

Faculty of Computing

Year 2 Semester 1 (2025)

IT2120 - Probability and Statistics

Lab Sheet 06

Lab Exercise 6 (Discrete Probability Distributions)

Before starting the lab sheet, you need to create a folder in your desktop and save all your working inside the folder. Set the working directory to that folder using the following command:

setwd("paste the path of the folder")

Eg:- setwd("D:\\2025 - Sem 2\\IT2120\\Lab Sessions\\Lab 06")

Use R to find the probabilities in the following questions.

- 1. A company claims that their drug treatment cures 92% of cases of hookworm in children. Suppose that 44 children suffering from hookworm are to be treated with this drug and that the children are regarded as a simple random sample taken from a large population of children suffering from hookworm. Let X denote the number of children cured from a sample of 44 children.
 - i. What is the distribution of X?

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##Setting the directory
setwd("D:\\2025 - Sem 2\\IT2120 - New\\Lab Sessions\\Lab 06")

##Question 01
#Part 1
#Binomial Distribution
#Here, random variable X has binomial distribution with n=44 and p=0.92
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ii. What is the probability that 40 children are cured?

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#Part 2
#It asks to find P(X=40).Following command gives the density.
#In other words, probability of getting an exact value can be calculated using "dbinom" command.
dbinom(40,44,0.92)
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iii. What is the probability that less than or equal to 35 children are cured?

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#Part 3
#It asks to find P(X<=35). Following command gives the cumulative
#probability (<=), if ""lower.tail" argument equals to "TRUE".
pbinom(35, 44, 0.92,lower.tail = TRUE)</pre>
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iv. What is the probability that at least 38 children are cured?

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#Part 4
#It asks to find P(X>=38). This can find using "pbinom" command as follows.
#You need to rearrange the probability statement as follows.
#P(X>=38) = 1-P(X<38) = 1-P(X<=37)
#Then command will be as follows.
1- pbinom(37, 44, 0.92,lower.tail = TRUE)
#Or else following command can also used by keeping argument "lower.tail" as "FALSE".
#Here, when that argument is "FALSE", it means that P(X>37) which is same as P(X>=38).
pbinom(37, 44, 0.92,lower.tail = FALSE)
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v. What is the probability that between 40 and 42 (both inclusive) children are cured?

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#Part 5
#It asks to find P(40 <= X <= 42). This can find using "pbinom" command as follows.
#You need to rearrange the probability statement as follows.
#P(40 <= X <= 42) = P(X <= 42) - P(X <= 39)
#Then command will be as follows.
pbinom(42, 44, 0.92,lower.tail = TRUE)-pbinom(39, 44, 0.92,lower.tail = TRUE)
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- 2. Data from the maternity ward in a certain hospital shows that there is a historical average of 5 babies born in this hospital every day.
 - i. What is the random variable (X) in the problem?

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##Question 02
#Part 1
#Number of babies born in a hospital on a given day
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ii. What is the distribution of X?

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#Part 2
#Poisson distribution
#Here, random variable X has poisson distribution with lambda=5
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iii. What is the probability that 6 babies will be born in this hospital tomorrow?

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#Part 3
#It asks to find P(X=6).Following command gives the density.
#In other words, probability of getting an exact value can be calculated using "dpois" command.
dpois(6,5)
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iv. What about the probability of more than 6 babies be born in this hospital tomorrow?

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#Part 4
#It asks to find P(X>6). This can find using "ppois" command as follows.
#If you keep "lower.tail" argument as "TRUE", that means P(X<=6).
#Since we need P(X>6), keep the "lower.tail" argument as "FALSE".
ppois(6, 5,lower.tail = FALSE)
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Exercise

Instructions: Create a folder in your desktop with your registration number (Eg: "IT......"). You need to save the R script file and take screenshots of the command prompt with answers and save it in a word document inside the folder. Save both R script file and word document with your registration number (Eg: "IT......."). After you finish the exercise, zip the folder and upload the zip file to the submission link.

- 1. An IT company claims that their newly developed learning platform improves student performance in online tests. According to previous data, 85% of students who used the platform passed their online tests. A batch of 50 students is selected at random who have completed the course using this platform. Let X denote the number of students who passed the test out of 50 students.
 - i. What is the distribution of X?
 - ii. What is the probability that at least 47 students passed the test?
- 2. A call center receives an average of 12 customer calls per hour.
 - i. What is the random variable (X) for the problem?
 - ii. What is the distribution of X?
- iii. What is the probability that exactly 15 calls are received in an hour?

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> #Setting Directory
> setwd("C://Users//Geenuth//2nd Year 1st Semester//Probability and Statistics(IT2120)//Practical//Lab 6")
> getwd()
[1] "C:/Users/Geenuth/2nd Year 1st Semester/Probability and Statistics(IT2120)/Practical/Lab 6"
> #Exercise
> #Question 01
> #Binomial Distribution
> # Binomial Distribution
> # Here, random variable X has binomial distribution with n = 50 and p = 0.85
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    **Part 2**
    ** What is the probability that at least 47 students passed the test?

    ** dbinom(47,50,0.85)
[1] 0.03185806

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    ** #Part 1

    ** # What is the random variable (X) for the problem?

    *** # --- (X) is the number of customer calls received in one hour.

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    *** #Part 2

    ** # What is the distribution of X?

    ** # Here, random variable X has poisson distribution with lambda = 12

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