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1 recursion formular - simple version

Consider generating function for Poisson-Binomial of you case. m Bernoulli trials with success p and n Bernoulli trials with success q.

$$m + n = N \tag{1.1}$$

$$q + p = 1 \tag{1.2}$$

$$G(x) = (q + px)^m \cdot (p + qx)^n \tag{1.3}$$

The derivative of ln(a(x)) is given by:

$$[\ln(g(x))]' = \frac{g'(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{\left(\sum_{i=0}^{N} a_i x^i\right)'}{\sum_{i=0}^{N} a_i x^i} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} i \cdot a_i x^{i-1}}{\sum_{i=0}^{N} a_i x^i}$$
(1.4)

On the other hand

$$[ln(g(x))]' = (m(q+px) + n(p+qx))' = \frac{mp}{q+px} + \frac{nq}{p+qx} = \frac{xpq(m+n) + mp^2 + nq^2}{x^2pq + x(p^2 + q^2) + pq}$$
(1.5)

Equating both expressions we get

$$\frac{xpqN + mp^2 + nq^2}{x^2pq + x(p^2 + q^2) + pq} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} i \cdot a_i x^{i-1}}{\sum_{i=0}^{N} a_i x^i}$$
(1.6)

$$(xpqN + mp^2 + nq^2)(\sum_{i=0}^{N} a_i x^i) = (x^2 pq + x(p^2 + q^2) + pq)(\sum_{i=1}^{N} i \cdot a_i x^{i-1})$$
(1.7)

Multiplying and equating terms with same power of x we get:

$$a_i(mp^2 + nq^2) + a_{i-1}pqN = a_{i+1}pq(i+1) + a_i(p^2 + q^2)i + a_{i-1}pq(i-1)$$
(1.8)

$$a_{i-1}pq(N-i+1) = a_{i+1}pq(i+1) + a_i[(p^2+q^2)i - (mp^2+nq^2)]$$
(1.9)

$$a_{i-1}(N-i+1) = a_{i+1}(i+1) + a_i \frac{(p^2+q^2)i - (mp^2 + nq^2)}{pq}$$
(1.10)

Denote the expectation of successes as μ , and note the obvious relationships:

$$mp^2 + nq^2 = mp^2 + (N - m)q^2 = m(p^2 - q^2) + Nq^2 =$$
 (1.11)

$$m(p-q) + Nq - Nq + Nq^2 = \mu + Nq(q-1) = \mu - Npq$$
(1.12)

$$p^{2} - q^{2} = (p+q)^{2} - 2pq = 1 - 2pq$$
(1.13)

Replacing the expression above in 1.10, we have:

$$a_{i-1}(N-i+1) = a_{i+1}(i+1) + a_i \frac{(1-2pq)i - (\mu - Npq)}{pq}$$
(1.14)

$$a_{i-1}(N-i+1) = a_{i+1}(i+1) + a_i \left(N - 2i - \frac{\mu - i}{pq}\right)$$
(1.15)

$$\frac{a_{i-1}}{a_i}(N-i+1) = \frac{a_{i+1}}{a_i}(i+1) + N - 2i - \frac{\mu-i}{pq}$$
(1.16)

$$\frac{a_{i-1}}{a_i}(N-i+1) = \frac{a_{i+1}}{a_i}(i+1) + N-i+1-i-1 - \frac{\mu-i}{pq}$$
(1.17)

$$\frac{a_{i-1}}{a_i}(N-i+1) = N-i+1 - (\frac{a_{i+1}}{a_i}-1)(i+1) - \frac{\mu-i}{pq}$$
(1.18)

Rearranging the terms, we arrive to the recursive relationship between probabilistic ratios at i and i-1:

$$\frac{N-i+1}{N-i+1+(\frac{a_{i+1}}{a_i}-1)(i+1)-\frac{\mu-i}{pq}} = \frac{a_i}{a_{i-1}}$$
(1.19)

NOTATION:

Denote the distance between μ and i as l. Also denote the probabilistic ratio at i as f_i . Then:

$$\mu - i = l \tag{1.20}$$

$$i = \mu - l \tag{1.21}$$

$$f_{i+1} = f_{l-1} = \frac{a_{i+1}}{a_i} \tag{1.22}$$

$$f_i = f_l = \frac{a_i}{a_{i-1}} \tag{1.23}$$

$$f_{i-1} = f_{l+1} = \frac{a_{i-1}}{a_{i-2}} \tag{1.24}$$

$$\frac{N-i+1}{N-i+1+(f_{l-1}-1)(i+1)-\frac{l}{pq}} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{N-i+1}\left(\frac{l}{pq}-(f_{l-1}-1)(i+1)\right)} = f_l$$
 (1.25)

$$\frac{N-i+2}{N-i+2+(f_l-1)i-\frac{l+1}{pq}} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{N-i+2}\left(\frac{l+1}{pq}-(f_l-1)i\right)} = f_{l+1}$$
 (1.26)

For some value of m denote corresponding expectation as μ_m . Denote the number of successes

equal as i_m , and a corresponding probability ratio at i_m as $f_{m,l}$:

$$\mu_m = mp + (N - m)q \tag{1.27}$$

$$i_m = \mu_m - l \tag{1.28}$$

$$f_{m,l} = \frac{a_{i_m+1}}{a_{i_m}} \tag{1.29}$$

Expressing $i_m = \mu_m - l$, allows to re-write formula 1.26 as follows:

$$\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{N - \mu_m + l + 2} \left(\frac{l+1}{pq} - (f_{m,l} - 1)(\mu_m - l)\right)} = f_{m,l+1}$$
(1.30)

Properties of $f_{0,l}$

Consider probability ratio for the case m=0. Since all Bernoulli trials generate successes with probability q, the following relationships hold:

$$\mu_0 = Nq \tag{1.31}$$

$$f_{0,l} = \frac{a_i}{a_{i-1}} = \frac{\binom{N}{i} q^i p^{N-i}}{\binom{N}{i-1} q^{i-1} p^{N-i+1}} = \frac{N-i+1}{i} \frac{q}{p}$$
(1.32)

Subtracting 1 from both sides of the equality above gives:

$$f_{0,l} - 1 = \frac{N - i + 1}{i} \frac{q}{p} - 1 = \frac{qN - qi + q - pi}{pi} = \frac{\mu_0 - i + q}{pi} = \frac{l + q}{p(\mu_0 - l)}$$
(1.33)

$$f_{0,l} - 1 = \frac{l+q}{p(\mu_0 - l)} = \frac{l+q}{pi}$$
 (1.34)

Similarly:

$$f_{0,l-1} - 1 = \frac{l+p}{p(i+1)} \tag{1.35}$$

We need few more expression relating differences between ratios of adjacent l:

$$f_{0,l} - f_{0,l+1} = \frac{q}{p} \left(\frac{N - i + 1}{i} - \frac{N - i}{i + 1} \right) = \frac{q}{p} \cdot \frac{N + 1}{(i + 1)i}$$
 (1.36)

$$\frac{1}{f_{0,l+1}} - \frac{1}{f_{0,l}} = \frac{q}{p} \left(\frac{i+1}{N-i} - \frac{i}{N-i+1} - \right) = \frac{p}{q} \cdot \frac{N+1}{(N-i+1)(N-i)}$$
(1.37)

We use this expressions in the theorem below.

THEOREM 1

For $l > \sigma$ probability ratio $f_{m,l}$ maximizes at m = 0.

PROOF:

Suppose that there's a particular value of m such that $f_{m,l+1} > f_{0,l+1}$ for some l and consider $f_{m,l+1}$ and $f_{0,l+1}$ for m=m and m=0:

$$\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{N - \mu_m + l + 2} \left(\frac{l+1}{pq} - (f_{m,l} - 1)(\mu_m - l)\right)} = f_{m,l+1}$$
(1.38)

$$\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{N - \mu_0 + l + 2} \left(\frac{l+1}{pq} - (f_{0,l} - 1)(\mu_0 - l)\right)} = f_{0,l+1}$$
(1.39)

For $f_{m,l+1} > f_{0,l+1}$ to hold the difference of denominators in the expressions for $f_{0,l+1}$ and $f_{0,m+1}$ must be positive, hence:

$$\frac{1}{N-\mu_{m}+l+2} \left(\frac{l+1}{pq} - (f_{m,l}-1)(\mu_{m}-l) \right) - \frac{1}{N-\mu_{0}+l+2} \left(\frac{l+1}{pq} - (f_{0,l}-1)(\mu_{0}-l) \right) > 0$$

$$\frac{l+1}{pq} \left(\frac{1}{N-\mu_{m}+l+2} - \frac{1}{N-\mu_{0}+l+2} \right) + \frac{(f_{0,l}-1)(\mu_{0}-l)}{N-\mu_{0}+l+2} - \frac{(f_{m,l}-1)(\mu_{m}-l)}{N-\mu_{m}+l+2} > 0$$

$$\frac{l+1}{pq} \frac{\mu_{m}-\mu_{0}}{(N-\mu_{m}+l+2)(N-\mu_{0}+l+2)} + \frac{(f_{0,l}-1)(\mu_{0}-l)}{N-\mu_{0}+l+2} - \frac{(f_{m,l}-1)(\mu_{m}-l)}{N-\mu_{m}+l+2} > 0$$

$$(1.41)$$

Suppose $f_{m,l} \ge f_{0,l}$, then we can replace $f_{m,l} - 1$ with $f_{0,l} - 1$, and the inequality should still hold since we subtract a lesser value.

$$\frac{l+1}{pq} \frac{\mu_m - \mu_0}{(N-\mu_m+l)(N-\mu_0+l)} + \frac{(f_{0,l}-1)(\mu_m-l)}{N-\mu_m+l} - \frac{(f_{0,l}-1)(\mu_0-l)}{N-\mu_0+l} > 0$$

$$\frac{l+1}{N-\mu_0+l} \frac{\mu_m - \mu_0}{(N-\mu_m+l+2)(N-\mu_0+l+2)} + (f_{0,l}-1) \left[\frac{\mu_0-l}{N-\mu_0+l+2} - \frac{\mu_m-l}{N-\mu_0+l+2} \right] > 0$$
(1.43)

The expression inside the brackets simplifies to:

$$\frac{\mu_0 - l}{N - \mu_0 + l + 2} - \frac{\mu_m - l}{N - \mu_m + l + 2} = -\frac{(N+2)(\mu_m - \mu_0)}{(N - \mu_m + l)(N - \mu_0 + l)}$$
(1.45)

From here:

$$\frac{l+1}{pq} - (f_{0,l} - 1)(N+2) > 0 (1.46)$$

$$\frac{l+1}{pq} > (f_{0,l} - 1)(N+2) \tag{1.47}$$

From properties of $f_{0,l}$ we have:

$$\frac{l+1}{pq} > (f_{0,l} - 1)(N+2) \tag{1.48}$$

$$\frac{l+1}{pq} > \frac{l+q}{p(\mu_0 - l)}(N+2) > \frac{l+q}{p(\mu_0 - l)}N$$
(1.49)

$$(l+1)(\mu_0 - l) > Nq(l+q) \tag{1.50}$$

$$(l+1)(\mu_0 - l) > \mu_0(l+q) \tag{1.51}$$

After simplification we have:

$$-l^2 - l + Npq > 0 (1.52)$$

Since the standard deviation is $\sigma = \sqrt{Npq}$, this condition clearly does not hold for $l > \sigma$. Which proves an interesting point.

When l becomes sufficiently large, $f_{m,l+1}$ could only become greater than $f_{0,l+1}$ if at the previous iteration $f_{m,l}$ is less than $f_{0,l}$. Hence, there are only two outcomes: either $f_{m,l+1}$ is always less than $f_{0,l+1}$, or it oscillates. On one iteration $f_{m,l}$ is less than $f_{0,l}$ and on the next iteration it becomes greater than $f_{0,l+1}$. We prove by contradiction that the second outcome is impossible.

Assume that it's the case, then we must observe the following:

$$f_{m,l-1} > f_{0,l-1} \tag{1.53}$$

$$f_{m,l} < f_{0,l} (1.54)$$

$$f_{m,l+1} > f_{0,l+1} \tag{1.55}$$

Note that last two conditions imply that:

$$\frac{1}{f_{m,l}} - \frac{1}{f_{m,l+1}} > \frac{1}{f_{0,l}} - \frac{1}{f_{0,l+1}} > \frac{p}{q} \cdot \frac{N+1}{(N-i_0+1)(N-i_0)}$$
(1.56)

Expressing the difference of quotients using formulas 1.26 and 1.25, we have:

$$\frac{1}{N-i_{m}+2} \left(\frac{l+1}{pq} - (f_{m,l}-1)i_{m} \right) - \frac{1}{N-i_{m}+1} \left(\frac{l}{pq} - (f_{m,l-1}-1)(i_{m}+1) \right) = \frac{1}{f_{m,l}} - \frac{1}{f_{m,l+1}} (1.57)$$

$$\frac{1}{N-i_{m}+1} \left(\frac{l+1}{pq} - (f_{m,l}-1)i_{m} - \frac{l}{pq} + (f_{m,l-1}-1)(i_{m}+1) \right) > \frac{p}{q} \cdot \frac{N+1}{(N-i_{0}+1)(N-i_{0})} (1.58)$$

$$\frac{1}{N-i_{m}+1} \left(\frac{1}{pq} + (f_{m,l-1}-1) - (f_{m,l}-f_{m,l-1})i_{m} \right) > \frac{p}{q} \cdot \frac{N+1}{(N-i_{0}+1)(N-i_{0})} (1.59)$$

Note the the oscillating conditions mean the following holds:

$$f_{m,l-1} - 1 > f_{0,l-1} - 1 \tag{1.60}$$

$$f_{m,l} - f_{m,l-1} < f_{0,l} - f_{0,l-1} (1.61)$$

Hence, we can replace $f_{m,l-1}$ with $f_{0,l-1}$ and that will decrease the left part of the inequality, because we add a lesser value. And by the same argument we can replace $f_{m,l} - f_{m,l-1}$ with $f_{0,l} - f_{0,l-1}$, and that will further decrease the inequality since we subtract a greater value. From here:

$$\frac{1}{pq} + (f_{m,l-1} - 1) - (f_{m,l} - f_{m,l-1})i_m > \frac{1}{pq} + (f_{0,l-1} - 1) - (f_{0,l} - f_{0,l-1})i_m$$
(1.62)

Using formulas 1.35 and 1.36, we arrive:

$$\frac{1}{pq} + (f_{0,l-1} - 1) - (f_{0,l} - f_{0,l-1})i_m = \frac{1}{pq} + \frac{l+p}{p(i_0 + 1)} - \frac{q}{p} \cdot \frac{N+1}{(i_0 + 1)i_0} \cdot i_m =$$
(1.63)

$$\frac{1}{pq} + \frac{l - p - qN - q}{p(i+1)} = \frac{1}{pq} - \frac{\mu_0 - l - p + q}{p(i+1)}$$
 (1.64)

The last inequality contradicts LEMMA 2, which means that $f_{m,l} < f_{0,l}$.

On the other hand, $f_{m,l} > f_{N,l}$. Since

$$f_{m,l+1} > f_{0,l+1} > f_{N,l+1}$$

We have:

$$\frac{1}{N - \mu_m + l} \left(\frac{l}{pq} - (f_{m,l} - 1)(\mu_m - l) \right) - \frac{1}{N - \mu_N + l} \left(\frac{l}{pq} - (f_{N,l} - 1)(\mu_N - l) \right) > 0$$
 (1.65)

$$\frac{l}{pq}\frac{\mu_m - \mu_N}{(N - \mu_m + l)(N - \mu_N + l)} + \frac{(f_{N,l} - 1)(\mu_N - l)}{N - \mu_N + l} - \frac{(f_{m,l} - 1)(\mu_m - l)}{N - \mu_m + l} > 0$$
 (1.66)

$$\frac{(f_{N,l}-1)(\mu_N-l)}{N-\mu_N+l} - \frac{(f_{m,l}-1)(\mu_m-l)}{N-\mu_m+l} - \frac{l}{pq} \frac{\mu_N-\mu_m}{(N-\mu_m+l)(N-\mu_N+l)} > 0$$
 (1.67)

Suppose $f_{m,l} \leq f_{N,l}$, then we can replace $f_{m,l} - 1$ with $f_{N,l} - 1$, and the inequality should still hold since we subtract a lesser value. Then

$$\frac{l}{pq} \frac{\mu_m - \mu_N}{(N - \mu_m + l)(N - \mu_N + l)} - (f_{N,l} - 1) \frac{N(\mu_N - \mu_m)}{(N - \mu_m + l)(N - \mu_N + l)} > 0$$
 (1.68)

$$\frac{l}{pq} - (f_{N,l} - 1)N > 0 \tag{1.69}$$

$$(f_{N,l}-1) < \frac{l}{pqN}$$
 (1.70)

Which again contradicts LEMMA 2, and we must conclude that:

$$f_{0,l} > f_{m,l} > f_{N,l}$$

Suppose $f_l^x \ge f_l^0$, then we can replace $f_l^x - 1$ with $f_l^0 - 1$ and the inequality should still hold since we reduce the left part.

$$\frac{(f_0^x - 1)(\mu_x - l)}{N - \mu_x + l} - \frac{(f_l^0 - 1)(\mu_0 - l)}{N - \mu_0 + l} < \frac{l}{pq} \frac{\mu_x - \mu_0}{(N - \mu_x + l)(N - \mu_0 + l)}$$
(1.71)

$$(f_l^0 - 1) \left[\frac{\mu_x - l}{N - \mu_x + l} - \frac{\mu_0 - l}{N - \mu_0 + l} \right] < \frac{l}{pq} \frac{\mu_x - \mu_0}{(N - \mu_x + l)(N - \mu_0 + l)}$$
(1.72)

The expression inside the brackets simplifies to:

$$\frac{\mu_x - l}{N - \mu_x + l} - \frac{\mu_0 - l}{N - \mu_0 + l} = \frac{N(\mu_x - \mu_0)}{(N - \mu_x + l)(N - \mu_0 + l)}$$
(1.73)

From here:

$$(f_l^0 - 1) \frac{N(\mu_x - \mu_0)}{(N - \mu_x + l)(N - \mu_0 + l)} < \frac{l}{pq} \frac{\mu_x - \mu_0}{(N - \mu_x + l)(N - \mu_0 + l)}$$
(1.74)

$$(f_l^0 - 1)Npq < l (1.75)$$

$$(f_l^0 - 1) < \frac{l}{Npq} \tag{1.76}$$

Since this inequality holds for all l, we arrived at contradiction. Then f_x must be strictly less than f_0 . This may be sufficient result on its own.

$$\frac{1}{N - \mu_m + l} \left(\frac{l}{pq} - (f_{m,l} - 1)(\mu_m - l) \right) - \frac{1}{N - \mu_0 + l} \left(\frac{l}{pq} - (f_{0,l} - 1)(\mu_0 - l) \right) > 0 \tag{1.77}$$

$$\frac{1}{N - \mu_m + l} \frac{l}{pq} - \frac{1}{N - \mu_0 + l} \frac{l}{pq} + \frac{(f_{0,l} - 1)(\mu_0 - l)}{N - \mu_0 + l} - \frac{(f_{m,l} - 1)(\mu_m - l)}{N - \mu_m + l} > 0$$
 (1.78)

$$\frac{(f_{0,l}-1)(\mu_0-l)}{N-\mu_0+l} - \frac{(f_{m,l}-1)(\mu_m-l)}{N-\mu_m+l} > -\frac{l}{pq} \frac{\mu_m-\mu_0}{((N-\mu_m+l)(N-\mu_0+l)}$$
(1.79)

$$\frac{(f_{m,l}-1)(\mu_m-l)}{N-\mu_m+l} - \frac{(f_{0,l}-1)(\mu_0-l)}{N-\mu_0+l} < \frac{l}{pq} \frac{\mu_m-\mu_0}{((N-\mu_m+l)(N-\mu_0+l)}$$
(1.80)

Suppose $f_{m,l} \geq f_{0,l}$, then we can replace $f_{m,l} - 1$ with $f_{0,l} - 1$ and the inequality should still hold since we reduce the left part.

$$\frac{(f_0^x - 1)(\mu_m - l)}{N - \mu_m + l} - \frac{(f_{0,l} - 1)(\mu_0 - l)}{N - \mu_0 + l} < \frac{l}{pq} \frac{\mu_m - \mu_0}{(N - \mu_m + l)(N - \mu_0 + l)}$$
(1.81)

$$(f_{0,l}-1)\left[\frac{\mu_m-l}{N-\mu_m+l}-\frac{\mu_0-l}{N-\mu_0+l}\right] < \frac{l}{pq}\frac{\mu_m-\mu_0}{(N-\mu_m+l)(N-\mu_0+l)}$$
(1.82)

The expression inside the brackets simplifies to:

$$\frac{\mu_m - l}{N - \mu_m + l} - \frac{\mu_0 - l}{N - \mu_0 + l} = \frac{N(\mu_m - \mu_0)}{(N - \mu_m + l)(N - \mu_0 + l)}$$
(1.83)

From here:

$$(f_{0,l}-1)\frac{N(\mu_m-\mu_0)}{(N-\mu_m+l)(N-\mu_0+l)} < \frac{l}{pq}\frac{\mu_m-\mu_0}{(N-\mu_m+l)(N-\mu_0+l)}$$
(1.84)

$$(f_{0,l} - 1)Npq < l (1.85)$$

$$(f_{0,l} - 1) < \frac{l}{Npq} \tag{1.86}$$