

## Review(2.4)

- Bernoulli distribution and its mean, variance.
- Binomial distribution and its p.m.f., properties.
- Cumulative distribution function and its properties.
- Geometric distribution and Negative binomial distribution

## A Property of Binomial distribution

If  $X \sim b(n, p)$ , then  $(n - X) \sim b(n, 1 - p)$ .

Example: An urn contains 9 blue balls and 6 red balls. The balls are well mixed. Draw one ball each time, and record the color, then put it back (with replacement). Let  $X$  be the number of times we get blue balls among 10 draws. What is the distribution of  $X$ , and what is the probability that there are at least 9 blue balls out of 10 draws? (0.0464)

$$X \sim b(n, p) = b(10, \frac{9}{15})$$

$$P(X \geq 9) = \dots$$

$$Y = \# \text{ of red balls} \quad Y = n - X$$

$$Y \sim b(10, \frac{6}{15})$$

$$P(Y \leq 1) = P(Y=0) + P(Y=1)$$

use excel to calculate

## Binomial v.s. Hypergeometric distribution

Example: A jar has  $N$  marbles,  $S$  of them are orange and  $N - S$  are blue. Suppose 3 marbles are selected. Find the probability that there are 2 orange marbles in the sample, if the selection is done ...

*$X = \#$  orange marbles*  
with replacement

(a)  $N = 10, S = 4$

*$p = S/N = 0.4 \quad n = 3$*

*$X \sim b(3, 0.4)$*

*$P(X=2) = \binom{3}{2} 0.4^2 \times 0.6 = 0.288$*

(b)  $N = 100, S = 40$

*the same*

*0.288*

(c)  $N = 1000, S = 400$

*Same*

*0.288*

without replacement

*Hyper geometric*

*$P(X=2) = \frac{\binom{4}{2} \binom{6}{1}}{\binom{10}{3}} = 0.3$*

*$P(X=2) = \frac{\binom{40}{2} \binom{60}{1}}{\binom{100}{3}} = 0.2894$*

*$P(X=2) = \frac{\binom{400}{2} \binom{600}{1}}{\binom{1000}{3}} = 0.2881$*

	Binomial	Hypergeometric
	with replacement	without replacement
Probability	$P(X = x) = \binom{n}{x} \cdot p^x \cdot (1-p)^{n-x}$	$P(X = x) = \frac{\binom{S}{x} \cdot \binom{N-S}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}$
Expected Value	$E(X) = n \cdot p$	$E(X) = n \cdot \frac{S}{N}$
Variance	$\text{Var}(X) = n \cdot p \cdot (1-p)$	$\text{Var}(X) = n \cdot \frac{S}{N} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{S}{N}\right) \cdot \frac{N-n}{N-1}$

*when  $N \gg n$*

If the population size is large (compared to the sample size) Binomial Distribution can be used regardless of whether sampling is with or without replacement.

*to approximate hyper geometric*

## Geometric and Negative binomial distribution

Example: Suppose that during practice, a basket ball player can make a free throw 80% of the time. Furthermore, assume that a sequence of free throw shooting can be thought of as independent Bernoulli trials.

- Let  $X_1$  equal the number of free throws that this player must attempt to make a total of 1 shot. What is the distribution of  $X_1$ .

$$X_1 \sim \text{Geo}(0.8)$$

- Let  $X_2$  equal the minimum number of free throws that this player must attempt to make a total of 10 shots. What is the distribution of  $X_2$ .

$$X_2 \sim \text{negative binomial}(10, 0.8)$$

$$x = 10, 11, 12, \dots$$

$$P(X_2 = x) = \binom{x-1}{9} 0.2^{x-10} \times 0.8^{10}$$

recall: p.m.f c.d.f two ways to characterize the distribution of random variable

## Today's Lecture (2.5)

- Moment-generating function (m.g.f.) and its properties
- Calculating mean and variance through m.g.f.

### Moment generating function

*Definition:* Let  $X$  be a random variable of the discrete type with p.m.f.  $f(x)$  and space  $S$ . If there is a positive number  $h$  such that

$$E[e^{tX}] = \sum_{x \in S} e^{tx} f(x)$$

exists and is finite for  $-h < t < h$ , then the function of  $t$  defined by  $M(t) = E[e^{tX}]$  is called the moment-generating function (m.g.f) of  $X$ .

- If the space of  $X$  is  $\{b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots\}$ , the moment generating function is given by

$$E[e^{tX}] = M(t) = e^{tb_1}f(b_1) + e^{tb_2}f(b_2) + e^{tb_3}f(b_3) + \dots$$

where  $f(b_i) = P(X = b_i)$ .

- If the moment generating function exists for  $t$  in an open interval containing zero, it uniquely determines the distribution of the random variable.

Example: What is m.g.f. of the following distribution?

$x$	1	2	3	4	5
$f(x)$	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1

$$M(t) = E[e^{tX}] = e^t \cdot 0.1 + e^{2t} \cdot 0.3 + e^{3t} \cdot 0.2 + e^{4t} \cdot 0.3 + e^{5t} \cdot 0.1$$

## Property of m.g.f

If the moment-generating function exists in an open interval containing zero, then  $E(X^r) = M^{(r)}(0)$ . In particular,

- $\mu = M'(0)$
- $\sigma^2 = E[X^2] - [E(X)]^2 = M''(0) - [M'(0)]^2$

Binomial distribution  $b(n, p)$ : *see Example 2.5-3*

$$f(x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}, \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

- Step 1: The m.g.f  $M(t)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} M(t) = E e^{tX} &= \sum_{x=0}^n e^{tx} \cdot f(x) = \sum_{x=0}^n e^{tx} \cdot \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^n \binom{n}{x} (p \cdot e^t)^x \cdot (1-p)^{n-x} \\ &= [p \cdot e^t + (1-p)]^n \end{aligned}$$

- Step 2: Calculate the derivatives of  $M(t)$ ,

$$- M'(t) = n[(1-p) + pe^t]^{n-1}(pe^t)$$

$$- M''(t) = n(n-1)[(1-p) + pe^t]^{n-2}(pe^t)^2 + n[(1-p) + pe^t]^{n-1}(pe^t)$$

- Step 3: Calculate  $\mu, \sigma^2$  based on  $M'(t)$  and  $M''(t)$ .

$$- \mu = E(X) = M'(0) = np$$

$$- \sigma^2 = E(X^2) - \mu^2 = M''(0) - [M'(0)]^2 = np(1-p)$$

*\* recall  $(a+b)^n = \sum_{x=0}^n \binom{n}{x} a^x b^{n-x}$*

The m.g.f. of Geometric distribution

*Recall:* We say that  $X$  has a *geometric distribution* if

$$f(x) = p(1 - p)^{x-1}, \quad x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} M(t) &= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} e^{tx} f(x) \\ &= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} e^{tx} p(1 - p)^{x-1} \\ &= p(1 - p)^{-1} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} [e^t(1 - p)]^x \\ &\quad \star = p(1 - p)^{-1} \frac{e^t(1 - p)}{1 - e^t(1 - p)} = \frac{pe^t}{1 - e^t(1 - p)} \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $e^t(1 - p) < 1$ , i.e.  $t < -\log(1 - p)$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} M'(t) &= \frac{pe^t}{[1 - e^t(1 - p)]^2} \\ M''(t) &= \frac{pe^t[1 + (1 - p)e^t]}{[1 - e^t(1 - p)]^3} \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= M'(0) = \frac{1}{p} \\ \sigma^2 &= M''(0) - (M'(0))^2 \\ &= \frac{2 - p}{p^2} - \frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1 - p}{p^2} \end{aligned}$$

$\star$ . recall:  $\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} a^x = \frac{a}{1-a}$  if  $|a| < 1$ .

## Negative Binomial distribution

*Definition:* We say that  $X$  has a negative binomial distribution if

$$f(x) = \binom{x-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^{x-r}, \quad x = r, r+1, r+2, \dots$$

In this case,  $\mu = r/p$  and  $\sigma^2 = r(1-p)/p^2$  and

$$M(t) = \frac{(pe^t)^r}{[1 - (1-p)e^t]^r}, \quad \text{where } t < -\log(1-p)$$

See textbook Pg 4.

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\*: recall  $(1-w)^{-r} = \sum_{x=r}^{\infty} \binom{x-1}{r-1} w^{x-r}$  if  $|w| < 1$ .

### A note about distribution names

Discrete distributions often get their names from mathematical power series.

- Binomial probabilities sum to 1 because of the Binomial Theorem:

$$(p + (1-p))^n = \text{sum of Binomial probabilities} = 1$$

- Negative Binomial probabilities sum to 1 by the Negative Binomial expansion: i.e. the Binomial expansion with a negative power,  $-r$ :

$$p^r (1 - (1-p))^{-r} = \text{sum of NegBin probabilities} = 1$$

- Geometric probabilities sum to 1 because they form a Geometric series:

$$p \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} (1-p)^x = \text{sum of Geometric probabilities} = 1$$

### A note about discrete distribution in EXCEL

- Hypergeometric with  $N$  = population size,  $S$  = number of "successes" in the population,  $n$  = sample size.

$X$  = number of "successes" in the sample without replacement.

=HYPGEOMDIST( $x, n, S, N$ ) gives  $P(X = x)$ ;

- Binomial,  $X$  = number of "successes" in  $n$  independent trials.

=BINOMDIST( $x, n, p, 0$ ) gives  $P(X = x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$ ;

=BINOMDIST( $x, n, p, 1$ ) gives  $P(X \leq x)$ ;

- Negative Binomial,  $X$  = number of independent trials until the  $r$ -th "success"

=NEGBINOMDIST( $x-r, r, p$ ) gives  $P(X = x) = \binom{x-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^{x-r}$ .

Q: How to get geometric distribution from Excel?