

1.2.2 Bernoulli Distribution:

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→ Bernoulli Distribution depends on Bernoulli Trial. [Also known as Binomial Trial]

⇒ Bernoulli Trial:- It is a random experiment that has only 2 outcomes (usually called a "success" or a "failure").

- Getting a heads
- Getting a six on dice
- Getting two heads when we toss two coin simultaneously.

→ The distribution formed by Bernoulli Trial is called Bernoulli Distribution.

→ In an experiment whose outcome can be classified as either a success or failure.

→ Let ($x=1$) if the outcome is success and ($x=0$) if it is a failure,

The PMF is given by,

$$P(0) = P(x=0) = 1-p$$

$$P(1) = P(x=1) = p, \text{ where } p \text{ is the probability of success}$$

x is Bernoulli random variable.

$$\therefore \underline{P(x=x) = p^x (1-p)^{1-x}}; \quad x = 0, 1$$

e.g.: Tossing 1 coin. Getting a head.

$$P(X=1) = P(H) = 1/2$$

$$P(X=0) = P(T) = 1/2$$

e.g.: X : Getting a 5.

$$\therefore P(X=1) = 1/6$$

$$\therefore P(X=0) = P(2/3/4/5) = 5/6$$

e.g.: Tossing 2 coins simultaneously. And,

X : Getting 2 heads.

$$\therefore P(X=1) = P(HH) = 1/4$$

$$\therefore P(X=0) = P(TT, HT, TH) = 3/4$$

$$PMF \equiv \cancel{P(X)} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^x \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{2-x} \quad (\text{All totals are 1})$$

Example: A basketball player can shoot a ball into the basket with a probability of 0.6. What is the probability that he misses the shot?

$$\Rightarrow P(X=1) = 0.6, \quad P(X=0) = 1 - P(X=1) \\ = 1 - 0.6 = \underline{0.4}$$

→ In case of the Bernoulli trial, there are only the two possible outcomes, but in the case of the binomial distribution, we get the number of successes in a sequence of independent experiments.

⇒ Theorem:- If the probability of occurrence of an event (probability of success) in a single trial of a Bernoulli's experiment is p , then the probability that the event occurs exactly r times out of n -independent trials is equal to ${}^nC_r q^{n-r} p^r$,

where $q = 1 - p$, the probability of failure of the event.

⇒ Required probability = ${}^nC_r q^{n-r} p^r$

where,

p = probability of Success

$q = 1 - p$ = Probability of Failure

n = Number of Independent Trials

r = The number of times an event occurred

⇒ Proof:-

⇒ Getting exactly r successes means getting r successes and $(n-r)$ failures simultaneously.

∴ P(getting r successes and $n-r$ failures) = $q^{n-r} p^r$ (since, the trials are independent).

[By product theorem]

- The trials, from which the successes, ~~are~~^{are} obtained, are not specified. There are nC_r ways of choosing r trials for successes.
- Once the r trials are chosen for successes, the remaining $(n-r)$ trials should result in failures.
- These nC_r ways are mutually exclusive.
- In each of these nC_r ways,

$$P(\text{getting exactly } r \text{ successes}) = q^{n-r} \cdot p^r$$
- Therefore, by addition theorem, the required probability = $\underline{{}^nC_r \cdot q^{n-r} \cdot p^r}$