 128) We have  $n = 2$  trials. Defining success as the student being a smoker, we have probability of success  $p = 0.2 \Rightarrow q = 0.8$ , so that the # of successes  $X \sim b(2, 0.2)$ . Therefore,

$$\Pr(\text{both}) = \Pr(X = 2) = {}_n C_x p^x q^{n-x} = {}_2 C_2 p^2 q^0 = \left( \frac{2!}{2!0!} \right) (0.2)^2 (1) = 0.04$$

6. (16.10, p. 366) For large-sample confidence intervals about the population proportion, we use the plus-4 method. We have

- $\hat{p} = \frac{170}{2673} = 0.0636$
- $\tilde{p} = \frac{172}{2677} = 0.0643 \Rightarrow \tilde{q} = 0.9357, \tilde{n} = 2677$
- $SE_{\tilde{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{p}\tilde{q}}{\tilde{n}}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.0643(0.9357)}{2677}} = 0.00474$
- $\alpha = 0.05 \Rightarrow z_{1-\alpha/2} = 1.96$
- 95%  $CI : \tilde{p} \pm z_{1-\alpha/2} \cdot SE_{\tilde{p}} = 0.0643 \pm 1.96(0.00474) = (0.0550, 0.0736)$

7. (16.18, p. 371)

- We will test the null hypothesis  $H_0 : p = 0.5$  against the two-sided alternative  $H_A : p \neq 0.5$ .
- We set our significance level at  $\alpha = 0.05$  and calculate the following:
- $SE_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{p_0 q_0}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.5(0.5)}{262}} = 0.03089$
- $z_{\text{stat}} = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{SE_{\hat{p}}} = \frac{0.5725 - 0.5}{0.03089} = \frac{0.0725}{0.03089} = 2.347$
- Exact  $p$ -values from software:  $p_{1\text{-sided}} = 0.00946 \Rightarrow p_{2\text{-sided}} = 0.01892$
- Our 2-sided  $p$ -value is less than  $\alpha$ , therefore we reject the null hypothesis that the proportion of males with leukemia is 0.5.
- We have sufficient evidence to conclude that the proportion of males with leukemia is significantly different (higher) than 50%. That is, there is evidence of a gender preference in favor of males for this disease.

8. (16.20, p. 371) To be conservative, we use  $p^* = q^* = 0.5$ . Given  $m = 0.03$ , we use our formula to calculate

$$n = \frac{z_{1-\alpha/2}^2 p^* q^*}{m^2} = \frac{(1.96)^2 0.5(0.5)}{0.03^2} = \frac{0.9604}{0.0009} = 1067.11$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 1068$$

We do not need to do any computation for the previous question in order to answer the second part. We know conceptually that  $n$  must increase in order to reduce the margin of error, so since the previous problem required  $m = 0.06$ , it must be that our computed sample size for  $m = 0.03$  is greater than that of problem 16.19.

9. C

$$\hat{p} = \frac{88}{120}$$

$$\Rightarrow SE_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}\hat{q}}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{88}{120} \left(\frac{32}{120}\right)}{120}} = \sqrt{0.001629} = 0.04037 \approx 0.04$$

10. E

- $\hat{p} = \frac{32}{120}$
- $\tilde{p} = \frac{34}{124} \approx 0.2742 \Rightarrow \tilde{q} = 0.7358, \tilde{n} = 124$
- $SE_{\tilde{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{p}\tilde{q}}{\tilde{n}}} = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{34}{124} \left(\frac{90}{124}\right)}{124}} = \sqrt{0.0016} = 0.04$
- $\alpha = 0.05 \Rightarrow z_{1-\alpha/2} = 1.96$
- 95% CI :  $\tilde{p} \pm z_{1-\alpha/2} \cdot SE_{\tilde{p}} = 0.2742 \pm 1.645(0.04) = (0.2084, 0.3400)$

11. C

As confidence level increases, width increases.