

STAT 134: Section 5

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Problem 1

An airline knows that over the long run, 90% of passengers who reserve flights show up for their flight. On a particular flight with 300 seats, the airline accepts 324 reservations.

- a. Assuming passengers show up independently of each other, what (approximately) is the chance the flight will be overbooked?
- b. Suppose people always travel in pairs. Will that increase or decrease the chance above?

Ex 2.2.9 in Pitman's Probability

Problem 2

A cereal company advertises a prize in every box of its cereal. In fact, only about 95% of their boxes have prizes in them. If a family buys one box of this cereal every week for a year, estimate the chance that they will collect more than 45 prizes. What assumptions are you making?

Ex 2.4.9 in Pitman's Probability

Problem 3

A lot of 50 items (10 bad) is inspected by the following two stage plan: (i) A first sample of 5 items is drawn. If all are good the lot is passed; if two or more are bad the lot is rejected. (ii) If the sample contains exactly one bad item, a second sample of 10 more items is drawn from the remaining 45; the lot is rejected if two or more are bad. Otherwise the lot is accepted.

- a. What is the probability the sample is drawn and contains more than one bad item?
- b. Find the chance the lot is accepted.

Ex 2.5.9 in Pitman's Probability