

**QS 025/2**  
**Matriculation Programme**  
**Examination**  
**Semester II**  
**Session 2016/2017**

1. Given  $P(A) = 0.35$  and  $P(B) = 0.45$ . Calculate
- $P(A \cup B)$  if events A and B are mutually exclusive.
  - $P(A \cap B')$  if events A and B are independent.

**SOLUTION**

a)  $P(A) = 0.35, P(B) = 0.45$

Events A and B are mutually exclusive  $\rightarrow P(A \cap B) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}P(A \cup B) &= P(A) + P(B) \\ &= 0.35 + 0.45 \\ &= 0.8\end{aligned}$$

b)  $P(A) = 0.35, P(B) = 0.45$

Events A and B are independent  $\rightarrow P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$

$$\begin{aligned}P(A \cap B) &= P(A) \cdot P(B) \\ &= (0.35) \cdot (0.45) \\ &= 0.1575\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}P(A \cap B') &= P(A) - P(A \cap B) \\ &= 0.35 - 0.1575 \\ &= 0.1925\end{aligned}$$

**De Morgan Rule**

$$P(A' \cup B') = P(A \cap B)'$$

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$$P(A \cap B') = P(A) - P(A \cap B)$$

**ALTERNATIVE 1(b)**

$$P(A) = 0.35, P(B) = 0.45$$

$$P(B') = 1 - P(B)$$

$$= 1 - 0.45$$

$$= 0.55$$

$$P(A \cap B') = P(A) \cdot P(B')$$

$$= (0.35) \cdot (0.55)$$

$$= 0.1925$$

2. The mean survival times (weeks),  $\bar{x}$ , of a sample of 20 animals in a clinical trial is 28 with summary statistics  $\sum x^2 = 18000$ .
- Find the standard deviation correct to three decimal places.
  - It is known that the median is 26, compute Pearson's Coefficient of Skewness. Comment on your answer.

**SOLUTION**

$$n = 20, \bar{x} = 28, \sum x^2 = 18000$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum x}{n}$$

$$28 = \frac{\sum x}{20}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sum x &= 20(28) \\ &= 560\end{aligned}$$

- a) Standard deviation

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum x^2 - \frac{1}{n}(\sum x)^2}{n - 1}}$$

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$$= \sqrt{\frac{2320}{19}}$$

$$= 11.050$$

b) Median = 26

Pearson's Coefficient of Skewness

$$S_k = \frac{3(\text{mean} - \text{median})}{\text{Standard Deviation}}$$

$$S_k = \frac{3(\bar{x} - \text{median})}{s}$$

$$= \frac{3(28 - 26)}{11.050}$$

$$= 0.543$$

***Comment: Data is skewed to the right***

3. The table below shows the classification of 200 shirts based on sizes and colours.

	Small	Medium	Large
White	40	35	5
Blue	10	30	15
Black	25	20	20

A shirt is selected randomly. Find the probability that the shirt is

- Small ini size.
- Either blue or white.
- Medium size given that it is blue.

#### SOLUTION

a)

	Small	Medium	Large	Total
White	40	35	5	80
Blue	10	30	15	55
Black	25	20	20	65
Total	65	85	40	200

$$\begin{aligned}P(\text{Small}) &= \frac{40 + 10 + 25}{200} \\ &= \frac{3}{8} \\ &= 0.375\end{aligned}$$

	Small	Medium	Large	Total
White	40	35	5	80
Blue	10	30	15	55
Black	25	20	20	65
Total	65	85	40	200

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{b) } P(\text{Blue} \cup \text{White}) &= \frac{10+30+15}{200} + \frac{40+35+5}{200} \\
 &= \frac{135}{200} \\
 &= \frac{27}{40} \\
 &= 0.675
 \end{aligned}$$

	Small	Medium	Large	Total
White	40	35	5	80
Blue	10	30	15	55
Black	25	20	20	65
Total	65	85	40	200

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{c) } P(\text{Medium} \mid \text{Blue}) &= \frac{P(\text{Medium} \cap \text{Blue})}{P(\text{Blue})} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{30}{200}}{\frac{55}{200}} \\
 &= \frac{30}{55} \\
 &= \frac{6}{11} \\
 &= 0.545
 \end{aligned}$$

4. For every class of 40 students, on average there are 4 of them are left-handed. Find the probability that
- Exactly 5 students are left-handed in any class.
  - Between 4 and 17 students are left-handed in any two classes.

**SOLUTION**

- a)  $\lambda = 4$  (per 40 students)

$$X \sim P_o(4)$$

$$P(X = 5) = \frac{e^{-4} \cdot 4^5}{5!}$$

$$= 0.1563$$

$$P(X = x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \cdot \lambda^x}{x!}$$

- b)  $\lambda = 8$  (per 80 students)

$$X \sim P_o(8)$$

$$P(4 < X < 17) = P(X \geq 5) - P(X \geq 17)$$

$$= 0.9004 - 0.0037$$

$$= 0.8967$$



5. The following list is the number of car thefts during the year 2013 in 11 particular cities.

110    340    210    300    660    115    135    400    180    145    265

- Find the median
- Draw a box-and-whisker plot to represent the data. Hence, state the shape of the distribution of the data and give your reason.

### SOLUTION

110    115    135    145    180    210    265    300    340    400    660

$$\text{a) } n = 11, \quad X_{\left(\frac{11+1}{2}\right)} = X_6$$

$$\text{Median} = 210$$

$$\text{b) } Q_1 = 135$$

$$\text{Median} = 210$$

$$Q_3 = 340$$

$$IQR = Q_3 - Q_1 = 340 - 135 = 205$$

$$\text{Lower fence} = Q_1 - 1.5 IQR = 135 - 1.5(205) = -172.5$$

$$\text{Upper fence} = Q_3 + 1.5 IQR = 340 + 1.5(205) = 647.5$$



**Shape of Distribution:**

***Positive skewness since the right box is longer than the left***

6. (a) A total of 6 students can sit on 10 chairs which are arranged in a row.
- Find the number of different ways that all the 6 students can sit.
  - If both seats at the ends are to be seated, find the number of different ways this can be done.
  - If 2 particular students do not sit next to each other, find the number of different ways that all 6 students can sit.
- (b) A committee consisting of 2 males and 3 females is to be formed from 5 males and 7 females. Find the number of different ways if
- A particular female must be in the committee.
  - 2 particular males cannot be in the committee.

**SOLUTION**

ai)  ${}^{10}P_6 = 151200$

a ii)  ${}^6P_2 \times {}^8P_4 = 50400$  

a iii)  ${}^{10}P_6 - ({}^9P_5)(2!) = 120960$

bi) The total number of possible selection =  ${}^5C_2 \times {}^6P_2 = 150$

b ii) The total number of possible selection =  ${}^3C_2 \times {}^7P_3 = 105$

7. The number of times,  $X$ , a certain statistics book is borrowed from a library per semester is modeled as probability distribution function below

$$P(X = x) = \begin{cases} k(7 - 2x), & x = 0, 1, 2, 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

With  $k$  as a constant. Find  $k$ .

Hence,

- Construct a probability distribution table for  $X$ .
- Find  $P(X \leq 2)$
- Calculate  $E(2X + 3)$
- Find  $Var(2X + 3)$

#### SOLUTION

$$P(X = x) = \begin{cases} k(7 - 2x), & x = 0, 1, 2, 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$x$	0	1	2	3
$P(X = x)$	$7k$	$5k$	$3k$	$k$

Probability Distribution Function  $\rightarrow \sum P(X = x) = 1$

$$\sum P(X = x) = 1$$

$$7k + 5k + 3k + k = 1$$

$$16k = 1$$

$$k = \frac{1}{16}$$

a)

$x$	0	1	2	3
$P(X = x)$	$\frac{7}{16}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$

$$b) P(X \leq 2) = P(X = 2) + P(X = 1) + P(X = 0)$$

$$= \frac{3}{16} + \frac{5}{16} + \frac{7}{16}$$

$$= \frac{15}{16}$$

$$c) E(2X + 3) = 2E(x) + 3$$

$$E(x) = 0\left(\frac{7}{16}\right) + 1\left(\frac{5}{16}\right) + 2\left(\frac{3}{16}\right) + 3\left(\frac{1}{16}\right)$$

$$= \frac{14}{16}$$

$$= \frac{7}{8}$$

$$E(2X + 3) = 2E(x) + 3$$

$$= 2\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) + 3$$

$$= \frac{19}{4}$$

Properties of expectation

- a)  $E(a) = a$
- b)  $E(aX) = aE(x)$
- c)  $E(aX + b) = aE(x) + b$

$$d) \text{Var}(2X + 3) = 4\text{Var}(X)$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(x^2) - [E(x)]^2$$

$$E(x) = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(x^2) &= 0^2 \left(\frac{7}{16}\right) + 1^2 \left(\frac{5}{16}\right) + 2^2 \left(\frac{3}{16}\right) + 3^2 \left(\frac{1}{16}\right) \\ &= \frac{26}{16} \\ &= \frac{13}{8} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(x^2) - [E(x)]^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{13}{8} - \left[\frac{7}{8}\right]^2 \\ &= \frac{13}{8} - \left[\frac{49}{64}\right] \\ &= \frac{55}{64} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(2X + 3) = 4\text{Var}(X)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 4 \left(\frac{55}{64}\right) \\ &= \frac{55}{16} \\ &= 3.4375 \end{aligned}$$

8. Let the probability density function of a continuous random variable  $X$  be defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2}{18}, & -c < x < c \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- a. Show that  $c = 3$ .
- b. Find the cumulative distribution function of  $X$ .
- c. Hence, find
  - i.  $P(0 \leq X \leq 2)$ .
  - ii. *the median of  $X$ .*

**SOLUTION**

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2}{18}, & -c < x < c \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

a)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{-c} 0 dx + \int_{-c}^c \frac{x^2}{18} dx + \int_c^{\infty} 0 dx = 1$$

$$\left[ \frac{x^3}{54} \right]_{-c}^c = 1$$

$$\left[ \frac{c^3}{54} \right] - \left[ \frac{-c^3}{54} \right] = 1$$

$$\frac{c^3}{54} + \frac{c^3}{54} = 1$$

$$\frac{2c^3}{54} = 1$$

$$2c^3 = 54$$

$$c^3 = 27$$

$$c = 3$$

b) Cumulative Distribution Function Of X

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2}{18}, & -3 < x < 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$x < -3$	$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x 0 dt$ $= 0$
$-3 \leq x < 3$	$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{-3} 0 dt + \int_{-3}^x \frac{t^2}{18} dt$ $= 0 + \left[ \frac{t^3}{54} \right]_{-3}^x$ $= \left[ \frac{x^3}{54} \right] - \left[ \frac{-3^3}{54} \right]$ $= \frac{x^3}{54} + \frac{27}{54}$ $= \frac{x^3}{54} + \frac{1}{2}$
$x \geq 3$	$F(x) = 1$

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < -3 \\ \frac{x^3}{54} + \frac{1}{2}, & -3 \leq x < 3 \\ 1, & x \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

c) i)  $P(0 \leq X \leq 2) = F(2) - F(0)$

$$= \left[ \frac{2^3}{54} + \frac{1}{2} \right] - \left[ \frac{0^3}{54} + \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{4}{27}$$

c) ii)  $F(m) = 0.5$

$$\frac{m^3}{54} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{m^3}{54} = 0$$

$$m^3 = 0$$

$$m = 0$$



9. The amount of grains packed in a sack is normally distributed with mean weight  $\mu$  and standard deviation 6 kg. Given  $P(X < 24) = 0.1587$ . The sack is separated from the others if it weighs less than 25kg.
- Find the value of  $\mu$ .
  - Hence,
    - Find the probability that a randomly chosen sack has weights of more than 33 kg.
    - Find the probability that a randomly chosen sack will be separated.
  - A total of 5 sacks are chosen at random, find the probability that
    - All the sacks are to be separated.
    - At least 4 of the sacks are to be separated.

**SOLUTION**

a)  $\sigma = 6$

$$P(X < 24) = 0.1587$$

$$P\left(Z < \frac{24 - \mu}{6}\right) = 0.1587$$

$$\frac{24 - \mu}{6} = -1 \text{ (From Statistical table)}$$

$$24 - \mu = -6$$

$$\mu = 30$$

b) i)  $P(X > 33) = P\left(Z > \frac{33 - 30}{6}\right)$

$$= P(Z > 0.5)$$

$$= 0.3085$$

b) ii)  $P(X < 25) = P\left(Z < \frac{25 - 30}{6}\right)$

$$= P(Z < -0.83)$$

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$$

$$= 0.2033$$

c)  $X \sim B(5, 0.2033)$

i.  $P(X = 5) = {}^5C_5(0.2033)^5(0.7967)^0$

$$= 0.0003473$$

ii.  $P(X \geq 4) = {}^5C_4(0.2033)^4(0.7967)^1 + {}^5C_5(0.2033)^5(0.7967)^0$

$$= 0.00715$$

$$X \sim B(n, p)$$

$$P(X = x) = {}^nC_x(p)^x(q)^{n-x}$$

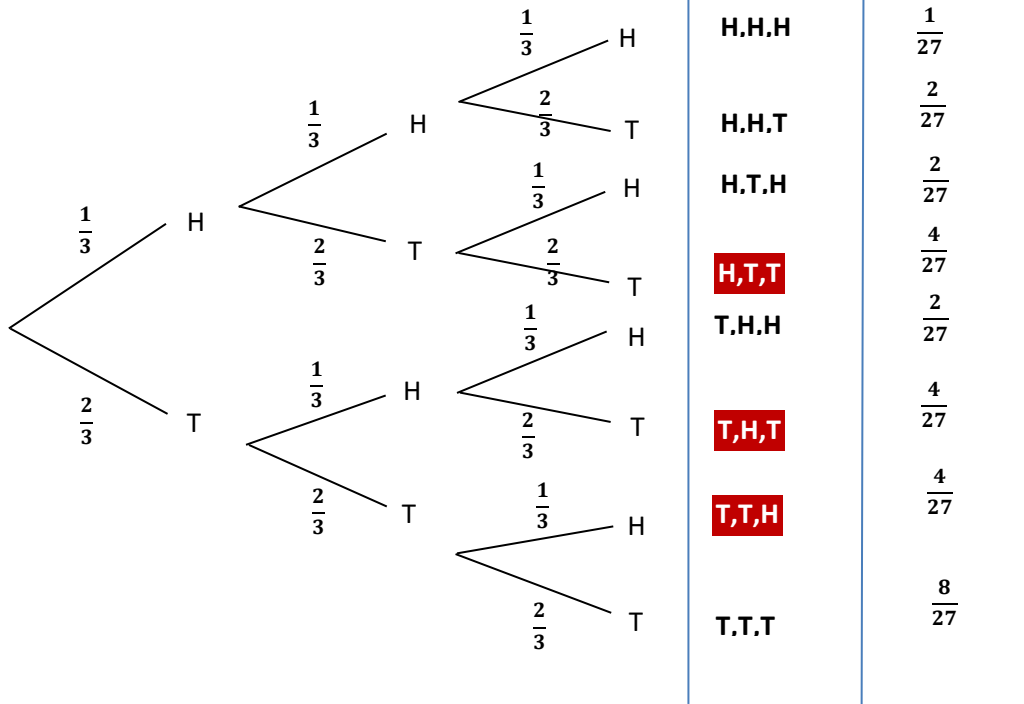
10. A game is conducted by tossing a biased coin 3 times. The coin has probability  $P(H) = \frac{1}{3}$  and

$P(T) = \frac{2}{3}$ , where the event in obtaining head is H and the event in obtaining tail is T.

- a. Construct a tree diagram and hence, show that the probability of getting one head is  $\frac{12}{27}$ .
- b. Let X be the number of heads that appears, find the probability distribution of X.
- c. Suppose a player wins RM2 each time a tail appears. If Y is the profit,
  - i. Find the probability distribution of Y.
  - ii. Calculate  $E(Y)$  and  $Var(Y)$ .

**SOLUTION**

a)

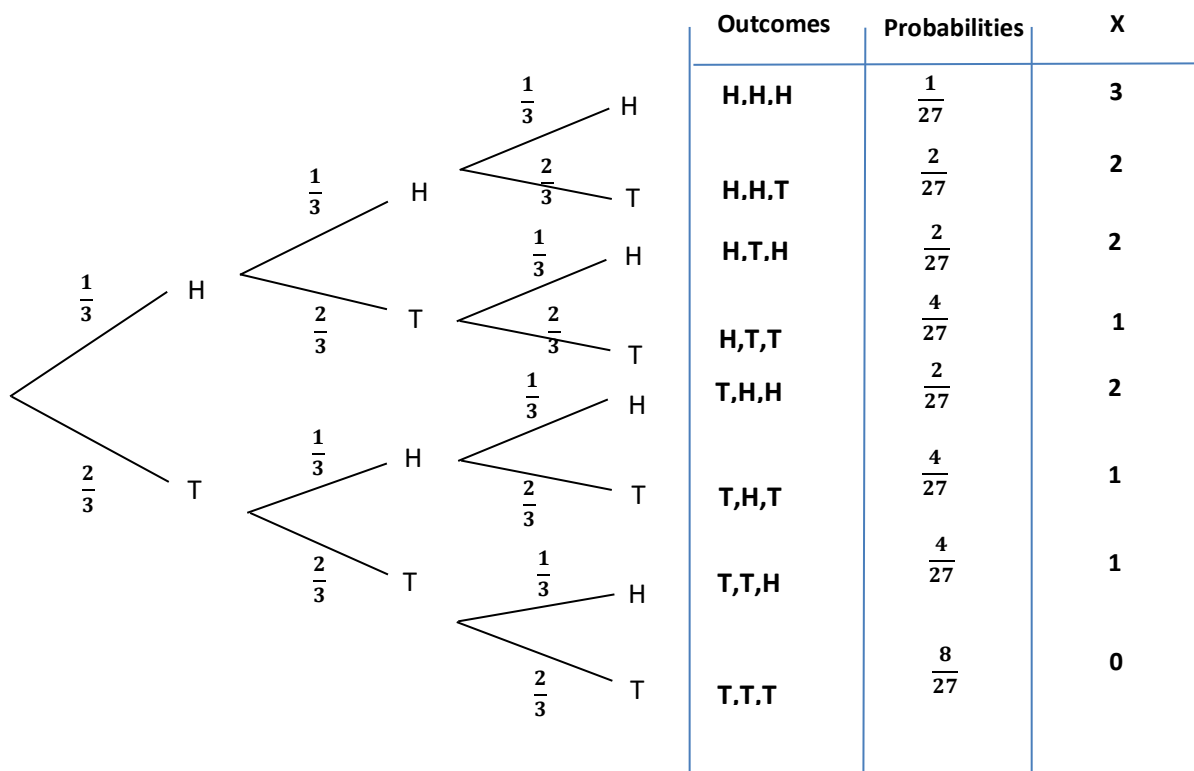


$$P(1 \text{ Head}) = P(H \cap T \cap T) + P(T \cap H \cap T) + P(T \cap T \cap H)$$

$$= \frac{4}{27} + \frac{4}{27} + \frac{4}{27}$$

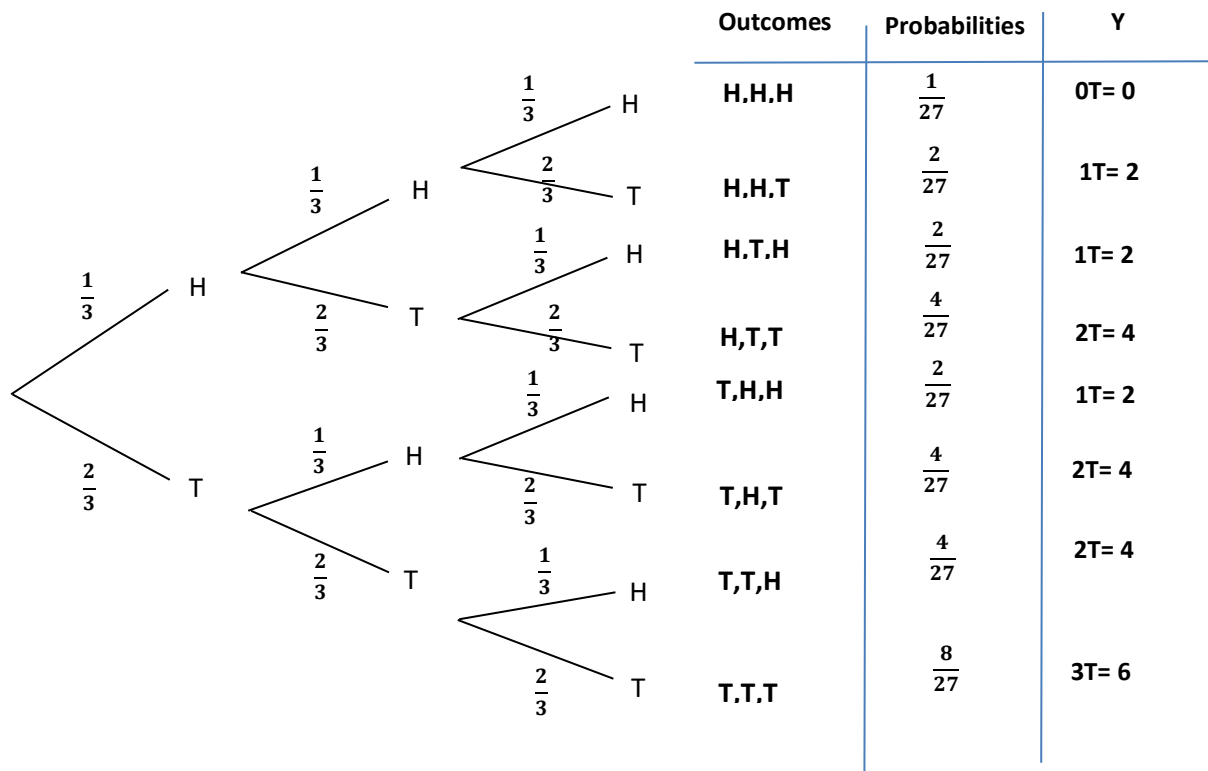
$$= \frac{12}{27}$$

b)  $X$  – Number of heads that appears.



$x$	0	1	2	3
$P(X = x)$	$\frac{8}{27}$	$\frac{12}{27}$	$\frac{6}{27}$	$\frac{1}{27}$

c) i)  $Y$  – Profit



$y$	0	2	4	6
$P(Y = y)$	$\frac{1}{27}$	$\frac{6}{27}$	$\frac{12}{27}$	$\frac{8}{27}$

c) ii) 
$$E(Y) = 0\left(\frac{1}{27}\right) + 2\left(\frac{6}{27}\right) + 4\left(\frac{12}{27}\right) + 6\left(\frac{8}{27}\right)$$

$$= 0 + \left(\frac{12}{27}\right) + 4\left(\frac{48}{27}\right) + \left(\frac{48}{27}\right)$$

$$= 4$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y^2) &= 0^2 \left(\frac{1}{27}\right) + 2^2 \left(\frac{6}{27}\right) + 4^2 \left(\frac{12}{27}\right) + 6^2 \left(\frac{8}{27}\right) \\ &= 0 + \left(\frac{24}{27}\right) + \left(\frac{192}{27}\right) + \left(\frac{288}{27}\right) \\ &= \frac{504}{27} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V(Y) &= E(Y^2) - [E(Y)]^2 \\ &= \frac{504}{27} - [4]^2 \\ &= 2.667 \end{aligned}$$