

To find the expected value  $E[Y_i]$ , we need to sum over all possible values of  $Y_i$  weighted by their probabilities.

Given the joint probability distribution  $P(y)$ , we have:  $E[Y_i] = \sum_{y_i} y_i \cdot P(Y_i = y_i)$

Substitute the joint probability distribution  $P(y)$  into the formula:  $E[Y_i] = \sum_{y_i} y_i \cdot \frac{n!}{y_1! y_2! \dots y_k!} p_1^{y_1} p_2^{y_2} \dots p_k^{y_k}$

Since  $Y_i$  equals the number of trials for which the outcome falls into cell  $i$ , we have  $Y_i = y_i$ .

Therefore,  $E[Y_i] = \sum_{y_i} y_i \cdot \frac{n!}{y_1! y_2! \dots y_k!} p_1^{y_1} p_2^{y_2} \dots p_k^{y_k}$

Since  $Y_i = y_i$ , we can simplify the expression to:  $E[Y_i] = \sum_{y_i} y_i \cdot \frac{n!}{y_i! (n-y_i)!} p_i^{y_i} (1-p_i)^{n-y_i}$

Now, we can simplify the expression further by recognizing that this is the probability mass function of a binomial distribution with parameters  $n$  and  $p_i$ :  $E[Y_i] = n \cdot p_i$

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