

### Hypergeometric Distribution:

A discrete random variable  $X$  is said to have a Hypergeometric Distribution if its pmf is given by,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\binom{Np}{x} \binom{Nq}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}} & , \quad x=0, \dots, n \quad 0 < p < 1 \\ & p+q=1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Note that,  $0 \leq x \leq Np, \quad 0 \leq n-x \leq Nq$   
 $\Rightarrow n-Nq \leq x \leq n$

$$\Rightarrow \max \{0, n-Nq\} \leq x \leq \min \{Np, n\}$$

We know,  $\sum_x \binom{M}{x} \binom{N-M}{n-x} = \binom{N}{n}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sum_x \binom{M}{x} \binom{N-M}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}} = 1 \quad (\text{this term will form a pmf})$$

$$\therefore \sum_x \frac{\binom{Np}{x} \binom{N-Np}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}} = \sum_x \frac{\binom{Np}{x} \binom{Nq}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}} = 1$$

**Moments :-**

(factorial moments)

$$E(x)_r = \sum_{x=0}^n (x)_r \frac{\binom{Np}{x} \binom{Nq}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^n (x)_r \frac{\frac{(Np)!}{x! (Np-x)!} \binom{Nq}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$

$$= \frac{(Np)_r}{(x)_n} \sum_{x=r}^n \frac{\frac{(Np-r)!}{(x-r)! (Np-x)!} \binom{Nq}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$

$$= \frac{(Np)_r}{\binom{N}{n}} \sum_{x=r}^n \binom{Np-r}{x-r} \binom{Nq}{n-x}$$

$$= \frac{(Np)_r}{\binom{N}{n}} \sum_{y=x-r=0}^{n-r} \binom{Np-r}{y} \binom{Nq}{n-r-y}$$

$$= \frac{(Np)_r}{\binom{N}{n}} \binom{N-r}{n-r} \underbrace{\sum_{y=0}^{n-r} \frac{\binom{Np-r}{y} \binom{Nq}{n-r-y}}{\binom{N-r}{n-r}}}_{=1}$$

$$x_0 = (x-r)_0 (x)_r$$

$$(Np)_0 = (Np-r)_0 (Np)_r$$

pmf of hypergeometric  
 $\therefore = 1$

$$= \frac{(Np)n}{\binom{N}{n}} \binom{N-n}{n-n}$$

$$E(X_n) = \frac{(Np)n}{\binom{N}{n}} \binom{N-n}{n-n}$$

$$n=1, E(x) = \frac{Np}{\binom{N}{n}} \binom{N-1}{n-1} = \frac{Np}{N} \frac{n}{1} \frac{(N-n)!}{(N-n)!} \frac{(N-1)!}{(n-1)!} = np$$

$$\begin{aligned} n=2, E(x_2) &= E(x(x-1)) = \frac{Np(Np-1) \frac{n(n-1)}{1} \frac{(N-n)!}{(N-n)!} \frac{(N-2)!}{(n-2)!}}{N!} \\ &= \frac{p(Np-1) n(n-1)}{(N-1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(x) &= E(x^2) - E^2(x) \\ &= E(x(x-1)) + E(x) - E^2(x) \\ &= \frac{p(Np-1)n(n-1)}{(N-1)} + np - n^2p^2 \\ &= \frac{p(Np-1)n(n-1) + np(N-1) - n^2p^2(N-1)}{(N-1)} \\ &= \frac{np}{(N-1)} [(Np-1)(n-1) + (N-1) - np(N-1)] \\ &= \frac{np}{(N-1)} [Np - n - Np + 1 + N - 1 - npN + np] \\ &= \frac{np}{(N-1)} [(N-n) - p(N-n)] \\ &= \frac{np}{(N-1)} (N-n)(1-p) \\ &= npq \frac{(N-n)}{(N-1)} \end{aligned}$$

Suppose there are  $N$  individuals in a population of which  $Np$  individuals possess a character  $A$  and  $Nq$  do not possess the character  $A$ . Let  $X$  be the number of individuals with characteristics  $A$  in a random sample of size  $n$ . Find  $P(X=x)$  under the following scheme WR and WOR.

WR (with replacement) :-

$X$  denote the no of individual in the sample who possess

the character A.

$P(X=x) = P(x \text{ no of individuals with character A and } (n-x) \text{ with character } A^c \text{ in a random sample of size } n)$

$$= \binom{n}{x} \left(\frac{Np}{N}\right)^x \left(\frac{Nq}{N}\right)^{n-x}$$

$\frac{Np}{N}$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $A$

$\frac{Nq}{N}$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $A^c$

 $WR$

$$= \frac{\binom{n}{x} (Np)^x (Nq)^{n-x}}{N^n} = \binom{n}{x} p^x q^{n-x}$$

$WR \quad X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$

WOR (without replacement):

$$P(X=x) = \frac{\binom{n}{x} (Np)_x (Nq)_{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}} \quad (\text{considering ordered sample})$$

$$= \frac{\binom{Np}{x} \binom{Nq}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$

$WOR \quad X \sim \text{Hyp}(n, N, p)$

Show that,  $\frac{\binom{Np}{x} \binom{Nq}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}} \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \binom{n}{x} p^x q^{n-x}$

$N \rightarrow \infty, \quad \frac{n}{N} \rightarrow 0,$

$$\frac{\binom{Np}{x} \binom{Nq}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}} = \binom{n}{x} \frac{(Np)_x (Nq)_{n-x}}{(N)_n}$$

$$= \binom{n}{x} \frac{Np(Np-1) \dots (Np-x+1) Nq(Nq-1) \dots (Nq-n+x+1)}{N(N-1)(N-2) \dots (N-n+1)}$$

$$= \binom{n}{x} \frac{p(p-\frac{1}{N})(p-\frac{2}{N}) \dots (p-\frac{x-1}{N}) q(q-\frac{1}{N}) \dots (q-\frac{n-x-1}{N})}{1(1-\frac{1}{N})(1-\frac{2}{N}) \dots (1-\frac{n-1}{N})}$$

$$= \binom{n}{x} p^x q^{n-x}$$

as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , but  $\frac{n}{N} \rightarrow 0$ .

### Interpretation:

As  $N$  tends to infinity, finite population become infinite population. From a  $p$  infinite population drawing sample under WOR is practically equivalent to draw sample under

population drawing sample under WOR is practically equivalent to draw sample under WR. As a sample under WR can also be obtained under WOR. Hence, as  $N$  tends to infinity, the distribution of WOR becomes the distribution of WR,  $\Rightarrow$  Hypergeometric distribution becomes Binomial distribution.

**Remark :**

$$E(X_{WR}) = E(X_{WOR}) = np.$$

$$\text{Var}(X_{WR}) = npq > npq \underbrace{\left(\frac{N-n}{N-1}\right)}_{<1} = \text{Var}(X_{WOR})$$

The factor in the variance  $\left(\frac{N-n}{N-1}\right)$  as a multiplier using due to the use of WOR schemes in a finite population instead of an infinite population. It is known as **FPC**. (Finite population correction)

### Examples:

1. An unknown number of animals inhabit in a certain region. First, catch a number of 'm' of these animals, mark them in some manner and release them. After allowing the marked animals time to dispersed through at the region. A new catch of size 'n' is made. Let  $X$  denotes the number of marked animals in the second capture. Find the probability distribution of  $X$ . Find  $E(X)$  and  $\text{var}(X)$ .

Let there are total  $N$  number of unknown animals. Out of these  $m$  are marked, so,  $(N-m)$  are unmarked.

$$P(X=x) = \frac{\binom{m}{x} \binom{N-m}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}, \quad x=0(1)n.$$

$$\therefore X \sim \text{Hypergeometric}(m, N, p)$$

$$E(X) = \frac{nm}{N}, \quad \frac{m}{N} = p$$

$$\text{var}(X) = npq \left(\frac{N-n}{N-1}\right) = n \frac{m}{N} \left(1 - \frac{m}{N}\right) \left(\frac{N-n}{N-1}\right)$$

2) If  $X \sim \text{Hyp}(n, N, p)$ , show that  $E(n-X)^2 = (n)_2 \frac{(Nq)_2}{(N)_2}$

$$X \sim \text{Hyp}(n, N, p)$$

$$Y = n-X \sim \text{Hyp}(n, N, 1-p)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Y=y) &= P(n-X=y) = P(X=n-y) \\
 &= \frac{\binom{Np}{n-y} \binom{Na}{y}}{\binom{N}{n}} \\
 &= \frac{\binom{Na}{y} \binom{Np}{n-y}}{\binom{N}{n}} \sim \text{Hyp}(n, N, q)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{We got, } E(X_0) = \frac{\binom{Np}{n}}{\binom{N}{n}} \binom{N-p}{n-p}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(Y_0) &= E[(n-X)_0] = \frac{\binom{Na}{n}}{\binom{N}{n}} \binom{N-p}{n-p} \\
 &= \binom{Na}{n} \frac{(N-p)!}{(n-p)! (N-n)!} \frac{n! (N-n)!}{N!} \\
 &= \binom{Na}{n} \frac{(n)p}{\binom{N}{n}}
 \end{aligned}$$

3)  $X \sim \text{Hyp}(n, N, m)$ , show that  $E(X^k) = \frac{nm}{N} E(Y+1)^{k-1}$ ,  
 where,  $Y \sim \text{Hyp}(n-1, N-1, m-1)$ . Find  $E(X)$ ,  $\text{var}(X)$

$$X \sim \text{Hyp}(n, N, m),$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(X^k) &= \sum_{x=0}^n x^k \frac{\binom{m}{x} \binom{N-m}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}} \\
 &= \sum_{x=0}^n x^{k-1} \frac{\binom{m-1}{x-1} m \binom{N-m}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}} \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{x=1}^n x^{k-1} m \binom{m-1}{x-1} \binom{(N-1)-(m-1)}{(n-1)-(x-1)}}{\frac{N}{n} \binom{N-1}{n-1}} \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{x-1=y=0}^n (y+1)^{k-1} \binom{m-1}{y} \binom{N-1-y}{n-1-y}}{\binom{N-1}{n-1}} \frac{nm}{N} \\
 &= \frac{nm}{N} E(Y+1)^{k-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$Y \sim \text{Hyp}(n-1, N-1, m-1)$$

$$k=1, \quad E(X) = \frac{nm}{N} E(Y+1)^0 = \frac{nm}{N}$$

$$k=2, \quad E(x^2) = \frac{nm}{N} \quad E(x+1) = \frac{nm}{N} \left[ \frac{(n-1)(m-1)}{(N-1)} + 1 \right]$$

$$= \frac{nm}{N} \left( \frac{nm-m-n}{N-1} \right)$$

$$v(x) = E(x^2) - E^2(x)$$

$$= \frac{nm}{N} \left( \frac{nm-m-n}{N-1} \right) - \frac{n^2 m^2}{N^2}$$

$$= \frac{nm}{N} \frac{(N-m)(N-n)}{N(N-1)}$$

4) Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be  $n$  independent Bernoulli( $p$ ) RV. Let  $S_j = \sum_{i=1}^j X_i$  where  $j=1(1)n$ . Show that,  $P(S_m=r | S_n=s)$  does not depend on  $p$ , where  $m < n$ . Identify the distribution and obtain first two moments of it.

$$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{Bern}(p)$$

$$S_j = \sum_{i=1}^j X_i \sim \text{Bin}(j, p), \quad j=1(1)n.$$

$$S_m = \sum_{i=1}^m X_i \sim \text{Bin}(m, p).$$

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$$

$$\begin{cases} S_n = X_1 + \dots + X_m + X_{m+1} + \dots + X_n \\ S_m = X_1 + \dots + X_m \end{cases} \quad n > m$$

$$S_n - S_m = \sum_{i=m+1}^n X_i \sim \text{Bin}(n-m, p)$$

$$P(S_m=r | S_n=s) = \frac{P(S_m=r, S_n=s)}{P(S_n=s)}$$

$$= \frac{P(S_m=r, S_n-S_m=s-r)}{P(S_n=s)}$$

$$= \frac{P(S_m=r) P(S_n-S_m=s-r)}{P(S_n=s)}$$

$$= \frac{\binom{m}{r} p^r q^{m-r} \binom{n-m}{s-r} p^{s-r} q^{n-m-s+r}}{\binom{n}{s} p^s q^{n-s}}$$

$$= \frac{\binom{m}{r} \binom{n-m}{s-r}}{\binom{n}{s}}, \quad r=0(1)s.$$

$$E(x) = sm$$

$$- \dots - \frac{m}{n}$$

$$\text{var}(x) = s \frac{m}{n} \left(1 - \frac{m}{n}\right) \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)$$

### 5) Mode of Hypergeometric Distribution :-

$$\text{pmf, } f(x) = \frac{\binom{Np}{x} \binom{Nq}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}, \quad x = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Note that, } \frac{f(x)}{f(x-1)} &= \frac{\binom{Np}{x} \binom{Nq}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}} \cdot \frac{\binom{N}{n}}{\binom{Np}{x-1} \binom{Nq}{n-x+1}} \\ &= \frac{(Np)!}{x! (Np-x)!} \cdot \frac{(Nq)!}{(n-x)! (Nq-n+x)!} \cdot \frac{x! (Np-x)! (n-x)! (Nq-n+x)!}{(Np)! (Nq)!} \\ &= \frac{(Np-x+1) (n-x+1)}{(Nq-n+x) x} \geq 1 \text{ if } x \leq \frac{(n+1)(Np+1)}{(N+2)} \\ &\quad < 1 \text{ if } x > \frac{(n+1)(Np+1)}{(N+2)} \end{aligned}$$

Case I -

$$\frac{(n+1)(Np+1)}{(N+2)} \text{ is not an integer,}$$

$$\text{let } \left\lfloor \frac{(n+1)(Np+1)}{(N+2)} \right\rfloor = k$$

$$\frac{f(1)}{f(0)} > 1, \frac{f(2)}{f(1)} > 1, \dots, \frac{f(k)}{f(k-1)} > 1, \dots, \frac{f(k+1)}{f(k)} < 1, \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow f(0) < f(1) < f(2) < \dots < f(k-1) < f(k) > f(k+1) > \dots$$

Clearly,  $f(k)$  is the maximum,

$$\therefore k = \left\lfloor \frac{(n+1)(Np+1)}{(N+2)} \right\rfloor \text{ is the mode.}$$

Case II :-

$$k = \frac{(n+1)(Np+1)}{(N+2)} \text{ is an integer.}$$

$$\frac{f(1)}{f(0)} > 1, \frac{f(2)}{f(1)} > 1, \dots, \frac{f(k)}{f(k-1)} = 1, \frac{f(k+1)}{f(k)} < 1, \dots$$

$$f(0) < f(1) < f(2) < \dots < f(k-1) = f(k) > f(k+1) > f(k+2) > \dots$$

Clearly,  $f(k-1)$  and  $f(k)$  is the maximum,

$$\text{Hence, } k, \&(k-1) = \frac{(n+1)(Np+1)}{(N+2)} \text{ are the modes}$$



