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Recap:

- Named discrete distributions
 - Bernoulli Trials
 - Bernoulli distributions
 - Binomial distributions
 - X counts the number of success, n is number of trials, p is probability of success
 - $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$
 - $P(X = a) = \binom{n}{a} p^a (1 - p)^{n-a}$
 - $E(X) = np$
 - $\text{Var}(X) = np(1 - p)$
 - $SD(X) = \sqrt{np(1 - p)}$
 - Geometric distributions
 - X counts number of trials until first success, p is probability of success
 - $X \sim \text{Geo}(p)$
 - $X = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$
 - $P(X = x) = (1 - p)^{x-1} p$
 - $E(X) = 1/p$
 - $\text{Var}(X) = \frac{1 - p}{p^2}$

Negative Binomial Distribution

Consider the following:

You have identical, independent Bernoulli trials, each with probability of success p . Repeat the trials until we achieve K successes.

For example:

- $P(S) = p$, repeat until 3 successes.
- Let X count the number of trials needed to achieve k successes.
- $X = \{3, 4, 5, \dots\}$
- **Note** : we know the last trial must be a success

| X | $P(X)$ |
|-----|----------------------------------|
| 3 | p^3 |
| 4 | $\binom{3}{2} p^3 (1-p)$ |
| 5 | $\binom{4}{2} p^3 (1-p)^2$ |
| ... | |
| n | $\binom{n-1}{2} p^3 (1-p)^{n-3}$ |

Definition

Let X count the number of trials needed to achieve k successes.

X is the Negative Binomial Random Variable

- $X \sim \text{Neg Bin}(p, k)$
- $X = \{k, k+1, \dots\}$
- $P(X = n) = \binom{n-1}{k-1} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$

Requirements

- Independent Trials
- Identical Bernoulli Trials $P(S) = p$
- **NOT a fixed number of trials** (different from binomial)

Note:

- If $X \sim \text{Geo}(p)$, then $X \sim \text{Neg Bin}(p, 1)$

Hypergeometric Distribution

- Consider the following:
 - an urn with balls
 - w = white balls
 - b = black balls
 - $N = w + b$ = total balls
- Grab k balls from the urn.
- Let X represent the number of white balls in k balls

For example:

- $w = 3, b = 6, k = 4$
- $X = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$

| X | P(X=x) |
|---|--|
| 0 | $\frac{\binom{3}{0} \binom{6}{4}}{\binom{9}{4}}$ |
| 1 | $\frac{\binom{3}{1} \binom{6}{3}}{\binom{9}{4}}$ |
| 2 | $\frac{\binom{3}{2} \binom{6}{2}}{\binom{9}{4}}$ |
| 3 | $\frac{\binom{3}{3} \binom{6}{1}}{\binom{9}{4}}$ |

- Let Y count the number of black balls in pull of 4
- $Y = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

| Y | P(Y = y) |
|---|--|
| 1 | $\frac{\binom{3}{3} \binom{6}{1}}{\binom{9}{4}}$ |
| 2 | $\frac{\binom{3}{2} \binom{6}{2}}{\binom{9}{4}}$ |
| 3 | $\frac{\binom{3}{1} \binom{6}{3}}{\binom{9}{4}}$ |
| 4 | $\frac{\binom{3}{0} \binom{6}{4}}{\binom{9}{4}}$ |

- X, Y are Hypergeometric R.V.
- $X \sim \text{Hyper}(N, w, k)$

• Capture / Recapture Problem

- N elks in population
 - w is number of tagged elks
 - $N - w$ is number of untagged
 - k is the number we recapture
- Let X count the number of tagged ones in the recapture

$$P(X = x) = \frac{\binom{w}{x} \binom{N-w}{k-x}}{\binom{N}{k}}$$

A handwritten formula in purple ink on lined paper. The formula is $P(X=x) = \frac{\binom{w}{x} \binom{N-w}{k-x}}{\binom{N}{k}}$. There is a small purple arrow pointing to the x in the first binomial coefficient.

• Requirements

- Two outcomes? Success / Failure
- Fixed number of trials
- Trials are NOT independent (Difference from binomial)

Practice Problems

1. Suppose Omar passes a probability quiz with probability success $p(S) = 0.9$.

Each quiz is independent from each other

- Find probability that Omar will pass exactly 3 out of 10 quizzes?
 - $X \sim \text{Bin}(10, 0.9)$
 - $P(X = 3) = \binom{10}{3} 0.9^3 0.1^7$
- Find probability that Omar passes his first quiz on Quiz 5
 - $X \sim \text{Geo}(0.9)$
 - $P(X = 5) = 0.9^4 0.1$
- Find probability that Omar passes his 3rd quiz on Quiz 7
 - $X \sim \text{Neg Bin}(0.9, 3)$
 - $P(X = 7) = \binom{6}{2} 0.9^3 0.1^4$
- Find probability that Omar passes his 3rd quiz **BY** Quiz 7
 - $X \sim \text{Neg Bin}(0.9, 3)$
 - $X = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 7, \dots\}$
 - $P(X \leq 7) = P(X = 3) + P(X = 4) + \dots + P(X = 7)$

$$= \sum_{i=3}^7 \binom{i-1}{2} 0.9^3 0.1^{i-3}$$

2. Omar has 5 classes of which, 3 are math. If we randomly select 2 classes, how many are math? What R.V. does this describe and what is its pmf?

- Hypergeometric Random Variable
- X counting number of math class selected
- $X \sim \text{Hyper}(N, w, k) \sim (5, 3, 2)$
- $X = \{0, 1, 2\}$
- $P(X = x) = \binom{3}{x} \binom{2}{2-x} / \binom{5}{2}$

Poisson Distribution

Poisson Distribution is (Binomial-esque/"ish")

- "Independent-ish" identical Bernoulli trials
 - $P(S) = p$
 - $P(F) = 1 - p$
- "Fixed-ish" number of trials
 - $n \rightarrow \infty$
- n large, p small

For example:

- Assume some number of cars passing through an intersection, how many accidents happen?
- Number of typos in a book

• Definition

A discrete random variable that takes on the values $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ is said to be **Poisson** with parameter λ ,

$\lambda > 0$, if the pmf $= P(X = i) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^i}{i!}, i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

- **Note** : λ is the average rate per unit of measurement
- Instead of constructing a pmf, we define a random variable based on the pmf
- Valid pmf?
 - $P(X) \geq 0$ for all x
 - $\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} p(X) = 1$
- We have:
 - $p(x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}$
 - Since $\lambda > 0, e^{-\lambda} > 0, x \geq 0$, we have $p(x) \geq 0$.
 - First condition matched!
 - $\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} = e^{-\lambda} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} = e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda} = e^0 = 1$
 - Second condition matched!

- Expectation

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(X) &= \sum_x xp(x) \\
 &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} \\
 &= e^{-\lambda} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} \\
 &= \lambda e^{-\lambda} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{x-1}}{(x-1)!} \\
 &= \lambda e^{-\lambda} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^j}{j!} \\
 &= \lambda e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda} \\
 &= \lambda
 \end{aligned}$$

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- Using similar argument on $E(X^2)$, you can show $Var(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = \lambda$

• Properties

- $X \sim Pois(\lambda), \lambda > 0$
 - X counts the number of success
 - $X = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$
 - $p(X) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}$
 - $E(X) = Var(X) = \lambda$

• Example

1. The average number of typos on a page in my book is 3/page

- $P(X \geq 3)$
 - $= 1 - P(0) - P(1) - P(2) = 1 - e^{-\lambda} - \lambda e^{-\lambda} - \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda} / 2$
 - $= 1 - 17e^{-3} / 2$
- $P(X \geq 3 | X \geq 1)$
 - $= \frac{1 - P(0) - P(1) - P(2)}{1 - P(0)}$
 - $= \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda} - \lambda e^{-\lambda} - \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda} / 2}{1 - e^{-\lambda}}$
 - $= \frac{1 - 17e^{-3} / 2}{1 - e^{-3}}$
- What is the probability 2 out of the next 5 pages has 3 or more typos?
 - Let $p^* = P(X \geq 3)$
 - $Y \sim Bin(5, p^*)$
 - $P(Y = 2) = \binom{5}{2} (p^*)^2 (1 - p^*)^3$