MATH10282: INTRODUCTION TO STATISTICS SEMESTER 2 SOLUTIONS TO QUIZ PROBLEM 9

The proportion p of defective items in a large population is unknown. We wish to test $H_0: p = 0.2$ versus $H_1: p \neq 0.2$. Suppose a random sample of 20 items is drawn from the population. Let Y be the number of defective items in the sample. Consider the test which rejects H_0 if and only if $Y \geq 7$ or $Y \leq 1$.

Clearly, Y has a binomial distribution with parameters 20 and p. So,

$$P (\text{Type II Error}) = P (\text{Accept } H_0 | p \neq 0.2)$$

= $P (2 \le Y \le 6 | p \neq 0.2)$
= $\sum_{i=2}^{6} P (Y = i | p \neq 0.2)$
= $\sum_{i=2}^{6} \binom{20}{i} p^i (1-p)^{20-i}.$