

Tutorial No. 3

Probability Distribution

- i) The probability density function of a random variable x zero except at $x=0,1,2$. At these points.

$$p(0) = 3c^3, \quad p(1) = 4c - 10c^2, \quad p(2) = 5c - 1$$

Find i) The value of c ii) $p(0 < x \leq 2)$

→ Given:-

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \in I - [0, 2] \\ 3c^3 & x=0 \\ 4c - 10c^2 & x=1 \\ 5c - 1 & x=2 \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore p(0) = 3c^3, \quad p(1) = 4c - 10c^2, \quad p(2) = 5c - 1$$

$$\text{Now, } P(x \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x) \cdot dx$$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 3c^3 \cdot dx + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 4c - 10c^2 \cdot dx + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 5c - 1 \cdot dx + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 0 \cdot dx = 1$$

$$i.) \quad p(0) + p(1) + p(2) = 1$$

$$3c^3 + 4c - 10c^2 + 5c - 1 = 1$$

$$3c^3 - 10c^2 + 9c - 2 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3c^2 - 7c + 2 \\
 (c-1) \overline{) 3c^3 - 10c^2 + 9c + 2} \\
 \underline{3c^3 - 3c^2} \\
 -7c^2 + 9c \\
 \underline{-7c^2 + 7c} \\
 2c - 2 \\
 \underline{2c - 2} \\
 0 - 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore (c-1)(3c^2 - 7c + 2) = 0$$

$$\therefore c=1 \quad \& \quad 3c^2 - 7c + 2 = 0$$

$$\text{not possible} \quad 3c^2 - 6c - c + 2 = 0$$

$$3c(c-2) - 1(c-2) = 0$$

$$(3c-1)(c-2) = 0$$

$$\therefore c = 1/3 \quad \& \quad c = 2$$

Not possible.

$$\therefore c = 1/3$$

$$\text{ii) } P(0 < X \leq 2) = P(1) + P(2)$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} = \frac{10}{9} + \frac{5}{3} - 1$$

$$P(0 < X \leq 2) = \frac{8}{9}$$

2) A random variable x has the following probability distributions

X	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
$P(x)$	0.1	k	0.2	$2k$	0.3	k

Find (i) the value of k (ii) mean (iii) variance
(iv) $P(X \geq 1)$ (v) $P(X < 1)$ (vi) $P(-2 < X < 2)$

X_i	$P(x_i)$	$x_i P(x_i)$	$x_i^2 P(x_i)$
-2	0.1	-0.2	0.4
-1	$k = 0.1$	-0.1	0.1
0	0.2	0	0
1	$2k = 0.2$	0.2	0.2
2	0.3	0.6	1.2
3	$k = 0.1$	0.3	0.9
$\Sigma x_i P(x_i) = 0.8$		$\Sigma x_i^2 P(x_i) = 2.8$	

i) The value of k .

$$\therefore \Sigma P(x_i) = 1$$

$$\therefore P(-2) + P(-1) + P(0) + P(1) + P(2) + P(3) = 1$$

$$0.1 + k + 0.2 + 2k + 0.3 + k = 1$$

$$4k + 0.6 = 1$$

$$k = 0.4/4$$

$$\boxed{k = 0.1}$$

ii) mean, $m = E(x_i) = \sum P(x_i) x_i$
 $E(x) = 0.8$

iii) variance, $\sigma^2 = E(x^2) - (E(x))^2$
 $= 2.8 - (0.8)^2$
 $= 2.8 - 0.64$
 $\sigma^2 = 2.16$

iv) $P(X \geq 1) = P(1) + P(2) + P(3)$
 $= 0.2 + 0.3 + 0.1$
 $= 0.6$

v) $P(X < 1) = 1 - P(X \geq 1)$
 $= 1 - 0.6$
 $= 0.4$

vi) $P(-2 < X < 2) = P(-1) + P(0) + P(1)$
 $= 0.1 + 0.2 + 0.2$
 $= 0.5$

3) Following is the probability density function of random variable x . $f(x) = ke^{-2x}$, $x > 0$. Find the value of k .

→ Given,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} ke^{-2x} & x > 0 \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

$\therefore f(x)$ is the probability density function.

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

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 0 \cdot dx + \int_0^{\infty} ke^{-2x} \cdot dx = 1$$

$$k \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2x} \cdot dx = 1$$

put $+2x = t$

$$dt = 2 dx$$

$$x \rightarrow 0 \quad \therefore t \rightarrow 0$$

$$x \rightarrow \infty \quad t \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\therefore \frac{k}{2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} \cdot dt = 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{k}{2} [-e^{-t}]_0^{\infty} = 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{k}{2} = 1 \Rightarrow [k = 2]$$

4) Following is the probability density function of a random variable x .

$$f(x) = kx^4 e^{-x/2} \quad 0 \leq x < \infty$$

→ i) value of k .

Given:-

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} kx^4 e^{-x/2} & 0 \leq x < \infty \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

is p.d.f.

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

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 0 \cdot dx + \int_0^{\infty} kx^4 \cdot e^{-x/2} \cdot dx = 1$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} k e^{-x/2} \cdot x^4 \cdot dx = 1$$

put $x/2 = t \Rightarrow x = 2t$
 $dt = \frac{dx}{2} \Rightarrow dx = 2dt$

x	0	∞
t	0	∞

$$\therefore \int_0^{\infty} k 16 t^4 e^{-t} \cdot 2 \cdot dt = 1$$

$$\therefore 32k \int_0^{\infty} t^4 e^{-t} = 1$$

$$32k \cdot 5 = 1$$

$$32k \cdot 4! = 1$$

$$32k \cdot 24 = 1$$

$$[k = 0.0013 = 1/768]$$

ii) mean & variance.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mean, } E(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) \cdot dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} k x^5 e^{-x/2} \cdot dx \end{aligned}$$

put $x/2 = t \Rightarrow 2t = x$
 $dx = 2dt$

x	0	∞
t	0	∞

$$= \int_0^{\infty} 0.001 \times 32 t^5 e^{-t} \cdot 2 \cdot dt$$

$$= 0.064 \cdot 6! \times 0.0013 \times 64$$

$$= 0.064 \times 5! = 7.68$$

$$= 0.0832 \times 120$$

$$= 9.984 \approx 10.0$$

$$\text{variance, } \sigma^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x-4)^2 f(x) \cdot dx$$

$$\therefore \sigma^2 = \int_0^{\infty} (x-10)^2 \cdot \frac{e^{-x/2}}{768} x^4 \cdot dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{768} \int_0^{\infty} (x^2 - 20x + 100) x^4 \cdot e^{-x/2} \cdot dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{768} \left[\int_0^{\infty} x^6 \cdot e^{-x/2} \cdot dx - 20 \int_0^{\infty} x^5 \cdot e^{-x/2} \cdot dx + 100 \int_0^{\infty} x^4 \cdot e^{-x/2} \cdot dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{768} \left[2^7 \cdot 6! - 20 \cdot 2^6 \cdot 5! + 100 \cdot 2^5 \cdot 4! \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{768} \left[2^7 \times 6! - 20 \times 2^6 \times 5! + 100 \times 2^5 \times 4! \right]$$

$$\left[\sigma^2 = 20 \right]$$

5) If the sum of mean and variance of a Binomial distribution for 5 trials is 4.8. Find the distribution.

→ Given:-

$$n = 5$$

$$np + npq = 4.8$$

$$\therefore 5[p + pq] = 4.8$$

$$p + p - p^2 = 0.96$$

$$2p - p^2 = 0.96$$

$$p^2 - 2p + 0.96 = 0 \quad \text{i.e. } a=1, b=-2, c=0.96$$

$$p = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 3.84}}{2}$$

$$p = \frac{2 + 0.4}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad p = \frac{2 - 0.4}{2}$$

$$p = 1.2 \quad \left[p = 0.8 \right]$$

not possible

$$\therefore q = 1 - p$$

$$= 1 - 0.8$$

$$\left[q = 0.2 \right]$$

∴ By binomial distribution,

$$P(X=r) = {}^nC_r p^r q^{n-r}$$

$$\left[P(X=r) = {}^5C_r (0.8)^r (0.2)^{5-r} \right]$$

6) Let X be a binomial random variable with parameter 0.5 & 0.7 compute.

1) $P(X=2)$ 2) $P(X \leq \frac{5}{3})$ 3) $P(X > 2)$

→ Given:-

$$n = 5$$

$$p = 0.7$$

$$q = 1 - p = 1 - 0.7 = 1 - 0.7 = \underline{0.3}$$

$$\text{Now, } P(X=r) = {}^nC_r p^r q^{n-r}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1) P(X=2) &= {}^5C_2 p^2 q^3 \\ &= {}^5C_2 (0.7)^2 (0.3)^3 \\ &= \underline{0.1323} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2) P(X \leq \frac{5}{3}) &= P(0) + P(1) + P(2) + P(3) \\ &= {}^5C_0 p^0 q^5 + {}^5C_1 p^1 q^4 + 0.1323 \\ &\quad + {}^5C_3 p^3 q^2 \\ &= \underline{0.47178} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3) P(X > 2) &= 1 - [P(2) + P(1) + P(0)] \\ &= 1 - 0.16308 \\ &= \underline{0.83692} \end{aligned}$$